



**Town Council Workshop Minutes  
February 5, 2024**

**Present:** Mayor Jeffrey Schomisch, Vice Mayor Jeannette Ripley, Councilmembers Joe Williams, Kathleen Walker, Mike Walker, Todd Over, and Glenda Johnson. Also present were Town Manager Rommel Pazmino, Chief of Police Robert Liberati, Town Treasurer Fredy Aguilar, and Town Attorney Karen Ruff.

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Schomisch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Announcements:**

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Chief Liberati announced the Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday March 30 at 10:30 a.m.

**Mayor's Scholarship:** The deadline for the Mayor's Scholarship is May 6, 2024. The application will be available on the Town website and will be published in the newsletter.

**Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Midyear Review Discussion:** Mayor Schomisch and the Council reviewed and discussed the midyear budget versus actual for the Fiscal Year 2024. Town Treasurer Fredy Aguilar was present and answered any questions.

A few important items discussed were:

- Municipal Infraction budget;
- Rock Creek Grant;
- Newsletter postage;
- Town Hall plumbing issues and budget;
- Vehicle Repair and Maintenance budget;
- Emergency street repair and maintenance on 71 Ave. Councilman Williams moved to do emergency street repairs on 71st Ave and to use operating funds. Councilwoman Walker seconded. All present voted in favor (7-0).
- ARPA Programs and funds.

**Dominium Apartments Hearing Discussion:**

- Mayor Schomisch announced that the preliminary hearing is scheduled for February 15 at 10 a.m. He will be signing up to testify during that meeting.

- Mayor Schomisch also said that he met with a representative of County Council Member Eric Olson and the Dominion Apartments developers regarding the Town's concerns about parking and traffic flow.
- Mayor Schomisch read a response letter from Dominion Apartments about the parking situation and flow of traffic.
- Mayor Schomisch announced that Ebenezer Church agreed to host a community meeting to discuss the Dominion Apartment complex, however, a date for the meeting has not yet been selected..

**Mayor Schomisch entertained a motion to adjourn the workshop and convene in Special Legislative Session. All present voted in favor and the special session began.**

### **Special Legislative Session**

Town Attorney Ruff went over the following items:

- Annexation Resolution with Exhibit A - Annexation agreement; Exhibit B - Boundary Survey; and Exhibit C - Meets and Bounds Description.
- The Council should introduce Annexation Resolution R-01-2024, schedule a public hearing, include a notice of public hearing in newsletter, and notify all property owners of annexation and public hearing.
- The public hearing is set for March 18, 2024.
- The annexation will be effective starting July 1, 2024.
- The tax rate remains at the current tax rate. The two churches in the area being annexed are tax exempt.

Town Attorney Ruff explained that at the previous Council Meeting, the Council mistakenly introduced the Annexation Plan, instead of the Annexation Resolution. Both items need to be introduced separately. The Council decided to reintroduce the Annexation Plan (Resolution R-02-2024.)

- a) **Annexation Resolution R-01-2024: A Resolution of the Mayor and Council to Enlarge the Corporate Boundaries of the Town of Landover Hills by Annexing into the Town Certain Real Property Contiguous and Adjoining to the Town's Existing Corporate Boundaries, consisting of those Properties Located Southeast of Annapolis Road, commonly referred to as CVS Pharmacy, the Community Shopping Center, Ebenezer Church of God, Ascension Lutheran Church, the Post Office, Taco Bell, Medical Center, Bank of America, Parcel C (SHA Property), and portions of Ardwick-Ardmore Road (50,683 s.f.), Buchanan Street (41,305 s.f.), and Chesapeake Road (36,744 s.f.), comprising approximately 17.2025 acres in the Annexation Area as further described and depicted in the Exhibits to the Resolution. Eligible for introduction.**
  - o Councilman Walker moved to introduce Annexation Resolution R-01-2024. Councilman Williams seconded. All present voted in favor (7-0).

- b) **Resolution R-02-2024: A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Landover Hills adopting an Annexation Plan for certain Real Property consisting of 17.2025 acres Southeast of Annapolis Road, including the CVS Pharmacy, the Community Shopping Center, Ebenezer Church of God, Ascension Lutheran Church, the Post Office, Taco Bell, Medical Center, Bank of America, Parcel C (SHA Property), and portions of Ardwick-Ardmore Road, Buchanan Street, and Chesapeake Road, which Property is the Subject of an Annexation Initiated by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Landover Hills via Resolution No. R-01-24.**
  - o Councilman Walker moved to introduce Resolution R-02-2024. Councilwoman Walker seconded the motion. All present voted in favor (7-0).

**Adjournment**

Mayor Schomisch entertained a motion to adjourn. All present voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.