



CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA  
CITY COUNCIL  
**MINUTES**  
Council Chambers, 715 Princess Anne Street  
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401

HON. MARY KATHERINE GREENLAW, MAYOR  
HON. WILLIAM C. WITHERS, JR., VICE -MAYOR, WARD TWO  
HON. KERRY P. DEVINE, AT-LARGE  
HON. MATTHEW J. KELLY, AT-LARGE  
HON. BRADFORD C. ELLIS, WARD ONE  
HON. DR. TIMOTHY P. DUFFY, WARD THREE  
HON. CHARLIE L. FRYE, JR., WARD FOUR

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**Council Work Session**  
**February 23, 2016**

**Historic Structures Report**  
**Animal Control Ordinance**  
**Closed Session**

**Discussion and Consideration of Candidates for the City Manager Position**

**The Council** of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia held a work session on Tuesday, February 23, 2016, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall Conference Room.

**Council Present.** Mayor Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Presiding. Councilors William C. Withers, Jr., Kerry P. Devine, Timothy P. Duffy, Bradford C. Ellis (5:38), Charlie L. Frye, Jr. and Matthew J. Kelly.

**Also Present.** City Manager Beverly Cameron, Assistant City Manager Mark Whitley, City Attorney Kathleen Dooley, Assistant City Attorney Robert Eckstrom, Police Chief David Nye, Captain Brian Layton, Planning and Building Services Director Charles Johnston and Clerk of Council Tonya B. Lacey

**Others Present.** Captain Tiddings with Spotsylvania County Sheriff's office and Architect Dr. Bryan Green from Commonwealth Architects.

**Historic Structures Report.** Dr. Green presented a PowerPoint presentation covering the Renwick Courthouse, the Wallace Library and the Old Jail. In the presentation he discussed what is a Historic Structure Report, he showed comparison of each of the buildings and gave timelines of each and discussed what transpired in each of the buildings, he covered issues each of the facilities were facing and the potential opportunities of the buildings and finally he showed a sample of the final report. He also briefly discussed the survey that could be found on the City's website.

Dr. Green noted there were not any floor issues in the Renwick building because the City had always maintained the building as a public space therefore it was kept in great shape.

He stated that the roof was at the end of its life and the building would perform better without the stucco texture. (See attachment for more information).

Councilor Kelly said he would like to see the building restored and used as a community space.

Mayor Greenlaw said she would like to see the building restored to its original look.

**Animal Control Ordinance.** Assistant City Attorney Eckstrom recommended Council update the City's dangerous and vicious dog ordinance to allow animal control officers to issue citations under the City Code, rather than the state law. This would allow fines under the statute to go to the City, rather than the state and it would allow the City Attorney's Office to represent the officers in civil dangerous dog cases. Mr. Eckstrom also reviewed some of the other changes to the ordinance. (See attachment for more information).

Council had a brief discussion on the enforcement of cleaning up dog feces and how a dog was labeled vicious or dangerous.

**Closed Meeting Approved.** Upon the motion of Councilor Kelly, seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes, Council approved a closed session for discussion and consideration of candidates for the City Manager position, under Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(1). Ayes (7) Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye, and Kelly. Nays (0).

**Return to Open Meeting Approved.** Upon the motion of Councilor Kelly, seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes, Council approved a return to an open meeting. Ayes (7) Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Duffy, Ellis, Frye, and Kelly. Nays (0).

**Resolution 16-19, Approved, Certifying Closed Meeting.** Upon the motion Councilor Kelly approved Resolution 16-19 certifying the closed meeting; seconded by Councilor Devine and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7) Councilors Greenlaw, Withers, Devine, Ellis, Frye, and Kelly. Nays (0).

**Adjournment.** There being no further business to come before the Council at this time. Mayor Greenlaw declared the work session officially adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

*Tonya B Lacey*

**Tonya B. Lacey  
Clerk of Council  
City of Fredericksburg**

**APPROVED**

**03-08-16**