

## THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 11, 1970

## CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Miller	City Administrator Pridgen
Councilman Eppes	Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Councilman Forshee	Fire Chief LaScola
Councilman Geib	Deputy Fire Chief Fickes
Councilman Hutmire	Police Chief Foster
Councilman Nishimoto	Director of Public Works Rhodes
Councilman Roth	Deputy Public Works Director Barile
Councilman Sidell	

The Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland convened in Executive Session at the Municipal Gymnasium, 7201 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, at 8:05 PM, May 11, 1970. Upon Mayor Miller's invitation, Mr. John Kvedar, Commander of VFW Post 350, led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Miller then asked for a motion to waive reading of the Minutes of the last meeting; it was so moved and seconded. Mrs. Kathryn Simpson, Chairman of the Community Improvement Board, stated that the last paragraph of the Housing and Code Enforcement Committee report (page 7) was in error; that the list of appointees was incomplete. She explained that the Board would make about five additional appointments to fill their quota, and asked that the minutes be corrected to indicate this. A motion was made to adopt the minutes as corrected and dispense with the reading; it was seconded by Councilman Eppes and carried. Mayor Miller explained to the audience that the purpose of waiving the reading of the Minutes is to expedite the meeting; that copies had been mailed to civic associations, posted on bulletin boards and are available to the public.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED, City Administrator Pridgen reporting

1. Andrew A. Holton, Supervisor, Rodent Control Unit, Bureau of Environmental Health, Prince George's County Department of Health. Request for information on rodent control available to City residents and offer of educational program. Housing and C.E.
2. William M. Hunt, Department of Community Development, Prince George's County Housing Authority. Explanation of request for additional resolution authorizing Prince George's County Housity Authority to lease units within the City. Housing and Code Enf.
3. Dollie H. Kyte, Clerk to Montgomery County Board of Appeals. Notice of hearing on Case 2839, Special Exception Petition of Mabel A. Livingston, 7804 Carroll Avenue, to permit rooming house in R-60 zone (Lot 3, Blk. 101, Palmer Tract Subdivision). Planning and Zoning Committee
4. John S. Hewins, Governmental Relations Coordinator, Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Request for letter of approval on site selected for inclusion in HUD's Parks-in-Cities application. Planning and Zoning Committee
5. Merrill L. Harrison, Mayor, Laurel, Md. Letter requesting Mayor and Council to support Laurel Councilman Ronald E. Davies as Council Member at Large to Maryland Municipal League. Council as a Whole

6. V. H. Rodes, President, Takoma Park Recreation Council. Letter commenting on Recreation Department's proposed 1970-71 budget. Parks and Recreation Committee
7. John D. Ruffcorn, Administrator, Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, City. Invitation for Mayor Miller to speak at open house ceremony for new cobalt therapy facility. Council Files
8. Daniel P. Froelich, 7205 Willow Avenue, City. Request for Council's intervention in problem on Cockerille Avenue. Housing and Code Enforcement Committee
9. Albert C. Hubbell, 1009 Heather Avenue, City. Letter requesting STOP sign at intersection of Heather and Elm Avenues. Law Enforcement Committee
10. C. V. Tondreau, 7717 Greenwood Avenue, City. Request for police attention to parking violations in his vicinity. Law Enforcement Committee
11. Harry B. Packard, Business Manager, Montgomery College, City. Letter commending Police Department for assistance at College. Law Enforcement Committee

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, City Administrator Pridgen reporting

See last page of minutes.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Miller welcomed the audience, and invited them to attend the next meeting of the Council on May 25, 1970, at 8:00 PM in the Municipal Gymnasium. He stated that he had represented the City at the dedication of the VFW Post 350 home at 4th and Orchard Avenues, Takoma Park--their first official home in forty-nine years--and wanted this fact recorded in the minutes. He congratulated the Post and Auxiliary members present on their achievement.

Mayor Miller then went on to commend veterans in general, saying they cannot be accused of being war-mongers, that, on the contrary, they have first-hand knowledge of war and want no more of it. He said that in a country rife with disunity, veterans organizations serve as a stabilizing and unifying force through their involvement in community affairs; that Post 350 is a case in point, with their never-failing response to calls for participation in local events.

Mayor Miller at this point read a proclamation designating May 11-16, 1970, as Veterans of Foreign Wars Buddy Poppy Week, after which he presented the proclamation to Commander Kvedar. The Mayor stated that during the last few years this night has been set aside to crown the Princess of Poppy Week; Commander Kvedar then introduced the President of the Laides Auxiliary, Mrs. Lynda Thorpe; the new Princess of Poppy Week, Miss Gay Rhindone; and the outgoing Princess, Miss Holly Hutmire. After the crowning of the new Princess, Commander Kvedar thanked the Mayor and Council for their help, stating that the Mayor is always a willing and effective speaker for the VFW Post. He stated that the Buddy Poppy is sold as a memorial to comrades who have died overseas and that all the funds are used for relief of suffering in one way or another--a share going to the disabled veterans who made the poppies; another share to the national home for orphans of veterans in Michigan; and the remainder going into a relief fund for needy veterans. Mayor Miller then introduced former councilman George Kennedy and thanked him for all he has done as a citizen of Takoma Park and as a member of Post 350. Mr. Kennedy, in turn, thanked the Mayor for the members of Post 350 for his efforts on their behalf.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Mr. Leo J. Sheridan, 502 Lincoln Avenue, City. Mr. Sheridan inquired if the City would be represented at the hearing to oppose Special Exception #2291 (Salvation Army), stating that he understood that the Council at first favored granting the Special Exception, and later reversed its opinion. Upon inquiry, Mr. Gingerich stated that the City would be represented by Asst. Corporation Counsel Culpepper. Mayor Miller then explained how the initial opinion came about, saying that when an area is outside City limits, as it was in this case, the Council generally takes no position unless there is sufficient evidence to warrant objection; that in this instance there was no such evidence or citizen disapproval, until after favorable action had been taken; that Council then felt a need to reflect the will of the citizens and voted to reverse the original position.

2. Mr. Daniel P. Froelich, 7205 Willow Avenue, City. Mr. Froelich inquired if his letter addressed to the Mayor and Council would be discussed. Mayor Miller replied that it would be taken up in Committee and that he would be notified of action taken.

3. Mr. Phil Vogel, 7117 Garland Avenue, City. Mr. Vogel expressed his concern over the appearance of a vacant lot adjacent to the BP Gas Station, stating that it has become a dumping ground. Mr. Hutmire replied that he believed this was the debris accumulated as a result of remodeling at the gas station, and would be removed upon completion.

COMMITTEE REPORTSPARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, Councilman Sidell reporting

1. "Sleeping Beauty" production. Councilman Sidell commended the drama group of the Recreation Department on the fine performance given this past weekend, stating that he wanted to give public recognition to the director, Mrs. Mary Ann McGuire. The Mayor stated that he thoroughly enjoyed the performance and added that Councilmen Sidell and Hutmire should also be congratulated, since they too were involved. He urged the Council to give encouragement to such activities by participation and/or attendance, saying he felt this would serve to increase communication between different age groups.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, Councilman Forshee reporting

1. Budget hearing. Councilman Forshee announced that a public hearing on the proposed City budget for the next fiscal year will be held at 8:00 PM, May 18. He invited all to attend. The hearing will be held in the Municipal Gymnasium.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE, Councilman Nishimoto reporting

1. Maple-Tulip-Cedar traffic problems. Councilman Nishimoto stated that the City Administrator had prepared an ordinance based on recommendations made by Chief Foster and the AAA traffic engineer, and asked Mr. Pridgen to read it before the Council:

## ORDINANCE NO. 2099

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

SECTION 1. WHEREAS it has been determined that in the interest of safety it is necessary to change the existing parking restrictions in the area of Maple, Tulip, and Cedar Avenues, AND

- SECTION 2. THEREFORE THAT, parking be prohibited on the southeast side and the northeast side of Maple Avenue, eighty feet (80') from the intersecting curbs on Maple Avenue and Tulip Avenue, AND
- SECTION 3. THAT parking be prohibited on the northeast side of Tulip Avenue, eighty feet (80') from the intersecting curbs on Maple Avenue, AND
- SECTION 4. THAT parking be prohibited on the southeast side of Cedar Avenue, eighty feet (80') from the intersecting curbs on Tulip Avenue, AND
- SECTION 5. THAT the Director of Public Works be authorized to erect signs and paint curbs as are necessary to indicate the foregoing restrictions, AND
- SECTION 6. THAT, the penalty for violation of this ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by the Municipal Code (1961) governing traffic violations in the City of Takoma Park, AND
- SECTION 7. FURTHER THAT, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage.

Councilman Nishimoto moved that the Ordinance be adopted as read. The motion was seconded by Councilman Geib, and adopted by Roll Call Vote, recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Eppes, Forshee, Geib, Hutmire, Nishimoto, Roth, Sidell. Nay: none. Excused: none. Councilman Nishimoto reported that Chief Foster has instituted a selective traffic enforcement program with officers in this area during rush hours. He stated that on Monday, 19 vehicles were stopped between 8:30 and 10:30 AM. He added that the Committee feels very strongly about enforcement of speed laws, since there seems to be a trend of gradual rise in incidence of car accidents, and cited the following Police Department statistics: 1968--465 accidents; 1969--563 accidents. He noted that one fatality has already occurred in 1970, but was hopeful that there would be no others, and also that the accident rate would decline.

2. Addition to Police Department and City Offices. Councilman Nishimoto stated that this problem of additional space has been under study for some months and that he hoped to be able to report favorably on it at the next meeting.

3. Personnel--Police Department. Councilman Nishimoto moved that John Richard Gowin, 5832 Jamestown Road, Hyattsville, Maryland, be appointed as police officer for a probationary period of one year, effective May 15, 1970, at the starting salary of \$7350 per annum under the Merit Plan. Motion was seconded by Councilman Geib and passed unanimously.

4. STOP sign at Heather and Elm Avenues. Councilman Nishimoto asked the City Administrator to read an ordinance he had prepared in response to Mr. A. C. Hubbell's request and on recommendation of the Police Department:

ORDINANCE NO. 2100

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

- SECTION 1. THAT all motor vehicles travelling north on Elm Avenue be brought to a complete stop before entering its intersection with Heather Avenue, AND
- SECTION 2. THAT the Director of Public Works be hereby authorized to erect a STOP sign on the southeast corner of Elm Avenue at Heather Avenue, AND

SECTION 3. THAT the penalty for violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by the Municipal Code (1961) governing traffic violations in the City of Takoma Park, AND

SECTION 4. FURTHER THAT this Ordinance become effective upon passage.

Councilman Nishimoto moved that the ordinance be adopted as read and it was seconded by Councilman Geib. Councilman Forshee inquired if the Police Department had considered use of a DEAD END sign instead, since Elm Avenue ends at this intersection. Upon inquiry, Chief Foster replied that it had been considered, but ruled out since there are homes on Heather beyond the dead end, and the possibility of collision still exists. The motion was adopted by Roll Call Vote, recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Eppes, Geib, Hutmire, Nishimoto, Roth, Sidell. Nay: Councilman Forshee. Excused: none.

HOUSING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE, Councilman Hutmire reporting

1. 7219 Maple Avenue request for 45-day extension. Councilman Hutmire stated that, if there was no objection by Council, the Committee would grant this request. Upon inquiry by Councilman Forshee, it was indicated the property would be painted.
2. Community Improvement Board recommendations. Councilman Hutmire said these recommendations were appreciated, noting that some had been assigned to his Committee and some to the Public Works Committee. With reference to the proposed hard surface parking requirement for multiple housing units, he cited Article 14, Section 6(a) of the City Code and Section H-310.5 of the BOCA Code as a means of effecting this recommendation. He stated that the Board's recommendation relative to space occupancy requirements is the very thing with which the Code Enforcement Officers have been charged, and that the survey undertaken by the Community Improvement Board was very useful in this area.
3. Information booklet for new residents. Councilman Hutmire stated that this is in progress, with most of the work being done by the City Administrator's office.
4. Dog control. Councilman Hutmire noted there had been a report on some aspects of this at the last Council meeting. He reported that the City Administrator has been in touch with agencies of the two counties, forwarding to them letters of complaint to point out areas needing control. He stated that Montgomery County has been very cooperative; Prince George's County is less well established. Also, the Police and Public Works Departments have been asked to make the contact with county agencies, rather than to refer individual citizens to them.
5. Division of Licenses and Inspections. Councilman Hutmire stated that Officer Olson's reports reflect the good training he is receiving under the guidance of Officer Thorowgood.
6. Status reports: Officer Thorowgood has met with the owner of 312 Philadelphia Avenue, who plans to clean up the property and re-rent it; the resident manager of the Winchester-Takoma has been off duty with an injury until recently, with fewer improvements being made during his absence; nothing new to report on 25 Holt Place.
7. Personnel. Councilman Hutmire reported that Mr. Barile, new Deputy Director of Public Works, is now on duty and will be taking an active part in the work of the Committee.

8. 6716 Cockerille Avenue property problem. Councilman Hutmire stated that Mr. Froelich should be assured that through the Public Works and Police Departments, as well as the Committee, he will receive help with his problem.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, Councilman Roth reporting

1. Montgomery College parking lot: screening, resurfacing and lighting. Councilman Roth reported that these items had been discussed in Committee, concluding that they will need to be considered by the College. He requested that the City Administrator write to College officials, advising that it has been brought to the Council's attention and is being passed on to them for whatever adjustment their budget permits.
2. Community Improvement Board recommendations. Councilman Roth reported the following: (a) Resurfacing of Ritchie Avenue: there are two parts to this problem, one of which is legal--all the rights of way have not been acquired; the other factor involved is financial--the cost to the City would be \$30-\$40,000, and it may not be assessable. In view of present budgetary problems, Councilman Roth doubted this amount could be appropriated. If the money becomes available, the Public Works Department will go ahead with the work; meanwhile temporary adjustment of some of the worst problems will be made. (b) First Avenue at Allegheny: resurfacing possibility is under study. (c) Cutting Colby through to Hayward was discussed at some length by Committee: also was reviewed in detail some years ago; however, citizens were not willing to be assessed for development of Colby--a very expensive project. (d) Fremont Avenue has been tarred and insofar as possible will be maintained on a regular schedule in the future. There is also the possibility of redevelopment of this area.
3. Street Cleaning Division. Councilman Roth reported that staff has been kept busy with the special Wednesday collections.
4. Closing of Grant Avenue. Councilman Roth reported that Capt. Rhodes has been in touch with Mr. Hewitt of the Park and Planning Commission, and they plan to review the situation with respect to the Commission's position.
5. Improvement of Lake Street between Poplar and Cockerille Avenues. Councilman Roth stated that this has been discussed; that though there is a financial problem, Committee is not prepared to give up on it yet.
6. Ritchie Avenue sidewalks. Councilman Roth asked that this item be removed from the agenda, since 80 per cent of the residents are unwilling to grant City's request for rights of way to put in sidewalks.
7. Maple Avenue footbridge. Councilman Roth reported that the bridge is up and Public Works is constructing the sidewalk approaches; and that Mr. Rhodes hopes to persuade Park and Planning Commission to extend sidewalks along Maple Avenue on the Park property at Sligo Creek Parkway.

FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE, Councilman Eppes reporting

1. Official leave, Chief LaScola. Councilman Eppes stated that Chief LaScola requested official leave for the period May 31-June 6 to attend a federally sponsored civil disturbance orientation course in Fort Gordon, Georgia. He moved that this request be approved, along with a sum of \$50 for travel expense (to be charged against Fire Department Contingency Fund). Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE, Councilman Geib reporting

1. Zoning Amendment A-8380 (from C-1 & R-18 to C-2), Orchard and 4th Avenues. Councilman Geib reported that the City Administrator's office has checked into the details and there are no specific plans for the development of this piece of property, which is located outside the City limits. He moved that Prince George's County Commissioners be advised that, although Council can make no official recommendation, it does have some serious reservations about construction which would contribute to the density of this area. Motion was seconded and carried.

2. Status reports: Councilman Geib stated that papers have been drawn up for prosecution of Mr. Roberts, 1111 Sligo Avenue, adding that he felt this was unfortunate, since the gas station property adjacent to his is looking quite good now. Councilman Hutmire inquired about ownership of the several pieces of property, to which Mr. Pridgen replied that they are jointly owned by a father and son-in-law. Mr. Geib reported that 114 Grant Avenue and 7107 Cedar Avenue are to be razed.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, Mayor Miller moved for adjournment of the meeting. Motion was seconded and carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM, to reconvene in the Municipal Gymnasium at 8:00 PM, May 25, 1970.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES AS OF APRIL 30, 1970

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY--GENERAL FUNDS

Balance as of March 31, 1970	57,893.50	
April Receipts*	<u>160,189.12</u>	218,082.62
April Disbursements		<u>150,227.44</u>
Balance as of April 30, 1970		<u><u>67,855.18</u></u>

\*Includes 2 treasury bills that matured in April--\$100,000.00

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY--PAYROLL ACCOUNT

Balance as of March 31, 1970	9,590.07	
Transfers from General Funds	<u>73,951.26</u>	83,541.33
April Disbursements		<u>70,108.52</u>
Balance as of April 30, 1970		<u><u>13,432.81</u></u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND--GENERAL FUND

Balance as of March 31, 1970	215.47	
No transactions during April	<u>---</u>	<u>215.47</u>
Balance as of April 30, 1970		<u><u>215.47</u></u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND--SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUND

Balance as of March 31, 1970	364.65	
No transactions during April	<u>---</u>	<u>364.65</u>
Balance as of April 30, 1970		<u><u>364.65</u></u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND--SAVINGS A/C TP63

Balance as of March 31, 1970	142.95	
No transactions during April	<u>---</u>	<u>142.95</u>
Balance as of April 30, 1970		<u><u>142.95</u></u>

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK--GENERAL FUND

Balance as of March 31, 1970	338.74	
No transactions during April	<u>---</u>	<u>338.74</u>
Balance as of April 30, 1970		<u><u>338.74</u></u>

PETTY CASH

200.00

TREASURY BILLS

PURCHASED: 10-3-69	DUE TO MATURE: 5-31-70	47,603.33	50,000.00
10-3-69	6-30-70	47,237.50	50,000.00
11-12-69	6-22-70	<u>47,731.00</u>	<u>50,000.00</u>
		142,571.83	150,000.00

ATTEST: Agnes M. Ridge  
City Clerk

APPROVED: George M. Miles  
Mayor



PUBLIC HEARINGPROPOSED BUDGET 1970/1971MAY 18, 1970

The Budget Hearing was called to order by Mayor Miller at 8:04 p.m. in the Municipal Gymnasium, 7201 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. Mayor Miller stated that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to offer residents the opportunity to make recommendations and constructive criticism regarding the proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. Mayor Miller noted that the Hearing will be conducted by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Councilman Forshee. The Hearing was turned over to Councilman Forshee at this time.

Councilman Forshee welcomed those in attendance and invited their participation in the Hearing. He stated that after making vocal recommendations, it would be well to write a letter to the Mayor and Council in order that the suggestions might receive additional consideration, both by the Finance Committee and the Council as a Whole before the final adoption of the Budget.

Councilman Forshee reviewed individual items, some of which were set forth in the cover letter and noted that the Reserve Fund requirement was changed by Charter amendment from the previous requirement of 10% of the Budget to a 5% Emergency Fund.

Councilman Forshee noted that several large pieces of equipment are to be purchased during the coming fiscal year including the 100' ladder truck for the Fire Department and a new trash truck for the Public Works Department. He further noted that no additional personnel is proposed for any of the Departments other than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  employees for the Police Department in connection with the Youth Action Program. Councilman Forshee stated that no tax increase is proposed at this time, however, it may be necessary in the future as costs continue to increase and the assessable base remains approximately the same. He noted that it is difficult for the assessable base to increase in the City as there is no vacant land available for development. At this time, Councilman Forshee requested that any citizen desiring to speak regarding the Budget indicate his desire to do so.

1. Mr. Harold Williams, 131 Ritchie Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Williams requested clarification of Acct. Item No. 19.302A on page 18 under the Parks Division of the Public Works Department. Councilman Forshee requested that Mr. Rhodes define the item. Mr. Rhodes, Director of Public Works, stated that the item covers the purchase of top soil, lawn mowers, weeders and many other small items used in the parks.
2. Mr. Robert Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Mandel remarked regarding the Capital Outlay proposed for the Fire Department and noted that no provision is made for the expansion of the building. Councilman Forshee stated that no definite plans have been made for remodeling and consideration is being given to the enlarging of the front door to accommodate the larger ladder truck which is on order. He stated that when the decision is reached as to what steps will be taken, the money will probably be taken from the Reserve Fund. Mr. Mandel further inquired as to the Capital Outlay appropriation for the City Hall and noted that the only figure indicated is for \$500. Councilman Forshee stated that when final plans are formulated for the new City Hall, it will no doubt be necessary to borrow the funds for the construction. He noted that plans are still in the making with a meeting scheduled for a night this week with the architect.
3. Mr. Gibson E. McKenzie, 7401 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. McKenzie inquired as to why the Fire Department purchased a ladder truck that would not fit into the present building. Councilman Forshee stated that with the increased size of the buildings in the City, the Fire Protection Committee was of the opinion that a 100' ladder truck is necessary to provide protection to the high rise apartment buildings.

In response to additional questions relating to the purchase of the ladder truck, Chief LaScola noted that specifications for the truck were drawn up according to those used by other companies in the surrounding areas, however, only one company was in a position to bid at that time. Councilman Forshee stated that much consideration and discussion was devoted to this by the Fire Protection Committee prior to the placing of the order for the truck and the committee was satisfied that the one bid received was in line with present costs and the specified requirements.

4. Mrs. Opal Daniels, 19 Sherman Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mrs. Daniels spoke regarding the appropriation for street repairs, etc. and inquired as to whether any of these funds would apply to the repairing of curbs at various locations throughout the City. Councilman Forshee noted that some of the \$72,000. in the Reserve Fund would, no doubt, be used for curb repairing, however, he noted that curb and sidewalk repairs and/or construction is very costly. Mrs. Daniels further spoke regarding the needs for repairing or building new sidewalks and expressed her hope that some of this may be accomplished during the coming fiscal year. Mrs. Daniels also spoke regarding the Recreation Department and stated her pleasure at observing the sum proposed for the purchase of a vehicle for the Recreation Department. Mrs. Daniels also stated that she felt the Recreation Department budget was too low and that in order to maintain the excellent recreation program the City now makes available, consideration should be given to additional funds. Mrs. Daniels stated that it would be well if the instructors of the various programs could be paid more.
5. Mr. Joseph Brown, 405 Boyd Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Brown spoke regarding the proposed salary for the Recreation Director and requested that the Council take into consideration the recommendation of the Recreation Council as stated in a recent letter to the Mayor and Council.
6. Mrs. Abbey Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mrs. Mandel inquired as to why the amount proposed for the purchase of books by the Library remained the same as in last year's budget and whether this was the amount requested by the Librarian. Mrs. Robinson stated that the amount proposed is \$300.00 less than requested.
7. Mr. John H. Mitton, 501 Philadelphia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Mitton inquired as to the provision for a Deputy Director of Public Works and questioned the need for such personnel when the City has apparently gotten along without such assistance previously. Councilman Forshee stated that this capacity was filled for years by the Building Inspector, Mr. Williams, until his death two years ago. He further noted that a Deputy Director of Public Works has been hired and the salary taken out of the Reserve Fund as planned when removed from the adopted budget for last year. Councilman Forshee further noted that the need for such personnel has increased with the efforts being made in the area of Code Enforcement.
8. Mr. Jesse Gibson, 7807 Wildwood Drive, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Gibson inquired as to whether the provision for a Deputy Director of Public Works was in last year's budget. Councilman Forshee stated that it was in the proposed budget but not in the adopted budget as it was decided that if and when the proper person could be hired, the funds would be provided from the Reserve fund, as it turned out to be when the Deputy Director was hired as of the first of May.
9. Mr. C. J. F. Fiske, 232 Park Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Fiske inquired as to the obvious discrepancy between the salaries paid to the Automotive Supervisor at the Public Works Department and the Machinery supervisor at the Fire Department. Councilman Forshee requested that the City Administrator look into the matter after pointing out, however, the fact that the machinery supervisor at the Fire Department also responds to fire calls and is ranked as a Lieutenant with the Department.

10. Mr. Jesse Gibson, 7807 Wildwood Drive, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Gibson commended those responsible for the preparation of the Budget for their outstanding work and remarked on the clarity of the presentation. Mr. Gibson noted the increase for personal services in the Finance Department as well as other Departments and stated that if this indicates a trend, future budgets will be much larger. Councilman Forshee stated that the hiring of the Treasurer was handled in much the same manner as the Deputy Director of Public Works with funds provided from the Reserve Fund rather than the adopted budget. Noting the large increase in personal services for the Police Department, Mr. Gibson inquired as to the amount of Federal Funds to be provided for the Youth Action Program. Captain Porter stated that the Federal Government participates by funding approximately 60% of the required funds for the program.

11. Mr. Joseph Brown, 405 Boyd Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Brown inquired as to what the Youth Action Program is. Captain Porter stated that the program is designed to reach the youth who has had minor contact with the Police, is a drop-out, etc. He stated that a recreation program will be planned in addition to and in conjunction with the Recreation Department programs. Job assistance will be provided in addition to many other services designed to assist the youth in becoming a useful, productive citizen. Captain Porter noted that college student volunteers have already been obtained to assist in the program.

12. Mr. Harry F. Wickline, 7812 Takoma Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Wickline remarked on the percentage of increase in crime in the City and requested that consideration be given to the hiring of additional officers.

13. Mr. Sydney Tymeson, 8118 Flower Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Tymeson complimented those responsible for the efficient presentation of the budget. He stated that he has always thought that the Police Department is actually the Public Relations Department for a City with efforts in that direction being made by being seen and talked about in the community. He stated that efficiency and morale must be affected by the crowded quarters used by the Police Department. Mr. Tymeson stated that serious consideration should be given to using some of the Reserve Fund for enlarging the quarters. Mr. Tymeson spoke regarding the K-9 corps and expressed his desire to once again see the Police Department acquire a new dog. He noted the fact that a number of people are under the impression that the K-9 corps is still in existence due to the lettering on the station wagon. He further commended the Police Department for starting the Youth Action Program. Mr. Tymeson stated that the College is soon to begin using two-way radios between the watchmen on the campus as well as a base station. He stated that it would be well also if a direct line of communication could be set up with the Police Station. In closing, Mr. Tymeson reiterated his desire to see the facilities at 8 Columbia Avenue expanded with an eye toward the fact that if and when the new City Building is constructed, the present facilities could be used as Real Estate or Medical Offices.

14. Mr. Gibson E. McKenzie, 7401 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. McKenzie inquired as to why the VA and FHA place such a low appraisal on properties in the City of Takoma Park. Councilman Geib stated that he would obtain an official statement on this matter.

15. Mrs. Abbey Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: In regard to the amount of City taxes, Mrs. Mandel stated that she feels she is "buying things with other people that she could not purchase by myself". She stated that the cost of one ambulance trip would amount to what she pays in taxes. She further stated that her interest lies more in salaries rather than government buildings.

Mrs. Mandel further inquired as to the base salary being paid laborers in the Public Works Department. Mr. Pridgen stated that they will receive \$2.55 per hour if the 6% proposed increase is adopted.

16. Mr. Joseph Brown, 405 Boyd Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Brown inquired as to the relationship of the City with the TESS Commission and whether the increase in required services as stated by Mr. Anderson is anticipated in the proposed budget. Councilman Geib stated that a population density increase is anticipated as a result of the transit station, however, no great increase in services is anticipated for the coming fiscal year. Mr. Brown further stated that citizens shouldn't quibble about price they are paying for services.

17. Mr. Sydney Tymeson, 8118 Flower Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland : Mr. Tymeson noted that under the college's building plan, plans are already being made for the construction of a building sometime in the next two years. He noted that provision is being made for 5% inflation (minimum) and suggested that the City plan for future expansion of buildings in the same manner in view of the congestion in the Police Department.

18. Mr. Russell B. Jones, 409 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland: Mr. Jones noted that the Gymnasium is equipped with a public address system, and requested that it be utilized to a fuller extent in the future in order that participants from the audience may be heard better.

At this point, Councilman Forshee turned the Hearing back to Mayor Miller. Mayor Miller spoke regarding the number of hours spent on the preparation of the proposed budget by the City Administrator, Mr. Pridgen, the individual Department Heads and the Councilman in charge of each respective Department. He stated his pleasure at the fact that some members of the audience had recognized this fact and commented on same.

There being no further questions or comments to be made to the Mayor and Council as a Whole Finance Committee, the Hearing was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

ATTEST: Haynes M. Pridgen  
City Clerk

APPROVED: George M. Miller  
Mayor

## THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 25, 1970

## CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Miller	City Administrator Pridgen
Councilman Eppes	Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Councilman Forshee	Fire Chief LaScola
Councilman Geib	Deputy Fire Chief Fickes
Councilman Hutmire	Captain West
Councilman Nishimoto	Police Chief Foster
Councilman Roth	Director of Public Works Rhodes
Councilman Sidell	Code Enforcement Officer Olson
	Code Enforcement Officer Thorowgood
	Director of Recreation Ziegler

The Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland convened in Regular Session at 8:05 PM, May 25, 1970, in the Municipal Gymnasium, 7201 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. Rev. Theron Snyder, Trinity United Church of Christ, gave the invocation, after which Mayor Miller led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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Virginia Lee Early	Cathy McCurdy
Diane Fickes	Becky Mill
Jennifer Grabe	Louise Rhan
Bridget Griffin	Mary C. Scott
Muffie Grabe	Judy White
Sharon Lee Hogston	Debby Willis
Denise Malcom	Glynis Willis

At this point Mayor Miller asked for a motion to waive reading of the Minutes of the last meeting. It was so moved and seconded. Councilman Geib asked that the Minutes be corrected to include the following insertion on page 7, item 2, after the word unfortunate: "that Mr. Roberts has let his property run down,"; a motion was made to adopt the minutes as corrected and dispense with the reading; it was seconded and carried. Mayor Miller then explained to the audience that dispensing with the reading of the Minutes is a time saving device, that they are available to the public, have been mailed to civic associations and are posted on bulletin boards.

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CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED, City Administrator Pridgen reporting

1. Sen. Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., Washington, D. C. Letter advising Department of Defense's assignment of a marching unit and colorguard to participate in Independence Day parade. 4th of July Committee
2. Frank Curran, Mayor, San Diego, California. Invitation to Mayor Miller and officers of City's Town Affiliation Committee to attend 12th annual convention. Sister City Committee
3. M. S. Soward, Chief, Division of Zoning, Permits and Licenses, Montgomery Co. Letter requiring discontinuance of use of 6839 Eastern Avenue (zoned R-60) as a business operation. Planning and Zoning Committee
4. Dr. Winston H. Beaven, President, Columbia Union College, City. Letter advising Mayor Miller of his forthcoming retirement and expressing appreciation for cooperation extended by the City. Council Files
5. Becky Combs, Principal, Takoma Park Elementary School. Letter of thanks for memo clarifying duties of the School Coordinator, Officer Sherman, and expression of appreciation for his good work. Law Enforcement Committee
6. Frank Y. Christiansen, Principal, Takoma Park Junior High School. Request for continued and increased communication and involvement of Police Department with the school; request for consideration of assignment of plain clothed youth officer to the school on a permanent basis. Law Enforcement Committee
7. Ernest J. Wolfe, 7522 Jackson Avenue, City. Letter and copies of NARCE resolutions re proposed advisory council and its role in selecting and serving tenants of planned apartment house for senior citizens. Planning and Zoning Committee
8. Mrs. Amelia Burroughs, 7218 Cedar Avenue, City. Expression of appreciation for fine work of Public Works and Police Departments and the Community Improvement Board. Council Files
9. H. Korth, Brisker-Campitelli Enterprises, 1010 Arcola Ave., Silver Spring, Md. Letter advising status of lot on Carroll Avenue designated as site for construction of apartment building for the elderly. Housing and Code Enforcement Committee
10. Mary Joan Seel, 7 Lee Avenue, City. Inquiry re purchase of land from City-- a strip at rear of City garage at 8 Sherman Avenue. Finance Committee
11. Amelia W. Burroughs, 7218 Cedar Avenue, City. Request for Council to consider real estate tax credit for resident earning \$5,000 or less, using County certification as the criterion for eligibility. Finance Committee.
12. A. C. Hubbell, 1009 Heather Avenue, City. Expression of appreciation for installation of STOP sign at Elm and Heather and inquiry as to why it was removed after a few days. Law Enforcement and Public Works Committees
13. Mary and Freeman Slye, 7314 Trescott Avenue, City. Request for City to commend the Mel Hall family of 7401 Flower Avenue for the excellent work in rehabilitating a deteriorating residence. Housing and Code Enforcement Committee

14. Kai E. Sonne, 7216 Minter Place, City. Letter requesting police protection and help in ridding neighborhood of youth gang. Law Enforcement Committee

#### MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Miller greeted the audience and announced the next Council meeting would be held on June 8 at 8:00 PM, in the Municipal Auditorium; he also announced that there would be no meeting on June 22, since he and the Council members would be attending the annual meetings of the Maryland Municipal League.

Mayor Miller then announced a short program at Memorial Park at 2:00, Saturday, May 30, at which veterans' organizations throughout the area will pay tribute to comrades lost in past and present wars. He urged all to attend and spend a few minutes to honor those who have lost their lives to protect the benefits and privileges we enjoy every day.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. John E. Becker, 8525 Sligo Creek Parkway, City. Mr. Becker submitted a request and plat plan for resubdivision and conversion of two lots into three, on which he plans to erect a second home for a member of his family. Upon inquiry, he stated that he is submitting requests to the Council and the Park and Planning Commission concurrently with the hope of speedy action; and that all three lots would still meet the prescribed 6,000 sq. ft. space requirement. Mayor Miller referred the request to the Planning and Zoning Committee.

2. Robert C. Oelhaf, 7122 Maple Avenue, City. Mr. Oelhaf stated he was in agreement with Mrs. Burroughs' request for tax credits; that this is in line with the most advanced thinking of tax reform specialists.

Mr. Oelhaf then thanked the Mayor and Council for their efforts to alleviate the traffic problems in the area of Maple, Cedar and Tulip Avenues, adding that he and his neighbors are heartened by the noticeable reduction of speeding during rush hours. However, he stated, the problem has not diminished during evenings and weekends and suggested seeking less costly solutions. In this connection, he made the following observations and suggestions: Since neither the streets nor sidewalks of Takoma Park are constructed to handle heavy, speeding traffic, it should be rerouted to bypass residential areas. Thus, the City would be applying the same logic it used in the Freeway controversy, i.e., objecting to the use of residential neighborhoods as freeways for traffic emanating from outside sources. He suggested that, though road bumps are illegal except on private roads, a stop sign is not, and its raison d'etre is immediately clear. Mr. Oelhaf urged the Council to consider lowering the speed limit to 15 miles per hour or, at most, 20 miles per hour as a means of effecting the rerouting of traffic.

3. Mrs. Joseph Simpson, Chairman, Community Improvement Board. Mrs. Simpson reported that a very productive Board meeting had been held last week with some twenty members attending. She stated a lengthy discussion had been held regarding the rat problem on Ritchie Avenue, and that other items on the agenda would be included in a forthcoming report to the Mayor and Council.

4. Mr. Ellery Denison, 7207 - 13th Place, City. Mr. Denison stated that the Erskine Street sign at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue is no longer there and requested that it be replaced. Mayor Miller thanked him for calling it to the attention of the Council, adding that Mr. Denison has always been a very active citizen of Takoma Park, particularly in his work with the Fourth of July Committee.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE, Councilman Geib reporting

1. Montgomery County Board of Appeals Case 2839, 7804 Carroll Avenue. Councilman Geib stated that this property is owned by Mabel A. Livingston and is used as a multiple family dwelling and rooming house (containing four kitchen-equipped apartments and eight rooms with refrigerator and hot plate, with three bathrooms). He noted that it has been a problem since 1960, and that reinspection of the house in February revealed it was being operated as a rooming house without a special exception; numerous housing code violations were also discovered. Councilman Geib moved that the Mayor and Council disapprove the granting of a special exception for the following reasons: (1) the adverse affect increased usage would have on development of adjoining properties and the intensification of parking and traffic problems; (2) the overcrowding of the unit would create potential health and fire hazards detrimental to residents and surrounding property; (3) the fact that only three bathrooms are provided for twelve separate dwelling units would tend to create a slum condition and thereby be detrimental to the neighborhood. The motion was seconded and passed. Councilman Forshee asked about compliance of the four apartments and Councilman Geib stated that many housing violations exist and asked that this be included on the agendas of the Fire Protection and Housing and Code Enforcement Committees. He also requested that Mr. Gingerich represent the City at the hearing on Thursday, May 28.

2. HUD's Parks-in-Cities site. Councilman Geib described the proposed site (bounded by Westmoreland, Allegheny, Highland Avenues and Kansas Lane, or 3rd Avenue), stating that most of the 13,000 sq. ft. area is outside city limits. He noted that the Parks-in-Cities program has been one of the better projects of the Park and Planning Commission, pointing out the Flower Avenue and Piney Branch park as an example, and adding that the Commission attempts to make the park appropriate to the character of the neighborhood. He also thought it important to be aware of the rapid disappearance of open space, which accompanies the continuing growth of the community. Councilman Geib then moved that the Council approve this application and requested notification of the Park and Planning Commission of the action. Motion was seconded. Upon question by Councilman Hutmire, Councilman Geib stated that this program is funded by HUD, approved by COG, who in turn, works with the Park and Planning Commission to iron out details of sites and acquisition. He added that the City has no financial involvement, after which Councilmen Hutmire and Roth noted that it will certainly be a valuable addition to the City and particularly to the children in the park area. Councilman Geib stated that this would be considered a play park and would be appropriately equipped. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Status reports: Councilman Geib indicated he had seen Mr. Roberts of 1111 Sligo Avenue walking around, to which Mr. Gingerich responded that he had been served, but understood that his property had improved considerably. Councilman Geib stated that the fence is still falling down and needs painting. Councilman Geib reported that though some pollution problems have been encountered, the situation at 114 Grant and 7107 Cedar Avenue will be firmed up this week.





FINANCE COMMITTEE, Councilman Forshee reporting

1. Transfer of funds. (a) Councilman Forshee moved that the sum of \$450 be transferred from Reserve Fund to cover the City auditor's annual fee, explaining that the bill submitted was \$450 over amount budgeted. The motion was seconded. Mr. Hutmire inquired if this were a normal increase, to which Mr. Pridgen replied that, though the volume of work has increased over the years, no unusual services had been rendered during the year. Motion was passed. (b) Councilman Forshee moved that \$1747 be transferred from the Reserve Fund to cover salary and car allowance for the new Deputy Director of Public Works, with funds to be allocated as follows: <sup>John</sup> \$1667 to A/C 12.101 (salary); \$80 to A/C 12.102D (car allowance). The motion was seconded and passed.

HOUSING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE, Councilman Hutmire reporting

1. Prince George's Housing Authority request for resolution. Councilman Hutmire stated this is still under consideration by the Committee.

2. Rodent control. Councilman Hutmire inquired of Mr. Rhodes if the Public Works Department could respond to Prince George's County Health Department's request for information on the City's rodent control program, to which Mr. Rhodes replied in the affirmative. Councilman Hutmire then asked about the effectiveness of the Montgomery County program as compared to Prince George's County, with specific reference to the problem on Ritchie Avenue. Mr. Rhodes stated that Prince George's County is presently more active, having recently stepped up their campaign; he added that the Public Works Department of the City will give bait to anyone requesting it, along with instructions for its use. Councilman Hutmire stated that according to reports this has been very successful in several areas of the City; he suggested that community leaders on Ritchie Avenue, or other areas having problems, be notified of the availability of the Prince George's County Health Department film, adding that he thought the County might permit its use in Montgomery County. He also requested that an appropriate response be made to the County inquiry.

3. Community Improvement Board recommendations. Councilman Hutmire reported that items on the agenda are still under study, but he wished to report on some other items related to the CIB. He moved that the following be adopted as part of the basic Community Improvement Board Resolution (1946) adopted in 1967, to be added at the end of Section (b):

The General Chairman or Vice Chairman shall accompany members of the Zone Committee during the period January 1 through March 31 in conducting windshield surveys of their respective zones annually.

The motion was seconded and adopted by roll call vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Eppes, Forshee, Geib, Hutmire, Nishimoto, Roth and Sidell. Nay: none. Excused: none.

Councilman Hutmire moved that the Council appoint the following new members to the Community Improvement Board, both of whom will serve one year terms:

John E. Bennett, 7118 Willow Avenue (Zone 4)  
Austin T. Brown, 802 Elm Avenue (Zone 7A)

Motion was seconded and adopted unanimously.

3. Information booklet for new residents. Councilman Hutmire stated this is in preparation.

4. Proposed animal control program. Councilman Hutmire reported progress in this area, adding that the Corporation Counsel has given the Committee an encouraging opinion on the proposed humane society ordinance. He stated that Mr. Pridgen has written to both county agencies asking their support. Upon inquiry by Councilman Hutmire, Mr. Pridgen stated he hopes to have some definite information within the next week or two.

5. Summary of activities: Division of Licenses and Inspections. Councilman Hutmire stated that during the past three week period, the Division has reported 940 specifically documented actions, 235 of which are in the area of inspections and reinspections.

6. Status reports: Councilman Hutmire inquired of Officer Thorowgood as to the status of 25 Holf Place, to which he replied they have asked for an extension of time because the contractor engaged has other commitments.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, Councilman Roth reporting

1. Community Improvement Board recommendation--improvement of First Avenue at Allegheny Avenue. Councilman Roth reported this is under study.

2. Closing of Grant Avenue. Councilman Roth stated that Mr. Rhodes has been in contact with the Park and Planning Commission and has determined that they have no objection to closing Grant Avenue nor to the cul-de-sac location. He requested that Mr. Pridgen contact the appropriate Board of Education representative to obtain their concurrence, after which it will be taken to citizens and then through the courts. He added that this lengthy preliminary procedure would save time in the judicial process.

3. Improvement of Lake Street between Poplar and Cockerille Avenues. Councilman Roth reported that the property owner who made the initial request has been notified that others on his street are not interested in the improvement: it was suggested to him that he attempt to reach some agreement with the other residents.

4. Personnel. Councilman Roth announced the resignation of Mrs. Dora McLaughlin from the Department, effective June 15. He moved that it be accepted with regret. Motion was seconded and passed.

5. Relocation of sewer line serving Library. Councilman Roth stated that this had been proposed by engineers for the new school and a modification of the plan recommended by the Committee to make same compatible with plans for new City building next to Library; that WSSC and the Board of Education have been notified.

6. Purchase of new sanitation truck. Councilman Roth moved that the City Administrator be authorized to advertise for bids on a new truck similar to those purchased two years ago. Motion was seconded and passed. Councilman Roth stated that since Prince George's County has closed down its land fill area, the trash must be carried a distance three times further away and will cause problems in the way of wear and tear on equipment.

Upon inquiry by Councilman Eppes, Mr. Roth stated that Montgomery County will not permit use of their incinerator for Prince George's County trash; in fact, they would lift the City's permit. Councilman Geib inquired if City had ever considered installing its own incinerator. Councilman Roth replied that it is very, very expensive and that in any case would contribute to air pollution. He added that there is also more and more objection to the land fill method of disposal; that the whole community of governments is trying to cope with this problem but, as yet, no one has come up with the answer.

7. Maple Avenue footbridge and walks. Councilman Roth reported that Mr. Rhodes has been in contact with Mr. Hewitt of the Park and Planning Commission, who has agreed to put in sidewalk to Sligo Creek Parkway, but is not willing to extend it up to the apartment buildings. The Committee will consider other alternatives at their next meeting.

8. Curb repair. Councilman Roth reported that the Department has taken off several inches of the curb on Carroll opposite Central Avenue.

9. Equipment repair. Councilman Roth stated that the Department has had some unfortunate experiences with two pieces of equipment--a front-end loader engine repairs and the clutch of a trash truck--requiring repairs amounting to approximately \$1,000 each.

#### FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE, Councilman Eppes reporting

1. Personnel. Councilman Eppes moved that the resignation of Pvt. B. J. Wallace of the Fire Department, effective May 31, be accepted with regret: motion was seconded and passed.

2. Official leave, Capt. West. Councilman Eppes stated that Capt. West has requested official leave to attend the Annual Arson and Fire Investigation Conference at Rutgers University, June 8-12. He moved that this be approved along with \$95 for room and board and \$25 travel expense, to be charged to Fire Prevention. The motion was seconded by Councilman Geib. Councilman Nishimoto suggested that in the future it would be useful if such requests were made long enough in advance to permit evaluation by the Council. Motion was passed unanimously.

3. Personnel commendation. Councilman Eppes moved that the Council commend Capt. Kearns for his participation in a fire service instruction documentary on Monday, March 24, stating that photographs, etc., had been widely disseminated and were of considerable pride to the Fire Department and the City. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, Mayor Miller moved for adjournment of the meeting. Motion was seconded and carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM, to reconvene in the Municipal Gymnasium at 8:00 PM, Monday, June 8, 1970.

APPROVED: George M. Miller  
Mayor

ATTEST: Haynes M. Priddy  
City Clerk