



The City of Glenarden
Emergency Meeting (Closed) (Virtual)
Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 7:00 PM
Minutes

Attendees:

Council President – Derek D. Curtis, II
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson
Councilwoman – Erika L. Fareed
Councilwoman – Kathleen J. Guillaume
Councilman – Maurice A. Hairston
Councilman – James A. Herring
Councilwoman – Robin Jones

- Called to Order at 7:00 PM
- Invocation led by Councilwoman Erika L. Fareed
- Roll Call
 - Councilwoman – Erika L. Fareed – Present
 - Councilwoman – Kathleen J. Guillaume - Present
 - Councilman – Maurice A. Hairston – Present
 - Councilman – James A. Herring – Present
 - Councilwoman – Robin Jones – Present
 - Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson – Present
 - Council President – Derek D. Curtis, II – Present

We have a Quorum

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilwoman Robin Jones to adopt the agenda – Second by Councilwoman Kathleen J. Guillaume.

Councilwoman – Erika L. Fareed - Yes
Councilwoman – Kathleen J. Guillaume - Yes
Councilman – Maurice A. Hairston - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes
Council President – Derek D. Curtis, II - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No = PASSED

- Discussion
 - **Vice President Ferguson** – Please add the Gold Room to the agenda.
- Topic of Discussion
 - Gold Room
 - **Vice President Ferguson** - Vice President Ferguson received a request from a patron who reserved use of the Gold Room for a repass. The patron is requesting a refund of her deposit due to a technical mishap by way of the funeral home director who canceled the funeral which inadvertently caused the need to terminate the agreement for the repass in the Gold Room. The contract states there is a 60-day notification clause regarding cancellations and request of a refund, however, the requester is seeking a refund of her the deposit of \$550 the to procure another venue for the funeral.
 - **J. Herring** – Technically, a refund should not be issued based on the terms of the contract that was approved by the council which states the Gold Room Coordinator is to receive a 60 notice for cancellations in order to receive a refund. Any changes to that contract needs to be voted on as a council. We can do a public vote and motion to refund her the money tonight.
 - **E. Fareed** – Are we making changes to the contract or allowing exceptions? Also, what type of circumstances beyond a person’s control would we make an exception on? Should we amend the contract to make an exception by the discretion of the council?
 - **R. Jones** – Are these verifiable emergencies that we would make an amendment to the Gold Room contract for? What emergencies are we going to allow as an exception to the refund rule, and how do we verify it?
 - **J. Herring** – We have made exceptions before depending on the circumstance. However, Councilman Herring feels the council should not change the 60-day notification refund rule, because we do not want to encourage renters to try to break the contract with hardship loop holes.
- Motion to Vote for a Refund

Motion to vote for a refund adopted by Councilwoman Kathleen J. Guillaume – Second by Councilman Maurice Hairston.

Councilwoman – Erika L. Fareed - Yes
 Councilwoman – Kathleen J. Guillaume - Yes

Councilman – Maurice A. Hairston - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes
Council President – Derek D. Curtis, II - Yes
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- Motion to Close Meeting

Motion to close session adopted by Councilwoman Robin Jones – Second by Councilman Maurice Hairston.

Councilwoman – Erika L. Fareed - Yes
Councilwoman – Kathleen J. Guillaume - Yes
Councilman – Maurice A. Hairston - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes
Council President – Derek D. Curtis, II - Yes
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- Adjourn at 7:19pm

Submitted by:

Victoria Lewis, Council Clerk