APPROVED: Meeting No. 22-83

ATTEST: Helen M Heneghan

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

MEETING NO. 15-83

May 19, 1983

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in work session in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall, Maryland at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, May 19, 1983, at 7:40 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor John R. Freeland

Councilman Douglas Duncan

Councilwoman Viola Hovsepian

Councilman John Tyner, II

ABSENT

Councilman Steve Abrams
(on travel leave)

The Mayor in the Chair.

In attendance: City Clerk Helen Heneghan

LEGISLATION AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Municipal Legislation & Litigation

Councilman Tyner suggested the targets of opportunity be placed in this section. Councilwoman Hovsepian asked for a run down on what these monies have been spent for in the past. Councilwoman Hovsepian asked that the costs be brought to the Council for an annual volunteer party instead of bi-annual as it has been done. She asked for a count on the Mayor and Council "call-in line" and she asked that the agenda be mailed to those who request them. The Council agreed to that on an experimental basis. Councilman Tyner asked the staff to provide him with a bench mark on attorney's fees and expenses and a break down on what is being worked on. He asked additionally for a break down on the cost of legal consultants.

Citizen Participation

The Public Information Officer did a presentation on directional signs for the Town Center. The Mayor and Council agreed that the funds for the signs could be put on the wish list. Since Montgomery County will be sharing the cost, only a percentage needs to be worked out. The total cost is $53,000.

Registration and Elections

Councilman Duncan asked to add the cost of mailing sample ballots to those Montgomery County registered voters who reside within the City limits. The cost of $4,500 will be placed on the wish list. Councilwoman Hovsepian asked that information be put in the civic organization newsletters in January outlining the registration. She asked that the senior's newsletter be included. This will help with publicizing. The Mayor and Council discussed a memorandum from the Board of Elections of Supervisors requesting a raise for the judges to $100

Registration and Elections continued

and other workers to $75. The Mayor and Council agreed to that and asked that the funds be raised accordingly.

Official Records

The Council made no changes.

Intergovernmental Relations

The Council made no changes.

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

Administrative Management

The Council made no changes.

Budgeting, Program, and Management Analysis

Councilman Tyner asked Ms. Berman if the deletion of the clerical assistance adversely affected the department. Ms. Berman explained that it did not.

Planning

Mr. Davis, the Planning Director, with the assistance of a chart, explained his work program. Councilman Tyner suggested the Mayor and Council develop a philosophy on development pertaining to size and impact.

Energy and Technology

The Council made no changes.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Zoning and Development Review

The Council made no changes.

Courthouse Square

The Council made no changes.

Town Center Parking Garage

The Council made no changes.

Economic Development

Councilman Tyner suggested that $10,000 be placed on the wish list to keep the Town Center Plan implemented. The Mayor asked that the staff explore the possibility of an Economic Development Corporation and what the City's role would be. There would be an initial investment to create the corporation and then they would be on their own. He said the same type of thing could be used to support housing or commercial development. The Mayor asked that $15,000 be added to the original $10,000 that Councilman Tyner suggested and that it be placed on the wish list. The Council agreed to this.

Town Center Plan Implementation

The Council made no changes.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Financial Administration

The Council postponed this item.

Purchasing and Contracts

The Council made no changes.

Personnel Administration

Councilman Tyner asked if the City ever looked into the Maryland Municipal League's Workmen's Compensation Program. Mr. Hobbs said the staff had and decided to stay with its own program since it is more cost effective.

Administrative Buildings and Grounds

Councilman Duncan asked to be provided with a cost of the phone system both actual and planned.

Information Systems

Councilman Tyner asked for a copy of the original systems' list on the system and what control the City has and when will it be implemented. He also asked for an explanation on what is the users committee. Further action on this item was postponed.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council in work session, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m. to convene again on Saturday, May 21, 1983, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chamber.