



# City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road  
Bowie, Maryland 20716

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, October 21, 2019 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 8:00 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, Marcos, Senn-Carter, Truth, and Woolfley, Finance Director Matthews, City Attorney Levan, City Clerk Hernandez, Staff, the Press and the Public.

### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Charles Clarke, Ainsworth Terr. – Spoke in regards of concerns with public transportation for students of Bowie schools.

### PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Swearing-in of New Bowie Police Officers - Mayor Robinson swore in three new police officers to the Bowie Police Department, Police Officer Angel Orellana, Police Officer Kristopher Zajur and Police Officer Kevin Copper.

### CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

- A. Appointments/Reappointments/Swearing-in
  1. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved to appoint Linda Fuller to the Administrative Review Board for a two-year term. Councilmember Marcos seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
  2. Councilmember Woolfley moved to appoint Brittany Bunn to the Diversity Committee for a two-year term. Councilmember Marcos seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
  3. Councilmember Truth moved to appoint Don Phillips to the Board of Elections for a two-year term. Councilmember Marcos seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.
  4. Mayor Robinson swore-in the members to their respective committees.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Finance Director, Mr. Byron Matthews announced the bond rating agencies Moody, Standard, and Fitch have rated our proposed bonds that will be issued later this month have all been considered AAA.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Marcos moved the approval of Consent Agenda Items: A) Approval of Resolution R-77-19 Accepting Bid Proposals for Job Order Services for Facilities Maintenance, Repair and Minor Construction; B) Approval of Resolution R-78-19 Accepting Bid Proposals to Provide Services of Biosolids Hauling, Management and Utilization for the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant; C) Approval of Resolution R-79-19 Accepting the Right of Way Improvements Constructed Under the Permit ROW131-18 at 2603 Bartlett Lane and Releasing the Construction Securities Required Therewith; D) Approval of Resolution R-80-19 Waiving the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 61, "Purchasing and Contracting", of the Charter of the City of Bowie to Allow a Sole Source Bid and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement for Professional Security Consulting With Bluline Security Consulting in the Amount of \$40,000; E) Approval of Letter to Prince George's County Planning Board re: Proposed FY 2021 M-NCPPC Budget. Councilmember Senn-Carter seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Police Department Update – Police Chief Nesky briefed Council on stats from the department. Staffing is currently at 64 officers with two officers in the academy. Update on the Call Center, staff is still trying to tie in the City radios into the call center, issues with the antennas but still on schedule to finalized by proposed timeframe. The department has participated in several successful community events such as Cop-For-A-Day, the Citizen's Academy, Drug Take Back Programs and Coffee with a Cop. Total calls for service handled year to date 28,477 on pace to be a little lower than 2018. Crime & Citation Statistics most are on pace as 2018 numbers with some being lower.

Mayor Robinson thanked Police Chief Nesky for his presentation.

B. Approval of Emergency Ordinance O-8-19 Repealing and Re-enacting Chapter 24, "Taxation", to Enact Section 24-7, "Tax Credit for Vehicles Held as Inventory – City Counsel Levan stated that the declaration of an emergency sufficient to allow the Council to waive the requirement of a second reading at least six days after introduction requires a unanimous vote of the Council members present and the title needs to be amended to state Amending Chapter 24 not Repealing and Re-enacting Chapter 24.

Councilmember Marcos made a motion to declare an emergency discussion on the issue and waive the intermediate time between the readings of the ordinance. Mayor Pro Tem Gardner seconded the motion. Motion failed 3-4 (Esteve, Senn-Carter, Truth, Woolfley).

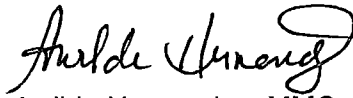
Council agreed to have Ordinance O-8-19 introduced at this meeting as a regular ordinance and placed on the November 25 Council meeting for adoption.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner moved to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Truth seconded the motion and it carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Awilda Hernandez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk