

CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND

SPECIAL MEETING #2

FEBRUARY 21, 2023

PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT

*Council President Muir W. Boda
Council Vice President April Jackson
Councilwoman Michele Gregory*

*Mayor John R. Heath
Councilwoman Angela M. Blake
Councilwoman Megan Outten*

IN ATTENDANCE

City Administrator Julia Glanz, Deputy City Administrator Andy Kitzrow, City Attorney Ashley Bosché, City Clerk Kimberly Nichols, and members of the public and pres.

The City Council convened in a Special Meeting in Conference Room 306 of the Government Office Building on February 21, 2023 at 6:15 p.m. immediately following the adjournment of the regularly scheduled Work Session.

ADOPTION OF LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Ms. Jackson moved, Ms. Gregory seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the Special Meeting agenda as presented.

RESOLUTION- presented by City Administrator Julia Glanz

- **Resolution No. 3220-** *to waive competitive bidding procedures indicated in the Salisbury City Charter § SC16-3, and to authorize the Mayor to enter into, on behalf of the City of Salisbury, a lease agreement with DEVRECO, LLC, setting forth the terms and conditions governing the lease of 115 South Division Street, Salisbury, MD*

Ms. Jackson moved, Ms. Blake seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve Resolution No. 3220.

- **Ordinance No. 2779-** *1st reading- authorizing the Mayor to accept additional grant funding from the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Bay Restoration Fund (BRF) and to approve a budget amendment to the FY 2023 Water Sewer Fund budget to appropriate such MDE BRF funds for chemicals and equipment at the Waste Water Treatment Plant*

Ms. Jackson moved, Ms. Gregory seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve Ordinance No. 2779 for first reading.

COMMENTS

Mayor Heath said the presentation on the Co-Responder models had the potential of becoming

what was seen in the SWIFT Program. If that was that successful, the City would be well on our way to helping a lot of the issues that were in the City. If anyone was able to donate blood, please do so.

Ms. Outten said she appreciated the opportunity to serve on Council and was looking forward to working with everyone. She would be scheduling meetings with everyone to wrap her mind around all that she heard today, and was looking forward to the work.

Ms. Blake had received several calls regarding noise levels in some of the Salisbury University neighborhoods. She was also inundated with calls about the Bird Scooters almost causing accidents, not properly using the roadways, and children under the age of 18 riding them. She would like to have a larger conversation on the scooters. If healthy enough, please donate blood, plasma, and red blood cells. If anyone was not a donor, please consider saving a life.

Ms. Gregory said that someone came to her about the Maryland Homeowner's Assistance Fund, which was similar to the Rental Assistance funding that was available for people. She sent the information to Administration and they would forward it to the Finance Department. It not only helped with mortgage payments, it also helped with emergency home repairs, insurance fees, water & sewer- basically anything that went into owning a home. If anyone had an eligible hardship after January 2020 due to COVID-19, go to homeownerassistance.maryland.gov and apply. If anyone had difficulty paying all sorts of bills, please check it out.

Ms. Jackson asked for her family to be lifted in prayer, as she had another loss in the family. Please keep her niece and nephew in prayer. Everyone be safe and continue loving your family.

President Boda welcomed Ms. Outten to the Council and thanked everyone for the vibrant discussion on the CIP. He also appreciated the partnership from Administration.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the Special Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Kimberly R. Nichols

City Clerk

[Signature]

Council President