



## RECORD OF PROCEEDING

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### SPECIAL COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD AT 690 CHESTERFIELD PARKWAY WEST

**JULY 7, 2015**

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The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

A roll call was taken with the following results:

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mayor Bob Nation  
Councilmember Barry Flachsbart  
Councilmember Nancy Greenwood  
Councilmember Bridget Nations  
Councilmember G. Elliot Grissom  
Councilmember Mike Casey  
Councilmember Dan Hurt  
Councilmember Bruce DeGroot  
Councilmember Connie Fults

THOSE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: City Administrator Michael G. Herring. Mr. Herring announced that Interim City Attorney Harry O'Rourke was stuck in traffic. He subsequently arrived at 5:38pm.

### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Mayor Nation first recognized Mr. Herring who noted that the purpose of this special meeting was to address/resolve specific conflicts that currently exist between the City Council Committee system/process, which has been utilized/followed for numerous years, and City of Chesterfield Ord. No. 12, which was adopted by City Council, on June

1, 1988. Mr. Herring stated that Mr. O'Rourke will quantify all decisions made by City Council, at this meeting, prepare an ordinance which will include any/all changes made and that said ordinance will be placed on the July 20 City Council AGENDA for FIRST READING APPROVAL.

Councilmember Greenwood made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Flachsbart, to amend Ord. No. 12, by changing the names of City Council Committees to reflect the list below and to change the name of the Parks and Recreation Committee to "Parks, Recreation and Arts Committee".

Finance and Administration  
Parks and Recreation  
Planning and Public Works  
Public Health and Safety

A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Grissom made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Casey, to amend Ord. No. 12, by changing the number of City Councilmembers serving on each Committee from three (3) to four (4). A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Greenwood made a motion, seconded by Councilmember DeGroot, to amend Ord. No. 12 to reflect that at least three Councilmembers must be present in order to hold a Committee meeting. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Fults made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Nations, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that one Councilmember from each of the City's four (4) Wards will serve on each Committee, with no two Councilmembers from the same Ward serving on the same Committee. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Fults made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Greenwood, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that one Councilmember from each ward shall serve as a Chairperson and no person shall serve as Chairperson of more than one Committee. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Fults made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Grissom, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that the Councilmember selected as Chairperson of each Committee shall be that person, from his/her Ward, whose term is up for re-election the following April. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result (Councilmembers Flachsbart and Hurt voted "No") and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Greenwood made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Flachsbart, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that the Mayor and City Administrator shall both serve as ex-officio members of each Committee. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Flachsbart made a motion that the Mayor and President Pro-Tem coordinate the process of Committee assignments together in consultation with every Councilmember. Mayor Nation declared the motion failed due to lack of a second.

Councilmember Fults made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Grissom, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that the President Pro-Tem shall coordinate the process of Committee assignments in consultation with all Councilmembers. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result (Councilmembers Flachsbart and Hurt voted “No”) and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Hurt made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Grissom, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that recommendations for Committee membership and Council Committee Chairpersons be submitted for a formal vote, by City Council, at the first meeting immediately following each City election. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Flachsbart made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Greenwood, to amend Ord. No. 12, by clarifying that, other than items discussed/acted upon by the Planning/Public Works Committee, if an item receives at least two affirmative votes, it should be forwarded to Council; however, it will be forwarded with no recommendation. If an item receives at least three affirmative votes, it should be forwarded to Council with a positive recommendation. Any item receiving less than two votes shall remain in Committee and not be forwarded to City Council. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Flachsbart made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Grissom, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that an Executive Session (closed meeting) cannot be held at the Council Committee level. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Councilmember Flachsbart made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fults, to amend Ord. No. 12, to reflect that, if there is a vacancy on the Council, the other Councilmember of the affected Ward would be deemed a full voting member of the Committees upon which his/her Ward-mate had served, until said vacancy had been filled. If the person previously occupying the currently vacant position served as a Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, at the time of the vacancy, shall assume the position of Chairperson. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Herring stated that he had nothing else for discussion by City Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Nation adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

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Mayor Bob Nation

**ATTEST:**

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Vickie J. Hass, City Clerk