



# City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road  
Bowie, Maryland 20716

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, September 16, 2019 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### QUORUM:

In attendance were Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Esteve, Gardner, Senn-Carter, Truth, and Woolfley, City Manager Lott, Assistant City Manager Mears, City Attorney Levan, City Clerk Hernandez, Staff, and the Public.

### CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

#### A. Appointments/Reappointments/Swearing-in

1. Councilmember Truth moved to appoint Candi Dailey to the Economic Development Committee for a two-year term. Councilmember Senn-Carter seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. Ms. Dailey was not present for the swearing-in.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Senn-Carter moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of Resolution R-62-19 Approving a Complete Streets Policy; B) Approval of Resolution R-67-19 Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order to A. Morton Thomas & Associates, Inc. for Task Order/RFP #2-04 in Accordance With the Master Contract Approved on October 31, 2018; C) Approval of Resolution R-68-19 Accepting a Bid Proposal for Bowie Golf Course Greens Drainage Project; D) Approval of Resolution R-69-19 By Two-Thirds Vote Waiving of Bidding Requirements of Section 61 of the City Charter to Authorize the Purchase of Synthetic Turf Field Renovations Services; E) Approval of Resolution R-70-19 Approving a Trails Master Plan. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

### OLD BUSINESS:

A. Pecan Ridge Annexation – Mr. Joe Meinert, City Planning Director summarized the staff report. The property is 42 acres located at the end of Old Laurel Bowie Road (now known as Lloyd Station Road), adjacent to the WB&A Trail. It has an approved Conservation Sketch Plan for development of an 80-lot subdivision of single-family, detached homes. Council conducted a public hearing on the developer's original request regarding annexation on October 1, 2018. At the conclusion of the hearing

Council approved a motion to direct staff to begin the process of reviewing an annexation possibility with the developer but only after Council has reviewed and voted on the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision.

Mr. Edward Gibbs, representing the developer Caruso Homes discussed going forward with a potential annexation of the proposed Pecan Ridge project into the City. Caruso Homes is also interested in discussing the potential for the City to take title to the Conservation Areas created by the proposed subdivision plan.

**Public Hearing:**

1. Nancy Johnson, 10<sup>th</sup> Street – Spoke against the annexation.
2. Aviva Nebesky, Lloyd Station Rd – Spoke against the development.
3. Linda Cooper, Kembridge Dr – Spoke against the adoption of Ordinance O-7-19, funding for ice arena.
4. Bruce Millam, Lloyd Station Rd – Spoke against the development.
5. Gwendolyn Morgan, Normal School Rd – Spoke about concerns of her lot being right in the middle of proposed site.

Since there were no more speakers signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the Public Hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Esteve asked who would provide water and sewer to the property. Mr. Gibbs responded that it would be under WSSC.

Councilmember Woolfley asked for an explanation of why the grove could not be titled to the HOA. Mr. Gibbs responded that it cannot be done to HOA as it will not meet IRS guidelines for conservation, the City meets the regulations.

Councilmember Truth asked if a stakeholders meeting has been held and if so, when and what was the attendance. Mr. Meinert responded that it was held over a year ago and maybe a dozen were in attendance, Councilmember Truth recommends holding another stakeholders meeting.

Councilmember Esteve made a motion to schedule a public hearing for the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision in the normal course the City follows and then continue discussion of annexation after Council reviews Preliminary Plan of Subdivision. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

B. Approval of Ordinance O-7-19 Providing For The Sale And Issuance By The City Of Bowie (The "City"), Upon Its Full Faith And Credit, Of A Single Series Of Its General Obligation Bonds In The Original Aggregate Principal Amount Of \$24,200,000, Subject To Reduction As Provided Herein, The Proceeds Of The Bonds To Be Used For The Public Purpose Of Financing Or Reimbursing Costs Of The New Bowie Ice Arena Project As Provided Herein; Prescribing The Form And Tenor Of The Bonds And The Terms And Conditions For The Sale Thereof At Public Sale After Solicitation Of Competitive Bids, Including The Form Of The Notice Of Sale (Subject To Modification) And Other Details Incident To The Issuance, Sale And Delivery Of The Bonds; Authorizing The City Manager To Determine Certain Matters In Connection With The Sale Of The Bonds; Authorizing And Approving The Preparation And Distribution Of A Preliminary And A Final Official Statement For The Bonds; Providing For A Bond Registrar And Paying Agent For The Bonds; Authorizing The Preparation, Execution And Delivery Of A Continuing Disclosure Undertaking Pursuant To Securities And Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 And Covenanting To Comply Therewith; Providing For The Disbursement And Investment Of The Proceeds

Of The Bonds; Authorizing The City To Issue And Sell General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes And General Obligation Refunding Bonds For The Purposes And Subject To The Limitations Set Forth Herein; Providing For The Imposition And Collection Of Any Taxes Necessary For The Payment Of Debt Service On The Bonds And Any Such Bond Anticipation Notes Or Refunding Bonds (Collectively, The "Obligations"); Pledging The City's Full Faith And Credit And Unlimited Taxing Power To Payment Of Debt Service On The Obligations; Providing That Debt Service On The Obligations Also May Be Paid From Any Other Sources Of Revenue Lawfully Available For Such Purpose; Providing For Certain Determinations Regarding Any Bond Anticipation Notes Or Refunding Bonds To Be Made By Resolution; Setting Forth Certain Rules Of Construction; Providing That The Provisions Of This Ordinance Shall Be Liberally Construed; And Generally Relating To The Sale, Issuance, Delivery And Payment Of And For The Bonds And Certain Matters Relating To Any Bond Anticipation Notes Or Refunding Bonds – Ms. Lindsey Rader, City Bond Counsel with the law firm Funk & Bolton summarized the Ordinance. It will provide for the City to issue a series of general obligation bonds in the maximum original aggregate principal amount of \$24,200,000 to finance or reimburse costs of the new Bowie Ice Arena project.

**Public Hearing:**

1. Sharee Meredith, Trim Ln – Spoke against paying taxes for something she is not using.

Since there were no more speakers signed up to speak, Mayor Robinson declared the public hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Woolfley asked if all the bonds would be purchased at one time or stair-stepped. Ms. Rader responded all at once.

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance O-7-19. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-2 (Esteve, Woolfley).

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion and it carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk