

COUNCIL CHAMBERS - July 17, 2017

Council met in regular session on this date with the following members present: Mr. Signer, Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Fenwick, Ms. Galvin.

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Galvin announced the Chiahamba African American Arts Festival at the Booker T. Washington Park in Charlottesville. A welcome processional starts at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Lillie Williams invited everyone to attend the festival.

Ms. Galvin also announced the Race Still Matters program on Wednesday, July 19 at the Jefferson School City Center.

Mr. Bellamy said this is the one-year anniversary of the death of Mr. Denzel and said we need to stop the violence in the City. He announced the History of Race and Ethnicity program on July 24 at the Carver Recreation Center.

Mr. Fenwick announced the Back to School Bash on August 19 at the Pavilion. Go to www.cvillebacktoschoolbash.com to volunteer or donate.

Mr. Signer read a statement about the events of last weekend and the upcoming August 12 rally.

Mr. Bellamy announced a Black Mental Health Matters event will be held on July 25 at the Jefferson School.

Mr. Fenwick said he has concerns about the event on August 12. He said freedom of speech is not an unfettered freedom; there are exceptions to it.

Ms. Galvin thanked the Clergy Collective for providing marchers with the tools they needed to promote nonviolence.

Mr. Signer read guidelines for Matters by the Public.

CITY MANAGER'S RESPONSE TO MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Mr. Jones addressed Mr. Cox's suggestions for enhanced pedestrian safety along West Main St. and said staff is working to address issues as they arise during construction.

Ms. Galvin asked about audio warnings for pedestrian tunnels; she has been told the volume was not loud enough to be heard over the construction noise. Mr. Jones said the NDS staff is working with the construction teams to address this.

Ms. Galvin asked about the illegal crosswalk installed by the contractor. Mr. Jones said staff has worked to correct this.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Mr. Jeffrey Sands said he stands with all his brothers and sisters in solidarity with their struggle. He said he is Jewish and was born in 1954 in the shadow of the Holocaust. He said Council did not create this problem but simply turned over a rock. There is no place for hate in Charlottesville. The August 12 rally is not a matter of free speech and cannot stand. He recommended relocating the rally if the permit cannot be revoked. He said there is no place for guns on August 12.

Ms. Shawnee West, 1204 E. Jefferson St., requested revoking the permit for the August 12 rally, as it is not in accordance with the Standard Operating Procedures for special events. This event creates fear and terror for many people. She said when police emerged in riot gear in July, she did not feel safe any longer. There is no place for militarization of weapons in Charlottesville. She said we need the Dialogue on Race.

Mr. James McKinney-Oakes ceded his time to Ms. Jalane Schmidt. She passed around an exploded tear gas canister to Councilors. She said there were inconsistencies with police enforcement at the July 8 event. She said militarization of the police has to stop.

Ms. Elaine Poon ceded her time to Ms. Mary Bauer, Executive Director at the Legal Aid Justice Center. She said the LAJC has sent a letter requesting an investigation into police force at the July 8 event. Using these tactics is inconsistent with de-escalation. She asked who invited the Virginia State Police, which police officers were dressed in riot gear and why, and who declared an unlawful assembly. She asked who ordered the use of tear gas and the reasoning for that decision. She called for an independent advisory committee to work with City Council before August 12. She asked for a permanent civil review board to advise the police department.

Ms. Lena Seville, Charlottesville, said the police need de-escalation training after their aggressive and militarized response. She ceded the remainder of her time to Mr. Jay Scott, who spoke about his experience with the rally on July 8. He said he feels as though his life is threatened because his face was on the front page of the paper. He said they plan to respond to Kessler's group in kind; if they use force, he promised their group would respond with force.

Mr. Don Gathers asked the City to rescind the permit for August 12. He said the statues need to come down now, especially in the light of what we have seen over the past weeks and months in Charlottesville. He said militarization cannot be used to gather peace; de-militarize the police and take care of the citizens of our City. He said we should offer Monticello as an alternate protest location.

Mr. James Dyer said you are blamed no matter what you say or do. However, the City needs to take responsibility for what happened on July 8. The police were not defending free speech last Saturday. Law and morality have nothing to do with each other. If your speech is being used to promote the idea that other human beings do not deserve rights, it is not a form of speech that we should protect, regardless of what the law says. Some laws are unjust. He said the

police were showing a display of power to the citizenry on July 8, not the Klan. This is what terrorist groups do.

Ms. Susie Hoffman, 1203 Augusta St., asked Council to study the traffic and safety impacts of the proposed Greenleaf Center. A petition has been circulated, and residents of the Kelly Town, Rugby Hills and Rose Hill neighborhoods are asking Council to consider this at their next meeting. She outlined the concerns of the neighborhoods and requested that the City conduct a traffic study during the City's school year at morning and peak hours prior to construction.

Mr. Peter Kleeman, 407 Hedge St., said the zoning discussion that took place at the last Council meeting regarding an appeal for the Special Use Permit on E. Jefferson St., was a matter of the applicant presenting a by-right project masked as an SUP. The provision of affordable housing needs to be reviewed. He said the City will never reach their affordable housing target if they do not build them into the large developments coming into the City. He said the traffic study was disingenuous; Council should have sent the matter back to the Planning Commission.

Ms. Audrey Wittrup shared her time with Mr. Marc Mazique, Charlottesville resident. He requested that any City official with the authority to do so rescind the permit for the August 12 rally. The organizers have made it clear that their intention is to incite acts of violence. He said free speech has been muddled. If we normalize oppressive speech, we promote oppressive acts. He said that recommendations to ignore this speech are ill-conceived. This entire discussion is rooted in white supremacy.

Mr. Aaron Winston shared his time with Ms. Beatrice Acey Yarney, Charlottesville resident, who said we need to revoke the August 12 permit. Residents have been quiet for a long time, and the July 8 and August 12 events are examples of opportunities that black, home-grown Charlottesville residents have never taken before. Institutional racism looks like following the rules when it works out for the bad guy. Our City needs to examine the choices we are making.

Ms. Samantha Peacoe, Albemarle resident, shared her time with Mr. Luke Harms. He said he knows what de-escalation tactics look like because of his military experience; he also knows what ad-hoc after the fact justifications look like, because he used to write them. City leaders are either colluding, lack the power, or are incompetent when they protect the actions of the police. He asked who the police were protecting that day. He said we cannot call ourselves the City of Resistance when we will not resist systems that keep us divided. He asked the City to revoke the permit, demilitarize the police, and drop the charges stemming from July 8.

Ms. Rowan Hollins, City resident, shared her time with Ms. Sarah Brickman. She said the City is protecting hate speech and racism while physically assaulting those who are speaking against it. Freedom of speech does not mean freedom from consequences. She objected to the accommodations extended to the Klan at the July 8 rally. She asked the City to revoke the permit for August 12.

Ms. Grace Aheron said the City should revoke the permit for August 12. She yielded her time to Ms. Ann. She said we need to find Sage Smith. She said she was brutalized by police, and her white privilege is the only reason she did not get arrested on Saturday. She gave an

account of her experience with the police on July 8. Ms. Ann refused to stop speaking at the allotted time. Mr. Signer granted her an additional minute. She spoke about past traumatic experiences and said what happened Saturday is a shame.

Mr. James Perla, City resident, ceded his time to Ms. Emily Gorcenski. She distributed to Council and read aloud threats that have been obtained with consent from public and private communications. She said the City must revoke the permit for August 12.

Mr. Bellamy said laws do not supersede morality, and they are often put into place to keep people who look like him quiet. He said he was woken up by the eloquent comments this evening. He said the citizens deserve a response for the events that have transpired.

Mr. Bellamy requested that the City acknowledge the choice to use tactics instead of planning for de-escalation consistent with the City's values, and to conduct an independent investigation into the actions on July 8, including why they requested the Virginia State Police, on what terms, and what show of force was requested, etc.; why tear gas was deployed and the reason for that decision, and for the longer term, establish a permanent civilian review board for the Charlottesville Police Department. He noted the existing Citizen's Police Advisory Panel is similar, but he suggested they work hand-in-hand with the proposed review board. He said he is not anti-police and does not think the police are bad people, but the citizens deserve a response. He said he is proud of people for standing up, and asked people to resist and be prepared for the rally on August 12.

Ms. Galvin asked for Mr. Jones's response to tonight's concerns.

Mr. Jones addressed the right to freely speak and what the U.S. Supreme Court rulings have been in the past. The laws have been used to allow all groups of people to speak historically, and eventually including African Americans. He reviewed the Charlottesville Police Department's preparations for the July 8 event and the community events organized during the day, as well as how the decisions regarding July 8 transpired.

Mr. Jones was not allowed to continue with his comments, and Mr. Signer ordered the meeting suspended at 8:39 p.m. due to disorder. The meeting was resumed at 8:49 p.m.

Mr. Jones advised citizens that they can file complaints against the City if they feel they have a grievance, and they will be thoroughly investigated. Mr. Jones completed his report on the event. Mr. Signer asked Mr. Jones to explain the use of riot gear, and he did so.

Mr. Jones said Mr. Bellamy's questions will be more fully addressed in the Chief of Police's report to Council. Ms. Galvin thanked Mr. Jones for his explanation and said she supports a thorough investigation.

Mr. Jones said the City is not in a position to deny the permit for August 12. However, they can address concerns over threats.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Minutes for July 5, 2017**
- b. **APPROPRIATION:**
Strategic Investment Area Form-Based Code - \$228,000 (2nd reading)

[SIA form- based code](#)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the funding for the Strategic Investment Area Form-Based Code project is hereby transferred in the following manner:

Transfer From;

\$228,000 *Fund: 426* *WBS: CP-080* *G/L Account: 599999*

Transfer To

\$228,000 *Fund: 426* *WBS: P-00947* *G/L Account: 599999*

- c. **APPROPRIATION:**
2017-2018 Community Development Block Grant - \$430,316.31 (Carried)

[CDBG appropriations](#)

- d. **APPROPRIATION:**
2017-2018 HOME Funds - \$90,748.69 (Carried)
- e. **APPROPRIATION:**
HOME Investment Partnerships Program - \$3,214.26 (Carried)
- f. **APPROPRIATION:**
Amendment to Community Development Block Grant Account (Carried)
- g. **RESOLUTION:**
Authorizing Revenue Bond Issue for Jefferson Scholars Foundation

[Jefferson Scholars bond issue](#)**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA**

- h. **RESOLUTION:**
Refund of Tax Payment to County Waste LLC

[County Waste tax refund](#)

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING REFUND TO COUNTY WASTE LLC
OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES PAID FOR 2016**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Revenue has determined that vehicles owned by County Waste LLC were actually taxable in another jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the personal property taxes for the Property for calendar year 2016 were paid on time and as billed; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Revenue has certified that a refund of taxes paid is due in the amount of \$8,717.20; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 30-6(b) requires City Council approval for any tax refund exceeding \$2,500.00; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Treasurer to issue a refund of \$8,717.20, payable to County Waste LLC.

- i. RESOLUTION:
Refund of Tax Payment to Wells Fargo Equipment Finance INC**

[Wells Fargo tax refund](#)

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING REFUND TO WELLS FARGO EQUIPMENT FINANCE INC
OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES PAID FOR 2015 AND 2016**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Revenue has determined that items owned by Wells Fargo Equipment Finance Inc. were actually taxable in another jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the personal property taxes for the Property for calendar years 2015 and 2016 were paid on time and as billed; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Revenue has certified that a refund of taxes paid is due in the amount of \$4,034.48; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 30-6(b) requires City Council approval for any tax refund exceeding \$2,500.00; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Treasurer to issue a refund of \$4,034.48, payable to Wells Fargo Equipment Finance Inc.

- j. **RESOLUTION:**
Refund of Tax Payment to PNC Equipment Finance LLC

[PNC tax refund](#)

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING REFUND TO PNC EQUIPMENT FINANCE INC
OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES PAID FOR 2015 AND 2016

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Revenue has determined that an item owned by PNC Equipment Finance Inc. was actually taxable in another jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the personal property taxes for the Property for calendar years 2015 and 2016 were paid on time and as billed; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Revenue has certified that a refund of taxes paid and interest is due in the amount of \$7,281.49; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 30-6(b) requires City Council approval for any tax refund exceeding \$2,500.00; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Treasurer to issue a refund of \$7,281.49, payable to PNC Equipment Finance Inc.

- k. **ORDINANCE:**
Quitclaim to VDOT (Fontana and Hyland Ridge Subdivisions) (2nd reading)

[Quitclaim to VDOT](#)

TO QUITCLAIM NATURAL GAS LINE EASEMENTS WITHIN THE HYLAND RIDGE
SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN ALBEMARLE COUNTY TO THE VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- l. **ORDINANCE:**
Approval of Sale of Baylor Lane Lot (2nd reading)

[Baylor Lane](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE/CONVEYANCE OF CITY-OWNED
LAND LOCATED AT 162 BAYLOR LANE TO SOUTHERN DEVELOPMENT

- m. **ORDINANCE:**
King St. Rezoning Application (2nd reading)

[King St. Rezoning](#)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REQUEST TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF KING STREET AND ROOSEVELT BROWN BOULEVARD (910, 912, 914 AND 916 KING STREET) FROM R-1S (RESIDENTIAL, SMALL LOT) TO CHERRY AVENUE MIXED USE CORRIDOR DISTRICT, SUBJECT TO PROFFERED DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS

- n. **ORDINANCE:**
Parking Ordinance Changes (2nd reading)

[Parking Ordinance](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15 (MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), DIVISION 2 (PARKING METERS) SECTIONS 15-171 THROUGH 15-180 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLS (1990), AS AMENDED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY’S TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO ESTABLISH PARKING METER ZONES AND TO ADD PROVISIONS AUTHORIZING BOTH PARKING METERS AND STATIONS AND TO AUTHORIZE VARIOUS FORMS OF PAYMENT

Mr. Fenwick said the Strategic Investment Area Form Based Code appropriation is premature before the Comprehensive Plan and Vision Statements have been finalized. He said he is against changes to the Parking Ordinance due to the burden on workers downtown.

On motion by Ms. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, the agenda passed. (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Bellamy; Noes: None; Absent: Ms. Szakos.)

PUBLIC HEARING: CHARLOTTESVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND CHARLOTTESVILLE ALBEMARLE RESCUE SQUAD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY AND COST RECOVERY PROGRAM

[Charlottesville Fire Department and Charlottesville Albemarle Rescue Squad Emergency Medical Services System Improvement Strategy and Cost Recovery Program](#)

Chief Andrew Baxter, Fire Chief for the Charlottesville Fire Department, presented to Council and answered clarifying questions.

On motion by Mr. Signer, the public hearing was opened. Having no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE: URBAN ARCHERY ORDINANCE AND RELATED REVISIONS (carried)

[Urban Archery](#)

Mr. Mike Murphy, Assistant City Manager, presented to Council and answered clarifying questions.

Mr. Murphy noted a small change in the language on page 94 in the packet; number four should be changed to strike the clause that says "or contiguous parcels which in combination consist of one half acre or more."

On motion by Mr. Signer, the public hearing was opened. Having no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Ms. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, the ordinance as amended carried for a second reading.

PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE: CLOSING AND VACATING FIRST STREET SOUTH BETWEEN WATER STREET AND SOUTH STREET (carried)

[Closing 1st St](#)

Ms. Lisa Robertson, Assistant City Attorney, presented to Council and answered clarifying questions.

Mr. Keith Woodard, applicant, answered a clarifying question for Ms. Galvin regarding a pedestrian easement. He confirmed that this clause is in the contract executed with the City.

On motion by Mr. Signer, the public hearing was opened.

Mr. Michael Keene, 3164 Ednam Woods Dr., asked if there would be a study of the public impact of the street closing.

Having no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Ms. Galvin said this project has been thoroughly reviewed by the Planning Commission, the Board of Architectural Review (BAR), and City Council. Mr. Jones described the public benefit of this project.

On motion by Mr. Fenwick, seconded by Ms. Galvin, the ordinance carried for a second reading.

PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE: WOOLEN MILLS VILLAGE HISTORIC CONSERVATION DISTRICT (carried)

[Woolen Mills PH](#)

Ms. Mary Joy Scala, Preservation & Design Planner, Neighborhood Development Services (NDS), presented to Council and answered clarifying questions.

On motion by Mr. Signer, the public hearing was opened.

Mr. John Frazee, 1404 E. Market St., explained what happened within the neighborhood between the first poll NDS staff sent and the second poll.

Mr. Eric Hurt, 1502 E. Market St., said most of the homes in this district are not historic. He said this will cause undue burden on homeowners in this district.

Ms. Catherine Rocket, 1800 Chesapeake St., asked Council not to vote for a historic overlay.

Mr. Len Oppenheimer, 1615 E. Market St., said there is no uniform aesthetic at Woolen Mills, which is already a very eclectic neighborhood.

Mr. Barry Umberger, 1701 E. Market St., said the first poll lacked information. He does not support a historic district overlay.

Mr. Jason Ivey, 1808 E. Market St., said the majority of the neighborhood does not want a historic district overlay. The map is flawed; only one member of the board actually lives in the proposed district. He said the BAR should take another vote.

Mr. Connor Childress, 1516 E. Market St., said the education process began after the initial poll was taken. Please heed the applicant's withdrawal of support. She said the people supporting this are quiet and are feeling bullied by those who oppose it.

Ms. Robin Hanes, 1709 E. Market St., said this has been a long conversation with conflicting information.

Mr. Bill Emory, 1604 E. Market St., said zoning is guided by law and is not a popularity contest. He said the proposed overlay has a light touch and will help sustain the neighborhood.

Ms. Judy Marie Johnson, Woolen Mills resident, said she is opposed to the conservation district. The lines of the district are arbitrary.

Having no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Ms. Galvin moved to pass an ordinance amending and re-ordaining section 34-337 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the code of the City of Charlottesville (1990), as amended, to add a new zoning overlay district to be known as the Woolen Mills Village Historic Conservation District. Mr. Fenwick seconded the motion.

Ms. Galvin reviewed her reasoning for a motion in support of amending the ordinance.

Mr. Fenwick said he is not compelled to reverse the decision of the BAR.

Mr. Bellamy said he was perplexed with the number of people who believed they were bullied by those who did not want the overlay. He said we should not operate this way in our communities.

Mr. Signer said he believes this is a tough issue, and he is pleased Council will be able to consider this again at their next meeting. He said he would like to see the postcard responses and what people have said in their comments.

Mr. Signer called for a five minute recess.

REPORT: REALLOCATION OF EXISTING FUNDS FOR PARKS PROJECTS
RESOLUTION:MCINTIRE PARK RAIL ROAD PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE
RESOLUTION: SKATE PARK

[Parks Projects](#)

Mr. Doug Ehman, Parks Division Manager, presented to Council and answered clarifying questions.

On motion by Ms. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, the resolution for McIntire Park CIP funding for Railroad Bridge Project \$1,169,363 passed. (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Bellamy; Noes: None; Absent: Ms. Szakos.)

On motion by Ms. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, the resolution for McIntire Park CIP funding for Skate Park Project \$581,415 passed. (Ayes: Ms. Galvin, Mr. Signer, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Bellamy; Noes: None; Absent: Ms. Szakos.)

RESOLUTION
McIntire Park CIP funding for Railroad Bridge Project \$1,169,363

WHEREAS, the City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has been awarded \$1,096,295 from the Virginia Department of Transportation to construct a bicycle and pedestrian trail bridge across the railroad at McIntire Park; and

WHEREAS, the City needs to provide additional local funds in the amount of \$1,169,363 from the McIntire Park Improvement CIP fund (P-00207); and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$1,169,363 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

Budget Transfer From

\$1,169,363 Fund: 426 WBS: P-00207 G/L Account: 599999

Budget Transfer To

\$1,169,363 Fund: 426 WBS: P-00673 G/L Account: 599999

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amount of this transfer is contingent upon the closeout of Fiscal Year 2017, and the transfer amount noted above could be subject to change but will be limited to an amount that results in a total project budget in account P-00673 that does not exceed \$2,461,635.

RESOLUTION

McIntire Park CIP funding for Skate Park Project \$ 581,415

WHEREAS, the City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has received bids and negotiated a price with the low bidder to construct the Skate Park within McIntire Park; and

WHEREAS, the City needs to provide additional local funds in the amount of \$ 581,415 from the McIntire Park Improvement CIP fund (P-00207); and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$ 581,415 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

Budget Transfer From

\$ 581,415 Fund: 426 WBS: P-00207 G/L Account: 599999

Budget Transfer To

\$ 581,415 Fund: 426 WBS: P-00733 G/L Account: 599999

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amount of this transfer is contingent upon the closeout of Fiscal Year 2017 and the transfer amount noted above could be subject to change but will be limited to an amount that results in a total project budget in account P-00733 that does not exceed \$2,085,163.

REPORT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS (CDC) REPORT

[CDC Report](#)

Mr. Ikefuna, NDS Director, presented to Council. He explained staff's opinion that City Council itself is not authorized to form a development corporation to undertake redevelopment activities, and he explained other alternatives that may be available to Council.

Council asked clarifying questions and reached consensus on requesting that staff present model resolutions and a strategic overview.

Mr. Jones recommended putting the concept of a joint regional land bank authority on the agenda for the joint City/County meeting in September.

Ms. Galvin confirmed October for Council to consider a land bank authority, with a plan to review the bigger picture at the beginning of next year. She told staff to advise Council if another staff position is needed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Signer requested that Council be given the postcards with comments regarding Woolen Mills.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Mr. Brandon Collins, 418 Fairway Ave., said he would have liked proactive notice from the City about the CDC discussion on tonight's Council agenda. He recommended partnering and meeting with CRHA and PHAR on matters such as these. PHAR is interested in the idea of a CDBO (Community Based Development Organization.) Habitat and Piedmont Housing Alliance should also be consulted.

Ms. Kali Cichon, City resident, said the rally on August 12 is not a free speech issue. She said this is domestic terrorism and should be treated in the same way as foreign terrorism.

Ms. Nancy Carpenter said she supports revoking the permit for August 12 based on public safety concerns, particularly for the people who use the day shelter across the street from the park. She said much of the day shelter's population suffer from triggers. She asked the City to revoke the permit, or move the location.

Mr. Michael Keene, 3164 Ednam Woods Dr., said he does not believe Mr. Jones' overview gave a complete description of what happened on July 8. He recounted his experience at the event. He asked the City to think long-term about deploying hundreds of police in riot gear with heavy military equipment.

Ms. Nancy Carpenter, City resident, read a statement from Ms. Jojo Robertson asking the City to revoke the permit for the August 12 event.

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 p.m.