## CITY OF CENTERVILLE

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES April 22, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

Mayor O'Connor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call - Present: Brauman, Creagan, Hamilton, Kruzic, and Sherwood. Absent: None

Mayor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hamilton moved, seconded by Kruzic, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: All. The motion carried.

Moved by Sherwood, seconded by Creagan, to open a public hearing on the Adoption of the FY25 Annual Budget. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Brauman, Creagan, Hamilton, Kruzic, and Sherwood. Nays: None. Motion carried.

City Administrator Fraser provided an update on the budget. Fraser mentioned that council recommendations from the April 15<sup>th</sup> Council meeting were incorporated into the final budget documents, lowering the overall City Levy from \$19.90/\$1000 to \$19.13/\$1000. This reduction should keep the overall combined levy for City residents at a rate lower than last year.

Resident Thomas Ellis of S. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street provided public comments in opposition to the FY25 budget, stating that the City should lower the overall tax rate.

Councilmember Kruzic made public comments that the Council did a good job of balancing the need for a stable tax rate while ensuring that the budget did not cut essential services, including quality of life.

Sherwood moved, seconded by Creagan, to close the public hearing on the FY25 budget. Ayes: All. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Sherwood moved, seconded by Kruzic, to approve Resolution 2024-4053 to adopt the FY25 Annual budget. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Brauman, Creagan, Hamilton, Kruzic, and Sherwood. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Creagan, seconded by Brauman, to adjourn at 6:19 p.m. until the regular council meeting on May 6, 2024. Ayes: All. The motion carried.

Jason Fraser, City Administrator

Mike O'Connor, Mayor