



MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL
TWELFTH MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Monday, May 23, 2022, 6:00 PM

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Agenda

1. Call to Order - Council President Brencis Smith
2. Roll Call - Kimberley A. Rau, Clerk
3. Minutes
 - Work Session on Wednesday, April 6, 2022
 - Ninth Meeting on Monday, April 11, 2022
 - Tenth Meeting on Monday, April 25, 2022
4. Reports of the Mayor and City Council
5. Mayoral Appointments
 - Ronald Peterson, Chair, Juneteenth Celebration Planning Committee
 - Sandra Choute, Vice Chair, Juneteenth Celebration Planning Committee
 - Michele Keating, Pride Day Celebration Planning Committee
5. General Public Hearing
6. Second public hearing with possible action on Ordinance No. 1998, an ordinance adopting the General Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program of the Mayor and City Council of Laurel, Maryland, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and to levy property taxes; and to authorize the collection of such taxes.
7. Adjournment



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Craig A. Moe
Mayor

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May 11, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brencis Smith, Council President
Laurel City Council Members
FROM: Craig A. Moe, Mayor
SUBJ: Mayoral Appointments

I plan to make the following appointments at the May 23, 2022 meeting of the Mayor and City Council.

Ronald Peterson Chair, Juneteenth Celebration Planning Committee
Sandra Choute Vice Chair, Juneteenth Celebration Planning Committee

I believe both Mr. Peterson and Ms. Choute will provide excellent leadership for this very important Committee.

I look forward to your confirmation of these appointments.

ec: Kimberley A. Rau, MMC, Clerk to the City Council
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May 19, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brencis D. Smith, Council President
Laurel City Councilmembers
FROM: Craig A. Moe, Mayor
SUBJ: Mayoral Appointment

I plan to make the following appointment at the May 23, 2022, meeting of the Mayor and City Council.

APPOINTMENTS

Michelle Keating Pride Day Celebration Planning Committee

I look forward to your confirmation of this appointment.

ec: Kimberley A. Rau, MMC, Clerk to the City Council
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TWELFTH MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022, 6:00 P.M.

Present: Craig A. Moe, Mayor; Brencis Smith, Council President; Martin Mitchell, Councilmember; Keith R. Sydnor, Councilmember; James Kole, Councilmember; Carl DeWalt, Councilmember; Christian Pulley, Chief Administrative Officer; Joanne Barr, Deputy City Administrator; Sara Green, Chief of Staff to the Mayor; Chief Russell Hamill, Laurel Police Department; Audrey Barnes, Director of Communications; Danny Selby, Fire Marshal; Robert Love, Director of Economic and Community Development; Brian Lee, Director of Public Works; S. Michele Saylor, Chief Financial Officer; Kevin Frost, Chief Information Officer; Bill Bailey, Director of Parks and Recreation; Chrissy Cornwell, Emergency Services Manager; Joyce Jackson, Deputy Director of Communications; Lisa Woods, Deputy Director of Budget and Personnel Services; Deputy Chief Mark Plazinski, Laurel Police; and Larry Taub, City Solicitor.

Reports of the Mayor and City Council

Councilmember Keith Sydnor said that May is Mental Health Awareness Month, as a community and society don't focus enough attention. He thanked the Laurel Police Department for their efforts assisting one of his neighbors having some issues with her daughter experiencing some mental health issues.

Councilmember DeWalt attended the Armed Forces Day at the American Legion on Sunday, May 22, 2022. There is an issue with someone stealing some of the fish from the planters created by the Laurel Arts Counsel. Historic District Commission voted no to remove the black oak tree on Post Office Avenue.

Councilmember Kole attended Lakefest on Saturday, May 14, 2022. On May 17 he was a guest judge at the CMIT Academy. First Pride Celebration Committee Meeting was held on May 19, 2022, first Pride Committee Planning Meeting was held with a lot being accomplished.

Councilmember Mitchell on May 8 attended Next Door Mad Cow for Mother's Day Bruch, Chef Nevell did an excellent job. May 14 attended Lakefest and was pleased to see the new additions for the kids. Town Hall with Glen Ivey on May 18. On May 25, 2022, attended City Hall in the Park at Discovery Park, looking forward to the improvements being made there. Working on an Expungement Clinic on Saturday, June 17, 2022. More information to come.

Mayor Moe condolences to the family and friends of Warren Baker a long-time resident of the city. Also extended his condolences to the family and friends of Bobby Holmes. Prince George's County Municipal Association Board of Directors and the General Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022. Laurel Volunteer Fire Department Life-member Dinner held on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Caden Boone for the work he did at Riverfront Park. Preparing for Memorial Day

Ceremony on Sunday, May 29, 2022, 11:00 a.m. at Ivy Hill Cemetery. May 30 City Offices will be closed in honor of the Memorial Day Holiday.

Proclamation 2022 – 16 June 2022 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the City of Laurel

Proclamation 2022 – 17 National Gun Awareness Day on June 13 in the City of Laurel

Proclamation 2022 – 18 Juneteenth Celebration in the City of Laurel on June 19, 2022

Proclamation 2022 – 19 National HIV Testing Awareness on June 27, 2022

Mayor Moe and the Laurel City Council recognized Mary Blankenship on her retirement from the City of Laurel.

Mayoral Appointments

Ron Peterson, Chair, Juneteenth Celebration Planning Committee
Sandra Choute, Vice Chair, Juneteenth Celebration Planning Committee
Michelle Keating, Pride Day Celebration Planning Committee

On motion by Councilmember Sydnor, seconded by Councilmember Kole, the mayoral appointments were confirmed on a unanimous roll call vote.

President Smith opened the General Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m.

Judge Carol Coderra addressed the Mayor and City Council announcing that she is running for re-election as a Circuit Court Judge in Prince George's County.

President Smith closed the General Public Hearing at 6:37 p.m.

President Smith read the title of Ordinance No. 1998, an ordinance adopting the General Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program of the Mayor and City Council of Laurel, Maryland, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and to levy property taxes; and to authorize the collection of such taxes, into the record for the second reading.

S. Michele Saylor discussed in budget work session balanced budget of \$38,715,938 General Operating Budget, the reauthorization of the Capital Improvement Program at \$14,183,286, with new authorization funding at \$11,942,563 dollars. Tax rate at 71 cents, personal property at \$1.69 per hundred and transit overlay at 3 cents in commercial zones.

On motion by Councilmember Sydnor, seconded by Councilmember Kole,
ORDINANCE NO. 1998, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MARYLAND, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023, AND TO LEVY PROPERTY TAXES; AND TO

AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF SUCH TAXES, was adopted on a unanimous roll call vote. Mayor Moe concurred with this action.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and City Council the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kimberley A. Rau".

Kimberley A. Rau, MMC
Clerk to the Council

Approved: June 27, 2022