



Colonial Heights
City Council Special Meeting
February 18, 2020

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Declarations of Personal Interest**

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4. Closed Meeting Pursuant To The Code Of Virginia In Accordance With The Following Provision:

- A. Paragraph A.3 of Section 2.2-3711, to discuss or consider the acquisition for a public purpose of a parcel of real property on Royal Oak Avenue that is part of the Riverside Park Subdivision, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.***
- B. Paragraph A.8 of Section 2.2-3711, to consult with legal counsel employed by a public body regarding a specific legal matter - namely, contractual terms of a proposed development of real property on Temple Avenue - requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.***

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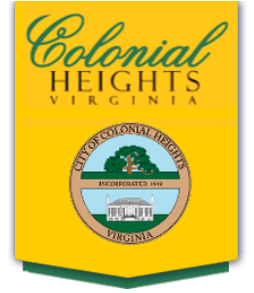
5. Vote To Come Back Into open Meeting:

The Council has been in closed meeting pursuant to the Code Of Virginia in accordance with the following provision:

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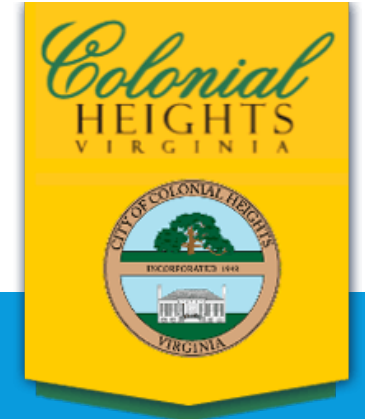


Consideration of the following certification:

Each member will now certify that to the best of the member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of the act and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the public body. Any member who believes there was a departure from the requirements of clauses (i) and (ii), shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in his judgment, has taken place.

Roll Call. An affirmative vote shall constitute certification of compliance.

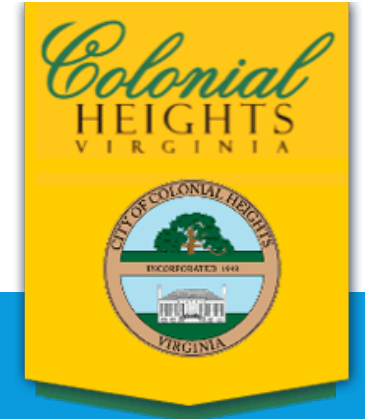
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6. AN ORDINANCE NO 20-6

(First Reading) Awarding the City Attorney a 1% pay increase and a \$5,000 bonus.

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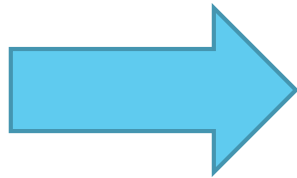
7. Work Session On The Following Items:

A. City Branding Project Update and Discussion

Re-Branding COLONIAL HEIGHTS

Symbolism is a powerful tool. It can be used to tell a story, warn or remind.

OBJECTIVE



To design a logo that:

- Provides a greater sense of unity throughout the City;
- Encompasses the growth the City has seen since its incorporation in 1948;
- And to represent all that our City can be as we continue to grow and serve our community!

Re-Branding COLONIAL HEIGHTS

A City Seal verses a City Logo:



City Seal

- Serves to authenticate official City documents, and is an official symbol used to signify Colonial Heights as a government entity.
- Represents the history of the City and is a timeless symbol of WHY we exist, it represents our heritage.
- It is an ancient custom that does not represent future growth for residents, businesses, or visitors.

City Logo

- Serves to capture the spirit of the City and its amenities in a simple, easily recognized way.
- Establishes what we, as a City, want to be known for in years to come.
- Presents the City as a marketable and welcoming community for residents, guests, and businesses.
- Provides the City with a unique and easily recognizable symbol that can be displayed in a variety of ways throughout the City.

What does COLONIAL HEIGHTS represent?

- ▶ Colonial Heights is Centrally Located, a hub of sorts, serving several surrounding communities: Fort Lee, Prince George, Hopewell, Dinwiddie, Petersburg, and South Chesterfield.
- ▶ Colonial Heights is a one stop shop for travelers through I-95 with one of the largest roundabout trafficways in the region, which has helped with congestion issues and created easier access on and off the interstate.
- ▶ Colonial Heights strives to provide any and all types of needed resources for businesses and residents, ensuring that growth is available.
- ▶ The City has several recreational opportunities at almost every corner of the city with more and more growth opportunities coming soon!
- ▶ We are a diverse community with a population that is going in a lot of different directions, and we want our businesses and residents to know that we are here to support them and get them where they want to be!



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New Logo Design

REPRESENTS

- ▶ The City's Central Location
- ▶ All Encompassing and Inclusive Community
- ▶ Easy Accessibility (Roundabout and Interstate Access)
- ▶ Growth Opportunities for Residents and Businesses
- ▶ Discover New Heights: Discover...
 - Safe Community
 - Recreation and Play
 - Business Growth and Opportunity
 - Shopping and Dining Experience
 - Ways to get involved through Civic Organizations, Clubs, Community Groups/Activities



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7. Work Session On The Following Items: ***B. Position Reorganization Discussion***

Fire Department - Communications

Position Change Recommendation

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>New Grade</u>	<u>New Title</u>	<u>New Min.</u>	<u>New Max</u>
17	Battalion Chief	\$57,760	\$99,684	17	Emergency Communications Center Manager	\$57,760	\$99,684

Fire Department - Communications Position Change Recommendation

- This change will convert one existing (vacant) Battalion Chief position to Emergency Communications Center Manager.
- The position will supervise 16 staff members (4 Communications Supervisors and 12 Communications Officers).
- The change will allow employees that specialize in emergency communications to run the Center and also provides another level of advancement for Communications staff.

Police Department - Animal Control

Position Change Recommendation

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15	Police Officer	\$45,000	\$76,365	16	Animal Control Supervisor	\$50,823	\$87,248

Police Department - Animal Control

Position Change Recommendation

- This change will convert one Police Officer position to Animal Control Supervisor (still as sworn position).
- The position will supervise 4 employees and 10-15 volunteers.
- The Department has had a Police Officer assigned to leading the Animal Control Shelter.
- This change will allow for recruiting for an experienced Supervisory level position for this specialized area following the upcoming retirement of our Police Officer who has been assigned to this Animal Control.

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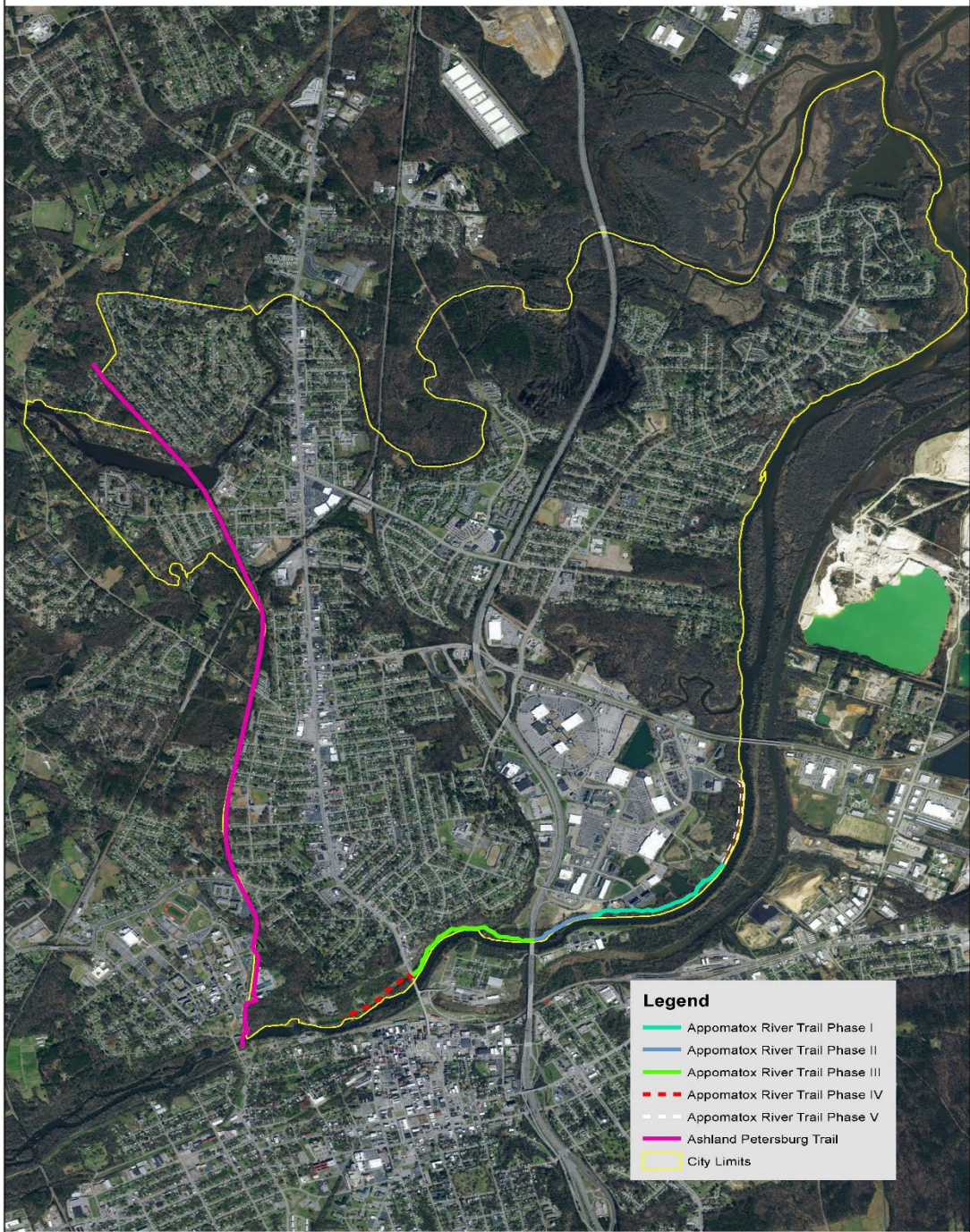
C. Roundabout Area Enhancement Update And Discussion

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D. Update And Discussion Of The Potential For Future Trail Projects

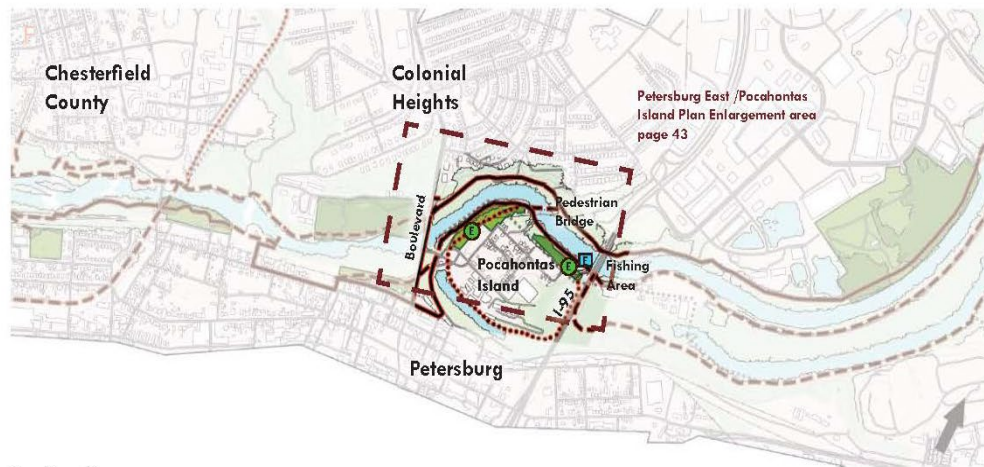




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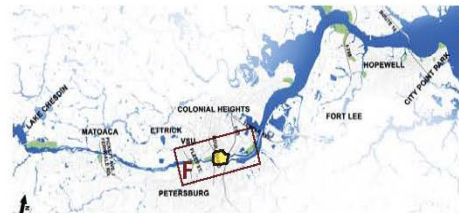
Section F

Boulevard to I-95

This section of river has trails on both the north bank in Colonial Heights and on Pocahontas Island in Petersburg, which are established, ADA accessible, and moderately well-used.

The halfway point along the existing north bank trail segment is a trail overlook (see photo at right) that is directly in line with a set of historic bridge abutments. **This would be an ideal location for a pedestrian bridge that links the north and south banks of the river (see photos below).**

Other recommended improvements on the south bank include expanding the sidewalk network, connecting to the sidewalks on the Boulevard bridge, adding an “upper” trail along the old railroad bed, paving the existing trail for use by



Existing trail overlook on north side of river



Existing bridge abutments



Rendering showing potential pedestrian bridge



Existing parking and trail access at Pocahontas Island

a variety of users (see photos below), clearly defining a parking area and trailhead with signage, adding comfort stations and benches, and redesigning the fishing area on the east end of the trail (below I-95) (see photo at right).

Improvements could also include expanding the existing field sports area and converting the old railway line to a trail encircling the community.

Recommended Improvements Summary:

- Sidewalk improvements
- Convert historic rail bed to trail
- Convert existing trail to shared-use path and improve trailhead and parking
- Add a pedestrian bridge across the river
- Improve fishing area and extend trail to Magazine Road.

See cost details on Estimate Summary page 65.



Existing trail at Pocahontas Island



Potential fishing access



Rendering showing potential trail improvements

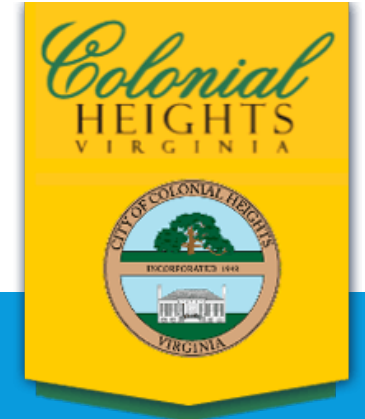
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~~E. Update And Discussion Of The City Infrastructure Condition Assessment (Council did not discuss due to time constraints.)~~

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7. Work Session On The Following Items: ***F. City Council Retreat Action Items***

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8. Adjournment



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