TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK
MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2007
REGULAR LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

Attendance

Vernon S. Archer	Mayor
Not Present (Excused Absence due to death in the family)	Ward 1
CM Kate Sharpe	Ward 2
CM David Lingua	Ward 3
CM Christopher Henry	Ward 4
CM Timothy Kimbrough	Ward 5
CM Keelah Allen-Smith	Ward 6

Town Administrator- Patrick Prangley
Chief of Police- Acting Chief Patrick Timmons
Director of Public Works- Acting Director Michael Scott

The Legislative Meeting for the Town of Riverdale Park began at 8:05p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of reflection directed by Mayor Archer.

Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve Agenda- CM Henry
Second- CM Lingua
Approved

Action to Nominate Timothy Kimbrough to vacant Ward 5 Seat
Mayor Archer spoke about new elected Council Member Timothy Kimbrough. Mayor Archer stated that CM Kimbrough lives in Riverdale Village as close to Ward 5 as you can get. Mayor Archer stated that he was very impressed by his concerns on code concerning code on some commercial sites. Mayor Archer stated that he was very mature and pleased with how he reacted. Mayor Arched stated that his application is available, and after examining his information and talking to him on a couple of occasions he feels it is appropriate to nominate him as the Ward 5 member.

Made a motion- CM Sharpe
Second- CM Henry

CM Kimbrough spoke a little about himself and accepts the nomination for councilman in Ward 5.
Nomination was Approved

By consent of the council Mr. Kimbrough is Councilman for Ward 5.

Mayor Archer swore Timothy Kimbrough in as Councilman for the Town of Riverdale Park, Maryland Ward 5.

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Presentation by Alex J. Hirtle with Cool Cities Campaign
He explained that this campaign has a lot more to do than just weather. He stated that it deals a lot with climate. He stated that it empowers communities to take action in global warming cities. He stated that many Municipalities that are cool cities, campaign along with some counties. He stated that the general facilitator Dave will speak more about the campaign.

Dave stated that there is only so much that can be done at the State level to try and take care of the problem global warming. He stated that some web pages that are listed provide examples that refer to cool cities. He stated that 700 cities, towns, villages, and counties across the Country have already begun the process.

Mayor's Report
Mayor Archer stated that they are continuing the process on the central Kenilworth Revitalization project. Mayor Archer stated that Mr. Prangley will tell a little bit more about it in a couple minutes. Mayor Archer stated that most of you know the process for hiring a permanent Police Chief took a major step forward in the past few weeks. Mayor Archer stated that a former Police Chief, Terry Evans, was asked to head the Vetting Committee. Mayor stated that CM Henry was also on the Vetting Committee. Mayor stated that he saw the first design look and feel of the Towns new website and stated that we are shooting for the next work session to show a demo. Mayor stated that he would like to remind everyone that the annual holiday market and festival of lights is on December 8th & 9th at the Town Center. Mayor asked for everyone to please come out and enjoy yourself. Mayor Archer stated that he met with CM Walker and Mr. Prangley with the Cafritz team; he stated that they displayed a downsized project with building heights that are 5 & 6 stories and under a 1,000 residential units. Mayor Archer stated that traffic and the impact on traffic continues to be a major concern and hurdle.

This concludes the Mayor's Report.

Administrator's Report
Mr. Prangley stated that central Kenilworth study meeting will be held tomorrow and we will be reviewing the projects that have been implemented and proposed on Kenilworth Ave. Mr. Prangley stated for later on the agenda, the CDBG Grant's PY-34 deadline is coming up this week. Mr. Prangley stated that we are proposing to reconstruct Rhode Island (Maryland Ave) from dead end to town center. Mr. Prangley stated that the audit has been filed with the State. Mr. Prangley stated that the Town is in excellent financial condition. Mr. Prangley stated that the website development is coming along very well. Mr. Prangley stated that that inventory and the proposed RFP are making progress on the Town building additions.

This concludes the Town Administrator's Report.

Treasurer's Report
Mr. Prangley gave the Treasurer's Report. (Copies Available)
Motion to approve subject to audit- CM Sharpe
Second- CM Lingua
Approved
This Concludes the Treasurer's Report.

Code Enforcement Report
Mr. Prangley gave the Code Enforcement Report. (Copies Available)

This concludes the Code Enforcement Report.

Police Department Report
Acting Chief Patrick Timmons gave the Police Department Report. (Copies Available)

This concludes the Police Department Report.

Public Works Report
Acting Director Michael Scott gave the Public Works Report. (Copies Available)

This concludes the Public Works Report.

Fire Department Report
The Fire Department Report was given. (Copies Available)

This concludes the Fire Department Report.

Ward and Committee Reports

Ward 2, CM Sharpe, Finance Chairman
CM Sharpe stated that she would like to welcome Sandy our bookkeeper back. CM Sharpe stated that she really appreciates town staff's efforts in her absence. CM Sharpe stated that the next Finance Committee Meeting will be on December 11th, 2007. CM Sharpe stated that we have filed our audit with the State, and we will be reviewing the outcome at the Finance Committee Meeting and at the next Work Session Meeting. CM Sharpe asked that in Ward 2 the holiday lights be put up as soon as possible for the festivities coming up this weekend. CM Sharpe stated that she would like to thank Capt. Timmons for arranging a ride along. CM Sharpe stated that it was very enlightening, and

she admires our officer. CM Sharpe stated that there are some concerns is leaf pickup. CM Sharpe stated that some residents were asking if there is some kind of schedule. Michael Scott: our goal is to get the whole Town finished in one week, and try to get every house in a week.

This concludes Ward 2, CM Sharpe's Report.

Ward 3, CM Lingua, Public Works
CM Lingua stated that Public Works committee meeting will be held at 7pm before the Work Session Meeting on December 17, 2007. CM Lingua stated that we are going to look at plans on how we want to redevelop the space of our town staff. CM Lingua stated that the traffic study committee meeting will not be tomorrow night. CM Lingua stated that it will be rescheduled on January 9th. CM Lingua stated that we are finding that the size of Riverside Park is not able to keep up with the use people are making of it. CM Lingua stated that he has spoken with Mr. Prangley on taking care of the problem with the over abundance use of the park. CM Lingua stated that as mentioned before, we have the festival of lights coming up on Saturday and the Holiday Market. CM Lingua stated that there was a meeting for the streetscape improvement concerning Riverside, Oglethorpe, and Nicholson St. CM Lingua stated that there were some residents that were not thrilled on getting sidewalks. CM Lingua stated that we had the one meeting and the plans have come back, and we are hoping we can schedule another meeting. CM Lingua wished everyone happy holidays.

This concludes Ward 3, CM Lingua's Report.

Ward 4, CM Henry, Public Safety
CM Henry stated that we have had five outstanding candidates that applied for the Chief of Police position. CM Henry stated that he was very impressed with all the candidates. CM Henry stated that the Le Grande grocery store is now open. CM Henry encouraged everyone to go down there and take a look. CM Henry stated that he would like to wish everyone a happy holiday and hope it is safe for everyone. CM Henry stated that he would like to thank Capt. Timmons for the outstanding job he has done as Acting Chief of Police.

This concludes Ward 4, CM Henry's Report.

Ward 5, CM Kimbrough
CM Kimbrough wished everyone happy holidays and stated that it is a pleasure to be here, and he looks forward to doing a good job.

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Ward 6, CM Allen-Smith
CM Allen-Smith stated that there was Kenilworth meeting held this morning specifically for the business owners on Kenilworth Ave. CM Allen-Smith stated that she encourages all business owners to attend and it is a step in the right direction. CM Allen-Smith stated that she sent out flyers encouraging residents in Ward 6 to decorate there homes. CM Allen-Smith stated that just a reminder, the Riverdale Holiday Market is on the 8th & 9th. CM Allen-Smith wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

This concludes Ward 6, CM Allen-Smith's Report.

Legislative Action

#4. Approval for Paul Plant to get a temporary vendors license to sell Christmas Trees & Wreaths on the lot at the Southeast intersection of Routes 1 & 410 from November 26, 2007-December 28, 2007.

Motion to Approve- CM Lingua
Second- CM Sharpe
Approved

#1. Approval of Minutes for regular legislative meeting on November 5, 2007

Motion to Approve- CM Sharpe
Second- CM Henry

#2. To reintroduce & Approve Resolution 2007-R-19 establishing a Library of Reference Documents.

Postponed until January.

#3.To reintroduce & Approve Resolution 2007-R-18 Reference Materials provided to incoming Council members.

Postponed until January.

#5. Action to approve PY 34 funding application.
Maryland Ave. has been left out of the town wide street improvement project. There were some major water damage that needed to be taken care of before the improvement on the street. The County is in charge of storm water management. Since we would be able to get the storm water management piece likely funded by the County. We would like the council to approve the CBDG Street Improvement for Maryland Ave.

Motion to Approve- CM Sharpe