



**Council of the Town of Brentwood
Town Hall, Brentwood, Maryland
Council Meeting**

Hearing of the Mayor and Council of Brentwood

Date: March 21, 2018

Council:

- Council Member Jerry Burgess (Excused)
- X Council Member Tonya Harrison
- X Council Member Regina Morlan
- X Vice Mayor Víctor Olano
- Mayor Roció Treminio-López (Excused)

Town Staff:

- X Reginald Bagley, Town Administrator
- X Quianna Taylor, Acting Clerk
- X Josette Young, Town Clerk
- Chief Althoff, Brentwood Police Dept.
- Shelley Dorsey, Treasurer

Call to order at 6:35 PM

1st Reading of Ordinance 2018-01

Town of Brentwood Infrastructure Bonds, 2018 Series A

Motion to approve agenda made by CM Harrison. 2nd made by CM Morlan. All in favor.

Fair Summary of Ordinance read by Town Administrator, Mr. Bagley.

Public Comment:

- William Joines (Upshur Street) has concerns about the debt that will be incurred by taking on a \$1.5 million loan. He questions if the monies coming in from the new developments on Rhode Island Avenue will be enough to cover the repayment of this loan. He stated that he believes that the interest will be over \$500,000 per year and taxes will have to be raised causing hardship for the senior community. He stated that the Council did not have enough information to provide to the residents.
- Shelly Brown (Allison Street) wants to know where the Town is going to get the money to repay this loan. Also questions what will happen to the Town Municipal Center project if the town does not get this funding.
- Questions asked by residents
 - Are taxes going to go up and if so, how much?
 - How will the Brentwood Police Department budget be affected by the Rhode Island Avenue development?
 - How will the Town repay the bond?
 - How much money does the Town already have for the project?

Mayor and Council Comment:

- VM Olano stated that he would have the treasurer review the numbers presented by Mr. Joines. He also stated that the money to repay the bond would come from incoming revenue and taxes paid to the Town.

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- CM Harrison stated that the treasurer should be present when the Mayor and Council are discussing financial matters. She would like to see this project finished but not at the detriment of the residents.
- CM Morlan agrees with CM Harrison. She would like to have information about the financial impact as well as payment schedule(s) provided for Mayor and Council as well as residents.

Motion to adjourn made by CM Harrison. 2nd made by CM Morlan. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM

Submitted by:

Quianna Taylor
Interim Town Clerk

Mayor, Rocio Treminio-Lopez

Approved: _____