

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON Monday, August 15, 2016, AT 6:00 p.m. IN THE Second Floor Conference Room.

THE PROPOSED AGENDA IS AS FOLLOWS:

Closed session as provided by Section 2.2-3712 of the Virginia Code

BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR

BY Paige Rice

SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM – August 15, 2016

Council met in special session on this date with the following members present: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Szakos, Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Signer.

On motion by Ms. Szakos, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, Council voted, (Ayes: Mr. Bellamy, Ms. Szakos, Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick; Noes: None), to meet in closed session for:

(1) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members pertaining to a settlement proposal in litigation between the City of Charlottesville and Charlottesville Parking Center, where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the City's litigating posture, as authorized by Virginia Code sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (7); and,

(2) Discussion of the acquisition of real property adjacent to McIntire Park for public park purposes, and in the Downtown area for public parking, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the City's bargaining position, as authorized by Virginia Code sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (3); and,

(3) Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, because discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the City Council's bargaining position or negotiating strategy, as authorized by Va. Code sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (3), specifically: (i) the acquisition of an easement across property owned by the County of Albemarle, for completion of the Schenk's Branch Interceptor Project, and (ii) the possible exchange, transfer, reservation and/or property lease/use agreement between the City and County of Albemarle, involving real estate known as the 7th and Market Street parking lot, the Jessup House, the Levy Opera House, and the County Office Building; and,

(4) Discussion and consideration of specific candidates for appointment to City boards and commissions, as authorized by Virginia Code sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (1).

On motion by Ms. Szakos, seconded by Mr. Signer, Council certified by the following vote (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Szakos, Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Signer; Noes: None), that to the best of each Council Member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and

identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed or considered in the closed session.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – August 15, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Council met in regular session on this date with the following members present: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Szakos, Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Signer.

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Signer read a proclamation honoring Mr. and Ms. Khan. Councilors offered sentiments to the Khan family. Mr. Khan thanked Council for honoring his family. They were presented with letters from the community.

Ms. Galvin read a proclamation in recognition of Women's Equality Day. Kobby Hoffman, Donna Price, Sharon Utz and Rachel Beatrice from Charlottesville NOW were present to accept the proclamation. They thanked Council for their support. Ms. Szakos said Charlottesville NOW is having a reception at 5:00 p.m. at the JMRL on August 23. She also announced the Rivanna Solid Waste Authority's Ivy Materials Utilization Center is now offering free paint collection to City and County residents on a daily basis. For complete details, go to RSWA's Paint Collection page at www.rivanna.org/paint-collection/. Also, the next Our Town meeting will take place August 25 at 6:00 p.m. for the Fry's Spring, Johnson Village and JPA neighborhoods at Johnson Elementary School.

Mr. Bellamy announced the second Black Male Town Hall meeting will take place Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00 p.m. at CitySpace. He also announced Sounds of Summer on August 20 from 6-8pm. Mr. Bellamy invited Misty Graves and CAYIP participants Ben Sties and Deveny Watson forward to speak about the CAYIP program and their experiences.

Mr. Fenwick encouraged residents to participate in the National Citizen's Survey, which was mailed to a random sample of Charlottesville households.

Ms. Galvin announced this Wednesday from 5-7pm at CATEC, there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Information and Engineering Technology Academy.

Mr. Fenwick announced the next Blue Ribbon Commission on Race, Memorial and Public Spaces meeting is August 24 at City Space from 6-8pm.

CITY MANAGER RESPONSE TO MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Mr. Jones said staff is performing a code audit, which will address some of Ms. Roberts' concerns. Also, police are following up on a noise ordinance violation on the downtown mall.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Ms. Joann Robertson asked Crescent Halls residents to stand. She said they are willing to open their homes to visits from Councilors.

Mr. Michael Del Rosso, Brookwood Dr., spoke on the Muslim Brotherhood Terrorist Designation Act is before Congress. He said the Islamic Society of Charlottesville associates with this group.

Mr. Jeff Fogel, Spruce St., said there is a serious matter of racial profiling by the Charlottesville Police Department. He asked under what circumstances police are stopping African Americans. He said the Jefferson Area Drug Enforcement Task Force makes snitches out of drug addicts and was found guilty of entrapment but is still allowed to operate.

Mr. Will Lyster, Louisa County resident, recommended that Council appoint UVA Professor Ervin Jordan to the Blue Ribbon Commission to fill the existing vacancy.

Ms. Nancy Carpenter, Rose Hill neighborhood, said Mr. Fields was a representative from the Human Rights Commission, and an alternate representative has been put forth for Council's approval. She said many single mothers, especially African Americans, have been seeking housing choice vouchers but do not have the money for a deposit. The single biggest predictor of adult homelessness is being homeless as a child, and she asked Council and CRHA to put a mechanism in place to help families with housing stability by providing a way to make housing down payments.

Ms. Stephanie Marshall, Albemarle County, asked Council why they have not honored other gold star families in the area. She said it is not appropriate to recognize people because they speak at the Democratic National Convention. She shared a list of fallen soldiers from the area.

Ms. Shymora Cooper, 200 Branch St., thanked Council for their support for the Habitat program.

Ms. Mary Carey, 100 Ridge St., said she posted about the residents of Crescent Halls on Facebook. She thanked the people of Charlottesville for coming together for the people at Crescent Halls over the weekend. She said City Council does not respond to people.

Ms. Deborah Booker, Crescent Halls resident, said it is hot where the residents live, and they are tired of being told to wait for repairs. She said her health conditions have worsened since living at Crescent Halls. Residents are paying their rent and abiding by housing rules, but they need a building they can live in comfortably. She thanked the people who have shown them love.

Ms. Natasha Banks, speaking on behalf of her grandmother who is a resident at Crescent Halls, said she has had many problems with her housing, including complaints when their large

family visits. The A/C compression unit is causing flooding, and her grandmother has to live with someone else even though she is paying rent.

Mr. Samuel Taylor, 500 S. 1st St., said he is a Crescent Halls resident, and he has been living there for 10 years and should not have to come and ask for air conditioning after paying so much over the past decade. He said the City should fund repairs for the building. He said they knew it was broken in the winter, and this should have been taken care of.

Ms. Peggy North, Crescent Halls resident, thanked Mary Carey and JoJo Robertson for their help and support. She said residents are suffering in their apartments because of heat, mold and mildew. She said she is going to rip her carpet up herself because it is wet and mildewed, and management will not do anything about it.

Mr. Signer thanked everyone who came to speak. He asked Mr. Jones to give an update on what he has heard from the Housing Authority. Mr. Jones said the City does not have direct authority over the Housing Authority, as they are a separate entity. However, the City has been working closely with the Housing Authority to address some of the issues Crescent Halls residents are having with air conditioning. If anyone is having issues in their apartments right now, please contact the Housing Authority. Mr. Bellamy said he is the Council representative to the Housing Authority board, and he gave an update on what he observed over the weekend. He said we are nowhere near where we need to be with Crescent Halls, but new housing leadership and staff are committed to working to try to improve the situation as well as public housing on the whole.

After a series of outbursts from the audience, Council took a five minute recess at 8:15 p.m. and reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

On motion by Mr. Fenwick, seconded by Ms. Galvin, Ms. Sue Lewis was appointed as the Human Rights Commission designee to the Blue Ribbon Commission. (Ayes: Mr. Bellamy, Ms. Szakos, Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick; Noes: None.)

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Minutes for July 18**
- b. **APPROPRIATION: VDOT FY17 Primary Extension Paving Funds - \$289,641 (2nd reading)**

VDOT FY17 Primary Extension Paving Funds

- c. **APPROPRIATION: Greenstone on 5th Corporation Sponsorship Agreement for Enhanced Police Coverage - \$82,184 (2nd reading)**

Greenstone on 5th Corporation Sponsorship Agreement for Enhanced Police Coverage

- d. **APPROPRIATION: Piedmont Workforce Network Incumbent Worker Training Grant - \$3,610 (2nd reading)**

Piedmont Workforce Network Incumbent Worker Training Grant

- e. **APPROPRIATION: Piedmont Workforce Network Incumbent Worker Training Grant - \$4,730 (2nd reading)**

Piedmont Workforce Network Incumbent Worker Training Grant

- f. **APPROPRIATION: Charlottesville/Albemarle Adult Drug Treatment Court Grant Award - \$205,000 (carried)**

Charlottesville/Albemarle Adult Drug Treatment Court Grant Award

- g. **APPROPRIATION: Victim Witness Assistance Program Grant -- \$250,902 (carried)**

Victim Witness Assistance Program Grant

- h. **APPROPRIATION: Appropriation of Proceeds from the Sale of 1312 Nunley Street by the Thomas Jefferson Community Land Trust - \$126,731.08 (carried)**

Proceeds from the Sale of 1312 Nunley Street

- i. **APPROPRIATION: Mobile Computer and Records System Equipment - \$173,272 (carried)**

Mobile Computer and Records System Equipment

- j. **APPROPRIATION: Safe Routes to School Grant Application - \$56,000 (carried)**

Safe Routes to School Grant Application

- k. **RESOLUTION: Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund Allocation for Albemarle Housing Improvement Program Emergency Repair Program - \$50,000**

Albemarle Housing Improvement Program Emergency Repair Program

- l. **RESOLUTION: Surplus City S.U.V. Donation to Charlottesville-Albemarle Rescue Squad**

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m. ORDINANCE: CDBG/HOME Code Revision (2nd reading)

CDBG/HOME Code Revision

n. ORDINANCE: Polling Place Change - Buford Election Precinct (2nd reading)

Polling Place Change - Buford Election Precinct

o. ORDINANCE: Water Street District Corridor Rezoning (2nd reading)

Water Street District Corridor Rezoning

p. ORDINANCE: Zoning Text Amendment: Telecommunications Facilities (carried)

Zoning Text Amendment: Telecommunications Facilities

On motion by Ms. Szakos, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, the consent agenda passed. (Ayes: Mr. Bellamy, Ms. Szakos, Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick; Noes: None.)

PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE: DOMINION UTILITY RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENTS TO SERVE THE YMCA (carried)

Dominion Utility Right-of-Way Agreements to Serve the YMCA

Mr. Craig Brown presented to Council and answered clarifying questions.

On motion, the public hearing was opened. Having no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Ms. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, the ordinance carried for a second reading.

RESOLUTION: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - \$480,000 FOR HOUSING FUND

Habitat for Humanity - \$480,000 for Housing Fund

Allocation of Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) for Habitat for Humanity Scattered Site Land Purchase Program -- \$480,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$480,000 be allocated from previously appropriated funds in the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund to the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville for the purpose of providing funds for a scattered site land purchase program.

Fund: 426 Project: CP-084 G/L Account: 599999

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville \$480,000

Ms. McHugh presented to Council. Mr. Dan Rosensweig, Executive Director for Habitat for Humanity was also present. Ms. McHugh and Mr. Rosensweig answered clarifying questions for Council.

In response to a question from Mr. Signer, Mr. Rosensweig spoke about where Charlottesville should go with their affordable housing goals and how it fits into the Habitat structure. Council thanked Habitat for their work in the community.

On motion by Ms. Szakos, seconded by Ms. Galvin, the resolution passed. (Ayes: Mr. Bellamy, Ms. Szakos, Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick; Noes: None.)

Mr. Jones thanked Ms. McHugh for her service to the City and for her work on affordable housing in the City.

REPORT: OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE

Office of Human Rights Update

Ms. Charlene Green presented to Council on the activities of 2015 and gave an overview of the work plan progress for 2016. She answered clarifying questions for Council. Council provided feedback to Ms. Green for the upcoming year. Ms. Szakos recommended using metrics available from National League of Cities and other organizations to improve the work of the department.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Galvin proposed an addition to the September 6 agenda regarding a request from UVA for a \$2,000 donation to sponsor a session devoted to "City Work and Equity" as part of a symposium in November to mark the life and contributions of urban planner and writer Jane Jacobs.

Mr. Signer said he is concerned about the precedent for using the Council Priority Fund to support the many valuable community events that take place. He suggested considering guidelines for the funds' use.

Ms. Szakos said the Council Priority Fund is in place to fund Council's priorities, and if there are too many rules it would not be nimble enough to serve its intended purpose.

Mr. Bellamy said we should spend money on taking action, not on continuing to talk about the issues.

Council concurred with adding this item to the September 6 agenda.

Ms. Szakos announced that school is starting on August 23 and advised residents to use extreme caution while traveling during the morning and afternoon hours.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Ms. Nancy Carpenter, Chair of the ad hoc housing committee for the Human Rights Commission, said she is excited and encouraged by conversations about housing in the City.

Meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.