



## **TOWN COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL WORK SESSION AGENDA NOVEMBER 9, 2020**

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- I. Call to Order and roll call**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Work Session to discuss the following:**
  1. Resolution to virtually swear in 2020-2024 Mayor and Town Council
  2. Light Up The Town
- IV. Council Lightning Round**
- V. Adjournment**

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To: The Honorable Mayor and Town Council  
Subject: Swearing in Ceremony for the Mayor and Town Council

From: Holly Wahl, Town Administrator

**Date: November 6, 2020**

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**BACKGROUND:**

Per the Town Code there is to be a swearing in ceremony for the Mayor and Town Council during the December Town meeting, held on December 17, 2020.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Due to COVID-19, the Town continues to conduct Town business virtually; therefore, it is recommended that the Town Council adopt a resolution that provides for the Town to hold this ceremony virtually.

**RESOLUTION R-20-5**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CHESAPEAKE BEACH  
TO HAVE THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL SWORN IN VIRTUALLY**

**WHEREAS**, as a result of COVID-19 and the associated Orders of health officials, the Town Council believes that it is in the best interest of the residents of Chesapeake Beach that the swearing in of the Mayor and Town Council to be held virtually; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor may be sworn in either virtually or in person by the Clerk of the Court as circumstances may warrant and the Town Council shall be sworn in virtually by the Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, this process is warranted as a result of the current health crisis; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Council of Chesapeake Beach that the Mayor may be sworn in either virtually or in person by the Clerk of the Court as circumstances may warrant and the Town Council shall be sworn in virtually by the Mayor.

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Patrick J. Mahoney, Mayor

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Valerie L. Beaudin, Councilwoman

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Lawrence P. Jaworski

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Derek J. Favret, Councilman

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Gregory J. Morris

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L. Charles Fink, Councilman

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Keith L. Pardieck





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## **BACKGROUND:**

The Town is currently preparing for the annual Light Up the Town event to be held on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Due to COVID-19, the Town Administration has been reviewing options to keep the public safe, while still providing the event that the Community looks forward to every year.

## **GOALS:**

To create a safe event where the community can feel connected during the holiday season.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS / OPTIONS:**

**Some options currently being reviewed, are:**

1. **Holding a socially distanced Light up the Town event on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM:** the event would be outdoors and allow citizens to view the moment when the Mayor switches the lights “ON” for the Town. We would like to provide more than one viewing area option for residents via a map that highlights areas other than Town Hall to celebrate the switching “ON” of the lights. The Town would encourage residents to find a location near their home where they can see the lights turn “ON” at a specific time to keep crowds from congregating.
2. **Santa:** Provide Santa with ways to greet children that did not include the traditional tent and cookies event the Town has held in the past. Some options could include:
  - a virtual conversation with Santa where children could sign up for a time slot to speak with Santa
  - a drive around with the North Beach Volunteer Fire Department via a route that could be mapped and provided to the residents
3. **Virtual lighting tour:** Create a map for citizens to follow along on their own tour of the lighting displays in Town. Produce a video recorded virtual lighting tour paired music for residents to enjoy and share with their friends and family. The Town has reached out to local artist, Angel Biel, who has agreed to create this video for the Town.
4. **Barbara “Jo” Finch Brightest Beacon Incorporation:** Incorporate the Brightest Beacon entries and winners in the same way as the virtual lighting tour, through a map of the locations, allowing residents to vote for their favorite displays and video recorded award presentations at the locations. Rather than having a panel of a few volunteers select the winners, the residents would select the winners providing a fun / safe activity in Town.