



City of Manassas, Virginia City Council Meeting

ACTION AGENDA
May 20, 2019

ROLL CALL: 5:32 P.M.
ALL PRESENT ON ROLL CALL

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Community and Staff Presentations

Presentation: Older Americans Month Proclamation

Mayor Parrish presented to Sarah Henry and Raymond Beverage, the City's representative on the Commission on Aging, a Proclamation proclaiming May 2019 as Older Americans Month in the City of Manassas.

Annual Report: Prince William Area Agency on Aging

Sarah Henry, Director of the Prince William Area Agency on Aging, presented to the City Council its annual report.

Council Time

Council Member Sebesky reported that she attended the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) meeting, which focused on the significant delays the VRE system has been experiencing. Council Member Sebesky announced that May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Council Member Sebesky informed the community of the film presentation of "Heroin's Grip" at Osbourn High School on June 3 at 7:00 p.m. and urged the community to see the film.

Council Member Davis-Younger reported that she will be attending the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Air Quality Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 22. Council Member Davis-Younger encouraged citizens to donate to the Jennie Dean Memorial. Council Member Davis-Younger wished the community a happy and safe Memorial Day.

Council Member Ellis reported that she attended the groundbreaking for the Chantilly Air expansion at the Manassas Regional Airport. Council Member Ellis informed the community

that a potential park on Greenleaf Drive is being explored. Council Member Ellis announced that Saturday, June 1 is the Manassas Railway Festival in Historic Downtown.

Vice Mayor Elston provided the following remarks after the Closed Session:

It is with mixed emotions that I announce that I will be resigning my seat on the Manassas City Council, effective at the end of July 2019, as my family and I will say farewell to this city and so many people we care about sincerely.

Many citizens know that I am the Director of the School Theater at George Mason University. That program's rise in regional and national rankings has garnered attention, and I was deeply honored to be offered the position of Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences and Director of Performing Arts at High Point University in North Carolina. This was not a position for which I applied. It is a position that was created with me in mind, and the offer of the position was made just last week.

There will be more to say in the coming weeks, but this Council has achieved some great things in the past few years, and I feel satisfaction and pride at having been a part of this city's storied history. I want to thank the citizens of Manassas who have given me the opportunity to serve this community and offer my appreciation for support and words of grace. To my family, my wife Molly and my children, Sam and Emma, thank you for the support and the sacrifices of timer and energy that you have given to this adventure of running for office and public service. To my colleagues on Council and City Staff, with whom I have enjoyed working, I say thank you, to you, as well, and you will always have my desire to see the best for this City.

As A.A. Milne wrote, in the voice of one 'willy, nilly, silly old bear', "How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard."

Mayor Time

Mayor Parrish indicated that he has requested an update on the Route 28 bypass project.

Staff Reports

Bryan Foster, Deputy City Manager, reported that the sidewalk at 9107 Center Street will be closed this week for window replacement.

Mr. Foster announced that Acoustics Tuesdays at the Harris Pavilion begin on Tuesday, May 21 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Foster informed the community that a new display of sculptures from students at Northern Virginia Community College are on display throughout the City.

1. **Consent Agenda**

- 1.1 City Council Minutes: May 6, 2019 and May 9, 2019
- 1.2 Proclamation - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Pride Month
- 1.3 Proclamation - Older Americans Month
- 1.4 Performance Bond and Erosion Control Bond Replacement: 10562 Redoubt Rd. Site Plan - SP#16-23
- 1.5 Resolution 2019-10-R: Amending the FY 2019 Budget by Budgeting and Appropriating \$87,800 of Stormwater Fund Fund Balance for Operations/Maintenance Issues for the Remainder of the Year
- 1.6 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-16: Setting the Tax Year 2019 Personal Property Tax Rate to Support the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (Second Reading)
- 1.7 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-17: Setting the Water Utility Rates, Sewer Utility Rates, and Electric Utility Rates Effective July 1, 2019 (Second Reading)
- 1.8 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-18: Setting the Stormwater Management Service Fees Effective July 1, 2019 (Second Reading)
- 1.9 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-19: Establishing the Park, Culture & Recreation Fee Schedule for All Rentals, Permits, Programs, Admission, Services, Historic and Cultural Fees Effective July 1, 2019 (Second Reading)
- 1.10 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-20: Establishing a Fee Schedule for Permits required by Article III of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Manassas, Virginia (1978), as Amended, Generally Relating to Permit Fees Described in the Fire Prevention Code Effective July 1, 2019 (Second Reading)
- 1.11 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-21: Establishing the Manassas Regional Airport Fee and Rent Schedule Effective July 1, 2019 (Second Reading)

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Consent Agenda Items 1.1 – 1.11. (6/0)

2. **Ordinances and Resolutions**

- 2.1 Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-15: Setting the Tax Year 2020 Real Estate Tax Rates to Support the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (Second Reading)

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Uncodified Ordinance #O-2019-15 on second reading. (4/2)

AYES – Davis-Younger, Elston, Sebesky and Wolfe

NAYS – Ellis and Lovejoy

2.2 Ordinance #O-2019-24: An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances, City of Manassas, Virginia (2002), As Amended, By Amending Section 114-481 of Article X (Stopping, Standing and Parking) of Division 2 (Stopping on Highways) Related to Parking Vehicle Without Current Commonwealth of Virginia License Plate, Decal, or Safety Inspection Sticker (First Reading)

Douglas W. Keen, Chief of Police, stated that City Council is considering an Ordinance to amend Manassas City Code Section 114-481 to allow enforcement for expired inspection stickers on vehicles parked on public streets as a parking enforcement charge.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Ordinance #O-2019-24 on first reading. (6/0)

2.3 Ordinance #O-2019-25: An Uncodified Ordinance to Provide for the Payment of a Fine in Lieu of Prosecution for Parking Violations (First Reading)

Douglas W. Keen, Chief of Police, stated that City Council is considering an Ordinance to impose a \$50.00 fee for expired inspection stickers on vehicles parked on public streets in lieu of prosecution.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Ordinance #O-2019-25 on first reading. (6/0)

2.4 Resolution #R-2019-58: SUP #2019-05, All Saints Catholic Church, 9294 Stonewall Road

Kelly Davis, Senior Planner, stated that City Council is considering a special use permit request from All Saints Catholic Church for a comprehensive sign package at the All Saints Catholic Church campus. Ms. Davis stated that a public hearing was held on May 13, 2019 and Planning Commission and staff are recommending approval of SUP #2019-05 as conditioned.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved Resolution #R-2019-58. (6/0)

3. **Awards, Acknowledgments and Presentations - 7:15 p.m.**

3.1 Proclamation - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Pride Month

Council Member Ken Elston presented to members of Equality Prince William, a Proclamation proclaiming June 2019 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Pride Month in the City of Manassas.

4. **Citizens' Time – 7:30 p.m.**

Meg Carrol, resident of the City of Manassas and Georgetown South Community Manager, expressed her concerns on the parking in Georgetown South.

Thomas Osina, resident of the City of Manassas and member of the Georgetown South Board of Directors, expressed the support on behalf of the Georgetown South Board of Directors of Meg Carrol's comments in regards to parking in Georgetown South.

Tim Demeria, resident of the City of Manassas and Manassas City School Board Member, thanked Vice Mayor Elston for his service to the City of Manassas.

Lynn Forkell, resident of the City of Manassas, thanked Vice Mayor Elston for his service to the City of Manassas and informed a request to come to City Council in regards to signage on Greenleaf Drive.

Sheryl Bass, resident of the City of Manassas and former Vice Mayor, thanked Vice Mayor Elston for his service to the City of Manassas.

Patricia Richie-Folks, resident of the City of Manassas and Treasurer, thanked Vice Mayor Elston for his service to the City of Manassas.

Helen Sorto, resident of the City of Manassas, thanked Vice Mayor Elston for his service to the City of Manassas.

Ralph, resident of the City of Manassas, thanked Vice Mayor Elston for his service to the City of Manassas.

5. **Authorize a Closed Meeting**

5.1 **Authorization of a Closed Meeting**

Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 A (1):

1. Resignation of a Specific Public Officer, Appointee, or Employee of the City

COUNCIL ACTION: Authorized a Closed Meeting. (6:04 p.m.) (6/0)

6. **Certify the Closed Meeting**

6.1 **Certification of the Closed Meeting**

COUNCIL ACTION: Certified the Closed Meeting. (7:18 p.m.) (6/0)

Adjourned: 7:43 p.m.