CITY OF MASON COUNCIL WORKSESSION APRIL 14, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:25 p.m. with the following members of Council present: Victor Kidd, Barbara Spaeth, Rich Cox, Tom Grossmann, Charlene Pelfrey, Don Prince, and David Nichols.

Councilmember Pelfrey, Chair of Bicentennial Committee of Council, discussed musical entertainment options for the Bicentennial Signature Event and Council agreed on a budget of \$400,000 for this two day event in addition to \$200,000 for other activities and events related to the Bicentennial year. The Kings Mills Bridge improvement project was discussed as a capital project apart from the Bicentennial budget. Mayor Nichols introduced Karen Kilgore as the volunteer Director of Community Outreach. This new volunteer position will work with special events and celebrations in the City. She will help bring corporate efficiencies and promote City interests for many community initiatives such as Patriot Fair, Heritage Festival, Bicentennial, and Arts efforts. Mayor Nichols indicated that financial resources will need to be available to help coordinate specific events. Councilmember Pelfrey introduced Dave Moushey and Janet Nelson, Mason residents that have volunteered their expertise to work with commemoratives for the Bicentennial. They will work with the Mason Parks Foundation and expect to raise \$100,000 from commemoratives to be donated towards the building of Common Ground Playground.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Clerk of Council
