TOWN OF OCEAN CITY
301 N. BALTIMORE AVENUE
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND 21842

MAY 14, 2013 ✖ WORK SESSION

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Rick Meehan, Council President Lloyd Martin, Council Secretary Mary Knight, Council Members Margaret Pillas, Doug Cymek, Brent Ashley, Dennis Dare and Joe Mitrecic, City Solicitor Guy Ayres, Public Works Director Hal Adkins, City Engineer Terry McGean, Planning and Community Development Director Matt Margotta, City Clerk Kelly Allmond, Members of the press and interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Lloyd Martin called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 301 North Baltimore Avenue in Ocean City, Maryland; then, **Council Secretary Mary Knight moved to convene into closed session to: (1) consult with counsel to obtain legal advice; (2) discuss a matter directly related to a negotiation strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal before the contract is awarded or bids are opened if public disclosure would be detrimental to the competitive bidding process; and, (3) discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation or performance evaluation or any matter affecting one or more appointees, employees or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; seconded by Council Member Cymek. The vote was 5-0 with Council Members Pillas and Mitrecic absent.**

Council President Lloyd Martin reopened the meeting at 1:05 p.m. and reported that legal, contractual and personnel matters were discussed in closed session. Persons present were Mayor Rick Meehan, Council President Lloyd Martin, Council Secretary Mary Knight, Council Members Doug Cymek, Brent Ashley, Dennis Dare, Margaret Pillas and Joe Mitrecic, City Solicitor Guy Ayres, City Engineer Terry McGean, Internal Auditor Susan Childs and Executive Office Associate Diana Chavis. The vote to close the meeting was unanimous.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Al Wendling asked about paid parking on 65th Street.
- John McWilliams opposes the proposed paid parking ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Introduction of Special Events Manager Frank Miller

B. SHA Spring Meeting presented by District Engineer Donnie Drewer and Assistant District Engineer Ken Cimino

District Engineer Drewer reported the following:

- Pavement reparations to the southbound bus and bike lanes are complete
- Re-striping will begin on US Routes 50 and 90 on Thursday, May 16th
- The design phase of curb bump-outs from 9th to 15th Street is complete but there is no available funding for construction.
- In Fall 2013, Delmarva Power will begin upgrading transmission lines from 42nd through 85th. He advised that, in January and February 2014, certain traffic signals will be programmed on flashers or put on timed signaling.

Assistant District Engineer Ken Cimino reported the following:

- The SHA performed a study and found that the Samuel Bowen Boulevard traffic signal is warranted

- Pedestrian Recalls will be programmed in the 59th and 17th Street traffic signals, and side split light phasing is in place
- Advanced pedestrian signals give pedestrians an exclusive 7 seconds before any light changes
- The SHA continues the Road Diet study.
- The Pedestrian Safety Media campaign was kicked off in Queen Anne's County

Council Member Cymek asked Mr. Drewer to inspect 81st Street (ocean side) for some paving issues.

C. Public Works Senior Project Manager Request to Solicit Proposals for Painting Aviation Fuel Tanks **Council Member Joe Mitrecic moved to authorize the solicitation of proposals for painting the aviation fuel tanks; seconded by Council Secretary Knight. The vote was 6-1 with Council Member Dare out of the room.**

D. City Engineer Discussion of Paid Parking at 65th Street Municipal Lot.

E. Request to Approve Proposed Sustainable Community Plan presented by Matt Margotta, Planning and Community Development Director **Council Member Joe Mitrecic moved to proceed with the adoption of a resolution to implement the Sustainable Community Application and Plan with the incorporation of Tax Differential; seconded by Council Member Pillas. The vote was unanimous.**

F. City Clerk Review of Election Process **Council Member Joe Mitrecic moved to support a letter from Mayor Meehan to Maryland State Senator James Mathias requesting legislation authorizing the merger of Municipal Elections with the Maryland State Board of Elections; seconded by Council Secretary Knight. The vote was unanimous.**

ADJOURN

Council Member Joe Mitrecic moved to adjourn at 2:25 p.m.; seconded by Council Secretary Knight. The vote was unanimous.

Minutes approved
on 6.3.2013
Kelly R Allmond