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APPROVED MINUTES

PUBLIC SESSION

**FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
November 14, 2016**

ATTENDEES:

Melanie Rose White, Mayor; John R. Mertens, Chairman; Michael J. Dorsey, Vice Chairman; Paula Durbin, Secretary; Kathleen Cooper, Treasurer; David Lewis, Parliamentarian; Julian Mansfield, Village Manager; Robert Shapiro, Assistant Village Manager; and approximately 30 Residents.

ABSENT:

Clara M. Lovett, Historian

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:30 p.m. Mr. Mertens called the Village Council Meeting to order.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO AND FROM COUNCIL:

The Council heard questions and concerns from members of the audience.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. White made the following announcements:

The Council voted to meet in closed session at 7:00 p.m. to consult with its attorney on a matter related to Parcel 6.

The Program Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, December 7, at 4:30 p.m. The Community Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, December 7, at 5:30 p.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Ms. Durbin recommended approval of the minutes of the Council's public session of October 18.

Ms. Durbin moved to approve the minutes of the Council meeting of October 18. The motion was approved by unanimous consent.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Cooper presented the financial summaries for the period ending October 31, 2016.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report from Program Advisory Committee: Ms. White reported that the Program Advisory Committee met on October 19. Her report is attached and is incorporated into these minutes. The next meeting is Wednesday, December 7, at 4:30 p.m.

Report from Community Advisory Committee: Mr. Lewis reported that the Community Advisory Committee met on November 10. His report is attached and is incorporated into these minutes. The next meeting is Wednesday, December 7, at 5:30 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Presentation by Naomi Spinrad, Vice President, Chevy Chase West Neighborhood Association, on Bethesda Fire Station 6: Ms. Spinrad presented an overview of her October 18 testimony to the County Council and the County Executive's response to her letter on the redevelopment of Fire Station 6 in Bethesda. She then addressed questions from the audience and Council.

The Council approved by unanimous consent Mr. Lewis' motion to send a letter to the County Council opposing the rezoning of 6600 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, and redevelopment of Fire Station 6.

Update on possible upgrades to Page Park: Ms. Durbin and Mr. Mansfield reported the following progress on upgrades for Page Park: Renovation of the wall and barbeque area is done. The arborist recommended a grouping of three oak trees (to be planted in the spring) to replace dead trees. Upon the recommendation of WSSC, we have requested a proposal from a plumber to connect the park to water service. We have received a proposal for refurbishing the three benches. Ms. Durbin stated that a sandbox or swing would not be appropriate additions to the park. The staff was asked to investigate a piece of play equipment for the space.

NEW BUISNESS:

Discussion/vote on recommendation from the Community Advisory Committee to adopt the Proposed Village Strategic Plan: Mr. Mertens presented the Proposed Village Strategic Plan.

The Council approved by unanimous consent to defer the vote on the Proposed Village Strategic Plan until the December meeting.

Discussion/vote on request from Sean Moaadel offering brokerage services from Moussa Moaadel Realtors to list and sell the Village property at 4602 North Park Avenue:

The Council declined to take action on the proposal of Moussa Moaadel, Inc., to act as the Council's broker in connection with the Village property on Parcel Six.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Council, Mr. Mertens adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paula Durbin
Secretary