



CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 715 Princess Anne Street
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401

HON. MARY KATHERINE GREENLAW, MAYOR
HON. WILLIAM C. WITHERS, JR., VICE -MAYOR, WARD TWO
HON. KERRY P. DEVINE, AT-LARGE
HON. MATTHEW J. KELLY, AT-LARGE
HON. BRADFORD C. ELLIS, WARD ONE
HON. DR. TIMOTHY P. DUFFY, WARD THREE
HON. CHARLIE L. FRYE, JR., WARD FOUR

March 27, 2018

The Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, held a public hearing on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, beginning at 7:31 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

City Council Present. Mayor Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Vice-Mayor William C. Withers, Jr. and Council members Kerry P. Devine, Dr. Timothy P. Duffy, Bradford C. Ellis, Charlie L. Frye, Jr. and Matthew J. Kelly.

Also Present. City Manager Timothy J. Baroody, Assistant City Manager Mark Whitley, Assistant City Manager Doug Fawcett, City Attorney Kathleen Dooley, Economic Development Director Bill Freehling, Director of Planning and Building Services Charles Johnston, Budget Manager Deidre Jett and Clerk of Council Tonya B. Lacey.

Notice of Public Hearings (D18-95). The Clerk read the notice of the public hearings as they appeared in the local newspaper, the purpose being to solicit citizen input.

Resolution 18-30, Supporting a Funding Application for Downtown Improvements through the Transportation Alternative Program (D18-95). no speakers. After staff presentation Councilor Kelly made a motion to approve Resolution 18-30, supporting a funding application for downtown improvements through the Transportation Alternative Program; motion was seconded by

Councilor Ellis and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

Adjournment. There being no more speakers to come before the Council at this time, Mayor Greenlaw declared the hearing officially adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Tonya B. Lacey
Tonya B. Lacey, Clerk of Council, CMC

Mary Katherine Greenlaw
Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Mayor

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March 27, 2018

The Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, held a regular session on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

City Council Present. Mayor Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Vice-Mayor William C. Withers, Jr. and Council members Kerry P. Devine, Dr. Timothy P. Duffy, Bradford C. Ellis, Charlie L. Frye, Jr. and Matthew J. Kelly.

Also Present. City Manager Timothy J. Baroody, Assistant City Manager Mark Whitley, Assistant City Manager Doug Fawcett, City Attorney Kathleen Dooley, Transportation Administrator Erik Nelson, Director of Planning and Building Services Charles Johnston, Historic Resources Planner Kate Schwartz, Public Works Director David King, Budget Manager Deidre Jett and Clerk of Council Tonya B. Lacey.

Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Council was led in prayer by Councilor Bradford C. Ellis followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Mary Katherine Greenlaw.

Officer Recognized. Mayor Greenlaw recognized the presence of Officer Chris Reyes at this evening's meeting.

Public Hearings (D18-95). The regular session was recessed in order to conduct the scheduled public hearings and immediately reconvened upon their conclusion.

Citizen Comment. The following speaker participated in the citizen comment portion of this evening's meeting.

Matthew Meditz – 9403 Cumberland Drive, 22408, spoke on issues and concerns he was having with Germanna Community College.

Council Agenda Presented. The following items were presented to Council for discussion.

7A. Advertised Tax Rate – Councilor Kelly

7B. VRE/Gas Tax Floor – Councilor Kelly

7C. Youth Activity – Councilor Frye

Advertised Tax Rate – Councilor Kelly explained that City Council had their first budget work session for Fiscal Year 2019 and during their discussion they decided to advertise a one cent tax rate increase to give the Council flexibility during the budget cycle.

Councilor Kelly made a motion to advertise a real estate tax increase of one cent; Councilor Devine seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

VRE/Gas Tax Floor – Councilor Kelly explained that the State was proposing to take all new gas tax money and putting it toward Virginia Railway Express (VRE). His concern was that the City already contributed toward the VRE. Councilor Kelly asked for the Council's support if he asked that the City be credited the money they contribute already towards VRE. He said he did not have a problem with some of the money going to VRE but the City should get some of the money to put towards City projects. Council was supportive.

Youth Activity – Councilor Frye announced that there would be a pitch, hit, and run activity at Sunshine Ballpark on April 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The children ages 7-14 will have the opportunity to participate at skill stations and they would be notified by age-group winners and those that qualify will play in an All-Star game at a Major League Baseball park.

City Manager’s Consent Agenda Accepted for Transmittal as Recommended (D18-96 thru D18-113). Councilor Kelly moved approval of the City Manager’s consent agenda items; motion was seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

- Transmittal of Smart Scale Transportation Applications List (D18-96).
- Resolution 18-31, Supporting the Grant Application Request for the Fiscal Year 2018 Virginia Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund for Motts Run Dam Break Inundation Zone Analysis, Mapping and Digitization (D18-97).
- Resolution 18-32, Approving a Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Amendment Appropriating Donations in the City Grants Fund for Public Safety Purposes (D18-98).
- Transmitting the Proposed UDO Amendment – Payment of Delinquent Taxes (D18-99).
- Transmittal of Board and Commission Minutes
 - Architectural Review Board – November 13, 2018 (D18-100).
 - Architectural Review Board – February 12, 2018 (D18-101).

- Architectural Review Board Supplementary – February 26, 2018 (D18-102).
- Economic Development Authority – February 12, 2018 (D18-103).
- Fredericksburg School Board – November 6, 2017 (D18-104).
- Fredericksburg School Board – December 4, 2017 (D18-105).
- Fredericksburg School Board – January 8, 2018 (D18-106).
- Fredericksburg School Board – February 5, 2018 (D18-107).
- Green Committee – February 13, 2018 (D18-108).
- Recreation Commission – October 19, 2017 (D18-109).
- Recreation Commission – December 14, 2017 (D18-110)
- DUPLICATE DOCUMENT of above item was pulled (D18-111)
- Recreation Commission – January 18, 2018 (D18-112).
- Recreation Commission – February 15, 2018 (D18-113).

Adoption of Minutes (D18-114 thru D18-116). Councilor Devine moved approval of the October 9, 2017, October 10, 2017, January 23, 2018 Work Session minutes and March 13, 2018 Public Hearing and Regular Session minutes; motion was seconded by Councilor Ellis and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

Resolution 18-33, Approved, Establishing the Historic Preservation Working Group (D18-117). Staff gave a brief summary and Councilor Devine made a motion to approve Resolution 18-33, establishing the Historic Preservation Working Group; motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Withers and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

Resolution 18-34, First Read Approved, Approving a Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Amendment Appropriating the Use of Fund Balance for Repairs to Lansdowne Road (D18-118). Staff gave a brief summary and Councilor Devine made a motion to approve Resolution 18-34, approving a Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Amendment appropriating the use of fund balance for repairs to Lansdowne Road; motion was seconded by Councilor Kelly. Council had a brief conversation about what the road would look like once repairs were complete and there was discussion about Spotsylvania doing a study for Route 2/17. Councilor Frye asked staff to also look at the standing water issue at the tracks

The motion passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

Suspending the Rules. In order to place Resolution 18-34 on the agenda for second read Vice-Mayor Withers made a motion to suspend the rules; motion was seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

Resolution 18-34, Second Read Approved, Approving a Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Amendment Appropriating the Use of Fund Balance for Repairs to Lansdowne Road (D18-118). Vice-Mayor Withers made a motion to approve Resolution 18-34, approving a Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Amendment appropriating the use of fund balance for repairs to Lansdowne Road; motion was seconded by Councilor Kelly and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye and Kelly. Nays (0).

City Manager's Report and Council Calendar (D18-119 thru D18-120). City Manager Baroody reviewed the Manager's report and Council Calendar. Activities highlighted on the report were as follows: Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Work Sessions, City and University Meet to Discuss Working Together on Master Planning, and Pathways Plan Community Forum.

Closed Meeting Approved (D18-121). Upon a motion Councilor Ellis, moved approval of a closed session under Virginia Freedom of Information Act section 2.2-3711(A)(19) for the discussion of reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure; specifically, for active shooter training for City Council and staff, for potential incidents in City Hall; motion was seconded by Councilor Kelly and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7) Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye, and Kelly. Nays (0).

Return to Open Meeting Approved. Upon the motion of Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes, Council approved a return to an open meeting. Ayes (7) Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye, and Kelly. Nays (0).

Resolution 18-35, Approved, Certifying Closed Meeting. Upon the motion Councilor Ellis approved Resolution 18-35 certifying the closed meeting; seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7) Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye, and Kelly. Nays (0).

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mayor Greenlaw declared the meeting officially adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Tonya B. Lacey
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Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Mayor

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