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The Commission held a City Meeting on December 5, 2024. The following report provides a summary of information presented to the Commission, actions taken by the City Commission during the meeting, and points of follow-up for staff.

Information Items

Item 10: Prince George's County Department of the Environment (David Street, City Manager & Mary Abb, Deputy Associate Director of the Sustainability Division of the Department of Environment)

David Street, City Manager introduced Mary Abb, Deputy Associate Director of the Sustainability Division of the Department of Environment. Mary presented a presentation to the Mayor and Commissioner on the potential areas in District Heights to plant trees at no charge to the city in effort to combat climate change. Mary's presentation included plans for the rollout that will come in phases. Commissioner Janifer asked if a layout could be provided to residents that'll show exactly where trees will be planted.

Mary confirmed that a layout will be provided. Commissioner Janifer asked if residents could have trees planted on their property through this program. Mary informed the Commission that residents will be able to request trees through Prince George's County initiatives, although her department is in the process of working with non-profits organizations to assist in planting. Vice Mayor Gomez highlighted the planned and measured approach to completing this project. Mary concluded her presentation by requesting a Letter of Support from the Mayor and Commission to endorse the upcoming CBT grant.

Action Items

Item 11: Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Harcourt moved that the City Commission approve the minutes for November 7, 2024, November 12, 2024, and November 26, 2024. Commissioner Tilghman seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Item 12: Charter Committee Presents: Article III Amendments

Ron Waters, Charter Committee Chair presented the Charter Committee Article III Amendments to the Mayor and Commission for approval. Vice Mayor Gomez moved that the City Commission approve the Charter Committee's Article III Amendments and direct the City Attorney to prepare resolutions enacting the Charter Committee's recommended changes amending the Charter for the Commission's review. Commissioner Janifer seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Item 13: Ordinance Amendment: Stop Sign Camera

Ronald Tarpley, Police Chief presented an Ordinance Amendment for the Stop Sign Camera program. Vice Mayor Gomez moved to repeal 17 section c of 17.9 of chapter 17 article 1. Commissioner Harcourt seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Commissioner Harcourt moved that City Commission approve the introduction DH2024-11 stop sign Ordinance. Commissioner Janifer seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Item 14: Contract Award: Enterprise Fleet

Ronald Tarpley, Police Chief presented an Enterprise Fleet presentation to the Mayor and Commission. Commissioner Harcourt moved that the City Commission approve the Contract Award to Enterprise Fleet and direct staff to ride the Sourcewell Contract in an amount not to exceed \$104,280 in year once costs and \$66,780 in recurring costs. Commissioner Harcourt further moved that the City Commission amend the City's ARPA spending plan to include the purchase AND LEASE of police vehicles. Commissioner Tilghman seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Item 15: Commission Recess

Commissioner Janifer moved that the City Commission goes into recess beginning on December 6, 2024, and returning on January 2, 2025. Commissioner Tilghman seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Adjournment

Commissioner Tilghman moved to adjourn. Vice Mayor Gomez seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0-1. Vice Mayor Gomez called the meeting adjourned at 10:29 PM.