

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

March 8, 1976

City Officials Present:

Mayor Roth
Councilman Faulkner
Councilman Forshee
Councilwoman Medina
Councilman Garcia
Councilman Nishimoto
Councilman Ricks
Councilman Webb

City Administrator Gilsdorf
Asst. to the City Administrator Nichols
City Clerk Pusti
Recreation Director Ziegler
Public Works Director Barile
Chief of Police Porter
Corporation Counsel Gingerich

The Mayor and Council met in Executive Session on March 8, 1976, at 8:00 PM in the Council Chambers, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, a motion to approve the minutes of the Feb. 23 meeting was made, seconded and approved.

Councilman Nishimoto noted that the following people were instrumental in the preparation of the report of the Piney Branch LEC report to the Board of Education: Joseph Simpson, Dorothy Malusky, and Alice Lazun.

MAYOR ROTH'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Announced that Sunday, March 14 the Bicentennial Committee will sponsor a craft show at 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, 2nd floor, Municipal Building.

Complimented Mr. John D. Degen, 20 Montgomery Avenue on an article in the Washington Star noting his volunteer work to better inform heart patients about cardiac problems.

Mayor Roth read about Mr. Fred Seamans' Olympic Gold Medal in the Washington Post and was pleased to have a former olympic winner in the City.

Jayne Plank, Mayor of Kensington, brought to Mayor Roth's attention that March 25 will be Maryland Day which will commemorate the 342 anniversary of the founding of Maryland.

The Mayor noted a report made by the Core of Engineers on the water supply for the Northeastern States. The report indicated that the water supply in this area is adequate until 1980 after which there could be the possibility of running into difficulties during drought years where the Potomac River will not be sufficient to provide the water needed. Six different solutions were suggested along with emergency water uses during droughts. Mayor Roth assigned Councilman Faulkner to keep the Council informed on this matter.

On Feb. 26, Mayor Roth along with Mayors in Prince George's County met with the Prince George's County Fiscal Committee of the County Council to talk about potential legislation that effects the amount of tax money they give back to the City for services they do not supply to the City. There are plans to meet again, March 20, to talk about current affairs that affect both cities and county.

CITIZENS REMARKS

(1) Dr. Stanley Evans, 7520 Maple Avenue said it was nice to report that tenants in the Deauville Apts. are seeing police on their scooters in that area but are still concerned about safety. He questioned whether or not police could patrol inside apt. buildings. Chief Porter explained that officers in the investigative field may be inside the buildings but the patrol officers will be outside in the parking lots and surrounded areas. There are some officers that are working with

associations and groups to inform them of the purpose of the Burglary Apprehension Team. Mayor Roth added that the team will be patrolling where statistics indicate the probability of burglary.

(2) Mr. Dennis Seekins, 8217 Roanoke Avenue said the house he lives in has two other apts. and feels they and small apts. like his should be excluded from any kind of rent control. Thought that rent control would not work out in the Country or anywhere else. Landlords feel victimized and will quit building or renting. Said that it is not just a problem facing tenants; everyone wants to find reasonable housing. Added that people should be protected against gouging but he would be against a strict rent control.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Bank balances as of February 29, 1976.

<u>Suburban Trust Co.-General Funds</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 95,410.33	
* February Receipts	<u>159,568.91</u>	\$254,979.24
February Disbursements		<u>145,207.60</u>
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$109,771.14</u>
<u>Suburban Trust Co.-Payroll Account</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 15,710.50	
February Receipts	<u>90,475.66</u>	\$106,186.16
February Disbursements		<u>88,688.76</u>
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 17,517.40</u>
<u>Surburban Trust Co.-Rehabilitation Loan Fund</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 791.49	
February Receipts	<u>32.00</u>	
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 832.49</u>
<u>Citizens Bank of Md.-General Funds'</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 44.66	
No transactions	<u>-0-</u>	
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 44.66</u>
<u>Citizens Bank of Md.-Special Assessment Fund</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 1,225.16	
February Receipts	<u>800.29</u>	
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 2,025.45</u>
<u>Citizens Bank of Md.-Public Improvement Fund</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 534.53	
No transactions	<u>-0-</u>	
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 534.53</u>
<u>Citizens Bank of Md.-Savings Account</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 189.17	
No transactions	<u>-0-</u>	
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 189.17</u>
<u>American National Bank-General Funds</u>		
Balance: January 31, 1976	\$ 75.53	
No transactions	<u>-0-</u>	
Balance: February 29, 1976		<u>\$ 75.53</u>

* Treasury Bill Matured 2/10/76 Cost \$96,222.81

Financial Statement continued...

Petty Cash.....\$ 250.00

U.S. Treasury Bills

<u>Purchased</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Cash</u>	
8/7/75	3/9/76	\$ 95,958.89	\$100,000.00
9/10/75	4/6/76	96,089.64	100,000.00
9/8/75	5/4/76	95,535.42	100,000.00
9/22/75	6/1/76	95,072.44	100,000.00
10/2/75	6/29/76	47,437.92	50,000.00
1/22/76	6/29/76	97,877.92	100,000.00
Total Treasury Bills		\$527,972.92	\$550,000.00
5/25/75	Certificate of Deposit	100,000.00	108,687.50
	5/25/76		
Total Investments		<u>\$627,972.23</u>	<u>\$658,687.50</u>

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Communications

Letter from Lewis Goldstein expressing pleasure for being here for the dedication of the sheltered funding at Takoma Tower.

Mr. Gilsdorf announced publically that the following candidates officially withdrew from the election: Faith Stern (3 & 4 Wards), Sammie Abbott (Mayor).

Robert D. Jarboe letter explaining experience he had in Takoma Park in Feb. where he witnessed vehicles pass through the intersection at Poplar & Columbia Avenues without stopping at the posted Stop Sign creating a hazard to the residents. Mr. Gilsdorf noted that Chief Porter has been informed of the situation and is responding to the problem. Mayor Roth asked that the City Administrator report back to the Council on the results after two weeks.

Administrative reports and recommendations for Council Action.

Ordinance appointing election officials.

A blanket request was sent out asking for those interested in serving as an election official for the March 23 City Elections. This was also advertised in the City Newsletter. Mayor Roth asked how the new members get instructed in their responsibilities. City Clerk Pusti explained that instructions will be mailed to all officials; about half of those who have applied have had previous experience in election procedures and will assist the new ones. Upon motion by Councilman Nishimoto, seconded by Councilman Forshee the following ordinance was passed by roll call vote as follows: AYE: Councilmembers Faulkner, Forshee Garcia, Medina, Nishimoto, Ricks, and Webb; NAY: none; EXCUSED: none.

ORDINANCE #2380

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

SECTION 1. THAT the following registered voters of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, have been selected to serve as Election Officials for the City Election of March 23, 1976:

- John T. Bennick, 212 Philadelphia Avenue
- Clarence M. Boatman, 133 Ritchie Avenue
- Dorothy J. Buckman, 7736 Maple Avenue, Apt. #10
- Merritt E. Caskey, 8109 Carroll Avenue

Charlene L. Cohen, 7815 Takoma Avenue
 Betty C. Cook, 7400 Glenside Drive
 George E. Friedrich, 8005 Carroll Avenue
 Muriel N. Hoover, 7316 Baltimore Avenue
 Eleanor S. Jaeger, 7213 Trescott Avenue
 Marsha Lynn Jarboe, 15 Montgomery Avenue
 Milton Koren, 5 Columbia Avenue
 Claire B. Kozel, 7804 Wildwood Drive
 Joanne M. Mood, 7019 Eastern Avenue
 Katherine W. Paterson, 514 Albany Avenue
 Arthur B. Perry, 1102 Holton Lane
 Herbert D. Smith, 11 Pine Avenue
 Marvel A. Werner, 17 Darwin Avenue
 Octa B. Winter, 7403 Hancock Avenue, Apt. #202

Proposed Parking Permit Ordinance

Mr. Gilsdorf recommended that before this ordinance is passed there be a second reading to solicit public input. Corporation Counsel Gingerich said the Council could have a public hearing at the next Council Meeting provided that advertising goes out immediately. Mayor Roth suggested that notice be given to civic associations and groups notifying them of the proposed ordinance. Councilman Faulkner mentioned that the notice should go out with the minutes and agenda. Councilman Garcia added that the City bulletin board was a good way of advertising. Mr. Gingerich explained why a public hearing was necessary. He felt that a public hearing would give proof of the need of such an ordinance and serve as protection if challenged in a court of law. The ordinance would be effective throughout the City but the application will vary. After some discussion on the substance of the proposed ordinance, several Councilmembers made constructive changes with significant concern on the date of enactment and the fine involved for violations. Responding to Councilwoman Medina's question, Mr. Gilsdorf hoped that fees for parking permits would help in the cost supporting the ordinance (clerical person, fees, titles, etc.). He added that this program could well sustain itself. After reviewing the proposed ordinance, Councilman Nishimoto moved that the Council consider this meeting as the first reading of the ordinance and it be submitted to the general public for comments. Councilman Forshee seconded and the motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor Roth presented as a first reading the proposed ordinance - "Parking Permit" - and invited comments: (SEE ATTACHMENT).

Consideration of request for purchase of City property on Ritchie Avenue

Mr. Edward L. Felber, 9715 Admiralty Drive, requested to purchase property behind the Public Works Building that is owned by the City. He claimed this would increase the tax revenue and he would improve the looks. Mr. Gilsdorf explained that this is part of a 2 lot tandum that connects the Public Works Dept. with Ritchie Ave. Some time ago it was suggested that a road be placed there to cut down on traffic on Oswego Street. Public Works Director Barile said this would not cause widening of Ritchie Avenue and the steep incline is slowly being leveled off with concrete rubble from curb work at Philadelphia Avenue. There are plans to cover over this lot with dirt to smooth it out. Councilman Ricks hoped to see this area beautified for the summer. It was consensus of all the Councilmembers not to sell the property.

Administrative Report on 122 Park Avenue

Several attempts had been made to inspect the property at 122 Park Avenue. Legal access had to be secured through the Corporation Counsel. The property was inspected February 23, by Fire Prevention Officer Williams, Code Enforcement Officers Olson and Socha, Police Officer Trembel, and Corporation Counsel Culpepper and was found to be unsound and a hazard to the residential area. The place was officially condemned and the owners have been notified for correction or the City is prepared for demolition. Mayor Roth said it has taken considerable time to get the legal ground to make an adequate inspection and hopes the City is successful in achieving some improvement. Councilman Ricks asked what would happen to the lot if the house was demolished. Mr. Gilsdorf said that the contractor that does the work will smooth the lot over and plant grass. Councilman Nishimoto complimented the City Administrator for his work in this matter and was sure the neighborhood was relieved that some action was being taken. Councilwoman Medina noted that many attempts were made to rehabilitate this building before taking this action.

Report by Councilman Nishimoto on meeting of Landlord-Tenant Committee

The committee met Thursday, March 4, where everyone was given a chance to participate and express their views at an open meeting. Members selected to represent the tenants were: Helen Bridgett, Dr. Stanley Evans and Gwen Nash; Alternates: Jeanette Tice, William Long and Vivian Younger. The committee is scheduled to meet again Wednesday, March 10, at 8:00 PM, second floor, Municipal Building. Councilman Nishimoto hoped to have members selected to represent landlords at this meeting. Councilwoman Medina said that the committee should be very conscious to address the main issues first. Mayor Roth asked that names of landlords be submitted for position on the committee. Councilman Nishimoto mentioned that the committee was an advisory group and that final action would be made by the Council.

Additional comments

Mayor Roth received a letter from the Cornerstone Lodge commending Corporal Jack Goetz for his excellent communications job as Juvenile Officer. The Mayor asked that Chief Porter relay to Corporal Goetz the Council's pleasure in hearing about his fine work.

Mayor Roth suggested that the Council look at the Montgomery County Budget and the list of possible cuts proposed by Councilman Potter put out in the County Council report of February 20. Two items on the list of options concern the City.

- (1) possible reduction in TRIP (minibus service)
- (2) possible reduction in tax rebate for City services not provided by the County.

The Mayor advised the Council to prepare to communicate before a public hearing is held which might be more effective. The Council agreed that the TRIP bus provided a very good service to the City and would urge the County not to cut this project. Councilman Faulkner thought the second item should be opposed as it does bring the City money. The City Administrator was asked to find the best and most effective way to communicate with the County. Councilman Nishimoto suggested that the County Council be contacted by mail and in person.

Councilman Ricks encouraged kids of all ages to participate in the Ben Franklin Kite Contest, March 28 at noon.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:47 PM - Council to reconvene March 22, at 8:00 PM.

ATTEST:

Herbert W. Gilsdorf
Herbert W. Gilsdorf
City Administrator

APPROVED:

John D. Roth
John D. Roth
Mayor

DRAFT ORDINANCE
First Reading

AN ACT to add a new Section 13-63A, title "Parking Permit Areas", of Article 7, title "Stopping and Parking", Takoma Park Code 1972, as amended, to establish a parking permit fee for permits issued pursuant to this Section in an amount sufficient to pay the costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized by this Section.

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

Sec. 1. A new Section, Section 13-63A, title "Parking Permit Areas", of Article 7, title "Stopping and Parking", Takoma Park Code 1972, as amended, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

13-63A. Parking Permit Areas.

(a) The Mayor and Council find that the health, safety and welfare of many residents of the City are adversely affected by burdens placed on residents by virtue of the existence of major public facilities and programs. Frequently, the use of streets within residential areas for the parking of vehicles by persons using adjacent commercial, industrial, educational, and transit areas and other areas, facilities and programs emanating from planning, zoning and other decisions by government results in hazardous traffic conditions, the overburdening of existing streets, roads and other facilities, air and noise pollution, and the inability of residents of certain areas to obtain adequate parking adjacent to or close by their places of residence and to secure ease of access to their places of residence. In order to reduce to the extent possible the aforementioned conditions, to foster the use of mass transit facilities and to promote the safety, peace, good order, comfort, convenience, health and welfare of the residents of the City, the Mayor and Council deem it essential that the parking permit authorization provided for in this Section be enacted.

(b) The City Administrator is hereby authorized to recommend to the Mayor and Council, roads, streets and other areas within the City in which the parking of vehicles may be restricted, in whole or in part, during certain specified times, to holders of valid parking permits issued pursuant to this section. The City Administrator shall consider the institution of a parking permit system upon petition by the residents of a given area. The authority granted herein shall be in addition to, and may be exercised in conjunction with, any other authority the City Administrator may have to recommend times and conditions of motor vehicle parking.

(c) The designation of a parking permit area shall take into account, among other things:

- (1) The effect on the safety of residents of the area under consideration from intensive use by non-residents for parking of vehicles.
- (2) The need of the residents of the area to obtain adequate on-street parking adjacent to or close by their places of residence.
- (3) The difficulty or inability of residents of the area to secure adequate on-street parking adjacent to or close by their places of residence because of widespread use of available parking spaces in that area by non-resident transient motorists.
- (4) The impact of major public facilities and programs on the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the area and any unreasonable burdens placed on those residents in securing adequate on-street parking and gaining access to their places of residence by virtue of such facilities and programs.
- (5) The likelihood of alleviating, by use of a parking permit system, any problem of non-availability of residential parking spaces.
- (6) The desire of the residents in the area for the institution of a parking permit system and the willingness of those residents to bear the administrative costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized by this Section.
- (7) The fact that the residents of a contemplated parking permit area have contributed to the cost of construction and/or improvement of streets and roads in such area either by the direct assessment of costs or indirectly to the extent such costs are reflected in purchase or rental prices paid by those residents.
- (8) The need for some parking spaces to be available in the area under consideration for use by visitors and the general public.
- (9) Such other factors as shall be deemed relevant.

(d) In order to determine whether a particular area or location should be designated as a parking permit area, the Mayor and Council, upon receipt of a certified petition requesting the designation or withdrawal of a parking permit area, shall conduct a public hearing prior to such designation, or prior to the withdrawal of such designation once it is established, at which time any interested person shall be entitled to appear and be heard. Such hearing shall be held only after due notice has been published in a newspaper of general circula-

tion throughout Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. The notice shall clearly state the purpose of the hearing, the exact location and boundaries of the parking permit area under consideration, and the reasons why such area is being proposed for designation or withdrawal of designation as a parking permit area and the proposed parking permit fee that would be charged. In addition to the published notice, a similar notification shall be prominently posted within the area under consideration for designation as a parking permit area.

(e) After the close of the record of the public hearing the Mayor and Council shall decide, based on the record of that meeting, whether or not to designate the area under consideration as a parking permit area or to remove the designation in the case of an established parking permit area. The decision of the Mayor and Council shall be publicly announced in the same manner as the announcement of the hearing.

(f) Following the designation of a parking permit area, the City Administrator or the City Administrator's designee shall issue appropriate parking permits and shall cause parking signs to be posted in the area, indicating the times, locations and conditions under which parking shall be by permit only. Permits shall be issued only to persons residing on property immediately adjacent to a street or road within the parking permit area. A permit shall remain valid for such time as the holder thereof continues to reside in the area and during the period for which the permit is issued. Permits may be transferred only in accordance with procedures to be established in writing by the City Administrator.

(g) The City Administrator is authorized to prepare, after due notice and opportunity for interested parties to be heard, written regulations to implement the provisions of this Section for action by the Mayor and Council.

(h) The City Administrator is authorized to recommend to the Mayor and Council parking permit fee for permits to be issued pursuant to this Section in an amount sufficient to pay the costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized by this Section. The permit fee shall become effective upon the affirmative action of the Mayor and Council.

(i) The parking of any vehicle or the use of any parking permit in a manner contrary to the provisions established by the Mayor and Council pursuant to this Section is prohibited and the same is hereby declared to be unlawful and a misdemeanor. Any person violating this Section shall, upon conviction thereof by a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined not more than fifty dollars for each violation and, in default of any fine so imposed, shall be imprisoned for a period not to exceed three days for each violation.

Section 2. Severability.

The provisions of this Act are severable and if any provision, clause, sentence, section, word, or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, sections, words, or parts of the Act or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, section, word or part had not been included therein and if the person or circumstances to which the Act or part thereof is inapplicable had been specifically exempted therefrom.

Section 3. Effective date.

This Ordinance shall take effect on the date of enactment by the Mayor and Council on second reading.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON
PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF PARKING PERMIT AREAS
IN TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

The Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland will hold a public Hearing at 8:00 PM, Monday, March 22, 1976. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain public comment on a proposed ordinance which would authorize the Mayor and Council to establish special parking permit areas in certain sections of the City, provided specific criteria are met, and to set a fee for permits issued.

Herbert W. Gilsdorf, City Administrator
For the Mayor and City Council

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

March 22, 1976

City Officials Present:

Mayor Roth	City Administrator Gilsdorf
Councilman Faulkner	Asst. to the City Administrator Nichols
Councilman Forshee	Recreation Director Ziegler
Councilwoman Medina	Public Works Director Barile
Councilman Garcia	Chief of Police Porter
Councilman Nishimoto	Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Councilman Ricks	Corporation Counsel Culpepper
Councilman Webb	

The Mayor and Council met in Regular Session on March 22, 1976 at 8:00 PM in the Council Chambers, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. Following the Invocation by Chaplin Alfred C. Marple, Washington Adventist Hospital and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8 meeting was made, seconded and approved.

MAYOR ROTH'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Roth noted that the City suffered the loss of a fine citizen and prominent attorney, Mr. Joseph Simpson. He expressed sympathy from the Council and asked that the staff draw up a resolution in memory of Mr. Simpson to be presented to Mrs. Simpson.

He mentioned that the Washington Post's Potomac Magazine had an article on Takoma Park's Ben Franklin Kite Contest that will take place Sunday, March 28. Councilmen Faulkner and Ricks presented the Mayor with Takoma Park Bicentennial Kites they had made with the remark for the Mayor to "go fly a kite".

Saturday, March 20, the Mayor and six other Mayors of Prince George's County Council met to talk about the budget situation and if the county is willing to still supply Takoma Park with a tax rebate. A larger rebate was requested by the Mayor but was denied.

Mayor Roth presented a proclamation to the Cornerstone Chapter of Demolay designating the week of March 14-22, 1976 as International Demolay Week in the City of Takoma Park (observing the 57th Anniversary of the Order). Richard Friedman and Kim Schrock accepted the proclamation.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

Report on TPES
Report on Takoma Park Jr. High
Request for permit for use of amplified sound vehicles

CITIZENS' REMARKS

A. Public Hearing on Parking Permit Ordinance

1. Delores Stowell, 7704 Takoma Avenue noted that the parking problem in North Takoma has been around for many years. She said a survey was taken in a 15 block area around the college which showed that more than 95% of the residents were frustrated with the parking problem caused by the College. As a result the citizens formed a group called PAG (Parking Action Group). After some persuasion, they convinced Dr. Strasser to meet with them and they asked what he could do to relieve the situation. He replied that it was a City problem. People are being ticketed for parking their cars in intersections, blocking driveways and signs but continue to commit these violations. Members of PAG and other concerned citizens have talked with the Mayor and Council, Chief Porter, and the BOE and have had very little relief. She appreciated what the City has done but insists that

more should be done; urged Council to pass the parking permit ordinance to give the residents relief after 25 years of frustration.

2. John Mitton, 501 Philadelphia Avenue said that Philadelphia Avenue and other streets in the City have no parking and according to the proposed ordinance only people on adjacent streets can park on that street which is not fair to all the citizens in Takoma Park. Felt that until he can park in front of his house he can't support an ordinance for those living around the College. Mr. Gilsdorf explained that this proposed ordinance would authorize the Mayor and Council to designate permit parking areas. Mayor Roth added that before action is taken to restrict parking for an area, a public hearing must be held. Councilman Nishimoto mentioned that a petition is required to be submitted to the Mayor and Council either for a parking permit area or to withdraw the restriction from an area (Section (d), Ordinance #2382). Councilman Forshee was concerned with who could obtain a permit. Felt this would make second class citizens out of some residents.
3. Joe Ferrier, 7413 Maple Avenue said he too lived some distance from the College and hoped that each citizen receives justice.
4. Perry Schroeder, 244 Park Avenue found many points in the proposed ordinance that he did not understand. Asked why he as a tax payer and resident should have to pay for a permit to park somewhere in the City. Wondered why there must be an ordinance restricting or authorizing parking on certain streets. Mayor Roth explained that this is why the Council asked for a public hearing (to get citizens' opinions). He added that this ordinance is similar to that of Montgomery County and should be able to stand up in court. The fee would be to help offset the office administration. Councilman Nishimoto said there were many streets near the College that students park on all day leaving no space for those who live on that street. This proposed ordinance is directed toward those impacted areas. Councilwoman Medina felt that residential areas are being heavily impacted and government agencies create these laws to help relieve the problem. The Mayor mentioned that this type of ordinance is applied in other cities. Mr. Schroeder said he appreciated the North Takoma Park residents' condition but still felt that people should not be charged to park in front of their own homes.
5. George Pint, 512 Boston Avenue complained of cars parked in front of his home at all hours. He was concerned with the traffic jam caused by cars parked on both sides of the street. Urged Council to do something.
6. Mary Pat Waigand, 501 New York Avenue said the City put a 6" curb in front of her garage so she can't get her car into the garage without driving over the curb. Says she has great difficulty in finding a parking space near her home. Feels the parking permit is a great idea and is willing to pay the fee.
7. Morelyn Weisman, 7701 Takoma Avenue favors the proposed ordinance because of pollution. Felt that permit parking would eliminate some of the driving around that students do.
8. Princess R. Chapman, 7902 Takoma Avenue favored the permit parking because cars parked on both sides of the street allow only one car to drive down the street at a time. Often cars have to back up to allow another car to pass, creating a very unsafe condition. She said this was not something to be proud of; it is a congested mess. Was sure that the Police have something better to do rather than patrol parking spaces. Stated that the students cannot be blamed; it is the College's responsibility to provide adequate parking. Asked that the College deal with the citizens in order to solve the problem.

9. Mary Pennifield, 7305 Takoma Avenue stated that those paying for the parking permit should be given a tax deduction for the fee.
10. Eugene Harguindeguy, 707 Boston Avenue was against a fee for parking permits. Suggested that signs be erected in permit parking areas warning those without permits that they will be fined and their cars towed away.
11. Mary Ann Leary, 7301 Takoma Avenue favors parking permit ordinance. Said her area of Takoma Avenue did not have too much of a problem with College parking yet, but there was concern with the future parking problems that Metro will cause. The streets are narrow and there is much difficulty with entering one's driveway when cars are parked on both sides of the street. Expressed concerns about the fee involved. Mayor Roth mentioned that legally there would not have to be a fee but it would help cut down administrative expenses since the City would have to enforce its own ordinance. Mrs. Leary thought the whole City would become a parking lot when the Metro Station was completed. She added that a \$5 fee would be a lot of money for some people.

Mayor Roth mentioned that he had a call from Bernice Meyers (Cedar Avenue) saying she was in favor of the ordinance but preferred it without a fee.

12. Ruth Spiegelburg, 501 Margaret Drive reiterated previous statements on the parking problem. Stated she paid taxes each year and should be able to park in front of her house. Was sure the problem would get worse. Noted that the College has plans to build a theatre which will cause additional parking problems. Said she was willing to pay a fee for the permit.

13. Charlene Cohen, 7815 Takoma Avenue presented slides to show different violations being committed by people near the College and emphasized the need for a parking permit ordinance. The films showed violations such as wheels on curbs and sidewalks and cars blocking driveways, intersections and signs. Some of the slides presented showed an underutilization of the parking garage provided for the students and how different the streets looked during student breaks and holidays.

14. Herbert D. Smith, 11 Pine Avenue said the College had plans in the beginning to build a garage for parking at the end of their project and was confident they would alleviate the problem when they can. Stated he understood the problem but didn't want to pay a parking permit fee when someone wants to come visit him.

15. Robert Moore, 7314 Willow Avenue believed that the City has been blackmailed by the College too long. He hoped there was more to the College than just being a magnet for cars. Said if something wasn't done soon the City name, Takoma PARK will certainly apply. Concerned with pollution adding that this problem was connected with the health and safety of the people. Felt the College situation was intolerable. Said he was in favor of the parking permit ordinance so this City would not become a parking lot.

City Administrator Gilsdorf summarized a letter from Dean Wiley, Montgomery College, requesting that if the ordinance is passed it would:

- not be effective until May 17 (final day of Spring Semester)
- be during daylight hours only (7 AM - 5 PM)
- only cover on-street areas directly in front of residents' homes.

He received a petition signed by 12 residents from the 7800-7900 block of Takoma Avenue and the 200 block of Boston Avenue stating opposition to any restriction of parking which would require a permit fee. Councilwoman Medina asked if this petition opposed the permit or the fee. Mr. Gilsdorf said he would find out and forward this information to the Council.

Communication from Sligo-Longbranch Association speaking in favor of the ordinance and asking that it include the Metro area. Mayor Roth said a letter should be sent to this association explaining that the ordinance is an enabling ordinance for the whole city.

16. Princess Chapman stated that \$98,000 is what the College paid for the County Garage on Fenton Street. This is County money given to the College to pay for a County garage. The City and County should deal with the residents. If Mo. College is paying the County for the garage then Mrs. Chapman asked if Dean Wiley believes that students are really using that facility, since he requested the City not to use permit parking until May 17. Mrs. Chapman felt that if the government believes in working with the citizens fairly then they would not listen to Dean Wiley. Students pay \$10 a year for a garage they don't use; instead they park on the City streets.

17. Paul Carter, Student, Mo. Jr. College explained that the parking garage provides only 420 spaces and there are approximately 900 cars to be parked. Responding to Councilman Ricks' question, he stated that he rode the bus to school to help alleviate the problem and didn't know if the College has a car pool system.

18. Teddy Curran, 8644 Piney Branch Road asked if the College emphasized the availability of the garage to the students.

19. Paul Carter claimed that the administration gives a letter to new students describing those types of facilities to the students. Councilman Faulkner commented that college students are always victims of these problems.

20. Charlene Cohen said the residents were not trying to kick the College out nor are they blaming the students for the parking situation. Felt the College administration should face its responsibility and provide parking facilities. Was certain that if students would fill the 420 spaces in the garage, it would provide some relief for the residents but until that is done the residents will still want the parking permit ordinance. Councilman Forshee said that everyone has a parking problem in Takoma Park and hoped that some plans could be made so the least amount of people will get hurt.

CLOSED PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON ORDINANCE

21. Joseph Ferrier made reference to the City Council's concern over the Montgomery County's Budget and its list of possible cuts. Pointed out that slightly under 28 thousand registered voters in voting district 13 (Wheaton, Silver Spring, Takoma Park) are over 60 with 1000 of those in Takoma Park (Mo. Co.). Because of this large portion of senior citizens, Mr. Ferrier hoped that the Council would include them as one of their prime concerns when reviewing the County Budget.

22. Kathryn Pappas, 7420 Buffalo Avenue asked if the Mayor and Council were going to read and vote on the parking permit ordinance during their business session. Mayor Roth answered saying that this is on the agenda for the March 22 Council meeting.

23. Stanley Evans, 7520 Maple Avenue noticed that the parking ordinance was a proposal initiated in an impacted area; asked if citizens would have the same right to withdraw the permit if desired. Councilman Nishimoto explained that a withdrawal could be made by first presenting a petition to the Mayor and Council.

24. Russell Romer, 702 Chaney Drive complained of rambling during the Landlord-Tenant Committee meetings. Said that pertinent points were brought up and then lost in the confusion. He asked why the landlords were not fully represented.

Felt it was discouraging to see how the committee was operated. Added that he would like to see something constructive done at the committee meetings.

25. Lee Bacon, 666 Houston Court reiterated on the need for rent control. Expressed concerns about people on low incomes and how the rise of rents would affect them. She claimed that she sought help from the State about rent control but received a reply saying that they were sorry but nothing could be done to help her. Mayor Roth said he understood that this was a very difficult financial time and the Landlord-Tenant Committee was working on the problem.

26. Perry Schroeder was happy to say that he finds the governing body of Takoma Park fair. He complimented the Mayor and Council for keeping taxes down.

27. Russell Romer witnessed an eviction on Maple Avenue. He was extremely concerned with evictions and heard that Montgomery County provided storage for belongings of those who have been evicted. Asked why the Council was so indifferent to this problem. The Mayor felt that Mr. Romer was mistaken in his assumption. Mr. Gilsdorf explained that legal eviction is done by the County Sheriff's Dept. and the City can not interfere with County procedure. The City cannot remove the goods or put an officer on the belongings for 24 hours. He added that Mo. County did not have a storage program; P.G. County tried storing belongings in a warehouse but found problems with rats, vermin and people abandoning the goods. Mayor Roth sympathized with the problem.

28. Delores Stowell thought that the parking ordinance would be voted on this evening. Mayor Roth replied saying that her question would be answered during the business session.

[Council started its official business at 10:39 PM.]

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Communications - Mr. Gilsdorf

Report from Montgomery County Board of Appeals, Case No. A-254, Potomac Conference of Seventh Day Adventists Book and Bible House, relative to their request to enlarge the facility. The request was turned down by the Dept. of Environmental Protection and the Board upheld the inspector's decision.

Mayor Roth received an invitation to an "open house" at 7303 Piney Branch Road for an institutional grouping that has been established by the District of Columbia at that address. Mayor Roth asked that the City Administrator inquire into this institutionalized arrangement, validity, etc.,. Councilman Faulkner felt that citizens in that area should be informed of this. Councilman Ricks added that the City was not warned of this type of arrangement.

Administrative Reports and Recommendations for Council Action

Ordinance filling vacancy on Election Judge Roster

Upon motion by Councilman Nishimoto, duly seconded, the following ordinance was passed by roll call vote as follows: AYE: Councilmembers Faulkner, Forshee, Garcia, Medina, Nishimoto, Ricks, and Webb; NAY: none; EXCUSED: none.

ORDINANCE #2381

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

SECTION 1. THAT Ordinance No. 2380, naming Election Officials, adopted March 8, 1976 be amended as follows:

Delete: Muriel N. Hoover, 7316 Baltimore Avenue

Add: Gibson E. McKenzie, 7401 Carroll Avenue

Second Reading of Parking Permit Ordinance

Councilman Nishimoto moved that the following addition be made at the beginning of Section 1 (e) of the ordinance: "Within 30 days. . . ." Councilman Forshee seconded and the proposed amendment was passed unanimously by voice vote. Councilman Forshee felt that someone will get hurt by the ordinance and wished that section (f) could be eliminated but was sure this would hurt the purpose of the ordinance. Responding to Councilwoman Medina's question, Mr. Gingerich explained that without a fee there would be an added cost on the City budget. Councilman Nishimoto responded to Councilman Garcia stating that provisions for commercial vehicles will be explained in the guidelines. After some discussion and upon motion by Councilman Nishimoto, seconded by Councilwoman Medina, the following ordinance was passed by roll call vote as follows: AYE: Councilmembers Faulkner, Forshee, Garcia, Medina, Nishimoto, Ricks, and Webb; NAY: none; EXCUSED: none.

ORDINANCE#2382
(see attachment)

The City Administrator will draw up the guidelines and work out the technical matters. Councilwoman Medina said that PAG (Parking Action Group) made some suggestions to be considered for the guidelines. Councilman Nishimoto suggested that citizens be allowed to make comments on the guidelines.

Administrative Report on Stop Sign Violations--Poplar & Columbia Avenues

Chief Porter reported that a patrol has been at this intersection and in 16 hours there were 9 warnings and three summons issued. There are plans to continue the patrol at this intersection on a priority basis. Mayor Roth thought that the people could have been forewarned of the police patrol. Chief Porter felt that this warning could be helpful; however, the police will continue to survey the matter.

Report from Landlord-Tenant Committee

Councilman Nishimoto reported that the committee has been meeting consistently each week. He commented that until the last meeting there has been a lot of discussion about code enforcement in the apartments. The committee may suggest to the Council the feasibility of asking the County Council to cooperate with the City in licensing City apartments. (Apartments in Takoma Park are registered but not licensed). Hopefully the ordinance would allow for the City to invalidate a license upon request. Mayor Roth asked that this be discussed with the Corporation Counsel for legal perspective, since this would involve Prince George's Co. and Montgomery County. Councilman Nishimoto asked if the Corporation Counsel would find out if the City can require the landlords to give a statement on how much they increased rent during the past six or seven months and violations cited by the City. The committee hoped to concentrate on whether or not the City should have rent control at the next meeting.

Administrative Reminder: Election Day, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM, March 23, 1976.

The City Administrator reminded and urged everyone to vote on Tuesday, March 23.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMSReport on TPES

Mayor Roth reported that many have been active to save the TPES. The school had \$60,000 in funds for advanced plans for renovation which were taken away. As a result of a long struggle it looks as if TPES will stay. He urged those interested to initiate action to help the P.T.A. get the money back. Councilman Ricks moved that the Council support the P.T.A. in getting this money back. Councilwoman Medina seconded and the motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Report on Takoma Park Jr. High

Councilwoman Medina said the BOE is meeting March 22, to review staff recommendations that would affect Takoma Park Jr. High. She summarized a fact sheet that is being submitted by the LEC on boundary changes for T.P. Jr. High.

What is the purpose of these changes?

I. DESEGREGATION?

Takoma Park Junior is the only remaining secondary school exceeding the 20% variance over county average guidelines. According to BOE policy, planning should take place.

Does the Superintendent's Recommendation equitably desegregate Takoma Junior?

1. NO, in the first place, only one-way desegregation is recommended: two high minority schools are transferred out, New Hampshire Estates and Rolling Terrace.

Compare the plan for Piney Branch Middle. Two high minority schools are sent out and a low minority school is sent in. In other schools there is pairing and two-way exchange of students.

2. NO, the decrease in minority percentages is not significant.

II. CONSISTENCY WITH ELEMENTARY INTEGRATION PLANS?

Some changes are necessary in articulation patterns for junior high assignments to be consistent with integration plans recently adopted for elementary school clusters.

Are the Superintendent's Recommendations consistent?

YES AND NO

1. YES, New Hampshire Estates. Since the New Hampshire Avenue cluster recommendations send 5th and 6th grade students to Hillandale, it does seem consistent that those students who have become part of the Hillandale 6th grade group should be assigned to the same junior high.
2. NO, Rolling Terrace. Assignment of Rolling Terrace students to Eastern Junior High is not necessary, since Rolling Terrace was one of the schools named to the Takoma Cluster and not part of the pairing recommended for the Eastern Cluster. Consistency, then, is not a valid reason for removing Rolling Terrace children from Takoma Park Junior High.
3. NO, Parkside. Parkside students, assigned to Piney Branch for grades 4,5, and 6 are then separated from their group and assigned to Eastern Junior High. This assignment is
 - a. inconsistent with cluster designations
 - b. throws doubt on the Superintendent's contention that he wants to desegregate Takoma Park Junior High School, since assignment of Parkside would cause a greater decrease in minority percentage with fewer students being transferred, after the first year, than would the removal of Rolling Terrace.

III. PROGRAMS OFFERED BY TPJHS

Since the curriculum is supposedly the same for comparable Montgomery County Schools, special offerings at the school should be noted. Among the many special programs are the following:

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| 1. Community School | 6. Touring Orchestra |
| 2. Project Assist | 7. Miss Takoma Park |
| 3. WOC | 8. Study-oriented field trips |
| 4. Science Fair | 9. Accelerated program |
| 5. Dramatic Arts Festival | |

IV. WHY NOT ADOPT THESE CHANGES NOW?

1. Secondary School Task Force Report is pending.
2. NO Dialogue with Communities involved has been held.
3. This plan recommends deterioration of educational quality.

V. CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, it would be advisable to vote against Superintendent Bernardo's Recommended boundary changes as they stand. They should at least be amended so as to retain Rolling Terrace students at Takoma Park Junior High.

If desegregation is a genuine concern and consistency within approved integration clusters is desired, Parkside should be transferred to Takoma Park Junior. A phasing in process could coincide with the phasing out of New Hampshire Estates, thus keeping numbers balanced and programs stable.

If there is concern over enrollment at Eastern because of loss of Broad-acres and Brookview, it is suggested that Four Corners, which may be added to the Takoma Cluster next year be assigned to Eastern Junior High.

Permit for Amplifier

Mr. Gilsdorf reported that he received a request from the David Gray for Mayor Committee for a sound vehicle to use during the daytime hours on March 23 (Election Day). The hours proposed were 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM and the volume would be at a low but audible level. The Council approved the use of this vehicle and authorized the appropriate permit.

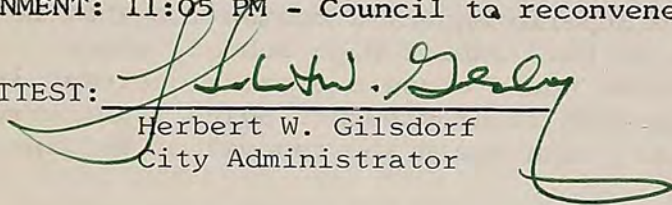
Councilman Ricks requested a report from the City Administrator on the Kass Lot. Mr. Gilsdorf explained that the Kass Lot was cleaned up Friday, March 19, 1976.

Councilman Ricks reminded everyone of the Ben Franklin Kite contest to be held March 28 (Sunday).

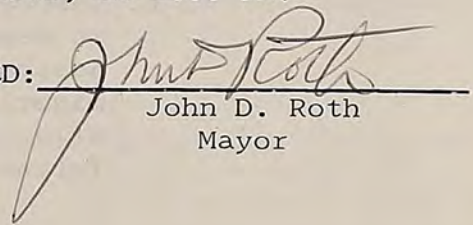
Mayor Roth complimented Elizabeth Bateman (Montgomery Journal) for her article on "Meet the Candidates Night".

ADJOURNMENT: 11:05 PM - Council to reconvene April 12, 1976, at 8:00 PM.

ATTEST:


Herbert W. Gilsdorf
City Administrator

APPROVED:


John D. Roth
Mayor

ORDINANCE #2382

AN ACT to add a new Section 13-63A, title "Parking Permit Areas", of Article 7, title "Stopping and Parking", Takoma Park Code 1972, as amended, to establish a parking permit fee for permits issued pursuant to this Section in an amount sufficient to pay the costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized by this Section.

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

Sec. 1. A new Section, Section 13-63A, title "Parking Permit Areas", of Article 7, title "Stopping and Parking", Takoma Park Code 1972, as amended, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

13-63A. Parking Permit Areas.

(a) The Mayor and Council find that the health, safety and welfare of many residents of the City are adversely affected by burdens placed on residents by virtue of the existence of major public facilities and programs. Frequently, the use of streets within residential areas for the parking of vehicles by persons using adjacent commercial, industrial, educational, and transit areas and other areas, facilities and programs emanating from planning, zoning and other decisions by government results in hazardous traffic conditions, the overburdening of existing streets, roads and other facilities, air and noise pollution, and the inability of residents of certain areas to obtain adequate parking adjacent to or close by their places of residence and to secure ease of access to their places of residence. In order to reduce to the extent possible the aforementioned conditions, to foster the use of mass transit facilities and to promote the safety, peace, good order, comfort, convenience, health and welfare of the residents of the City, the Mayor and Council deem it essential that the parking permit authorization provided for in this Section be enacted.

(b) The City Administrator is hereby authorized to recommend to the Mayor and Council, roads, streets and other areas within the City in which the parking of vehicles may be restricted, in whole or in part, during certain specified times, to holders of valid parking permits issued pursuant to this section. The City Administrator shall consider the institution of a parking permit system upon petition by the residents of a given area. The authority granted herein shall be in addition to, and may be exercised in conjunction with, any other authority the City Administrator may have to recommend times and conditions of motor vehicle parking.

(c) The designation of a parking permit area shall take into account, among other things:

(1) The effect on the safety of residents of the area under consideration from intensive use by non-residents for parking of vehicles.

(2) The need of the residents of the area to obtain adequate on-street parking adjacent to or close by their places of residence.

(3) The difficulty or inability of residents of the area to secure adequate on-street parking adjacent to or close by their places of residence because of widespread use of available parking spaces in that area by non-resident transient motorists.

(4) The impact of major public facilities and programs on the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the area and any unreasonable burdens placed on those residents in securing adequate on-street parking and gaining access to their places of residence by virtue of such facilities and programs.

(5) The likelihood of alleviating, by use of a parking permit system, any problem of non-availability of residential parking spaces.

(6) The desire of the residents in the area for the institution of a parking permit system and the willingness of those residents to bear the administrative costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized by this Section.

(7) The fact that the residents of a contemplated parking permit area have contributed to the cost of construction and/or improvement of streets and roads in such area either by the direct assessment of costs or indirectly to the extent such costs are reflected in purchase or rental prices paid by those residents.

(8) The need for some parking spaces to be available in the area under consideration for use by visitors and the general public.

(9) Such other factors as shall be deemed relevant.

(d) In order to determine whether a particular area or location should be designated as a parking permit area, the Mayor and Council, upon receipt of a certified petition requesting the designation or withdrawal of a parking permit area, shall conduct a public hearing prior to such designation, or prior to the withdrawal of such designation once it is established, at which time any interested person shall be entitled to appear and be heard. Such hearing shall be held only after due notice has been published in a newspaper of general circula-

tion throughout Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. The notice shall clearly state the purpose of the hearing, the exact location and boundaries of the parking permit area under consideration, and the reasons why such area is being proposed for designation or withdrawal of designation as a parking permit area and the proposed parking permit fee that would be charged. In addition to the published notice, a similar notification shall be prominently posted within the area under consideration for designation as a parking permit area.

(e) ^{Within 30 days} After the close of the record of the public hearing the Mayor and Council shall decide, based on the record of that meeting, whether or not to designate the area under consideration as a parking permit area or to remove the designation in the case of an established parking permit area. The decision of the Mayor and Council shall be publicly announced in the same manner as the announcement of the hearing.

(f) Following the designation of a parking permit area, the City Administrator or the City Administrator's designee shall issue appropriate parking permits and shall cause parking signs to be posted in the area, indicating the times, locations and conditions under which parking shall be by permit only. Permits shall be issued only to persons residing on property immediately adjacent to a street or road within the parking permit area. A permit shall remain valid for such time as the holder thereof continues to reside in the area and during the period for which the permit is issued. Permits may be transferred only in accordance with procedures to be established in writing by the City Administrator.

(g) The City Administrator is authorized to prepare, after due notice and opportunity for interested parties to be heard, written regulations to implement the provisions of this Section for action by the Mayor and Council.

(h) The City Administrator is authorized to recommend to the Mayor and Council parking permit fee for permits to be issued pursuant to this Section in an amount sufficient to pay the costs incidental to the issuance of permits authorized by this Section. The permit fee shall become effective upon the affirmative action of the Mayor and Council.

(i) The parking of any vehicle or the use of any parking permit in a manner contrary to the provisions established by the Mayor and Council pursuant to this Section is prohibited and the same is hereby declared to be unlawful and a misdemeanor. Any person violating this Section shall, upon conviction thereof by a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined not more than fifty dollars for each violation and, in default of any fine so imposed, shall be imprisoned for a period not to exceed three days for each violation.

Section 2. Severability.

The provisions of this Act are severable and if any provision, clause, sentence, section, word, or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, sections, words, or parts of the Act or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, section, word or part had not been included therein and if the person or circumstances to which the Act or part thereof is inapplicable had been specifically exempted therefrom.

Section 3. Effective date.

This Ordinance shall take effect on the date of enactment by the Mayor and Council on second reading.

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

March 24, 1976

Mayor Roth called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM. Those present were: Councilmembers Faulkner, Garcia, Medina, Nishimoto and Ricks; the City Clerk; Chairman of the Judges of Election, George E. Friedrich; and Election Judges John T. Bennick, Clarence M. Boatman, Dorothy J. Buckman, Merritt E. Caskey, Charlene L. Cohen, Katherine W. Paterson, Marvel A. Werner and Octa B. Winter.

Mayor Roth said the meeting had been called to permit the Election Officials to present the official results of the March 23, 1976 election to the Mayor and Council.

Prior to giving the official report, Mr. Friedrich said that he wished to express his appreciation, as well as that of the Judges, to the following members of the City staff who had been particularly helpful on election day: Betty Robinson and her assistants for providing food for the Judges; Belle Ziegler, Linda McKenzie and Catherine Chaney for their work after the closing of the polls; Margaret Lindsey and Anna Pusti for assistance throughout the day; and the City Clerk for making the preliminary arrangements. Mr. Friedrich then gave the report below:

Mayor and City Council
City of Takoma Park
Takoma Park, Maryland 20012

Mayor and Councilmembers:

The duly appointed and qualified Judges of Election have the honor to submit the following report of the City Election held on the 23rd day of March 1976, in the Municipal Building, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland:

The Board was organized with the election of George E. Friedrich, Chairman; John T. Bennick, Clarence M. Boatman, Dorothy J. Buckman, Merritt E. Caskey, Charlen L. Cohen, Betty C. Cook, Eleanor S. Jaeger, Marsha Lynn Jarboe, Milton Koren, Claire B. Kozel, Gibson E. McKenzie, Joanne M. Mood, Katherine W. Paterson, Arthur B. Perry, Herbert D. Smith, Marvel A. Werner, and Octa B. Winter, as Judges, after having taken the prescribed Oath of Office before the City Clerk. The polls were opened at the legal hour of 7:00 AM, and closed at the legal hour of 8:00 PM.

The following candidates for Mayor received the number of votes set opposite their names:

David P. Gray	329
John D. Roth	965

Candidates for Councilmembers received the following number of votes:

1ST AND 2ND WARDS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Princess R. Chapman	316
Joseph G. Ferrier	354
Mary Ann Medina	931
Kenichi Nishimoto	874

3RD AND 4TH WARDS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Vernon H. Ricks, Jr.	1020
Joseph H. Webb	1000

5TH WARD, MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Clayton D. Forshee	858
A. Russell Romer	328

6TH AND 7TH WARDS, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY:

Joseph A. Faulkner	1011
Frank V. Garcia	1006

The following candidates for Mayor received the highest number of votes, and was duly elected Mayor for a period of two years from the second Monday in April 1976:

John D. Roth

The following candidates for Councilmembers received the largest number of votes in their respective wards and were duly elected Councilmembers for a period of two years from the second Monday in April 1976:

1ST AND 2ND WARDS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Mary Ann Medina
Kenichi Nishimoto

3RD AND 4TH WARDS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Vernon H. Ricks, Jr.
Joseph H. Webb

5TH WARD, MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Clayton D. Forshee

6TH AND 7TH WARDS, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY:

Joseph A. Faulkner
Frank V. Garcia

The results of the election indicate that 1335 registered voters cast their votes, 17 of which were cast by absentee ballot. The City Clerk informs us that there were a total of 7442 certified registered voters, 4801 of whom are registered in Montgomery County, and 2641 in Prince George's County,

Certificates of Election in accordance with the results stated above have been prepared, and it is my pleasure to present them at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ George E. Friedrich, Chairman

Mayor Roth thanked Mr. Friedrich and all the Judges for their participation in the election. Judge Marvel Werner, on behalf of all the Judges, thanked Mr. Friedrich for his excellent work in the role of Chairman. Mayor Roth requested that in the future the process for disseminating information on absentee balloting be improved. He then adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Attest:

M. Sibyl Puath
City Clerk

Approved:

John D. Roth
Mayor