



City of Harrisonburg

409 S. Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Meeting Agenda - Final City Council

*Mayor Christopher B. Jones
Vice-Mayor Richard Baugh
Council Member Ted Byrd
Council Member Kai Degner
Council Member Abe Shearer*

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Roll Call
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Comments from the public, limited to five minutes, on matters not on the regular agenda. (Name and address are required)
5. Consent Agenda (any item placed on the consent agenda shall be removed and taken up as a separate matter, if so requested by any member of Council, otherwise all items will be voted on with one (1) motion)

5.a. Minutes

Attachments: [Draft Meeting Minutes February 24, 2015](#)

5.b. Consider amending and re-enacting Title 10, Chapter 7 "Stormwater Management" of the Harrisonburg City Code

Review & Recommendation: The Stormwater Management (SWM) ordinance establishes requirements for land development projects in regard to stormwater discharge impacts. This ordinance was originally adopted in May 2014 as a necessary part of the City's Virginia Stormwater Management Program mandated by VADEQ. The revisions in this amended ordinance are those requested by VADEQ in their final review, which occurred in Fall, 2014. City Attorney Brown has determined that consideration of this amended ordinance does not require a public hearing.

Attachments: [Memo to CC Feb2015 SWM Ord revisions](#)
[Amended SWM ord Feb 2015 with edits broken out](#)
[Draft SWM ord Feb 2015 with edits](#)

Legislative History

2/24/15 City Council approved on first reading

5.c. Consider adopting the Stormwater Utility Fee Ordinance and Program

Review & Recommendation: On February 4, 2015, the SWAC voted unanimously in favor of the Stormwater Utility Ordinance and associated documents.

The Stormwater Utility Ordinance establishes a stormwater utility fee that is imposed on every parcel of real property in the city based on the amount of impervious area within the property, establishes a billing unit of five hundred (500) square feet of impervious area, and establishes a billing rate per billing unit of \$10.50 per year. All stormwater utility fees and other income from the fees shall be deposited into the stormwater fund, to be used exclusively to provide services and facilities related to the stormwater management program and efforts to reduce polluted runoff. The proposed effective date is July 1, 2015.

A system of credits for which property owners will receive a fee waiver for installing, operating, and maintaining approved stormwater best management practices is described in the "Stormwater Utility Fee Credit Manual for Residential" and "Stormwater Utility Fee Credit Manual for Non-Residential".

Attachments: [Harrisonburg Stormwater Utility Ordinance](#)
[NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING](#)
[Memo to City Council 2015-02-09](#)
[Stormwater Utility - Enabling State Code](#)
[Harrisonburg Stormwater Utility Ordinance Draft](#)
[Stormwater Advisory Committee Bylaws amendment](#)
[Residential Credit Manual FINAL](#)
[Non-Residential Credit Manual FINAL](#)
[Tall Grass and Weeds Ordinance Amendment 2015-01-15](#)
[Summary of Public Outreach](#)
[Summary of Public Comments Received](#)
[Chamber of Commerce Questions](#)
[PowerPoint](#)

Legislative History

2/24/15 City Council approved on first reading

5.d. Consider amending and re-enacting Section 16-6-58 "Weeds, etc., on lots" of the Harrisonburg City Code

Review & Recommendation: This amendment to Section 16-6-58 "Weeds, etc., on lots" would allow areas the city has qualified as an approved and maintained Best Management Practice for stormwater regulatory compliance and/or stormwater utility fee credit purposes to be exempt from tall grass and weeds regulations.

Attachments: [16-6-58 Tall Weeds Ordinance](#)
[PowerPoint](#)

Legislative History

2/24/15 City Council approved on first reading

6. Public Hearings

6.a. Consider amendments to the 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 CDBG Program

Review & Recommendation: This public hearing is required by HUD to receive citizen comments on Community Development Block Grant amendments to the 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 Action Plans. Staff proposes that unused funds from the following projects be moved to the NEW Westover Pool Diving Board Project: \$4,300.26 that was allocated to the Morrison Park Project (14CDBG03) will be moved to the NEW Westover Pool Diving Board Replacement Project (15AMEND2); \$872.63 that was allocated to the A Dream Come True Playground Equipment Project (12CDBG03) will be moved to the NEW Westover Pool Diving Board Replacement Project (15AMEND2); \$850.14 that was allocated to the Ralph Sampson Park Shelter #2 Project (13CDBG03) will be moved to the NEW Westover Pool Diving Board Replacement Project (15AMEND2); and, \$13,726.97 that was allocated to the Westover Park Playground Project (14AMNED1) will be moved to the NEW Westover Pool Diving Board Replacement Project (15AMEND2)

Staff will make a short presentation, to be followed by a public hearing and a 30 day public comment period. There is no action needed on this item at this time.

Attachments: [Ad for paper](#)
[Amendment Schedule](#)

7. Regular Items

7.a. Consider approval of the 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) amendments

Review & Recommendation: The required public hearing and 30 day public comment period concluded on March 2, 2015 at 9am. Attached are two comments that were received at the public hearing. Staff recommends approval of the 2014 CDBG Amendment, which proposes that \$99,570.75 that was allocated to the E. Wolfe St. Sidewalks Project (15CDBG03) will be moved to the NEW West Mosby Rd. Sidewalks Project (15AMEND1).

Attachments: [CDBG Public Comments Received](#)

7.b. Blue Ridge Community College Annual Update

Review & Recommendation: Dr. Downey, President of BRCC will provide the update.

8. Special Event Application Requests

8.a. Consider the Eastern Mennonite University Commencement exercises for a special event

Review & Recommendation: EMU's Commencement exercises will take place on Sunday, April 26th. They request to close Park Road from Mt. Clinton Pike to Parkwood Drive from 12:45pm until 3:00pm for commencement.

Attachments: [EMU Graduation 4.26.15](#)
[EMU Certificate - Endorsement](#)

8.b. Consider the 2015 spring Rocktown Beer & Music Festival for a special event request

Review & Recommendation: The 2015 spring Rocktown Beer & Music Festival will be on Saturday, April 25th from 2:30pm until 8:00pm at the Turner Pavilion and parking lot.

Attachments: [Special Event Application 2015](#)
 [Layout 2015](#)
 [City of Hburg COI General](#)
 [Department Notes](#)

9. Supplementals

- 9.a. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the General Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$291,000

Review & This supplemental appropriation are funds that were recovered from Griffin Pipe for
Recommendation: pipe repair during the Phase 3 construction of Stone Spring Road/Erickson Avenue .

Attachments: [Supplemental Appropriation](#)
 [1310-31914](#)

10. Other Matters

11. Boards and Commissions

12. Adjournment