

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Workshop
March 9, 2016**

The Mayor and City Council met at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 in the City Council Chambers. **Present:** Mayor McCarron, Mayor Pro Tem Foster, Councilmembers Zambetti, Frazier, Wantz and Vigliotti. **Also Present:** City Manager Heine, Attorney Gullo, Zoning Administrator Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman. Councilmember Wantz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

As this is a Council Workshop, no action or votes were taken. The following is a summary of the items discussed.

Reception delegation – Paul Chamberlain – Taneytown Business owners – Former councilmember Chamberlain, along with a few local business owners, encouraged council to partner with them to address parking needs.

- **Review of the minutes** of the February 3 and February 8, 2016 regular Mayor and council meetings and February 27, 2016 work session – no questions, or comments
- **Public comment pertaining to non-agenda items** – Jim Parker extended thanks for the donation to the Taneytown Volunteer Fire Department and Katherine Adelaide commented on the structure of the agenda.
- **Councilmember Ethics disclosure statements** - none

Introduction of :

Resolution 2016 – 20 – Water Allocation for March 2016 – no comments

Resolution 2016 – 21 - Support of Maryland Municipal League priority of restoring Highway User Revenue – Although no legislation could be added at this point, councilmember Zambetti indicated future resolutions should attempt to recover more revenue and councilmember Vigliotti suggested the addition of a comment indicating citizens have been adversely effected by the revenue loss.

Annexation Resolution 2016 – 001 A – Bollinger Park – Attorney Gullo and Zoning Administrator Wieprecht outlined the property contained in the annexation and Attorney Gullo responded to questions from councilmembers.

Charter Resolution CR 2016 – 01 Removal of Elected Officials from Office – Councilmembers provided requests for revisions and Attorney Gullo explained the process of passing Charter

Resolutions. Councilmember Frazier expressed several concerns, which led to a discussion about regulations for poll watchers.

Ordinance 21 – 2016 – Cannabis Dispensary Overlay Zone – Councilmember Frazier presented an ordinance he drafted and suggested it replace the current draft. Councilmember Vigliotti explained that the current ordinance does provide for the necessary safety of residents. Attorney Gullo explained the verbage that provides this protection.

Ordinance 22 – 2016 – code of conduct - Responding to concerns from councilmember Frazier, councilmember Zambetti and Wantz, as well as Attorney Gullo, expressed the need for accountability amongst both present and future councilmembers. Councilmember Frazier will submit his concerns to the other councilmembers at a later date.

Adoption of:

Ordinance 20 – 2016 – Campaign Finance – Councilmembers who still have concerns and requests, should present them to Attorney Gullo.

- **City Manager Report** – City Manager Heine reviewed the highlights of his report.
- **Department Reports** – no questions, or comments
- **Legal report** – Attorney Gullo reviewed the new election schedule that would be implemented should the Campaign Finance Ordinance be adopted and reminded councilmembers that Financial Disclosure statements should be completed and returned by March 25.
- **Street Sweeping** – West Baltimore Street – no comments
- **Monthly Financial Report** - no comments
- **Accounts Payables** – no comments
- **Cable Franchise Agreement** – Mayor McCarron announced he will be attending an informational meeting about the agreement.
- **Constant yield tax rate** – Mayor McCarron provided a brief description.
- **New position for Finance** – 25 hours per week – City Manager Heine responded to questions from councilmembers.

Public comment pertaining to agenda items

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 PM by Wantz, 2nd by Frazier

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk