

Council of the Town of La Plata  
Town Hall, La Plata, Maryland  
Work Session – 7:00 PM  
February 8, 2011

Present: Mayor Roy G. Hale, Councilman R. Wayne Winkler, Councilman C. Keith Back, Councilwoman Paretta D. Mudd, Councilman Joseph W. Norris; Daniel J. Mears, Town Manager; Danielle Mandley, Town Clerk

Town Staff: Robert W. Oliphant, Treasurer; David M. Jenkins, Director of Municipal Development

Minutes:

Mayor Hale called the work session to order at 7:02 PM.

### **Matters of Council Discussion**

- **Petition for Annexation**

Petitioner: Johel Limited Partnership, and FCD-Development, LLC

Proposed Use: Retail and Office space

Requested Zoning: C-H Commercial Highway Zoning District

Current County Zoning: CC Community Commercial

*[Description: Discussion regarding the amendment of a certain Annexation Agreement dated June 13, 2006, and to amend and restate a certain Annexation Agreement and Amendment to Existing Annexation Agreement dated October 12, 2010]*

Mr. Mears briefly explained the Petition for Annexation and Amendment to Annexation Agreement, the staff request to supply a supplement to the Petition, and outlined the process for consideration of the Petition for Annexation.

Council consensus: Following Discussion the Council agreed to request a proposal for amendments to the existing Annexation Agreement, and to discuss such proposal at a future work session.

- **Ordinance No. 11-1 Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan** – For the purpose of adopting a new comprehensive parks and recreation master plan (CPRMP) for the Town of La Plata; and all matters relating to said plan.

*[Description: Discussion of public comments received for the hearing record]*

Mr. Mears described the spoken comment and the written comment that are part of the public record. Both comments were in favor of the CPRMP.

Council consensus: Following Discussion the Council agreed to consider adoption of the ordinance at the February 22 business meeting. It was further agreed to consider a Grand Re-opening Celebration for Tilghman Lake Park, following the proposed upgrades, and to discuss ADA Compliance as it pertains to park access.

Mr. Jim Goldsmith, Chairman of the La Plata Parks and Recreation Commission requested the guidance of the Council as to what actions the Parks and Recreation Commission should take in relation to the CPRMP if adopted.

Council consensus: Following discussion regarding Mr. Goldsmith's request, the Council agreed that the Parks and Recreation Commission should proceed with review and recommendations for each Park Facility, as outlined in the CPRMP if adopted by the Council.

- **Ordinance No. 11-3 Central Business Transition District and Single-Family Attached Dwelling Units (DRAFT)** – For the purpose of comprehensively revising zoning regulations relating to the Town's existing Central Business Transition District and single family attached dwelling units.
- *[Description: Discussion pertaining to the draft ordinance as recommended for introduction by the Planning Commission 2/1/2011.]*

Mr. Mears, followed by Councilman Back summarized the discussions and recommendations of the Planning Commissions regarding the proposed changes to the Central Business Transition District and Single-Family Attached Dwelling Units.

Council consensus: Following discussion the Council agreed to introduce the ordinance as proposed at the February 22 business meeting.

### **Matters of Information**

Mr. Mears outlined the tentative budget development schedule and the second phase of the Municipal WiFi project.

Mayor Hale advised the Council of his registration for the upcoming Maryland Mayor's Association Conference February 10 and 11.

### **Future Work Session Topics**

- Budget Development

There being no further business, Councilman Winkler moved to adjourn the work session at 8:50 PM. Councilwoman Mudd seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Submitted by:

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Danielle Mandley  
Town Clerk