

Regular Meeting of the City Council
Monday, January 14, 1991

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Sharp	City Administrator Wilson
Councilmember Douglas	Asst. City Administrator Habada
Councilmember Elrich	City Clerk Jewell
Councilmember Hamilton	Corp. Counsel Silber
Councilmember Leary	City Planner Schwartz
Councilmember Moore	Comm. Devel. Coord. VinCola
Councilmember Prensky	

The City Council convened at 8:07 p.m. on Monday, January 14, 1991, in the Council Chambers at 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland.

MAYOR SHARP'S COMMENTS

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Sharp asked for a moment of silence for the late Mayor Sam Abbott.

The Mayor noted the presence of John Fleming and said the \$297,000 MICRF loan request from the State of Maryland was approved on January 9, 1991 for 6 Grant Avenue. Mayor Sharp also indicated that a Mainstreet Improvement Program grant had been received in the amount of \$20,000 for the CDA Area Project.

Mayor Sharp responded to questions raised pertaining to the City's procurement practices and said the City had an informal active outreach effort to involve in its procurements, women and minority-owned businesses. He said in discussing the issue with the City Administrator, it had been agreed there would be a process established to seek a "bidders" list for procurements which would include women and minority-owned businesses.

The Mayor then spoke about the criticism staff received recently regarding the proposal to install parking meters in various parts of the City. He said that Staff had suggested it initially during last year's budget discussion, and the Council had told them to develop the proposal. Since the Council had told them to go forward, they should not be faulted. After the public hearing, however, it was clear the citizens did not want them.

Mayor Sharp concluded his remarks by announcing the appointment of Councilmember Douglas to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the remainder of the term and he presented Mr. Douglas with a Proclamation noting such.

PROCLAMATION/RESOLUTION NO. 1991-2
(Attached)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Prensky announced that the Nuclear Free Takoma Park Committee would be meeting on Tuesday, January 15, 1991 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall.

Councilmember Douglas announced that the Administration and Finance Committee would be meeting Wednesday, January 16, 1991 to discuss the process for formulating the 1992 City Budget.

Mayor Sharp announced that the Housing Committee regularly scheduled meeting for January 22nd had been postponed until January 29th because the Council would be meeting on January 22 due to the Martin Luther King Holiday on January 21st.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES (6/25/90, 7/9/90, 7/23/90)

Councilmember Prensky commented that the City had changed Contractors who produced the minutes, and made a motion that

Council table discussion of them until the Council could discuss the minutes in worksession. The motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

CITIZEN COMMENT (those directed at items not on Council agenda)
Carolyn Pion, announced she was withdrawing from the race for the Ward 7 Council seat.

DEDICATION OF COUNCIL CHAMBER SEAT IN BRINT DILLINGHAM'S MEMORY
Moved by Mayor Sharp and duly seconded by Councilmember Elrich. Mayor Sharp proceeded to read the Proclamation which authorized that the first row, first Council Chamber seat on the middle aisle area be dedicated to former Takoma Park tenant activist, Brint Dillingham.

Mrs. Rosemarie Dillingham, 7116 Maplewood Avenue expressed her thanks to Mayor Sharp, the Councilmembers, family and friends for honoring her husband Brint and to the City Clerk Paula Jewell for her help in arranging for the dedication plaque. She also expressed her thanks for having received the honor of selecting the Chair for her husband. Mrs. Dillingham said one in every four Black youths ended up in prison before his 24th birthday, and that was the last sentence she had heard her husband utter 12 hours before his death. She said her husband spent his last strength proclaiming his very deep commitment to the end of the struggle for justice. Mrs. Dillingham continued by saying her husband had worked relentlessly for Terrence Johnson, who had been imprisoned in the 1970's, as a consequence of police brutality, and said Terrence was scheduled to go before the Parole Board in February. Mrs. Dillingham said she and her family had been able to produce the fruits of her husband Brint's work; a report in which Terrence's attorney, in his letter to the Commission, had called brilliant. She said much hope hangs on that report, and one of Terrence's organizers had told her that her husband had been an inspiration to Terrence in founding an organization called "Justice Denied".

Judy Cornelius, 7116 Maplewood Avenue (Brint Dillingham's Sister-in-law) announced that David Sawyer would lead everyone in the song, "Joe Hill". After the song, Ms. Cornelius said Brint was a great friend and a terrific brother, who always gave you room to forgive yourself and begin to do the right thing. She said she refused to believe that it is a simple coincidence or irony, that the Council was considering a resolution on the crisis in the Persian Gulf on the same night that it dedicates a Citizen's Chair to Brint Dillingham. But it is an extension of his work, his legacy, that his life should be memorialized as a rallying point for peace advocates. Mrs. Cornelius said that in the finest tradition of two great peace advocates: Sammy Abbott and Brint Dillingham, the City of Takoma Park, recognized the World over for its commitment of Nuclear Free World, and a global view of social responsibility, brought on largely through the efforts of Sammy Abbott and citizen Brint Dillingham. This City must recognize as its goal, a truly courageous war against poverty, bigotry, and injustice, and an effort which required the mighty will and tremendous resources of this Country, be directed to wiping out poverty, injustice, and ignorance, and not just spilling the blood of the world's youth in the desert sand, to support of big oil and big businesses. Martin Luther King taught us non-violence is a way of life for courageous people, and we must have the courage and vision to see the universe finally is on the side of justice.

Andrew Busby, 8512 Glenside Avenue, said right after the proposal was made for the Brint Dillingham Memorial, the Mayor had asked him and Tom what they thought should be on the Chair, and he said he remembered what Brint used to say and he said that the words "don't sit down" should be on the Chair. He said he remembered Brint was always saying don't sit down, organize and fight. Mr. Busby concluded by saying organize...no lousy imperial war in Iraq.

David Sawyer, 7211 Spruce Avenue made a statement in honor of Brint Dillingham. Opec, King orders, Iraqi horror, picture shows, Saddam Hussein.

Herman Williams, 7600 Maple Avenue said when he met Brint Dillingham, the first impression of him was anything that was injustice to the people, he would come in and lend a hand. Mr. Williams further stated that you did not have to ask Brint, he asked you. He quoted from the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, by saying, "If a guy doesn't stand for truth, justice and a bigger slice of pizza, then he probably isn't too cool". He said when he met Brint, he came to him when the tenants at 7611 Maple Avenue were having problems, and Brint had asked him if he thought the people would mind if he attended some of their meetings. He said Brint was not only humorous, but very knowledgeable. He said his input and guidance, enabled a lot of people to do much better to make their living conditions a lot easier for themselves and their families. Mr. Williams said Brint did a lot for him, and the only time he had seen him angry was because of the people who were on the podium, and Brint was on the podium too, and he was angry too. He said Brint left all of us something to use; knowledge, humor, and the know-how. We miss Brint, but the rest of us have to take those things we have learned from Brint and utilize them, because this is only the beginning of a new day in Takoma Park.

Joe Brown, said he was a County Activist and when he thought of peace, he thought of Brint Dillingham as his beacon in the storm. He further stated Brint was justice, equality, and he combined those two things for economic justice for the people around him. Mr. Brown said it was fitting on the eve of Bush's ultimatum to war, to honor a man who stood for peace. He said Brint answered the call; a call to stand for those who either would not, or could not, stand up for themselves. He further said Brint was not only concerned, but acted on those concerns by giving the true spirit of human compassion and understanding, he never complained and always supported the needs of others. He listened and then spoke out on an issue, he stood for each and every one of us to be heard. Mr. Brown also said in an era of politics which generally supported the wealthy, Brint had defended the vulnerable. Mr. Brown went on to say Brint should be remembered for his strong stance on important issues, his enthusiasm, his friendship, and his humor. He concluded by saying Brint's beacon of light still shone in each and every one of us in our hearts, and we all had the responsibility to demand peace and not war.

Paula D. Rourke, 7001 Westmoreland Avenue said she saw a different side of Brint's activism; one which meant a great deal to her. She said her daughter and Brint's niece had been friends for many years. Mrs. Rourke said with Brint and his activism, he had brought her daughter and his niece into the political process.

Mary Mitchell, said she was very proud of Brint and she appreciated everything that he did and she was praying for him.

Jenny Hughes, said she had read an article in the Takoma Voice where Mr. Leary referred to the citizens as "inherently contentious" and she felt very insulted by the statement. Mrs. Hughes said she had spent many years as a therapist in Takoma Park, helping people to reframe their thoughts and to change their perceptions, and she thought about Brint. She said she thought about all the people who were at the Council meeting, and she asked herself "are these contentious people", she then said no, these are people who are desperately concerned about what goes on here locally, but more than anything, what goes on here globally. Mrs. Hughes said rather than feel alone like she had been, here's Brint again and all these "inherently contentious" people, and she hoped it made better sense to Mr. Leary. She then thanked Brint for making her feel powerful again.

Nancy Natell, 6710 Westmoreland Avenue said she was a journalist. She said Brint had helped her organize in her community. She also said Brint always said the right thing at the right time, whether it was rephrasing a sentence or just to forgive a person for not working hard enough, but doing the best they could. Ms. Natell said whatever was needed was there and Brint seemed like a warm, glowing rock of love, compassion, and truth.

Lynne Bradley, said Brint was very humble and did not speak about other eras of his life and to see how much he had done was exciting. She said he had embraced her sons and had supported her at the Council meetings, and he was a mainstay. She suggested singing "We Shall Overcome", and she thanked Brint. All stood and sang.

Paul Pumphrey, said Brint was a very close and dear friend of his, and he was very supportive of him. He said when he met Brint, he had been a member of The Black Panther Party, and Brint had believed in the causes which the Party was fighting for, but Brint had showed him how to go about his goals in a different way. Mr. Pumphrey said Brint also showed him how to organize in a different way.

Rino Aldrighetti, 7213 Central Avenue, said it was hard to look at the picture of Brint and to know that he was not there in person. He thanked Mrs. Dillingham for sharing Brint. He also said it had been suggested to rename the Municipal Center the Sam Abbott Citizen Center and Peace Park. Mr. Aldrighetti said petitions would be passed around for support of this proposal. He hoped that Council would move forward and consider the request.

Herman Williams said Brint Dillingham and Sam Abbott changed the way Takoma Park appeared to the World. He said Takoma Park was not ever known in Southwest Washington, D.C. He also said to do something to keep our conscience aware of what the right things were to do, we can rename the Municipal Center the Sam Abbott Citizen Center and Peace Park.

Mayor Sharp announced he had discussed the renaming with the late Sam Abbott's family, and they would be considering the issue, but he had not received any feedback from the family yet.

Kay Dellinger, said she had known Sammie Abbott and Brint Dillingham since the 1960's and she loved them both, and their spirit would lead in the fight against the war in Iraq.

Paul Plant, 7411 Carroll Avenue said he met Brint 20 years ago at a Weight Watcher's meeting, but they both had stopped going for 10 years. He said Brint had been a real good friend of his, and he really knew how to help people, and he made a difference; having him part of his life had made him a better person.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution was passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION/RESOLUTION NO. 1991-1
(Attached)

AGENDA

1. Briefing on Prince George's County Historic District

Lisa Schwartz, Planner with the City's Department of Housing and Community Development announced the presence of Howard Berger and Sam Parker of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and Steve Rogers, who is a Commissioner with Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission.

Howard Berger, said the nature of the work program for the fiscal year was outlined in a memo. He said the project would include a collection of preliminary maps and other data, which would enable his staff to develop a methodology for a large-scale survey, within 90% of the Prince George's portion of Takoma Park, and the map

outlined the specific areas. He further stated they would engage in a comprehensive survey designed to gather information on the building-by-building basis, of making a visual assessment as to the date of the particular building and its architectural character; type of building, e.g., residential, commercial, or institutional. Mr. Berger also said there would be a final report which would summarize the architectural character of the survey area, which would include 1,000 buildings.

Mr. Berger said the current FY '91 Work Program is designed to be completed sometime in mid January and the latter part of April or May with the idea that presentations would be made at that time. He said the initial research phase of the project that involved alot of data collection, the time of any working group might best be used later after presentations are made in the Spring.

Steve Rogers, said he had indicated to former Mayor Del Giudice that Prince George's County had put together a 13-minute slide video presentation as an introduction to show what the Historic Preservation Commission was doing in Prince George's County. He said he had put a newsletter together on what was going on at the Historic Preservation of Prince George's County, and how it impacted on the various municipalities. He concluded by saying on behalf of County Executive, Parris Glendening, the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission, the Prince George's County Historic and Cultural Trust, and Prince George's Heritage, in cooperation with the Historic Building American Building Survey of the National Park Service, the University of Maryland Graduate Program Historic Preservation, and the MNCPPC, had invited the City Council to attend the opening reception of the Architectural Heritage of Prince George's County, which would take place on Sunday, February 3, 1991 at 2:00-5:00 p.m., at the Arts Club of Washington, 2017 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

2. Resolution Authorizing Reprogramming of PY12 CDBG Funds to PY16 For Use As matching Funds for the Mutual Housing Association
Moved by Councilmember Hamilton and duly seconded by Councilmember Moore. Mayor Sharp stated he was a member of the Board of Directors of the MHA and accordingly recused himself. Councilmember Elrich was absent. Mayor Pro Tem Douglas presided. City Administrator Wilson said there was no new information, and Montgomery County staff was willing to go forward with the proposal as presented, but were not willing to make any other changes other than to provide PY12 funds for this project.

Julie Matthews, 605 Hudson Avenue, Vice President of Mutual Housing Association, read a statement from her Association.

Councilmember Prensky asked Ms. Matthews whether the \$20,000 she needed to raise came from a private source, and the \$15,000 promised from Montgomery County, \$12,000 of which would come from the re-programming or request for re-programming, where did the other \$3,000 come from. Ms. Matthews responded by saying they would go back to Montgomery County and request the additional \$3,000 because that was their promise and the \$5,000 had come from Riggs Bank.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously (ABSENT: Elrich).

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-3
(Attached)

3. Mainstreet Improvement Program - Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute An Agreement With the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development
Moved by Councilmember Douglas and seconded by Councilmember Moore.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously. (ABSENT:Elrich)

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-6
(Attached)

4. Second Reading Ordinance - Placing Stop Sign on New York Avenue
Moved adoption by Councilmember Leary and seconded by Councilmember Hamilton.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Ordinance was adopted unanimously by Roll Call Vote. (ABSENT: Elrich and Prensky)

ORDINANCE NO. 1990-63
(Attached)

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Resolution Approving COLTA Amortization Schedule
Moved by Councilmember Douglas and seconded by Councilmember Hamilton.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO 1991-5
(Attached)

6. Resolution Appointing Elections Task Force Replacement
Moved by Councilmember Hamilton and duly seconded by Councilmember Douglas, to appoint George Leventhal (Ward 5) and Dolly Davis to represent Ward 4 on the Elections Task Force.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-4
(Attached)

7. Resolution Making Appointments to the Nuclear Free Zone Committee
Moved by Mayor Sharp and seconded by Councilmember Prensky, to appoint Dawn Martin, Roberta Valente and Paul Weckstein to serve on the NFZ Committee.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-7
(Attached)

8. Resolution Regarding U.S. Options in the Persian Gulf
Moved by Councilmember Elrich and seconded by Councilmember Prensky. Mayor Sharp proceeded to read the Resolved clauses. Mr. Prensky announced that Jay Bayerl had presented him with his concerns about the United States' involvement in the Persian Gulf, after discussions with organizations and individuals in the City. Mr. Prensky said Mr. Bayerl suggested that he present a resolution to the Council to take a stand on that critical issue. Mr. Prensky said subsequent to that, he had requested the resolution be considered by the City Council in worksession. Mr. Prensky also said the issue should be how the United Nations and the family of nations, could address the issue with the United Nation's authority. He concluded by offering his support for the Resolution which condemned any offensive U.S. action or first strike in the Persian Gulf by the United States of America.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Bill Strum, 36 Columbia Avenue, said he had been a resident of Takoma Park for 15 years, and asked how would he tell his children about the rape of Kuwait; the tens of thousands who had already died. He went on to speak of his dismay concerning the war. Mr. Strum said he wanted to be able to tell his children that sacrifices had to be made, and a line had to be drawn to put a stop to the madness. He concluded his remarks by saying, during the

1960's he had been an anarchist and a card-carrying Democrat, and he had learned a lot; he also compared the Vietnam war to the impending war with Kuwait.

Tom Radcliff, 38 Columbia Avenue, said he was against war and he thought the President had drawn the line against a man who was trying to acquire a nuclear capability. He said Takoma Park was anti-nuclear and he urged all to stand behind their government.

Paul Carroll, 950 East West Highway, said he was a new member of the Takoma Park community, and had moved in the area in September 1990. He said eventhough he did not know Brint Dillingham, he was greatly inspired by the testimonies given to him. He asked why start a military action now, rather than 3 years ago, when Saddam Hussein had used chemical weapons against his own nation. He concluded by saying he had been involved in the demonstrations each Saturday and there would be a national march on January 19th and 26th, and he urged all to participate.

Thomas Anastasio, 32 Columbia Avenue said he was proud to be in Takoma Park, and he also was against the war. He said there were two critical antecedents for us in the war, and he would like to see some reference to them in the Resolution. First, he said there was an absence of an energy policy in the U.S. Secondly, he said it was our inability to help towards resolution of the fundamental problems in the Middle East, to which the Palestinian question was the more important. Mr. Anastasio said he did not think we would be on the brink of war if we had consistently and effectively addressed those two issues beforehand.

Gina Gaspin, 28 Columbia Avenue, said she was very much opposed of waging a war. She said it was the citizens' responsibility to do whatever they could by talking to the elected officials on every level, and let them know that we do not want to be involved in a war. She ended by saying all of the citizens should let that fact be known to the President of the United States.

Carolyn Pion, 1008 Heather Avenue, read an article expressing her dismay and disapproval of the war.

Elias Vlanton, 317 Elm Avenue asked if the people of Takoma Park supported the sentiments in the Resolution. He further said Takoma Park was one of the most anti-war districts, and it was clear to him that the majority of the people in the City supported the Resolution. He concluded by saying the issue was the deaths of men and women, overseas as well as body bags coming back to the City, and war would affect the economy and everything else.

Karen Elrich, 8110 Roanoke Avenue, said the people in Takoma Park would learn to deal with the problems of peace and she thought it was very important for the Council members to realize it was something which should be done as a City and one voice. She also said many of the residents chose to live in Takoma Park because of its foreign policy.

Cavan Capps, 6737 Eastern Avenue, said he agreed with some of the speakers, and the issue would be an appropriate one for the City Council to bring forth, even though as he listened last week, some of the Council members were reserved about speaking on the foreign policy issue. Mr. Capps said he thought it would be wrong for the Council to turn away from something that was so important to its citizens, and people did not want any more Vietnams. Mr. Capps said he worked at the Pentagon, and had talked with a lot of people there, and one thing that you would hear them all say was "we want no more Vietnams". He mentioned all the protests that were going on, and said when he had spoken with the former Saudian Ambassador Aikens, who said no matter if we win or not, there was going to be a problem with increased instability in the Middle East, violent fundamentalism would be on the uprise, Israel would be de-stabilized, Egypt could easily be de-stabilized, the oil markets

could easily be turned upside down, and there could be an increase in depression and recession also. He urged the Council to support the Resolution condemning the war.

Susan Flashman, 8306 Roanoke Avenue, said she wanted to support the City in taking a stand against a war, which had not been declared; one in which U.S. citizens would die, due to the type of military encounter it would be. She read a statement from a handout which she had brought with her to the meeting.

Yaw Asare Adu, 7600 Maple Avenue, said he was happy to be a resident of Takoma Park. He said he was very much against the stand the United Nations had taken in authorizing the use of force in the Gulf. He also said he opposed the reversal of peace.

Dan Yakoubian, 615 Elm Avenue thanked the Council for giving him the opportunity to express his views. He said the action Congress was taking appeared to be unusually confusing, and there was a sense of uncertainty. Mr. Yakoubian said there would not be a war, if the President did not want it. He further stated that one of the problems with a capitalistic society was that people were so busy working and making a living, they do not have time to participate in a democracy, or to understand the issues, nor learn about the catastrophic events. He asked: who is George Bush--a man who chose Dan Quayle for Vice President, and who would willingly put the fate of the potential carnage in the Middle East in his hands. Mr. Yakoubian said the citizens of Takoma Park would not stand by without doing what they could to oppose the war.

Mary Jane Muchui, 404 Boyd Avenue said she did not come with a prepared speech, and she had a young son age 5, and what if she were in Kuwait waiting for the bombs to fall, how would she feel. She said the children had nothing to do with a war; there were children getting shot by other children right in the United States, e.g., D.C. Why not stop the war in the U.S. instead of going to Kuwait.

Michael Duberstein, 106 Hodges Lane said he questioned the passage of the Resolution, and he felt if there were women on the Council, there would be no question as to how it would vote. Mr. Duberstein said he had worked for Representative George Brown of California in 1960, who happened to be only Conscientious Objector who was ever elected to the United States Congress. He said Mr. Brown was the first member of Congress to oppose the war in Vietnam, and was also the first member of Congress to oppose the military budget. He said from working with Mr. Brown and Representative Dellums, you had to start one person at a time, one level at a time--the community level.

Joan Jacobs, 7428 Carroll Avenue said the first casualty in war was the truth and she was afraid that the casualty predated the casualty which was there. She said the war was an exercise in expansionism, imperialism, and had nothing to do with the needs and interests of working people in America. She said war had everything to do with greed and control; the tradition of Takoma Park to take a stand would be well served, if a strong version of the Resolution were passed.

David Prosten, 6625 Eastern Avenue said he wanted to agree with the previous speakers, with the exception of two. He said he wanted to speak to the Resolution but he preferred a stronger one. He read the resolution he brought with him. Mr. Prosten said he supported the Resolution with no ill intent. He closed by saying he moved to Takoma Park in 1975, and at which time, the Council was radically different. He said at that time, the issues in Takoma Park were barely considered by that Council.

Jamie Elrich, 8110 Roanoke Avenue, said she cared about the issues. She also said the students at her school were upset, and she had friends in the Air Force whose names she did not want to see on the Wall.

Anaka Mines, 8004 Maple Avenue, said she felt the same as Jamie Elrich.

Jay Bayerl, 6733 Eastern Avenue, said he was the one who wrote the original language for the Resolution, and he thanked the Council for presenting the Resolution so soon, in order for the public to articulate some of their views on it. He further said the Resolution was inspired by a talk given by Bob Alpern, Chairman of NFZ Committee, at his church early in December. He said the main theme of Mr. Alpern's talk was peace takes patience, and peace took a lot of discipline. Mr. Bayerl said he had worked with Mr. Alpern on the NFZ Committee.

Patricia D. LeBlanc, 7213 Hilton Avenue said she was a first-grade teacher at Takoma Elementary School. She went on to say she remembered calling Mayor Sharp when he was her Councilmember to talk about a fence that needed to be added to the elementary school on the street, because two children had been injured by cars in a two-year span. She said that she wanted the Council to protect the children. She spoke of the funds being cut back for the schools, larger classes, and some of the school buildings would not get repairs which were needed. Ms. LeBlanc concluded by saying the coming war would magnify those problems and she suggested having another way to deal with the problems at the schools and the war.

Kay Dellinger, 7333 New Hampshire Avenue said Mrs. Dillingham wanted her to tell people there were many citizens who would have come for the celebration for Brint, but they were attending a Peace Mass instead, and the other friends who were in Garrett Park had remained there, because the City Council was having a meeting on the Middle East crisis. Ms. Dellinger said war was a crime against humanity and Brint understood that. She said in September the Takoma Park City Council voted for an unjustified waiver of the NFZ Law, and passed it when the country was on the brink of going to war. She also said the late Mayor Abbott was Mayor when we became a NFZ, and he was outraged at that vote on the NFZ law for the first time in a 7-year history, and so were the residents of Takoma Park. She said waiving the NFZ law was the wrong message to send to the rest of the Country and the rest of the World. She said she had demonstrated with Mayor Abbott and Brint Dillingham in the 1960's against the Vietnam War.

Sharon Levy, 7431 Baltimore Avenue said she felt as if she had been walking around in a bad dream, and she had spoken to others who felt the same way, she then realized while she was talking with a friend, it was because she felt powerless. She said the reason she felt powerless was because she heard her leaders speak lies about not having oil if we did not go to war, other leaders speaking as if we were in a contest (like a super bowl), our troops are over there and are already deployed. Ms. Levy said she was in support of the Resolution, with the additions and the Resolve clauses. Ms. Levy urged passage of the Resolution and to add the alternative additional Resolve clauses. She concluded by reciting a quote by Abraham Lincoln, "War must go the way of human sacrifices and human slavery."

Kathi Robinson, said she grew up in Berkeley, California in the 1960's, and the people in her community encouraged people to speak out and scream against killing. She asked the Councilmembers to take the scream from the hearts of the citizens and pass the Resolution. She then read some of the notes which some of her neighbors had given her to bring to the Council meeting.

Larry Drake, 7428 Carroll Avenue said he appreciated the Council's patience for listening to all of the citizens. He said he is a

should register, he would tell him do not register, burn the card. Mr. Elrich said he felt sorrow for the Kuwait people. He emphatically expressed his feelings which he had against the impending war as well as past wars. He went on to express the strong feeling he had for the President of the United States. Mr. Elrich then gave the changes which he would like to see in the Resolve clauses.

Councilmember Prensky said he had "friendly" additions in conjunction to Councilmember Elrich's changes to the Resolved Clauses. The amendment to the Resolution passed.

Councilmember Leary said the meeting had been very useful and articulate, and it had been valuable to have taken place, but he would abstain on the Resolution. He said he did not think the Council could add anything meaningful to the testimony that had been given. He further stated that he did not think he could be fairly accused of ducking controversial issues; he had spoken and voted in the majority more than any other member of the Council and he also had strong opinions on the subject of the impending war. He went on to say he could support the sentiments expressed in the Resolution, but he was not elected to the City Council to debate and take positions on foreign policy issues, nor was any other member of the Council. Instead he said, they were elected to represent the views of their constituents on other issues, e.g., repairing streets and sidewalks, removing trash, installing speed humps, etc. He said military operations in the Persian Gulf were not the responsibility of the City Council in any way and as a citizen of the United States, as distinct from a member of the Takoma Park City Council, he had every right and obligation to try and influence the meaningful debate on American Persian Gulf policy, by writing and talking to the legislators that were elected to represent us all on those issues, and to try to reach the President. Mr. Leary said the City Council had provided a forum and a mechanism for expressing the community's sentiment on the issue by agreeing to co-sponsor a Town Meeting on February 5th. He said the Town Meeting approach had two advantages: 1) it would provide a means for interested citizens of Takoma Park to speak directly to the officials who represent them on foreign policy matters, rather than speaking through the "filter" of a City Council that was elected to represent them on other matters, and they could speak without rules or procedures which had been imposed by a City Council meeting, and 2) a town meeting kept the matter from interfering with the officially mandated business of the Council and it also defused the potential for souring the official deliberations.

Mr. Leary concluded that he did not think the City Council of Takoma Park should get involved in debates concerning foreign policy issues for two reasons: 1) it is not what the Council was elected to do, and 2) there are more effective ways to express its opinion as citizens of the United States and residents of Takoma Park.

Councilmember Prensky said he believed he was elected to take a stand on foreign policy issues. He also said he had called the White House and registered his feelings on the Resolutions before the U.S. Congress, but he felt it was not enough. Mr. Prensky said as individuals, the people of Takoma Park could and should make their voices heard individually and collectively, and by any means necessary, and he felt by getting the feelings of the people of Takoma Park across, required going outside the normal channels, if only a phone call to his Congressional delegation. Mr. Prensky concluded by saying it was very important that the City Council had agreed unanimously to co-sponsor a town meeting on February 5th, and he congratulated them on their foresight and for taking the time to let the people of Takoma Park voice their opinions on issues which had a deep psychological effect on them.

Councilmember Hamilton said he had been one of the Councilmembers who had opposed the Resolution and he explained why. He had volunteered for the military, and had spent his whole military career in Vietnam. Mr. Hamilton said he was elected to do a job based on his constituents, and he would support the Resolution based on the fact that he was elected to vote the way his constituents wanted him to vote, because it gave his constituents an opportunity to come out and voice their opinion.

Councilmember Moore said he understood and sympathized with Mr. Leary about making foreign policy decisions on the City Council. Mr. Moore said he had trouble talking to people who did not understand or who would not concede that there could be a difference of opinion on the matter. However, he said he had come to the opinion that it was vitally important for people in the City to have a chance to have their say on the critical situation in which we faced in the Middle East. He said he had been contacted by one of his constituents who had expressed his opinion, as well as his neighbors, against the City taking a stand in telling the United States Government on how to conduct foreign policy. Mr. Moore said after he had talked with his constituent, and explained what the Resolution said, he said he was then told that he did not have any strong opposition to it, and it was a reasonable approach. Mr. Moore concluded by saying he did not doubt Iraq's aggression in Kuwait was in need of being checked, and he did believe the United States should be sharing the burden with other Countries involved.

Councilmember Douglas said there were two issues which had been explored by his colleagues; 1) is it appropriate for us to be doing this, and 2) if it were appropriate, what is appropriate for us to do. Mr. Douglas said he did join Mr. Prenskey and Mr. Elrich in asking the Council to consider the issue. He said having a town meeting was very important, it would enable many more of the people to express their opinions, and he hoped the town meeting would resolve to some kind of statement in the end. Mr. Douglas said he wanted to be able to express his opinion about the U.S. involvement, and he did not feel happy about the position in which the President has backed the American people into; we acted too fast without leaving the options open, which may have allowed something different to happen. He concluded by saying the Resolution was on point, and the Council took a position in which it was skilled, and it would sponsor community opportunity to express their opinion, and he said he would join his colleagues in supporting the Resolution.

Mayor Sharp said he supported the Resolution, and agreed with Councilmember Douglas about the importance of the town meeting. He noted that Congressman James Moran (former Alexandria Mayor) had changed his view after a town meeting in Alexandria (he had been prepared to support the President but citizens who came out persuaded him to do otherwise and he heard them). Mayor Sharp also said the Resolution was a good one.

COUNCIL ACTION: The question was called and the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote. (ABSTAINED: Leary)

RESOLUTION NO.1991-8
(Attached)

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Council meeting adjourned at 11:50 p.m., to reconvene in Regular Session on January 28, 1991.

Introduced by: Mayor Sharp

P R O C L A M A T I O N

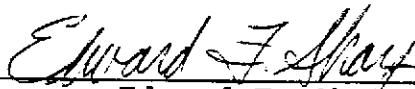
WHEREAS, Section 404(c) of the Takoma Park City Charter, empowers the Mayor to appoint a member of the Council as Mayor Pro Tempore to serve as Mayor in the absence of the Mayor.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Edward F. Sharp, Mayor of Takoma Park, Maryland, hereby proclaim the appointment of

James C. Douglas
Councilmember, Ward 2

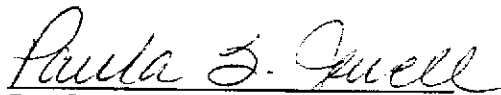
as Mayor Pro Tempore

Effective this 14th day of January, 1991.



Edward F. Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:



Paula S. Jewel, CMC
City Clerk



Introduced by: Mayor Sharp

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, on March 23, 1990, Brint Dillingham, a Takoma Park tenant activist, passed away following a lengthy illness; AND

WHEREAS, Mr. Dillingham was a familiar figure at Takoma Park City Council meetings where he spoke out tirelessly on City issues, particularly for tenants rights and for an open and responsive public process; AND

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to take note of the late Mr. Dillingham's presence and involvement at Council meetings by dedicating a Council Chamber seat to his memory.

NOW THEREFORE, I, EDWARD F. SHARP, MAYOR OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL, HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT the first Council Chamber seat, located in the first row of the middle seating area be dedicated to the memory of Joseph Brint Dillingham; AND

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED THAT a plaque inscribed:

This Seat Is Dedicated To The
Memory of
Joseph Brint Dillingham
Born July 15, 1943 - Died March 23, 1990

shall be mounted on this Chamber seat and the official records of the City shall note this action.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1991.

Edward F. Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:

Paula S. Jewell, CMC
City Clerk

Introduced by: Councilmember Hamilton

Drafted by: V. VinCola

Adopted: January 14, 1991

RESOLUTION #1991-3

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE REPROGRAMMING OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FROM THE TENANT AWARENESS PROGRAM, A PROGRAM YEAR 12 ACTIVITY, TO THE MUTUAL HOUSING ASSOCIATION ADMINISTRATION, A PROGRAM YEAR 16 ACTIVITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park receives federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the Program Year (PY) 12 CDBG contract between the City of Takoma Park and Montgomery County expired on September 30, 1990 leaving an unexpended allocation of approximately \$12,000 in the Tenant Awareness Program project budget; and

WHEREAS, those unexpended PY 12 TAP funds have reverted to Montgomery County's letter of credit; and


WHEREAS, the PY 16 CDBG contract between the City of Takoma Park and Montgomery County provides an allocation of \$10,000 for the administration costs of the Mutual Housing Association (MHA); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 1989-87 (adopted September 18, 1989), the MHA is seeking \$15,000 in matching funds for administration so that PY 16 funds allocated for the MHA project will be released by the City and the project may commence.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council hereby requests from Montgomery County approximately \$12,000 (or the remaining unexpended Program Year 12 Community Development Block Grant funds) from the Tenant Awareness Program (Activity 01-08/b-86) to be reprogrammed to the Mutual Housing Association (Activity 17-04/B-90).

I hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of Resolution 1991-3 as adopted by the City Council on this 14th day of January 1991.

ATTEST:


Paula S. Jewell, C.M.C.
City Clerk

The Mutual Housing Association of Suburban Maryland, Inc.

8110 Roanoke Avenue
Takoma Park, MD 20912

My name is Julie Matthews, and I am appearing before you tonight on the behalf of the Mutual Housing Association of Suburban Maryland. I am also a city resident, and live at 605 Hudson Avenue, #114.

Three years ago, the Mutual Housing Association, or MHA, was incorporated as a non-profit organization. Our mission: to provide assistance to low and moderate income tenants as they attempt to convert their apartment buildings to limited equity cooperatives. The MHA has provided support to a number of tenant-sponsored cooperative conversions in Takoma Park, most notably the Edinburgh Tenants' Association.

The MHA currently operates through the efforts of an all-volunteer board of directors. This arrangement severely limits our ability to expand our efforts to other eligible tenants groups. For this reason, the MHA Board has sought funding to hire an Executive Director. The Executive Director will provide a variety of services, including:

- ▶ supplying property development assistance, including identifying potential properties for conversion and securing financing;
- ▶ organizing, supporting, and training tenants' organizations in the process of cooperative conversion;
- ▶ offering administrative and organizational support to the MHA Board of Directors and tenants' organization.

To meet this goal, the MHA applied for and received a \$10,000 Community Development Block Grant from the City of Takoma Park. As a condition for receiving this grant, Takoma Park required the MHA to match the grant on a 2:1 basis; in other words, the MHA must obtain an additional \$20,000 in funding. We have met this requirement by obtaining a \$5,000 grant from a private source, as well as a \$15,000 promise for funding from Montgomery County.

Montgomery County is currently seeking to reprogram to the MHA an excess, expired \$12,000 in Takoma Park CDBG funds. Montgomery County has chosen this option because it provides the fastest, easiest method of funding our request.

As the Vice President of the MHA, I am here tonight to ask you to approve this action. By requesting that these funds be reprogrammed, the City Council assures that the MHA will be able to provide better assistance to low- and moderate-income tenants in the city. I would also like to add that both the Takoma Park CDBG and the Montgomery County grants represent "one-time-only" grants. The MHA plans to finance subsequent years' salaries via development fees and other private funding.

Thank you for your consideration.

Introduced by: Councilmember Leary

1st Reading: 12/10/90

2nd Reading: 1/14/91

ORDINANCE #1990-63

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

SECTION 1. THAT all vehicular traffic travelling Southeast on New York Avenue shall come to a complete stop at that street's intersection with all vehicular traffic travelling Northeast and Southeast on Baltimore Avenue, thereby creating a One-way stop; AND

SECTION 2. THAT appropriate stopbars shall be painted across the New York Avenue roadway and at the Baltimore Avenue roadway; AND

SECTION 3. THAT the Deputy Director of Public Works shall survey the intersection and make a determination as to the appropriate placement of the stop sign; AND

SECTION 4. THAT this ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 14th of January, 1991, by Roll Call:

AYE: Douglas, Hamilton, Leary, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Elrich, Prensky (for Vote)

Introduced by: Councilmember Elrich

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-8

TAKOMA PARK RESOLUTION ON THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS
Version 3, January 10, 1991

- WHEREAS,** the brutal, unwarranted invasion and conquest of the Emirate of Kuwait by the Republic of Iraq on August 2, 1990, has provoked an ongoing international crisis; AND
- WHEREAS,** the international community has responded unequivocally in its condemnation of Iraq and, via the United Nations, has imposed the most restrictive, most stringently enforced economic sanctions ever applied to any nation state; AND .
- WHEREAS,** expert testimony before the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the U.S. House Armed Services Committee in December, 1990, indicate that those economic sanctions are having a significant effect on the economy of Iraq and on its long-term ability to sustain its military aggression; AND
- WHEREAS,** the U. S. government has far exceeded its originally stated intention of deploying military forces in Saudi Arabia for purely defensive reasons; AND
- WHEREAS,** the President of the U. S. announced in November, 1990, a doubling of the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf area to over 400,000 personnel, with the expressed intention of preparing for an offensive action against Iraq; AND
- WHEREAS,** a U. S. - led military offensive into Kuwait and Iraq would result in the loss of tens of thousands of lives and would dangerously destabilize the entire Middle East; AND
- WHEREAS,** beyond the cost in human life, the economic burden of sustaining this military force in the Persian Gulf is costing U. S. taxpayers about \$2 billion per month; AND
- WHEREAS,** a U. S. -led military assault is likely to result in the need for a large, continued U. S. military presence in the Persian Gulf area for many years to come; AND
- WHEREAS,** these continued, unbudgeted costs will drain needed resources from pressing economic and social needs in our nation's cities and towns.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Takoma Park strongly urges our President, George Bush, to heed the dire warnings proffered by leading experts on the Middle East regarding the long-term perils of a U.S. -led military offensive against the forces of Iraq and refrain from any offensive military action or first strike; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the economic sanctions against Iraq should be given more time to work, during which the United States support and pursue a diplomatic, peaceful and negotiated Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Takoma Park shall sponsor a Town Meeting on Tuesday, February 5, 1991, 7:30 PM, at which citizens can bring their concerns about the Persian Gulf crisis before their invited Congressional representatives; AND

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the President of the United States and to the entire Congressional delegation representing the City of Takoma Park.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1991.

Introduced by: Councilmember Douglas

Drafted by: E. Tracey

RESOLUTION #1991- 5

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE, PURSUANT TO RULE 34 (c) OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COMMISSION ON LANDLORD-TENANT AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, On October 3, 1990, the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs formally adopted the amortization schedule used by the Rent Stabilization Board of the City of Berkeley, California, and voted on October 17, 1990, to call the schedule the City of Takoma Park Amortization Schedule; AND

WHEREAS, The City of Takoma Park Amortization Schedule was adopted for the purposes of amortizing capital improvements performed on rental property by landlords who petition the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs for rent increases above the rent stabilization ceiling; AND

WHEREAS, The adoption by the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs of the City of Takoma Park Amortization Schedule constitutes an amendment to the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs Rules of Procedure, Amended; AND

WHEREAS, Rule 34(c) of the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs Rules of Procedure states that any amendments to the COLTA Rules of Procedure shall be submitted to the City Council for review and approval;

NOW IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, do approve the City of Takoma Park Amortization Schedule as an amendment to the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs Rules of Procedure, Amended.

Dated: January 14, 1991

Introduced by: Councilmember Douglas

Drafted by: V. VinCola

Adopted: January 14, 1991

RESOLUTION #1991-6

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FUNDS RECEIVED UNDER THE MARYLAND MAINSTREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MIP).

WHEREAS, with Council approval, City staff submitted an application for funds to the Maryland Mainstreet Improvement Program (MIP); AND

WHEREAS, the City's MIP application has been approved for partial funding; AND

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland requires that the City execute an agreement with the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) regarding the use of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement with the Maryland DHCD regarding funds the City is to receive under the the Maryland Mainstreet Improvement Program.

DATED THIS 14th DAY OF January, 1991.

VV:GC3/MIPagr.res

Regular Meeting of the City Council
Monday, January 28, 1991

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Sharp	City Administrator Wilson
Councilmember Douglas	Asst. City Administrator Habada
Councilmember Elrich	City Clerk Jewell
Councilmember Hamilton	Personnel Director Hobbs
Councilmember Leary	
Councilmember Moore	
Councilmember Porter	
Councilmember Prenskey	

The City Council convened at 8:07 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 1991, in the Council Chamber at 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Sharp made his remarks. He announced there would be a Town Meeting in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, February 5, 1991 at 7:30 p.m., to discuss the war in the Persian Gulf. Mayor Sharp said the City had contacted the offices of Takoma Park's senators, and congressional representatives to see if they would be attending or if they would send their representatives; he had not received any word yet from them. The Mayor also announced that the Town Meeting would be broadcast live on Channel 54.

Councilmember Prenskey said he had called the offices of Senators Sarbanes, Mikulski, and Congressional Representatives Hoyer and Morella last week, and he encouraged all of the citizens of Takoma Park who were interested and concerned about the issue, and who wanted to express their views to their elected officials, to call the offices of their elected officials.

Mayor Sharp announced that the City Clerk would be conducting an experiment on the way Council Meeting Minutes were done. He said there would be two sets of Minutes; one done in the usual way and the other in a condensed format. Both versions would be available for review by the Councilmembers.

The Mayor announced that on Tuesday, January 29, 1991, there would be a Housing Committee meeting.

Mayor Sharp announced that some Takoma Park Bills were scheduled for Public Hearing in Annapolis, Maryland and said he would be attending. He said the Unification Bill would come before the Bi-County Committee on Wednesday and the Payment In Lieu of Taxes Bill would be up before the Budget Taxation Committee on Friday, at 1:00 p.m. The Unification Bill was passed unanimously by the Montgomery County Delegation, and had been endorsed by the Montgomery County Council. The Mayor said the Prince George's County Council Legislative Committee had reviewed the Unification Bill, and voted 4-1 against it.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM 6/25/90, 7/9/90, and 7/23/90

Adoption was moved by Councilmember Leary, duly seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and passed unanimously.

AGENDA

1. Resolution Appointing Councilmember to Fill Ward 7 Council Vacancy

City Clerk Jewell read into the record the names of the candidates nominated to fill the Ward 7 Seat: Juan Torres, Kathy Porter, Verne Wilson, and Carolyne Pion. Ms. Jewell said that Ms. Carolyne Pion had publicly withdrawn her name from the nominations.

Adoption of the Resolution was moved by Councilmember Hamilton and duly seconded by Councilmember Douglas.

CANDIDATE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

Juan Torres (Candidate) said he believed the nomination was an appointment by the Council and not an election. He said the Councilmember's job was to assist the Mayor on all problems that arose, including infrastructure, budgetary considerations, and these were the issues he currently handled anyway, and he knew the workings of the Takoma Park government.

Kathy Porter (Candidate) said her interest in the Council Seat was an outgrowth of her neighborhood activities. She said for the past two years, she served as President of the South of Sligo Citizen's Association and she had encouraged citizens to participate City government. She further said that the Association had always tried to provide a forum for the concerns of the people in the neighborhood and the issues people wanted to bring forward such as the Hiker-Biker Trail issue and the efforts to curb commuter traffic in their neighborhood. She further stated she had served as liaison for her neighborhood association to the Silver Spring-Takoma Traffic Coalition. Ms. Porter said preserving the sense of community in her neighborhood was very important to her. As the Treasurer and a member of Historic Takoma for a number of years she supported the Task Force guidelines which resulted in the opportunity for part of Takoma Park to be declared a Historic District. She said if she were appointed to the City Council, one of her concerns would be a new bus route in the southern part of Ward 7 for people in that area to have transportation to the metro station. Ms. Porter said she would also support expansion of the recycling effort to include curbside pickup of plastic and waste paper, and would work to strengthen the educational system. Ms. Porter went on to say that another of her interests was to have someone on the City Staff who would be named liaison to provide assistance to the neighborhood associations.

Sally Taber, 703 Auburn Avenue said she was at the Council meeting to show her support for Kathy Porter as nominee for Councilmember. She said she worked with Ms. Porter for two years on the South of Sligo Citizen's Association and was also involved in issues which Ms. Porter had spoke of.

Dennis Fruitt, 706 Devonshire Road said he supported the nomination of Kathy Porter. He said that he had lived in Ward 7 for 11 1/2 years and all of the representatives from that Ward were stellar. He also said Ms. Porter had moved the organization to its next level of accomplishments; her personal involvement by getting all of the citizens to participate. Mr. Fruitt said that Ms. Porter's fair-mindedness, energy and her commitment to the City were an asset and he encouraged the Council to consider her candidacy.

Doug Harbit, 708 Auburn Avenue thanked the Council for having the wisdom to appoint Ed Sharp as the new Mayor and for giving the citizens an opportunity to participate in appointing the next member of the City Council. He said when the seat became open, there had been quite a discussion as to who was going to fill the position, and Ms. Porter's name came up; a lot of people had talked her into submitting her candidacy, and they had been persuaded her to run.

Patsy Zerne, 7302 Garland Avenue said Ms. Porter would be a great Councilperson and she urged the Council to consider her nomination.

Barbara Thorne, 406 Lincoln Avenue said she supported Kathy Porter's candidacy. She said Ms. Porter had worked for the neighborhood and she would like to have someone on the City Council that she knew was really going to work for the Ward.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Moore moved amendment of the Resolution by inserting Kathy Porter's name as the person to fill the vacant Seat for Ward 7; Councilmember Douglas duly seconded the Motion. Mr. Moore said Ms. Porter had a wealth of involvement in the community and community activism, including her present position as president of the South of Sligo Citizen's Association. He said he was acquainted with Ms. Porter and Mr. Torres through City issues, as well as working with them on the former Mayor's County Council campaign, and was very impressed with them both. He said Kathy Porter had showed the kind of support for the Council Seat which was necessary, and she would do an outstanding job in the Seat, and he urged the Council to support her for the Council Seat for Ward 7.

Councilmember Leary said he supported Ms. Porter's candidacy because of her excellent background of community involvement. He said she clearly represented the views of a wide spectrum of citizens in Ward 7, and was well-informed on all of the issues which were facing the City at this time.

Councilmember Hamilton said he would be supporting Kathy Porter because she was not only concerned about Ward 7, but other City Wards as well, and she also was concerned about the children in the community. He said Ms. Porter would be an asset to the Council.

Councilmember Prensky said that he too, would be supporting Kathy Porter and was looking forward to sharing deliberations with her. He said the election process was a renewal of the same spirit that he had seen in Takoma Park for the last 3 months. He said after serving on the Council for one year, it had been very quiet most of that time. He said Kathy Porter represented the active involvement on the part of the citizens and he hoped it would bring more of the same to the Council. He went on to say that he was enthused with the large number of candidates for the selection process. Mr. Prensky commended all the candidates.

Councilmember Douglas said that he too would vote for Ms. Porter. He also said the election was by the Council and not the population of Ward 7, but he did not think that it was an issue. Mr. Douglas said there were three criteria; 1) someone would be needed who would be a contributing member of the Council, who understood the issues and who would be able to learn and work with their constituents; 2) someone to represent the community, and 3) someone who would gain popular support from their constituents. He concluded by saying that he looked forward to working with Ms. Porter for the rest of the term.

Mayor Sharp said that he agreed with the comments which had been made regarding all of the candidates, and he was grateful there had been an opportunity for all of the candidates to express their views.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution, as amended, passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-9
(Attached)

SWEARING IN OF WARD 7 COUNCILMEMBER BY MAYOR SHARP. Mayor Sharp conducted the swearing in ceremony of Ms. Kathy Porter. Afterwards, Ms. Porter thanked the Council and the citizens of Ward 7 for their support.

2. Resolution of Appreciation for Norman Gleichman and James S. Arisman. Moved by Councilmember Douglas and duly seconded by Councilmember Hamilton.

Mayor Sharp noted that Mr. Gleichman and Mr. Arisman had served the Landlord & Tenant Commission for a number of years.

Councilmember Hamilton said on behalf of the tenants and landlords who have gone through the COLTA process, he felt that Messrs. Gleichman and Arisman had been very fair and he thanked them for what they had done on behalf of those tenants.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-10
(Attached)

3. Resolution of Appreciation to Delta Sigma Tau Fraternity For Assistance With Notification of "No-Parking" Signage For Farmer Market. Councilmember moved adoption and Councilmember Hamilton duly seconded.

Mr. Prensky explained there had been a lot of concern at the Farmer's Market last year regarding how to notify drivers that their cars could not be parked in that area overnight on Saturday because of the Market opening on Sunday morning. He said the solution was a no-parking sign, placed over the parking meters which alleviated the problem.

The Mayor commented that the Resolution also encouraged the Campus Life Committee of Columbia Union College to acknowledge that service as part of the fraternity's effort to receive further recognition as a fraternity.

Councilmember Prensky expressed his appreciation for the accomplishments achieved by Delta Sigma Tau and said he hoped that they would continue to volunteer their services in Takoma Park.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-11
(Attached)

4. Resolution Re-Appointing Members to Nuclear Free Takoma Park Committee and Assigning Expiration Dates For Members Appointed 1/14/91

Moved by Councilmember Douglas and duly by Councilmember Prensky. Mr. Douglas announced that he was informed by Mr. Alpern that he would no longer Chair the Nuclear Free Takoma Park Committee.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-12
(Attached)

5. Resolution Appointing Representative to COLTA

Adoption of the Resolution to appoint Mr. David Lurie as a representative to COLTA was moved by Councilmember Prensky and duly seconded by Councilmember Moore.

Mr. Prensky said that Mr. Lurie was a friend and a colleague of his and a former co-worker, and also he was an attorney and a long-time resident of Takoma Park; both as a renter and now a homeowner. Mr. Prensky commended Mr. Lurie for representing the citizens as a member of COLTA.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-13
(Attached)

6. First Reading Ordinance Repealing No Parking Signs/Taxi Zone Signs on Maple Avenue. Adoption was moved by Councilmember Douglas and duly seconded by Councilmember Moore. Mr. Douglas suggested that City Administrator direct Police Chief Fisher to not enforce the ordinance in the interim.

COUNCIL ACTION: The Ordinance was unanimously accepted at first reading.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m., to reconvene in Regular Session on February 11, 1991.

Introduced by: Councilmember Hamilton

RESOLUTION #1991-9

ELECTING A CITY COUNCILMEMBER TO WARD 7 OF TAKOMA PARK
TO SERVE FROM JANUARY 28, 1991 THROUGH NOVEMBER 18, 1991

- WHEREAS, on December 10, 1990, the appointment of Edward F. Sharp to the position of Mayor became effective, thereby creating a Ward 7 vacancy on the Council; AND
- WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 307 of the Takoma Park Charter of 1989, "in the event of a vacancy on the Council for any reason, the Council by a majority vote shall within sixty (60) days appoint some person, qualified in accordance with Section 302, (of the Charter) to fill such vacancy for the remainder of the term; AND
- WHEREAS, any Ward 7 residents interested in being considered for the position of Councilmember, and were so qualified in accordance with Charter Section 307, were invited to so submit their nominations to the City Clerk by 5:00 PM on January 4, 1991; AND
- WHEREAS, the City Clerk has certified to the Council that four (4) Ward 7 citizens submitted nominations for the office of Councilmember and that these citizens were: Carolyne Pion, Juan Torres, Verne Wilson, Kathy Porter; AND
- WHEREAS, Nominee Carolyne Pion has requested that her name be removed from consideration; AND
- WHEREAS, the City Clerk, has certified that in accordance with the Takoma Park Charter, the three (3) remaining are qualified voters of Ward 7; AND
- WHEREAS, the City Clerk has certified that in accordance with Takoma Park Charter Section 302, these citizens have resided in Ward 7 for at least the last six months; AND
- WHEREAS, the City Council desires to consider the nominations of Juan Torres, Verne Wilson, Kathy Porter and desires to elect some qualified person in accordance with Takoma Park Charter Section 302, to fill the Ward 7 vacancy for the remainder of this unexpired term.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the City Council does hereby appoint the following duly qualified citizen to serve as Councilmember for Ward 7:

Name: Kathy Porter

Address: 1002 Elm Avenue

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the appointment of Kathy Porter is hereby effective this 28th day of January, 1991 and shall expire on November 18, 1991, the second Monday in November following the City Election.

Adopted this 28th day of January, 1991, by majority vote of the City Council:

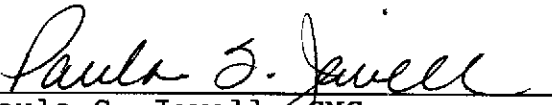
AYE: Douglas, Elrich, Hamilton, Leary, Moore, Prensky

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:


Paula S. Jewell CMC
City Clerk

Introduced by: Councilmember Douglas

RESOLUTION #1991-10

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR THE SERVICES OF
NORMAN GLEICHMAN AND JAMES ARISMAN FOR THEIR SERVICES
ON THE COMMISSION ON LANDLORD-TENANT AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, Having served as Commissioners for many years, Norman Gleichman and James Arisman have resigned from the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs; AND

WHEREAS, Mr. Arisman served eight years on COLTA and was Chair of COLTA for three years; AND

WHEREAS, Mr. Gleichman served five years on COLTA and served as Chair for a year and a half; AND

WHEREAS, Mr. Arisman and Mr. Gleichman each brought their legal expertise and devotion to fair and well-reasoned decision-making to the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs; AND

WHEREAS, in their volunteer work for the Commission, Mr. Arisman and Mr. Gleichman have exemplified the highest ideals of service in the public interest.

NOW IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland do hereby take recognition of the accomplishments of Norman Gleichman and James Arisman and express gratitude for their valued efforts and behalf of the City and its citizens; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Norman Gleichman and James Arisman are wished the best of success in each of their respective endeavors.

Dated: January 28, 1991.

ATTEST:

Paula S. Jewell, CMC
City Clerk

Introduced by: Councilmember Douglas

Drafted by: A. Button

Adopted: 1/28/91


Resolution No. 1991-11

A Resolution of Appreciation for the service provided by the Brothers of the Delta Sigma Tau Fraternity at Columbia Union College for posting notification of "No Parking" on Laurel Avenue prior to each weekly Takoma Park Farmers Market

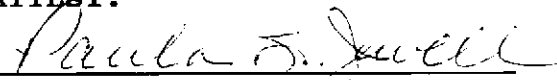
- WHEREAS, the Takoma Park Farmers Market is very popular with the community and makes an important contribution to the economic vitality of the Takoma Old Town commercial district; AND
- WHEREAS, Parked cars at the Farmers Market site are an inconvenience to vendors and the departure of these cars during the Market hours poses a danger to Farmers Market customers; AND
- WHEREAS, to prevent the circulation of traffic at the site of the Farmers Market, Council Resolution 1990-24 authorized the closing of Laurel Avenue between Eastern Avenue and Carroll Avenue from 9:15 A.M to 2:30 P.M. for the duration of the 1990 Farmers Market season; AND
- WHEREAS, despite the closing of Laurel Avenue at the Farmers Market site the City had no means of preempting parking at the site during the Market hours; AND
- WHEREAS, the absence of temporary notification of "No Parking" on Laurel Avenue resulted in the continued presence of parked cars at the Farmers Market site during Market hours; AND
- WHEREAS, The Brothers of the Delta Sigma Tau Fraternity at Columbia Union College offered to assist the City by posting notification of "No Parking" during the Farmers Market by installing parking meter hoods on the parking meters along Laurel Avenue each Saturday evening; AND
- WHEREAS, the assistance provided by Delta Sigma Tau in posting notification of "No Parking" during the Farmers Market was instrumental in the elimination of the inconvenience and danger posed by illegally parked cars at the Farmers Market site.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION AND THANKS to the Brothers of the Delta Sigma Tau Fraternity for the volunteer service they provided to the City and the Community by posting notification of "No Parking" on Laurel Avenue during the Farmers Market; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND RECOMMENDS THAT the Campus Life Committee at Columbia Union College, in consideration of Delta Sigma Tau's request for formal recognition as a fraternity and the privileges inherent to such standing, recognize the important volunteer community service provided to the the Takoma Park Community by the Brothers of Delta Sigma Tau Fraternity during the 1990 Takoma Park Farmers Market season.


Edward F. Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:


Paula S. Jewell, City Clerk

Introduced by: Councilmember Douglas
(Drafted by: P. Jewell)

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-12

RE-APPOINTING NFZ MEMBERS TO THE NUCLEAR FREE TAKOMA PARK
COMMITTEE AND ESTABLISHING TERMS FOR RECENT APPOINTEES

WHEREAS, Takoma Park's Nuclear Free Zone Act established a seven member Nuclear Free Takoma Park Committee; AND

WHEREAS, currently there are 4 vacancies on this Committee due to recent resignations and terms that have expired; AND

WHEREAS, three new members, appointed by Resolution 1991-7 on 1/14/91 need to be assigned terms of office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following citizens are hereby re-appointed to serve on the Nuclear Free Takoma Park Committee with terms assigned opposite their names:

Name/Address	Term Expires
Robert Alpern 316 Elm Avenue	11/28/92
Reuben Snipper 705 Erie Avenue	11/28/92
Polly Hoppen 49 Elm Avenue	11/28/92

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following members appointed on January 14, 1991 are hereby appointed to the following terms:

Name/Address	Term Expires
Dawn Martin 7223 Central Avenue	6/30/91
Roberta Valente 7409 Carroll Avenue	6/30/91
Paul Weckstein 99 Elm Avenue	11/28/92

Dated this 28th day of January, 1991.

Introduced by: Councilmember Prensky

Adopted: 1/28/91

RESOLUTION NO. 1991-13

APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVE TO COLTA

WHEREAS, there currently exists vacancies on the City's Commission on Landlord and Tenant Affairs; AND

WHEREAS, one citizen has made application to serve on the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, does hereby appoint to the Takoma Park Commission on Landlord and Tenant Affairs:

Name	Address	Term Expires
David Lurie	614 Elm Avenue	6/30/92

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT this appointment is effective immediately.

Adopted this 28th day of January, 1991.

ATTEST:

Paula S. Jewell, CMC
City Clerk

Introduced by: Councilmember Douglas
(Drafted by P. Jewell)

1st Reading: 1/28/91
2nd Reading:
Effective:

ORDINANCE NO. 1991-1

REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBERS 1812, 2002, 2260 AND 2424
(OUTDATED MAPLE AVENUE PARKING AND STANDING ZONES)

WHEREAS, Ordinance #1812, adopted on 10/26/64, prohibited parking in excess of one hour on the East side of Maple Avenue from its northeast intersection with Sherman Avenue to the driveway exit from the Maple Avenue Shopping Center; AND

WHEREAS, Ordinance #2002, adopted on 5/13/68, limited parking to one hour on the West side of Maple Avenue in direct alignment with the North curb line of Sherman Avenue, northerly to the intersection of Ritchie Avenue; AND

WHEREAS, Ordinance #2260, adopted on 4/9/73 authorized a taxi cab stand, approximately 50 feet east of 7611 Maple Avenue; AND

WHEREAS, Ordinance #2424, adopted on 6/27/77, established a 30 minute parking area in front of 7611 Maple Avenue; AND

WHEREAS, current practices have shown there is no longer any public need served by these parking areas designated over 20 years ago; AND

WHEREAS, since the Takoma Cab Company has moved its home base out of the City of Takoma Park, there is no longer a public need served by having a taxi cab stand on Maple Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

SECTION 1: THAT Ordinance Numbers 1812, 2002, 2260, and 2424 are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. THAT the City Administrator is hereby authorized to proceed with removal of all signage in the areas noted in this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. THAT this Ordinance shall become effective upon enactment.

Adopted by Roll Call Vote as Follows:

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NAY:
ABSTAINED:
ABSENT: