

CITY OF SALISBURY
WORK SESSION
MAY 5, 2014

Public Officials Present

Council President Jacob R. Day
Councilwoman Eugenie P. Shields

Vice President Laura Mitchell
Councilman Timothy K. Spies

Public Officials Not Present

Mayor James Ireton, Jr.
Councilwoman Terry E. Cohen

In Attendance

City Clerk Kimberly R. Nichols, CMC, City Administrator M. Thomas Stevenson, Jr., Assistant City Administrator Terence Arrington, Internal Services Director Keith Cordrey, Internal Services Assistant Director - Procurement Jennifer Miller Public Works Director Mike Moulds, Public Works Deputy Director Amanda Pollack, interested citizens, and members of the press.

On April 21, 2014 Salisbury City Council convened in a Work Session at 4:38 p.m. in Council Chambers, Room 301 of the Government Office Building.

Lease Contracts – changing requirement from 3 to 5 days in which Council’s approval is not required

Assistant City Administrator Terence Arrington presented the draft resolution to Council which would allow the Mayor to sign leases for up to five days without prior approval from the Council. Currently, the Mayor signs leases for City property use for the time period of up to three days.

Council reached unanimous consensus to advance the resolution to the May 27, 2014 Legislative Session.

Bioretention in Lot 12

Internal Services Assistant Director - Procurement Jennifer Miller joined Council at the table to discuss the bioretention project and explained that the wide aisle in Lot #12 will be narrowed and four parking spaces eliminated to the left to accommodate the project. An educational sign will be placed near the bioretention area to identify the native plants used in the project. The goal is to get the project out to bid by May 13th.

Council reached unanimous consensus to advance the resolution to the May 12, 2014 Legislative Session.

Bicycle Advisory Committee

Public Works Deputy Director Amanda Pollack and Matt Drew joined Council at the table to discuss the Bicycle Advisory Committee. The Traffic Advisory Committee tasked the City with creating the Bicycle Advisory Committee.

Council discussed the composition of the committee and decided that it shall be comprised of seven members who are citizens of the City of Salisbury.

Consensus reached unanimous consensus to advance the legislation to the May 27, 2014 Council Meeting.

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

The Council was asked previously to provide their questions on the CIP to Mr. Stevenson by today, and Mr. Stevenson has not yet received any questions. After discussion, Mr. Stevenson stated in the future he would address the CIP more judiciously based upon more of what the City can afford.

Council reached unanimous consensus to advance the CIP (Resolution No. 2397) to the May 12, 2014 Legislative Session. The resolution was tabled for further discussion at the April 28, 2014 Legislative Session.

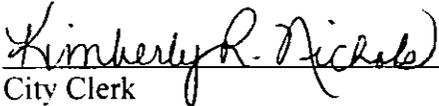
Redistricting

Council discussed what would be required should they decide to change the election districts identified in the previously passed Charter Amendment of June, 2012. Since the courts have not been contacted yet for scheduling the court hearing, this would be the opportune time to re-address the previous Council's decision.

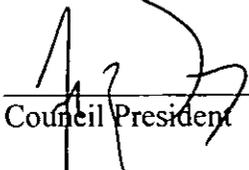
If new districts were laid out, it was determined that a new Metes & Bounds was not required, but the boundaries would have to be re-worked, according to Mr. Frank McKenzie from Planning & Zoning, and this would not be difficult to accomplish.

Council asked City Clerk Nichols to identify dates to choose from to schedule a Public Hearing on redistricting. Councilman Spies asked Mrs. Nichols to email the ACLU information received by Council over two years ago when redistricting was being discussed by the previous Council.

There being no further discussion, President Day adjourned the Work Session at 5:38 p.m.



City Clerk



Council President