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OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

September 5, 2018 MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Ryan was in the chair.
Clerk of the Council, Susan Cimino conducted the roll call.

Present: Charles B. Ryan, President
Charles C. Kokoros, Vice President
Thomas M. Bowes
Timothy P. Carey
Shannon L. Hume
Stephen C. O'Brien
Sean E. Powers
David M. Ringius, Jr.
Thomas W. Whalen

Also Present: Joseph Reynolds, Chief of Staff
Nicole Taub, Town Solicitor
Carl Johnson, Attorney
George Lang, land owner
Jean Healey, Friends of Braintree Military Flag
Lee Dingee, former Councilor – Friends of Braintree Military Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- August 14, 2018

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to Approve Minutes of August 14, 2018

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (7), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (2-Kokoros, O'Brien)

OLD BUSINESS

- 18 041 Rezone: Adams Street Enterprises, LLC or take up any action relative thereto (**Public Hearing**)

Motion by Councilor Kokoros to Open Public Hearing for Order 18 041

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

Council President Ryan referred to Councilor Powers, Chairman for Committee on Ordinance & Rules for a recommendation. Councilor Powers stated the committee met earlier this evening and voted unanimously for favorable recommendation to the full Council.

Council President Ryan asked if any member of the Council or General Public want to speak on Order 18 041?

Carl Johnson, Attorney for the land owner stated this request is for this land to all be Commercial District. It is a benefit to the Town to create uniformity and be consistent with the adjacent landowners. Any new planning will require many steps to go before the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board.

Council President Ryan asked if there is anyone else wishing to speak? Hearing none.

Motion by Councilor Kokoros to Close the Public Hearing for Order 18 041

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

MOTION read by Council Kokoros:

That the Town Council vote, at the request of the property owner, Adams Street Enterprises, LLC, to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Braintree, by rezoning from General Business District to Commercial District a tract of land located on the southerly side of Adams Street and bounded on the west by Arnold Street and on the south by the Mass Bay Transportation Authority right-of-way. The parcels to be rezoned are shown on a plan entitled, "PLAN OF COMPILATION OF LAND", prepared by Hoyt Land Surveying, dated April 25, 2018, as most recently revised and stamped on August 28, 2018, on file with the Town Clerk. The area to be rezoned includes the entirety of Assessors Parcels 2008-0-3B, 2008-0-4, 2008-0-4A, 2008-0-6, 3014-0-1D, 3014-0-1C, and 3013-0-58, comprising a total area of approximately 16.158 acres. The rezoning request has been recommended favorably by the Planning Board, as detailed in its report to the Town Council dated August 15, 2018.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

- 18 051 Mayor: Create Revolving Account: Friends of Braintree Military or take up any action relative thereto

Council President Ryan referred to Councilor Bowes, Chairman for Committee of Ways & Means for a recommendation. Councilor Bowes stated the committee met earlier this evening and voted to TABLE Order 18 051 awaiting further information from the Mayor's office.

Motion by Councilor Kokoros to TABLE Order 18 051.

That the Veterans Services Office, in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53A and Section 3.100.110 of the Town General Ordinances, be authorized to establish a gift account; to accept grants, gifts, or bequests of funds that are to be placed in said account; and to expend such funds at its discretion, for the purpose of purchasing and distributing Town of Braintree flags as part of the "Friends of Braintree Military" program, and for any purposes associated with the administration and promotion of said program. As provided by Section 3.100.110, the Veterans Services Office may expend up to \$5,000 annually from the funds in this gift account for these purposes, and any expenditure in excess of \$5,000 annually shall require the prior approval of the Mayor.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to TABLE Order 18 051

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

- 18 053 Mayor: Appointment – Town Solicitor – Nicole Taub or take up any action relative thereto
Council President Ryan referred to Councilor Bowes, Chairman for Committee of Ways & Means for a recommendation. Councilor Bowes stated the committee met earlier this evening and voted unanimously for favorable recommendation to the full Council.

Motion read by Councilor Kokoros:

To approve the appointment of Nicole Taub as Town Solicitor, in accordance with sections 3-3 of the Braintree Town Charter.

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

NEW BUSINESS

- None

Councilor Kokoros read the following Motions for referral to committee(s):

Refer to the Committee on Personnel Issues

- 18 048 Council President: Reclassification Town Clerk and Clerk of the Council or take up any action relative thereto

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros

Second: by Councilor Powers

Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

Refer to the Committee of Ways & Means

- 18 049 Council President: Reclassification Adjustment or take up any action relative thereto
Motion: by Councilor Kokoros
Second: by Councilor Powers
Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

Refer to the Committee on the Department of Public Works

- 18 053 Comcast Petition: 200 Commerce Drive or take up any action relative thereto
Motion: by Councilor Kokoros
Second: by Councilor Powers
Vote: For (9), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:12p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan M. Cimino
Clerk of the Council

Documents provided for Meeting

- Minutes August 14, 2018
- 18 041 Rezone: Adams Street Enterprises, LLC or take up any action relative thereto (**Public Hearing**)
- 18 051 Mayor: Create Revolving Account: Friends of Braintree Military or take up any action relative thereto
- 18 053 Mayor: Appointment – Town Solicitor – Nicole Taub or take up any action relative thereto