



City of Glenarden  
Special Regular Meeting (Virtual)  
Friday, December 11, 2020 at 8:00PM

**Minutes**

**Attendees:**

Council President – Robin Jones  
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson  
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason  
Councilman – James A. Herring  
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood  
Councilman – Donjuan Williams  
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson  
Acting City Manager – Philip O'Donnell  
Treasurer, Alvin Bratton

- Call to Order at 8:00PM
- Invocation led by Council President, Robin Jones
- Roll Call

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**We have a Quorum**

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilman Williams motioned to approve agenda – Seconded by Councilman Herring

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes  
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes  
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes  
Councilman – James A. Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood – Yes  
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes  
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson – Yes

**7 Yes – APPROVED**



- Legislation

O-04-2021 An Emergency Ordinance to Amend City of Glenarden's Fiscal Year 2021 Budget

Councilman Herring motioned to accept the ordinance as an emergency – Seconded by Councilwoman Ferguson

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes  
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes  
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes  
Councilman – James A. Herring – Yes  
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O-04-2021 An Emergency Ordinance to Amend City of Glenarden's Fiscal Year 2021 Budget

Councilman Herring motioned to adopt the ordinance – Seconded by Councilwoman Wilson

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes  
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Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes  
Councilman – James A. Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood – Yes  
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Councilman Herring motioned to invoke section 826 Emergency exception, from the Charter to have the Acting City Manager and Treasurer to look for and purchase PPE (personal protective equipment) – Seconded by Councilwoman Wilson

Council President – Robin Jones - Abstain  
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes  
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Abstain  
Councilman – James A. Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood – Yes  
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes  
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson – Yes

**5 Yes 2 Abstains – PASSED**



- Citizens Comments/Questions (five minutes)

Erika Fareed offered her “Thank You” to the Council for passing the budget. Reminds the Acting City Manager and Treasurer to be careful with the fraudulent PPE’s. She also speaks toward the letter that went out regarding ward representation that offered a particular citizen name, and she feels that was inappropriate.

Christopher Beccles also offered his “Thank You” to the Council for passing the budget. And speaks toward the difference of \$24,723 passing the budget tonight compared to weeks ago, when the budget was not being passed.

Ricky Thomas asked a question directed to the Treasurer, Mr. Bratton – do you have enough help to successfully complete all tasks required to give hazard pay to essential employees and purchase PPE’s.

Mr. Bratton responded that he has two employees to assist him with this project.

Kathleen Guillaume-Delmar offered her celebration on passing the budget tonight but not happy regarding the letter that was sent out about ward representation and naming a resident.

Derek Curtis offered his appreciation on the Council working together and passing the budget. Expressed the importance in having the grant money offered to the essential employees as soon as possible.



Richard Arroya-Montgomery expressed his appreciation for the budget being passed, only after fourteen meetings since September 2020. He offered that the elected officials need to work towards serving the residents.

Christopher Becelles expressed the need for Council to be leaders and servants to the community.

Leo Wilson offers that he did not hear any one speaking on Mayor Estes submitting the budget in a timely manner.

- Adjourned at 9:00PM

Submitted by:

*M. Toni Taylor, CMC*  
*Clerk to the Council*