

**PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

April 17, 2006

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order on April 17, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. with Mayor John P. Correrri, Jr. presiding and the following members present: Councilmen Fred Cullum, Wayne Dougherty, Vincent Way, Joe Kochenderfer and Bernard Mills. Council President Wasielewski was absent due to travel.

Mayor Correrri led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion by Councilmen Way and Kochenderfer, the Minutes of April 3, 2006 were approved. Councilman Dougherty abstained due to his absence at the meeting.

**EXPENDITURES**

No questions were presented.

**APPOINTMENTS**

No appointments were presented.

On motion by Councilmen Dougherty and Way and, on a vote of five affirmative votes, an amendment to the agenda for an application for a fence in the City right-of-way was added under New Business.

**PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

None presented.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Cynthia Boyle of Concord Place presented some objection to language in proposed Ordinance No. 874 stating that it is somewhat confusing and suggested that the option of a “stay” be added to the process.

Joyce Root of Concord Place presented objections to the seven-day notice to contiguous property owners not being enough time regarding Ordinance No. 874.

Ron Root of Concord Place signed up to speak but withdrew after hearing Mrs. Root’s presentations of the issues and agreeing with her.

## RESOLUTIONS

The following Charter Resolutions were held over until next Council meeting.

- a. **Charter Resolution No. 256 Concerning Clarification of Council Meetings, Councilman Cullum**
- b. **Charter Resolution No. 257 Concerning Clarification of Resolutions; Ordinances; Passage; Veto Power, Councilman Cullum**
- c. **Charter Resolution No. 258 Concerning Clarification of Vacancies in Office, Councilman Cullum**
- d. **Charter Resolution No. 259 Concerning Clarification of Absence of Mayor, Councilman Cullum**

## ORDINANCES

Councilman Dougherty read a letter written by Kathy Keen presenting opposition of some issues pertaining to the proposed Ordinance No. 874. Ms. Keen was not available to attend the Council meeting and present her information during Comments From Citizens on Agenda Items.

On motion by Councilmen Dougherty and Cullum and, on a roll call vote of five affirmative votes, the introduction for second reading of **Ordinance No. 874 Concerning Hearing Examiner** was approved.

On motion by Councilmen Dougherty and Way and, on a vote of five affirmative votes, the reading of amendments as attached to these Minutes to **Ordinance No. 874** was approved.

On motion by Councilmen Dougherty and Cullum and, on a vote of four affirmative votes and one no vote by Councilman Kochenderfer, an amendment allowing Opposition Rebuttal (#5) to Section 3A of the Appendix regarding **Ordinance No. 874** was approved.

On motion by Councilmen Cullum and Dougherty and, on a vote of four affirmative votes and one no vote by Councilman Kochenderfer, an amendment to Section 2 of the Appendix providing that notice be sent by certified mail to the contiguous property owners 14 days prior to the hearing (rather than 7) regarding **Ordinance No. 874** was approved.

On motion by Councilman Cullum and Dougherty and, on a roll call vote of five affirmative votes, **Ordinance No. 874 as Amended** was approved.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

On motion by Councilmen Cullum and Mills and, on a vote of five affirmative votes, **Amendment #1 to Stearns & Wheler Agreement for additional Engineering Services Related to the Upgrade of the City of Havre de Grace Water Treatment Plant** was approved.

On motion by Councilmen Cullum and Mills and, on a vote of five affirmative votes, **Amendment # 6 to Stearns & Wheler Agreement for Additional Engineering Services Related to the Construction Oversight Assistance for the Havre de Grace Northwestern Regional Sewage Pumping Station** was approved.

## NEW BUSINESS

On motion by Councilmen Mills and Dougherty and, on a roll call vote of five affirmative votes, each **SPECIAL EVENTS REQUEST** as listed below was approved.

- a) Bull & Oyster Roast hosted by Chesapeake Heritage Conservancy at Hutchins Park on April 28, 2006, Jim Newby
- b) Family Walk-A-Thon hosted by Havre de Grace Elementary School P.T.A. at the school on April 30, 2006 (rain date May 7, 2006), Jim Newby
- c) The Official 2006 Players' Tent hosted by The City of Havre de Grace at Pennington Avenue at Visitor Center on June 6, 2006, Jim Newby
- d) Unity Day hosted by Frederick Douglass Harrison at Tydings Park on July 8, 2006 (rain date July 15, 2006), Jim Newby
- e) First Friday hosted by Havre de Grace Main Street, Inc. at Pennington Avenue from St. John Street to Washington Street on the first Fridays of the months from May 5 through October 6, 2006, Jim Newby
- f) Family's In The Park Cook-Out hosted by Frederick Douglass Harrison at Tydings Park on September 2, 2006, Jim Newby
- g) The 2006 Annual Pink Ribbon Ride hosted by Bike 4 Breast Cancer at Tydings Park on September 24, 2006, Jim Newby

On motion by Councilmen Dougherty and Way and, on a roll vote of five affirmative votes, **denial of the application for a Fence in the City Right-of-Way at 408 South Washington Street** was approved.

## **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

Robert Buden, representing Havre de Grace Main Street, Inc., expressed appreciation for support from The City of Havre de Grace for the First Fridays events. The first event will be May 5, 2006.

Frederick D. Harrison thanked the City for approving the Unity Day event at Tydings Park.

Ron Root of Concord Place expressed his appreciation for the Council's support of changes to Ordinance No. 874.

## **BUSINESS FROM THE MAYOR**

Mayor Correrri attended the Havre de Grace Chamber luncheon at The Bayou Restaurant where Harford County Executive David Craig was speaker. The Easter Egg Hunt at Tydings Park was a huge success. Councilman Kochenderfer assisted with the event.

## **BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL**

Councilman Dougherty announced that the Board of Appeals will meet April 19, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers regarding three issues. There will be a public hearing regarding the Critical Areas Ordinance and the date will be forthcoming.

Councilman Cullum announced his 38<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and thanked Mrs. Cullum for her patience having to attend a Council meeting on the celebratory date. The Council Work Session regarding Tranquility Park was very informative and productive. More information will follow. The Spring Clean-up will be Saturdays, April 22 and 29, 2006 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Council President Wasielewski will do a public presentation about The Havre de Grace City Charter on April 27, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Councilman Way enjoyed the groundbreaking at Swan creek Village along with Mayor Correrri, Larry Parks and Chief Walter.

Councilman Kochenderfer attended the Council Work Session regarding Tranquility Park and agreed that it was a positive, informative gathering. The City Charter can be accessed on the website. River Sweep is scheduled for April 22, 2006 and will begin at Tydings Park.

Councilman Mills announced the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Tidewater Marina Outfitters will be 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 21, 2006 and continued special activities all weekend.

A motion by Councilmen Mills and Cullum to adjourn the Council meeting at 9:10 p.m. was approved.