NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON Tuesday, January 3, 2012, 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 Barfield

SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM – January 3, 2012

Council met in special session on this date with the following members present: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Smith, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos.

On motion by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Huja, Council voted (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Smith, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos; Noes: None) to meet in closed session for discussion and consideration of appointments to City boards and commissions, and discussion of the annual performance evaluation of the City Manager, as authorized by Virginia Code sec. 2.2-3711 (A) (1).

On motion by Ms. Szakos, seconded by Mr. Huja, Council certified by the following vote (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Smith, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos; 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 – January 3, 2012

Council met in regular session on this date with the following members present: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Smith, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, and Ms. Szakos.

Mr. Jones called the meeting to order and opened the floor for nominations for mayor. Ms. Szakos nominated Huja. Ms. Galvin seconded the nomination. Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos, Ms. Smith; Noes: None. Mr. Huja nominated Ms. Szakos for Vice Mayor; Ms. Smith seconded the nomination. Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos, Ms. Smith; Noes: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Huja thanked Mr. Norris for his service over the past four years. Mr. Huja welcomed two new Councilors, Ms. Galvin and Ms. Smith. He thanked his colleagues for supporting him for mayor and the citizens for electing him to Council.

Mr. Huja asked Ms. Barfield to read a proclamation for Celebrate 250 Charlottesville. Mr. Huja presented the signed proclamation to Mr. Jones and commended the City on their effort.

Ms. Szakos announced the MLK Unity Celebration at 5:00 pm on Sunday, January 15th at the MLK Performing Arts Center. She also recognized the loss of Ms. Alicia Lugo and Ms. Dorothy Palmer, major community contributors who passed away in the past two weeks. She asked for a moment of silence.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Ms. Lauren Chapin, 100 Alderman Rd., with IMPACT, expressed support for Region 10's Legislative Goals, particularly the Healthy Transition program. She asked about the status of the program and the budget proceedings.

Mr. Brandon Collins, 536 Meade Ave., asked for a resolution calling for peace and bringing our war dollars back home. He asked Council to address affordable housing, jobs, and poverty.

Mr. David Swanson, 707 Gillespie Ave., said we should not waste money on crimes, but affordable housing, education, and other community ventures.

Ms. Joanna Salidis, 129 Goodman St., said sharing resources requires an agreement as to what the fundamental interests are for each party. The completed water agreement leaves too many fundamental questions unanswered.

Mr. Peter McIntosh, 624 Davis Ave., said professional expertise should have been brought into the McIntire Park planning process earlier than it was. He commended the work of the Planning Commission regarding steep slopes and asked Council to examine the size trigger.

Ms. Naomi Roberts, 1140 St. Clair Ave., said she is against creating another City department. She asked Council to examine the intersection at Hydraulic Rd. and Michie Dr., where drivers do not pay attention to the Do Not Block Intersection sign.

Mr. Kirk Bowers, 106 George Rogers, distributed a resolution for peace. He asked Council to support peace for moral, spiritual, and monetary reasons.

Mr. Khalil Reid, 802 Cynthiana Ave., said it takes too long to cross the street at McDonalds and Wendy's and near Browns Cleaners. The lights should not be green when it says walk.

Ms. Nancy Carpenter, 727 Denali Way, requested Council adopt the peace resolution presented to Council.

Ms. Linda Seaman, 2010 Greenbrier Dr., member of the McIntire Botanical Garden board, thanked Mr. Huja for asking to include professional help on the design team at McIntire Park.

Ms. Rebecca Quinn, 104 4th St. N., said she was dismayed Council is willing to spend millions and cede the City's water supply based on a ten year old study. Please update the safe yield analysis and ask Rivanna to revise the safe yield using all information from the HDR study.

Mr. Stratton Salidis, 704 B Graves, spoke about links between military and sprawl growth. The City code says citizens get to decide before selling our water. The demand analysis is driven by sprawl developers.

COUNCIL RESPONSES TO MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Ms. Galvin said incorporating professional design and conducting a public process is not mutually exclusive. Professionalism can accentuate the positive. Regarding sprawl, there has been at least 30 years of growth management between the City and County to address this issue.

Ms. Smith appreciated input on the items on our agenda, especially Region 10 and water. She said she was also very concerned about the pedestrian signal at McDonalds. She supported drafting a resolution for peace.

Ms. Szakos also supported the resolution for peace and requested Council add it to the next meeting's agenda.

Mr. Norris thanked those who spoke in favor of peace and strongly supported a resolution that also addresses prevention of future wars. He also supported working to improve safety at the McDonalds crosswalk. Hydraulic and Michie Dr. is a dangerous intersection, and we have looked at a number of options. This has been a vexing issue. Mr. Jones said staff will continue to look for ideas to address the situation.

Mr. Huja said he would like to see walk signs and crosswalks corrected where needed. He supported including a professional landscape architect for the McIntire East planning process.

On motion by Mr. Norris, seconded by Ms. Smith, Council made the following appointments to boards and commissions (Ayes: Ms. Smith, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Huja):

250th Anniversary Committee Huja

Albemarle/Charlottesville Regional Jail Authority Szakos

Audit Committee Huja & Szakos

Charlottesville Community Scholarship Program Smith

Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Norris

Citizen's Advisory Panel Smith

Community Development Corporation Galvin

Darden Towe Park Board Smith & Szakos

Dialogue on Race Steering Committee Norris

Housing Advisory Committee Szakos

JABA Board of Directors Huja

Jefferson Area Community Criminal Justice Board Norris

LEAP Advisory Board Huja

Local Climate Action Planning Process Galvin

Metropolitan Planning Organization Huja & Szakos

Piedmont Area Workforce Council Galvin

Planning and Coordinating Council (quarterly) Huja & Szakos

Retirement Commission Smith

Rivanna River Basin Commission Smith & Norris

Rivanna Solid Waste Authority Galvin

Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority Galvin

School Capital Projects Galvin & Norris

Social Services Advisory Board Smith

Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission Galvin

Virginia First Cities Szakos (Norris, alternate)

Mr. Norris noted his preference for Ms. Smith's appointment to the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority, although he will vote for the entire slate of appointments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Szakos asked for clarification on item f. Staff confirmed that it was a 100% match.

On motion by Ms. Szakos, seconded by Ms. Smith, the following consent agenda items were approved: (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Ms. Smith, Mr. Huja, Mr. Norris, Ms. Szakos; Noes: None.)

a. Minutes of December 16 and December 19

b. APPROPRIATION: Reimbursement for CATEC Bus Loop Expenses -

\$69,798.37 (2nd reading)

c. APPROPRIATION: Reimbursement for Central Library Renovations -

\$41,645.41 (2nd reading)

d. APPROPRIATION: Reimbursement for Facilities Assessments - \$11,335.62

(2nd reading)

e. APPROPRIATION: Amend FY2012 Schools Budget - \$575,534 (2nd reading)
f. APPROPRIATION: Azalea Park Improvements Grant - \$100,000 (carried)
G. APPROPRIATION: Community Attention Youth Intern Program - \$10,000

(carried)

h. APPROPRIATION: Virginia Fire Department Programs Grant - \$99,796

(carried)

i. APPROPRIATION: Westhaven Clinic Funding - \$7,000 (carried)

j. APPROPRIATION: Reimbursement for Traffic Signal Improvements - \$19,454

(carried)

k. RESOLUTION: Special use permit for 98 Midmont Lane

l. ORDINANCE: Conservation Easement across City Owned Lands along

Meadow Creek (2nd reading)

m. ORDINANCE: Retirement Plan Amendments (2nd reading)

REPORT: REGION TEN LEGISLATIVE GOALS

Mr. Steven Stern and Ms. Mary Frances Porter with the Region 10 Community Service Board presented to Council, thanking them for their support in several important areas. Ms. Porter reported on their fiscal stability, especially psychiatric services, which operate at a \$1 million deficit. Mr. Robert Johnson, Exec. Dir. of Region 10, updated Council and said the focus this year is on employment, housing, and intervention. Ms. Barbara Crowder said Region 10 has helped her for many years. Mr. Eric Cabell said Region 10 gave him a home and a job. Mr. Robert Moyer thanked Region 10 for allowing him to do work for them.

Ms. Szakos said her family has benefited from the Region 10 program and thanked them on behalf of the community. Services they provide are often about prevention, which is economically a good investment for the public. She asked about client loads by locality and how much localities are paying their CSB's in Virginia. She said she suspected we may not be pulling our weight. She fully supports the jail program.

Ms. Smith asked if their clients were from Charlottesville. Mr. Johnson said Albemarle/Charlottesville is generally home, but reentry permits them to return wherever they can find housing.

Ms. Galvin asked how much coordination there was between their reentry programs and what is promoted by Dialogue on Race. Mr. Johnson said they work closely with DOR.

REPORT: CLARIFICATION OF ISSUES – WATER SUPPLY COST SHARING ALLOCATION AGREEMENT

Ms. Smith asked if Rivanna was involved with the cost negotiations. Mr. Brown said no. She asked Mr. Brown for history on the 1973 agreement with Albemarle Co. and Rivanna. She asked about when we began these negotiations. What did ACSA come to the table with? Mr. Brown said money. How do we get a 4.7 allocation? If we own water rights to the existing system, how (8:43) Wants to know if we look at allocation for existing water as we look at allocation for new water created by the new dam, what would that look like?

Mr. Norris – why not apply in full? Mr. Brown – pre-agreement costs that have already been paid.

Ms. Szakos – what would happen if there was new water? It wouldn't be subject to the cost share agreement, right? 855

Ms. Smith asked Council to ask Rivanna to calculate a current safe yield using the current bathometric information?

REPORT: JEFFERSON AREA CHIP UPDATE

Ms. Judy Smith presented two videos to Council that demonstrated the work that has been done in the community over the past few years.

Mr. Norris asked about coordination services with others to avoid duplication. Ms. Smith said they do a good job with partnering with other agencies in the City.

REPORT/RESOLUTION: ACCEPTANCE OF CENTER OF TOWN MARKER

Mr. Tolbert presented to Council. Mr. Norris said he is a big fan of Mr. Trumbull, but asked if that is actually the center of Charlottesville. Mr. Coiner said the stone is for directional purposes. On motion by , seconded by , the resolution passed unanimously. (Ayes: Ms. Smith, Ms. Galvin, Ms. Szakos, Mr. Norris, Mr. Huja; Noes: None.) (9:15 motion and second?)

Mr. Tolbert said the design will now go to the BAR for their review.

REPORT/RESOLUTION: ALLOCATION OF \$200,000 FOR FIFEVILLE CDBG PRIORITY NEIGHBORHOOD

Ms. Thackston presented to Council. The Fifeville CDBG Task Force recommended that the FY 11-12 allocation of Priority Neighborhood funds be spent on pedestrian safety and streetscape improvements on Cherry Ave.

On motion by Mr. Norris, seconded by Ms. Galvin, the resolution passed unanimously. (Ayes: Ms. Smith, Ms. Galvin, Ms. Szakos, Mr. Norris, Mr. Huja; Noes: None.)

REPORT/ORDINANCE: AMENDMENTS TO CRITICAL SLOPES REGULATIONS (carried)

Mr. Tolbert presented to Council. This is a happy moment for staff and Planning Commission. The project was started about two years ago, when the Commission recognized that the current ordinance was cumbersome both to the applicants and to the Commission. He explained how waivers would be granted.

Mr. Norris thanked the Planning Commission for putting together a solid compromise. He said this does not differentiate between manmade slopes and naturally occurring slopes, but he is willing to support it anyway.

Mr. Huja commended staff on their work.

Ms. Galvin thanked staff for incorporating her input. The map is valuable and could be used proactively to assist in determining where to place future urban parks. On motion by Ms. Galvin, seconded by Ms. Szakos, the ordinance carried for a second reading.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Mr. John Pfaltz, 1503 Rugby Rd., asked when Council decided residents should be charged for leaf collection.

Mr. Al Page, 806 Page St., said he is seeing a truly white citizen's Council, which is frightening to him as a Black citizen. He asked that a Black seat on Council be guaranteed for the future.

Ms. Pat Lloyd, Raymond Rd., said she hopes Charlottesville will choose peace and thanked Councilors who spoke in support of the peace resolution. She read a poem that spoke to the destruction of trees.

Mr. Ridge Schuyler, 112 Robinson Woods, said the water supply plan we ended up with is great for the people and the environment. We leased water rights to RWSA; we cannot now simply take it back.

Mr. Brevy Cannon, 710 Ridge St., told an allegory to illustrate the water supply issue.

COUNCIL RESPONSE

The meeting was adjourned.

Ms. Smith said she still wants to investigate when the water lease expires, as well as the 40 year limitation.

Ms. Szakos asked Mr. Jones about the leaf collection. Mr. Jones said we are not charging within our leaf collection season from November to the end of January. We are charging outside of that period of time, from February to October. Council asked for this clarification to be posted on the website.

Mr. Huja said he will support the peace resolution at the next meeting. Mr. Jones asked Council to send changes or additions to staff by the end of the week.

Clerk of Council		