

SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA

DECEMBER 16, 2019 COUNCIL CHAMBERS GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING

4:30 p.m. SPECIAL MEETING – Separate Agenda

4:40 p.m. WORK SESSION

- 4:40 p.m. Employee Handbook Amendments- City Administrator Julia Glanz, Human Resources Director Jeanne Loyd
- 4:55 p.m. Declaration of Surplus of 407 Anne Street- Procurement Director Jennifer Miller
- 5:15 p.m. Council Rules of Order- Council discussion
- 5:25 p.m. Council Representatives on City Boards and Commissions- Council discussion
- 5:35 p.m. 2020 Council meeting dates- Council discussion
- 5:45 p.m. Adjournment

Times shown are approximate. Council reserves the right to adjust the agenda as circumstances warrant. The Council reserves the right to convene in Closed Session as permitted under the Annotated Code of Maryland 3-305(b).

Posted 12/11/19



DATE: December 11, 2019

TO: Julia Glanz, City Administrator

FROM: Jeanne Loyd, Director of Human Resources

SUBJ: Employee Handbook

Please find attached a copy of a Resolution to effect changes identified in the City Employee Handbook which include Chapter 3.

Changes include exclusions from the standard pay system for both Police and Fire sworn staff. These changes are based on the two separate pay scales and their development two years ago. This excludes automatic 8 and 12 percent increases for promotions and provides that they follow the rules established for their specific pay scales which is based on service and merit.

This section also clarifies pay in order for an employee to take a lower grade position by the employee's request from where they are currently. This further explains the various ways that an employee will be paid when moved to a lower grade level if for disciplinary reasons or by reorganization.

The City is requesting the removal of the 30 day waiting period to pay individuals that are placed in an acting role to assume a higher level of responsibility for a temporary period of time and to remove the need for advice and consent from the City Council regarding the time period allowed for this acting period.

The City would like to increase the comp time maximum from 120 hours to 160 hours to avoid the common issues faced annually regarding the approval of carrying over additional time. This is also done to be more aligned with what our State and Federal competitors are currently doing regarding the issue of compensatory time. We are also looking to allow employees when moving to a different department to take their comp time with them rather than be paid out at the time of the move.

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2 3 4	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO AMEND THE DISCLAIMER AND CHAPTER 3 OF THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK TO UPDATE THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.						
5 6 7		WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury has an Employee Handbook; and					
8 9 10	the Em	WHEREAS, the Mayor's Office and the Human Resources Department have reviewed aployee Handbook; and					
11 12	updatii	WHEREAS, the Mayor's Office and the Human Resources Department recommend ng the Employee Handbook; and					
13 14 15	segme	WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury desires to amend the Employee Handbook in nts; and					
16 17 18	future	WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury will amend the rest of the Employee Handbooks in resolutions; and					
19 20 21	WHEREAS, the recommended changes have been approved by the Mayor and reviewed by the City Council.						
22 23 24 25	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Salisbury, Maryland that the Disclaimer of the Employee Handbook is amended as follows:						
26 27		Chapter 3					
28		WAGES AND HOURS					
29 30 31	0301	Wages and Increases					
32 33 34 35 36	The City's pay system and working schedules must fitcomply with the fiscal and service requirements of the City. These guidelines are largely determined by the City Budget. City tax-payers expect and require that in all matters, including our pay system, we stay within our budget. As a City employee, you share in the commitment and responsibility to our tax-paying citizens.						
37 38 39 40	All wage determinations are subject to the City's budgetary process and are conditioned upon prior budgetary approval. Any wage increases described in this Chapter 3 are only available if approved as part of the City's budget.						
41 42	0302	How Our Pay System Works					
43 44	A.	Pay and Classification– Each City job is assigned a pay grade according to such factors as: job complexity; education/experience required; scope and impact; supervision received;					

supervisory duties; working relationships; working environment; and physical demands. Within
each paygrade there is a minimum and a maximum compensation level and, a total of thirty pay
steps which include the minimum and maximum. The minimum pay step represents the lowest
amount that the City feels should be paid to any employee performing a job within that pay
grade. The maximum pay step represents the highest amount that the City feels should be paid
to any employee performing a job within that pay grade. All employees will be assigned to one
of the listed pay steps in the pay grade.

52 In most cases, a new employee begins employment at the minimum pay step of the pay grade B. 53 for the job for which they were hired. Progression from the minimum pay step, through the pay 54 range, is based on the annual step increase approved through the budget approval process and 55 the employee's performance evaluation. An employee must have six months of service with the 56 City before June 30 to be eligible for the annual step increase.* An Eemployee's annual increase 57 may be withheld due to the need to be reevaluated for receiving an overall less than Ssatisfactory Aannual or New Employee Probation Period Performance Rrating. Upon receiving a 58 59 reevaluation where all areas are now rated at Ssatisfactory, the employee will receive the 60 increase effective on the first full pay period following the completion of the rating period or the corresponding number of weeks after in Octoberthe annual increase is provided. The annual 61 62 increase will not be retroactive. If all areas of the evaluation are not brought up to a satisfactory rating after the 90-day performance probation period, the employee forfeits the annual increase 63 64 for that fiscal year and may be recommended for further performance probation or dismissal.

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Example 1: Employee A received an overall rating of less than satisfactory in February. This employee was then placed on performance probation for 90 days to bring those areas of the evaluation up to <u>Ss</u>atisfactory. At the end of the 90-day probation period, all areas have been brought up to a <u>Ss</u>atisfactory <u>Rr</u>ating. This employee would not receive their annual raise until the first full pay period of October because of the 90-day Performance Probation Period, even though the probation period occurred earlier in the calendar year.

Example 2: Employee B received an overall rating of less than satisfactory in December and was placed on Performance Probation for 90 days. Following the 90day probation period, all but two areas of the evaluation had been brought up to a satisfactory rating. This employee forfeits the annual increase and based on the inability to improve all areas of the performance may be recommended for further Performance Probation or dismissal.

B.C. Annual Increases will take place in the first full pay period of July. This increase will be a minimum one step increase and will be applicable to all Regular Full Time Eemployees. All employees will be notified of the increase prior to the effective date. Part Time employees' pay rates will be reviewed and calculated as an hourly rate. Generally, Part Time employees are not

- 89 eligible for the annual increase.
- 91 C.D. Salary Scales will be evaluated for Cost of Living Adjustments based on Market Adjustments
 92 every few years to determine if the scale itself requires adjustment. Employees' salaries will not
 93 be will not be moved to meet the scale adjustment unless they are below the market minimum.
- 95 D.E. Positions which require reclassification due to a change in the scope of work, the complexity,
 96 increased skill level, education, or market concerns require the Department Director to request
 97 the reclassification through the Human Resources Department. Once the evaluation is
 98 performed, Department Directors will receive a recommendation for the reclassification which
 99 should then be included in their Essential Items during the next fiscal budget process. All
 100 reclassification requests should be completed prior to December 31 annually in order to be
 101 included in the upcoming budget for Essential Items.
- 103 E.F. Market Adjustments to a position may be made with the written approval of the Mayor on a case 104 by case basis provided the evidence for requesting the adjustment is supported by verifiable 105 documentation. This documentation must be reviewed by the Human Resources Director prior 106 to presentation to the Mayor. This should include surveyed rates from private and public sector 107 employers in our labor market for a similar position. A recommendation will be made to the Mayor 108 based on an analysis of the current position and the salary survey information by the Human 109 Resources Department.
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- 111 0303 Pay for Newly Hired Employees
- 113 New employees should be appointed <u>hired at within</u> the minimum <u>window (first five steps)</u> of the 114 salary grade to which their classification is assigned. Upon the approval of the Mayor, a new employee 115 may be appointed hired at a pay step above the minimum <u>window</u> based on the following factors:
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- 1. Inability to hire qualified applicants at the minimum appointed pay step; or
- 2. A shortage of qualified applicants for the particular position; or
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- 3. Experience that exceeds the minimum qualifications for the position.
- Such justification must be put in writing enumerating the reasons based on the above mentioned factors and approved by the Mayor before the offer of employment is made. This documentation must be provided by the Department Director and reviewed by the Human Resources Department prior to presentation to the Mayor.
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- 125 0304 Pay Upon Promotion
- 127A.The City encourages current City employees to apply for vacant City positions for which they are128qualified. Promotions and transfers are based on the dDepartment Director's head's129recommendations, work force requirements, performance evaluations, job descriptions and130related Cityrequirements.
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- 132 B. There are two categories of promotions:

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 Progression because of defined time in grade and/or education, or meeting Career

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2. Advancement to a higher grade to assume new job duties and responsibilities.

- С. 138 The salary of a promoted employee shall be set at the lowest step in the pay grade established 139 for the classification to which he is promoted, which represents at least a four percent (4%) 140 increase if the promotion is because of defined time in grade and/or education, and/or 141 certification. If the promotion is because of advancement to assume new job duties, the salary will be set at the lowest step in the pay grade that represents at least an 8% increase for a one 142 143 grade increase or 12% for a two or more grade increase. (This section is not applicable to certified 144 Police Officers and Fire Fighters/EMT/Paramedics, who must follow their departmental 145 promotional policy and advance through their own salary scale, which does not provide for an 146 automatic percentage, but rather the same step in the new grade.)
- 148 0305 Pay Upon Demotion
- A. If an employee applies for or requests to be placed in a job classification that moves the employee to a lower grade level, the employee will be placed in the step of the pay grade which represents the step that the employee would have achieved in the position had he been employed in that position continuously. Non-disciplinary - An employee being demoted reassigned for non-disciplinary reasons shall be placed in the pay grade established for the classification to which he is demoted assigned and shall receive the pay step he would have achieved in the lower position if he had been employed in that position continuously.
- B. <u>Disciplinary Demotion</u> An employee being demoted for disciplinary reasons shall be placed in the pay <u>grade</u> established for the classification to which he is demoted and shall be assigned to the highest pay step in that pay grade which represents at least an 8% decrease in pay for a one grade decrease or 12% for a two or more grade decrease.
- 163 0306 Pay Upon Lateral Transfer

The pay rate of an employee, who transfers from a position or classification within one pay grade to another position or classification within the same pay grade, shall not be affected by the transfer. Exceptions to this policy may be granted by the Mayor upon the recommendation of the <u>dD</u>epartment <u>headDirector</u>.

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- 170 0307 Pay Upon Reclassification
- A. If the position held by an employee is reclassified to a classification assigned to a higher paygrade,
 the employee's pay shall be changed in the same way as if the employee had been promoted.
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- 175B.If the position held by an employee is reclassified to a different classification, but without a change176in pay grade, the employee's pay rate will remain the same.

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C. If the position held by an employee is reclassified to a classification assigned to a lower pay grade, the employee's pay shall be changed in the same way as if the employee had been demoted for non-disciplinary reasons. <u>placed on the step in the lower scale which does not go</u> **below their current rate.**

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184 0308 Pay for Serving in an Acting Capacity

- A. An employee, who is assigned the duties and responsibilities of another position, which is assigned to a higher pay grade, on an acting basis, and who acts in this capacity for more than thirty (30) consecutive days, shall receive a temporary increase in pay. This increase in pay shall be effective upon the first day of the next full pay period after they assume the position.
 thirty first (31) calendar day in which the employee serves in such acting capacity, and shall continue until the employee is relieved of this additional assignment.
- B. The increase in pay for such additional assignment shall be the higher of either the minimum pay rate of the new range, or the lowest pay step, which will provide at least an 8% increase, if the assignment represented an increase of one pay grade, or an increase of at least 12% if the assignment represented an increase of two or more pay grades. <u>* This is not applicable to</u>
 197 <u>Certified Police Officers and Fire Fighter/EMT/Paramedic. They must follow their own salary</u>
 198 <u>scale as developed to move to the appropriate grade and at the appropriate step.</u>
- 200 C. Upon the approval of the Mayor, an employee, who is assigned to work in an acting capacity, 201 may receive a temporary increase in pay earlier than thirty days. Any department head desiring 202 to increase the pay of an employee serving in an acting capacity earlier than the thirty-first day 203 shall submit a written explanation to the Mayor enumerating the reasons for the 204 recommendation. The term of the employee being assigned in an acting capacity shall not be for 205 more than a period of six months without the advice and consent of the City Council written 206 approval of the Mayor. (This contradicts the Charter for the appointment of Department 207 Directors)
- 208 0309 <u>Compensatory Time Nonexempt Employees</u>
- A. <u>Policy Statement</u> The City of Salisbury provides compensation in the form of time off or cash
 payment for employees required to work in excess of their normalworkweek.

213 B. <u>Overview</u>

- 2141.Overtime must be authorized by the employee's supervisor before the overtime is215worked. Employees may be paid for overtime hours, or if approved by their supervisor,216may receive compensatory time in accordance with this policy.
- 2172.Overtime hours are calculated based on hours worked during a nonexempt218employee's designated workweek. Hours worked up to forty (40) hours in a single219workweek accrue overtime pay or compensatory time on an hour for hour basis.220Hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week accrue overtime pay or compensatory time for each hour of overtime.221time at a rate of 1 ½ hours of pay or compensatory time for each hour of overtime.

222			Hours worked means actual work done by the employee. For example, hours taken for
223			sick leave, vacation, holidays, personal leave or other paid or unpaid absences do not
224			count toward the 40 hours per week. Police, Fire and EMS employees will be eligible
225		2	for the time and a half rate according to department workweek regulations.
226		3.	Meal time is excluded from the overtime calculation, provided that the employee is
227			not required to perform any duties during the meal period.
228		4.	Take home work is not permitted <u>unless there is a signed telework agreement on file</u>
229		_	for the position.
230		5.	When an employee travels outside <u>of</u> the area <u>for work</u> , transit time (excluding meal
231			times) on an employee's time will be eligible for compensatory time. Also travel time in
232			the area is included in computing hours of work if the employee travels during regular
233			work hours, travels from one worksite to another, or is called out after work hours in
234			emergency situations.
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235	<i>-</i> .	1.	Employees are encouraged to take their compensatory time within 30 days.
237		2.	Compensatory time should be used before vacation annual leave time unless annual
238		_	leave time is at risk of being lost when near the end of the fiscal year.
239		3.	When an employee has accumulated 80 hours of compensatory time, the employee
240		_,	must schedule a meeting with the employee's supervisor to discuss how the
241			compensatory time balance can be drawn down.
242		4.	When an employee has accumulated 120 160 hours, the employee cannot earn any
243			additional compensatory time and must be paid for all overtime exceeding 120 160
244			hours.
245		5.	The City reserves the right at any time to pay an employee for overtime in lieu
246			of accruing or accrued compensatory time.
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248	D.	Payme	ent
249		1.	Compensatory time must be paid out upon cessation of employment or retirement.
250		2.	Compensatory time generally is payable at the employee's rate in effect at the time
251			the employee is being paid for compensatory time. An employee who is paid for
252			compensatory time upon cessation of employment or retirement, shall be paid the
253			greater of (i) the average regular rate received by such employee during the last three
254			years of employment, or (ii)the final regular rate received by such employee.
255		3.	Compensatory time must be paid out when an employee moves from a nonexempt job to
256			an exempt job at the rate last paid to the employee for the non-exempt position.
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258	E.	<u>Not Tr</u>	ansferable Non-Convertible
259		Compe	ensatory time may not be converted to any other type of leave or transferred to any other
260		positic	on within The City of Salisbury.
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262	F.	<u>Transi</u>	t ion Provision
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264		Upor	adoption an employee will have 180 calendar days to bring their Compensatory Time
265			unts into compliance with these new rules if they exceed the new limits.
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267 268 0310 **Compensatory Time Exempt Employees** 269 270 A. Policy Statement 271 The City of Salisbury wishes to recognize that in some situations, City of Salisbury employees who 272 are exempt from the overtime provisions of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act and 273 equivalent Maryland law (collectively referred to herein as "FLSA exempt") may be required to 274 work significantly longer work hours or work weeks than are normally are required. This policy is 275 designed to treat such situations equitably and to recognize the work, commitment and 276 dedication of employees who put in those extended hours. This policy applies to all City of 277 Salisbury employees designated as FLSA exempt and is the only compensatory time policy 278 applicable to these employees.

280 B. <u>Purpose of Compensatory Time</u>

Full-time FLSA exempt employees generally are expected to work at least thirty-five (35) or forty (40) hours each week, depending on their schedule, and as many hours as necessary to complete their jobs. This policy does not change these expectations. It does, however, recognize the existence of unusual circumstances in which the workload of particular City of Salisbury exempt employees may be especially burdensome. Examples of these circumstances might include but are not limited to:

- 1. Temporary high priority project assignments with mandatory deadlines,
- 2. Overload work performed while vacancies in a department are beingfilled,
 - 3. High volume of service calls, or
- 4. Work required in meeting work deadlines related to the administrative cycle.
- 2925-Employees become eligible for compensatory time in these situations only when they are293unable to fulfill the tasks within normal business hours.

295 C. <u>How Earned</u>

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296 Compensatory time is granted on an hour-for-hour basis. There is no provision for earning time and 297 a half for hours exceeding the work-week. Time will be earned and usable in 15 minute increments. 298 Compensatory time is earned only with prior approval from the Department Head Director or his 299 designee. Both the employee and the supervisor shall discuss in advance the need for unusually 300 long work hours in a workweek for which compensatory time might be appropriate. When 301 compensatory time is to be accrued based on discussions described above, all documented hours 302 worked beyond thirty- five (35) or forty (40) in a workweek, depending on their schedule, shall 303 be granted as compensatory time. Work taken home will not be eligible for Compensatory 304 time. For travel outside the area, transit time (excluding meal times) on an employee's time 305 will be eligible for Compensatory time as will travel time inside the area when during regular 306 work hours; travel from one worksite to another, and if called out after work hours in 307 emergencysituations.

309 D. <u>How Used</u>

3101.Employees must obtain prior approval from their supervisor in order to use311Compensatory time. Compensatory time should be taken before vacation annual

312		leave time is taken, unless annual leave time is at rick of heing lest when near the
313		leave time is taken, unless annual leave time is at risk of being lost when near the end of the fiscal year.
314		-2. Employees are encouraged to take Compensatory time within the following 30 days.
315		When 80 hours of Compensatory time are accumulated, the supervisor must schedule
316		a conference to schedule draw down of the Compensatory time with the employee.
317		Compensatory time accumulated in excess of 120160 hours must be taken within 30
318		days. At retirement any accumulated Compensatory time will be either taken or paid
319		out on the same basis as accumulated sick leave at the option of the employee which
320		is a maximum of 25% of the accrued compensatory time. Nothing over 160 hours
321		will be considered in this computation.
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323	E.	<u>Not Transferable</u> Non-Convertible
324		Compensatory time may not be converted to any other type of leave or transferred to any other
325		position within The City of Salisbury .
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327	<u>F.</u> E.	Records
328		Compensatory time will be authorized in writing. If the need for compensatory time is due to
329		an emergency, then the authorization will be as soon as practical after the event requiring the
330		compensatory time. The employee's record of accumulated compensatory time will be kept on
331 332		the City's payroll system by each department's payroll clerk. The amount of accumulated
332 333		compensatory time, annual leave, and sick leave will be shown on the employee's bi-weekly pay
333 334		summary.
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336	0. <u>1 .</u>	Upon cessation of employment prior to retirement or eligibility for retirement, there is no payout of
337		compensatory time, and any remaining compensatory time is lost.
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339	Ⅱ. G.	Executive Compensation Time
340		Department Heads Directors, Deputy City Administrators, and the City Administrator are also
341		eligible to accumulate Compensatory time in the same manner as other exempt employees with
342		the following exceptions:
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344		1. This time is earned and usable in full one hour increments.
345		2. The accumulated Compensatory time will be kept by the executive and reported to the
346		Mayor (in the case of the City Clerk accumulated Compensatory Time will be reported to
347		the City Council President) every June 30 th and December31 st .
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349	<u>I.H.</u>	Transition Provision
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351		Upon adoption an employee will have 180 calendar days to bring their Compensatory Time
352		accounts into compliance with these new rules if they exceed the new limits.
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359	THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was in	ntroduced and read and passed at the regular meeting
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363	ATTEST:	
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366	Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk	John R. Heath, President
367		Salisbury City Council
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369	APPROVED BY ME THIS day of	, 2020.
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372	Jacob R. Day, Mayor	



To:	Mayor and City Council
From:	Jennifer Miller
	Director of Procurement
Date:	December 16, 2019
Subject:	Declaration of Surplus
	407 Anne Street, Salisbury, MD (Parcel 1300)

The Department of Procurement received a request from City Administration to declare City-owned real property as surplus for the purpose of redevelopment. This property, located at 407 Anne Street and identified as Parcel 1300, has a location map and SDAT attached.

On the corner of Short and Anne Streets, this .54 acre property is the site of the former Linens of the Week building that was demolished in January 2013, with the warehouse demolition occurring in January 2014. City Administration has determined that there is no current or future municipal use planned for this property and that the interest of the City would best be served by offering this parcel to the public for sale and redevelopment.

Pursuant to Chapter 2.36 of the Salisbury, Maryland, Code of Ordinances, City-owned real property must be deemed surplus by the Director of Procurement, who is then to make a recommendation to City Council as to the sale or disposition of such real property. If approved by Council, the Department of Procurement shall then be directed to invite proposals for development or prepare an advertisement for auction sale.

The Department of Procurement hereby requests Council's approval to declare this parcel surplus, and to allow the City to proceed with the disposition as noted.

Attachments: 3

Department of Procurement 125 N Division St., #104 Salisbury, MD 21801 410-548-3190 (fax) 410-548-3192 www.salisbury.md



MEMORANDUM

То:	Jennifer Miller, Director of Procurement
From:	Julia Glanz, City Administrator
Subject:	Surplus of Linens of the Week Property
Date:	November 24, 2019

The Christian Shelter has expressed interest in the acquisition and redevelopment of the property formerly known as the Linens of the Week. This property is located at the corner of Short Street and Anne Street, directly west to the Christian Shelter's property, and is parcel 1300. This municipal property is .54 acres of land.

I am submitting this information to you to proceed with declaring the Linens of the Week property as surplus property pursuant to the receipt and selection of a qualified proposal from an interested party with interest in acquiring this property for redevelopment. Council approval of the award of bid should authorize the City to enter into an Exclusive Negotiation Period (ENP) with the real estate developer selected for this project.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Mayor's Office.

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TO: City Council

FROM: Kim Nichols, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Council Rules of Order

DATE: December 10, 2019

The Council Rules of Order are attached for your review. The last time they were amended was in 2014 with Council's approval of Resolution No. 2396, also attached for your review.

SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF ORDER As Amended on April 28, 2014

1. PREAMBLE

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7. VOTING AND THE MAKING OF MOTIONS

- A. Any member of the Council, except the Council President, may make or second a motion for the Council to take action regarding any agenda item, subject to the City Ethics Ordinance and State Ethics Law.
- B. Any member of the Council may vote regarding any agenda item, subject to the City Ethics Ordinance and State Ethics Law.
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- E. The City Clerk shall record the name of the Council member making each motion and the name of the Councilmember who seconded the motion.
- F. Discussion shall be closed on any item by the Council President with the concurrence of a majority of the Council. At the conclusion of debate, the Council President shall call for a vote.
- G. During the course of the meeting, if it becomes necessary to temporarily delay action on an agenda item because of more urgent business, a Council member may move to "lay the item on the table". The motion requires a second, is not debatable and requires a majority vote for adoption.
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8. WORK SESSION MEETINGS

- A. The Council may conduct work session meetings on matters which are expected to come before the Council for formal action at a regular meeting or otherwise need study by the Council. Items to be considered will be placed on the agenda by the Council President. The agenda shall be distributed on the Wednesday preceding the work session meeting. Because work sessions are considered informal, items not appearing on the printed agenda may be considered for discussion by a consensus of the Council.
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- C. Final action on items is not taken at work session meetings. The Council may decide by consensus, or by a majority vote, on how to proceed on various items under consideration. However, no formal vote of the Council in favor or against any agenda item may be taken at a work session meeting.
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- B. No council member shall make any disclosures or release any information which would result in the waiver of the attorney/client privilege without first obtaining the approval of a majority of the council in open session.

10. PROCEDURES FOR SECURITY AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- A. A Salisbury Police Department officer will report to the City Council Chambers at least one-half hour prior to the meeting and will have their radio. Prior to the meeting, a Salisbury Police Department officer will conduct a visual sweep of the Council Chambers, stairways, elevators and surrounding hallways for any suspicious items such as packages, letters, etc.
- B. The Salisbury Police Department officer must not leave the Council Chambers until the conclusion of the meeting unless an emergency occurs.
- C. If a problem or disturbance arises, the following procedure will be followed:
 - 1. The City Council President will ask the disruptive person to leave the meeting room. In the event of an arrest, the Council President may be summoned to court as a witness.
 - 2. Should the person leave, no further action will be taken.
 - 3. Should the disruptive person refuse to leave, the individual will be requested to leave by the Salisbury Police Department officer. If the person does not leave at that time, the individual will be arrested for trespassing and/or disorderly conduct. If a second member of the Salisbury Police Department is present for the meeting, that person will transport and place the appropriate charges on the arrestee. If a problem was not anticipated, and only a single member of the Salisbury Police Department is present, the member will contact communications to have a patrol officer respond to the meeting room and that officer will conduct the transport while the Salisbury Police Department officer remains in the meeting to ensure continued security. Once the meeting has concluded, and the Council members are safely out of the building, the Salisbury Police Department officer will then respond to headquarters and will charge and transport the arrested subject. If an arrest occurs during the City Council meeting, the Salisbury Police Department officer will notify the Salisbury Police Department Commander upon the conclusion of the meeting.
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- E. The City Council Chambers will be posted with a sign indicating the following:

"For the safety of all persons, all bags and boxes are subject to search. Any persons that refuse to submit to such search may be denied entry."

If a threat is received or probable cause exists to indicate that there may be a problem with a bag or package, the Salisbury Police Department officer will request that the subject in possession of the bag submit to a search as described.

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Amended: 10/23/06 by Resolution No. 1451

- Amended: 10/8/07 by Resolution No. 1577
- Amended: 11/26/07 by Resolution No. 1600
- Amended: 7/14/08 by Resolution No. 1672
- Amended: 7/11/11 by Resolution No. 2072
- Amended: 9/10/12 by Resolution No. 2203
- Amended: 2/25/13 by Resolution No. 2251
- Amended: 4/28/14 by Resolution No. 2396

Adopted: 10/23/00 by Resolution No. 737

Amended: 11/26/01 by Resolution No. 806

Amended: 71/20/01 by Resolution No. 800 Amended: 8/26/02 by Resolution No. 876

Amended: 5/12/03 by Resolution No. 972

Amended: 12/8/03 by Resolution No. 1043

Amended: 11/28/05 by Resolution No. 1335

Amended: 3/27/06 by Resolution No. 1386

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RESOLUTION NO. 2396

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND AMENDING THE SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF ORDER

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WHEREAS, the City Council has periodically amended its Regulations and Rules of Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland, that the Salisbury City Council Regulations and Rules of Order are hereby amended by the addition of a new section as shown on Attachment A, with deletions struck through and additions underlined.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced, read and passed at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on this 28th day of April, 2014, and shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Jacob PRESIDENT, City Council

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- F. The Council President shall accept public comments from citizens during Council consideration of an item, in addition to a general public comments period. A time may be established for public comments for citizens to address the Council on any item which is not on the agenda for that meeting. A time limit of three minutes per comment may be imposed and citizens are subject to the same rules of conduct as described above. If a prepared statement is available, a copy should be given to the City Clerk. Generally, members of the Council will not comment upon the comments remarks made by a member of the public. If they are administrative issues, the Council President will refer them to the Mayor's Office for a response. Questions posed by a citizen during the public comments portion will be logged; and tracked; by the City Clerk. The City Clerk will forward the questions to the City Administrator for a response. All City Council members and the City Clerk will be provided a copy of the response from the City Administrator.
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H. Signed communications shall be accepted by the Council, but are not to be read in their entirety during the meeting. Signed communications shall be submitted to the City Clerk to be attached to the minutes as part of the record.

7. VOTING AND THE MAKING OF MOTIONS

- A. Any member of the Council, except the Council President, may make or second a motion for the Council to take action regarding any agenda item, subject to the City Ethics Ordinance and State Ethics Law.
- B. Any member of the Council may vote regarding any agenda item, subject to the City Ethics Ordinance and State Ethics Law.
- C. The Council President may not make a motion, and may second a motion only when there are only three (3) members of the Council, including the President, present and voting.
- D. In the absence of the Council President, the Council Vice President shall be subject to the same limitations upon voting and the making of motions as the Council President.
- E. The City Clerk shall record the name of the Council member making each motion and the name of the Councilmember who seconded the motion.
- F. Discussion shall be closed on any item by the Council President with the concurrence of a majority of the Council. At the conclusion of debate, the Council President shall call for a vote.
- G. During the course of the meeting, if it becomes necessary to temporarily delay action on an agenda item because of more urgent business, a Council member may move to "lay the item on the table". The motion requires a second, is not debatable and requires a majority vote for adoption.
- H. After an agenda item has been laid on the table, it can be taken from the table by a motion to "take the item from the table". The motion requires a second, is not debatable and a majority vote is required. If a motion to "take from the table" is not received by the close of the meeting, the agenda item dies at the end of the session.
- I. If a Council member wishes to "kill" a motion on the floor, a motion to "postpone indefinitely" shall be used. The motion requires a second, is debatable and a majority vote is required for adoption.
- J. If a Council member wishes to defer an agenda item to another meeting, the motion to "postpone to a certain time" is used. The motion requires a second, is debatable and a majority vote is required for adoption.

K. In the absence of a rule to govern a point of procedure, the City Council shall follow the general practices of the latest published edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

8. WORK SESSION MEETINGS

- A. The Council may conduct work session meetings on matters which are expected to come before the Council for formal action at a regular meeting or otherwise need study by the Council. Items to be considered will be placed on the agenda by the Council President. The agenda shall be distributed on the Wednesday preceding the work session meeting. Because work sessions are considered informal, items not appearing on the printed agenda may be considered for discussion by a consensus of the Council.
- B. At work session meetings, the Council shall receive information and presentation of issues from the Mayor, City staff and/or invited resource persons. Council may ask questions and may request that certain information be provided or issues be addressed when items are considered further at another work session meeting or a regular meeting of Council. Council may direct that matters under consideration be brought forward for formal action at a regular meeting, that further study be conducted if appropriate, that matters under consideration not be pursued further (except for matters requiring a public hearing), or that modifications be made before a matter is considered further.
- C. Final action on items is not taken at work session meetings. The Council may decide by consensus, or by a majority vote, on how to proceed on various items under consideration. However, no formal vote of the Council in favor or against any agenda item may be taken at a work session meeting.
- D. Work sessions are considered public meetings under the terms of the open meetings law and the public can attend. Members of the public or an interested party may have the right to address the Council only on items under consideration in a work session. The Council President shall control the discussion of the Council and the public in accordance with the Rules of Order. Comment forms shall also be made available for any member of the public to submit written comments on any agenda item for consideration by the Council.

9. CLOSED SESSION MEETINGS

A. The Council may conduct Closed Session Meetings as permitted by State Law. Everything that is discussed during a closed session, and all materials which are reviewed during a closed session or are prepared in anticipation thereof, shall be considered confidential. No council member shall publicly disclose any such information or material. Public disclosure may be made in the event a majority of the council members vote to approve the public disclosure prior to its disclosure. B. No council member shall make any disclosures or release any information which would result in the waiver of the attorney/client privilege without first obtaining the approval of a majority of the council in open session.

10. PROCEDURES FOR SECURITY AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- A. A Salisbury Police Department officer will report to the City Council Chambers at least one-half hour prior to the meeting and will have their radio. Prior to the meeting, a Salisbury Police Department officer will conduct a visual sweep of the Council Chambers, stairways, elevators and surrounding hallways for any suspicious items such as packages, letters, etc.
- B. The Salisbury Police Department officer must not leave the Council Chambers until the conclusion of the meeting unless an emergency occurs.
- C. If a problem or disturbance arises, the following procedure will be followed:
 - 1. The City Council President will ask the disruptive person to leave the meeting room. In the event of an arrest, the Council President may be summoned to court as a witness.
 - 2. Should the person leave, no further action will be taken.
 - 3. Should the disruptive person refuse to leave, the individual will be requested to leave by the Salisbury Police Department officer. If the person does not leave at that time, the individual will be arrested for trespassing and/or disorderly conduct. If a second member of the Salisbury Police Department is present for the meeting, that person will transport and place the appropriate charges on the arrestee. If a problem was not anticipated, and only a single member of the Salisbury Police Department is present, the member will contact communications to have a patrol officer respond to the meeting room and that officer will conduct the transport while the Salisbury Police Department officer remains in the meeting to ensure continued security. Once the meeting has concluded, and the Council members are safely out of the building, the Salisbury Police Department officer will then respond to headquarters and will charge and transport the arrested subject. If an arrest occurs during the City Council meeting, the Salisbury Police Department officer will notify the Salisbury Police Department Commander upon the conclusion of the meeting.
- D. If there is no problem, the Salisbury Police Department officer will remain at the meeting until its conclusion and will ensure that City personnel are safely out of the building.
- E. The City Council Chambers will be posted with a sign indicating the following:

"For the safety of all persons, all bags and boxes are subject to search. Any persons that refuse to submit to such search may be denied entry."

If a threat is received or probable cause exists to indicate that there may be a problem with a bag or package, the Salisbury Police Department officer will request that the subject in possession of the bag submit to a search as described.

If the subject refuses to allow the search, the subject will be denied entry to the meeting room. If this causes further disturbance, the above policy regarding arrest will be followed.

F. If information is received concerning a possible bomb threat, the Salisbury Police Department officer will use the proper procedure to notify the on duty squad commander who will then make the required notifications as outlined in the Salisbury Police Department Written Directives #46.1.5 (BombThreats/ Explosions).

11. USE OF COUNCIL TRAVEL AND TRAINING BUDGET

- A. Council members shall comply with the City of Salisbury Employee Handbook's policies on travel.
- B. Prior to incurring any travel expenses, a Council member shall obtain approval of the travel from the Council. Travel expenses incurred without the prior approval of Council shall not reimbursed or, if mistakenly reimbursed, shall be refunded by the Council member within thirty (30) days of written notification of the error by the City Clerk.
- C. No member of Council shall use more than 1/5 of the appropriated total of the Council's travel and training budget without prior approval of the Council. If the amount used by any Council member exceeds this amount, the excess shall not be reimbursed or, if mistakenly reimbursed, shall be refunded by the Council member within thirty (30) days of written notification of the error by the City Clerk.

Adopted: 10/23/00 by Resolution No. 737 Amended: 11/26/01 by Resolution No. 806

Amended: 11/20/01 by Resolution No. 800 Amended: 8/26/02 by Resolution No. 876

Amended: 8/20/02 by Resolution No. 876

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Amended: 12/8/03 by Resolution No. 1043

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Amended: 7/11/11 by Resolution No. 2072 Amended: 9/10/12 by Resolution No. 2203 Amended: 2/25/13 by Resolution No. 2251





то:	City Council
FROM:	Kim Nichols, City Clerk
SUBJECT:	Council Boards and Commissions Assignments
DATE:	December 10, 2019

The Council assignments for serving on the City Boards and Commission are attached for your review and discussion.

Committee	Heath	Boda	Jackson	Blake	Gregory
Planning & Zoning	X(P)				
Town Gown	X(P)				
Zoo	Х				
PAC 14	Х				
Disability Advisory					Х
Airport Commission			Х		
Bicycle Pedestrian					Х
Port of Salisbury		Х			
City Park		Х			
SWMPO	X(P)				
Recreation & Parks			Х		
Traffic & Safety				Х	
Tr-County Council		Х			
Wicomico Library				Х	
Human Rights Advisory			Х		
Sustainability					
Youth Development					



То:	City Council
From:	Kim Nichols, City Clerk
Subject:	2020 Council Meeting Dates
Date:	December 10, 2019

Attached for your consideration and consensus are the 2020 proposed Council Meeting dates for Legislative Sessions and Work Sessions.



SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2020

REGULAR MEETINGS – 6:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

January 13 January 27 February 10 February 24 March 9 March 23 April 13 April 13 April 27 May 11 May 26 (Tuesday) June 8 June 22 July 13 July 27 August 10 August 24 September 14 September 28 October 12 October 26 November 9 November 23 December 14 December 28

WORK SESSIONS – 4:30 P.M. - Council Chambers unless otherwise indicated

January 6	July 6
January 21 (Tuesday) Rm 306	July 20
February 3	August 3
February 18 (Tuesday) Rm 306	August 17
March 2	September 8 (Tuesday)
March 16	September 21
April 6	October 5
April 20	October 19
May 4	November 2
May 18	November 16
June 1	December 7
June 15	December 21