## MINUTES New Castle County Council FY15 Budget Hearings Land Use April 14, 2014

- I. Administrative-Finance Committee Co-Chair John Cartier convened the April 14, 2014 Budget Hearing at 3:00 p.m. in the 8th Floor Council Conference Room.
- II. Council members present: Mr. Bell, Mr. Bullock, Mr. Cartier, Ms. Diller, Mr. Hollins, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Reda, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Street, Mr. Sheldon, and Mr. Tackett. Absent were Mr. Powers and Mr. Weiner.
- III. Ms. Diller motioned to approve the minutes from the 4/7/2014 and 4/9/2014 Budget Hearings, which was seconded by Mr. Reda and unanimously approved.
- IV. Eileen Fogarty, GM of Land Use, presented the department's FY15 Budget and responded to Council's questions. Points of focus included the no increase in approved positions (possible funding of unfunded, but approved, positions), streamlining of department and processes, and increased investment in technology services. There are no other significant changes from last year's budget.
- V. Mr. Hollins, along with a several other Council members, called for a detailed plan to address vacant properties.
- VI. There was much discussion over future plans for each individual district and Ms. Fogarty attempted to address each one to the best of her ability.
- VII. Councilman Smiley made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Councilman Cartier, and the motion was unanimously approved.

## The budget hearing was adjourned at approximately 4:38 pm

A recording of the meeting is available upon request.

Respectfully submitted by Brian Holajter, Legislative Aide to Administrative-Finance Committee Co-Chair John Cartier.