

**Open Work Session  
Update on Council Goals for Fiscal Year 2022  
November 16, 2021**

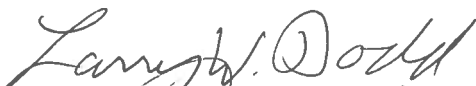
Mr. Cannon said he is still having quarterly meetings and he has not checked with a lot of organizations recently, but he has not heard any complaints. He clarified, the main goal was to address the issues with developers, installers, and realtors, and he has not really heard a lot of complaints. Mr. Dodd asked if they need a townhall, to which Mr. Cannon responded, he does not see that being necessary just yet.

Mrs. Acle said she had a townhall in September in her District where she partnered with the Behavioral Health Authority and Tidal Health to meet with citizens on what the most important issues were to them in their daily lives, and one that popped up was pay equality. She said they have the highest disparity in pay equality between females and males in the State. She said she is going to have a townhall in January to meet with the Women’s Commission to see if they can address some of those issues.

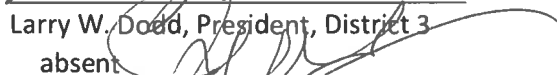
Mr. Davis said they are finalizing some numbers to put together for the EMS. He said somebody put it out there that they are going to privatize it, but he does not think that will do it. He said it has to be a Countywide thing, and that is what they are working on.

Mr. Cannon asked if Mr. Davis heard that they are suggesting the County itself needs to take a stronger role, to which Mr. Davis responded, yes. Mr. Davis said these fire departments cannot afford them now, especially with the pandemic and the EMS funding and costs.

Mr. Dodd said he thinks everybody’s top priority is definitely water and sewer. He said he would like to know about the funding the State of Maryland has because Senator Manchin said their State is getting \$487 million for water and sewer. He said they need to stay on top of if there is any funding available, and that is why he thinks it is imperative that they hire somebody, but he is glad to hear they are working on it. There was no further discussion.




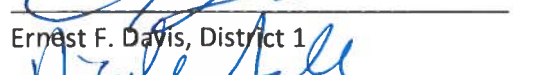
Larry W. Dodd, President, District 3  
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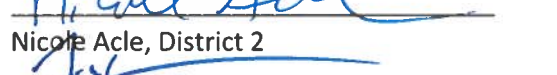
  
Joe Holloway, Vice President, District 5

  
John T. Cannon, At-Large  
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William R. McCain, At-Large

  
Ernest F. Davis, District 1

  
Nicole Acle, District 2

  
Josh Hastings, District 4

  
Laura Hurley, Council Administrator