



# Mayor Mike Pantelides' Monthly Newsletter



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## *Mayor Pantelides's Monthly Newsletter - February 2016*

**This month I introduced reorganization legislation, a new comprehensive parking initiative, and announced my nominations to fill the vacancies on the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA) Board of Commissioners, created an adequate public facility workgroup, and developed a partnership with the University of Maryland.**



**Early in the month, I announced that the county and the city will form a workgroup to study adequate public facilities issues.** The goal of the workgroup is to produce a series of legislative recommendations for both the County Council and the City Council on adequate public facilities legislation, addressing issues of overcrowding at area schools. Working together to identify ways we can address overcrowding at area schools is paramount to the success of both the county and city. I am grateful to the workgroup for volunteering as they begin creating guidelines to confront this significant issue. To learn more, go to

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**Meanwhile, in another joint effort, Annapolis and the county have been chosen as the fourth community partnership to benefit from the University of Maryland's Partnership for Action Learning in Sustainability Program (PALS).** Set to launch in August, the yearlong collaboration will match coursework across a variety of disciplines on UMD's College Park campus with economic, environmental, and social challenges in the Chesapeake Bay Region.

This program will help the City of Annapolis leverage resources and gather information necessary to be successful when identifying potential initiatives including transportation, economic development, and historic preservation. Along with the University of Maryland, I am thrilled to partner with the county again in an effort to help us address the current need for information that will help us complete critical projects benefiting both the city and county. To read more, go to <http://bit.ly/1XYfD7M>

**The reorganization legislation introduced makes changes that will create efficiency and cost savings for residents and businesses, while creating a more customer-friendly way of doing business.** This proposed reorganization is also based on last year's adoption of the Program Based Budgeting process by the City Council. I fully expect to see several changes in this legislation before its adoption, but it is a starting point in an effort to create much needed change in the way our city government is spending taxpayers' dollars and how we are currently doing business. To learn more, go to <http://bit.ly/1pmNrzM>

**I also announced that SP+ Municipal Services has been chosen to manage the city's comprehensive parking initiative.** Under a ten year contract, all city parking services will be managed by SP+ and will offer modern options benefiting city residents, local businesses, and visitors. The company will oversee our municipal garages, metered parking, parking enforcement, and residential parking permits. It will bring Annapolis into the 21<sup>st</sup> century regarding mobile apps and services that will allow individuals to pay for parking by phone and identify available parking spots at all city garages and lots with a simple click of their mobile device. To learn more, go to <http://bit.ly/24cqzTK>

**My two nominations for the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA) Board of Commissioners include Martin L. "Chip" Doordan and Christopher B. Flynn.** I took my time and deliberately identified professional qualifications that will benefit both HACA's board and its residents. The two men I am nominating bring a wide range of experience that will help HACA get back on track operationally and administratively. As mayor, I have no direct management control over HACA and can only

select the commissioners who serve on staggered terms. These commissioners, not the city, are in control. An issue at hand is the state of the living conditions in some of the housing units. People living in HACA properties are residents of the city and deserve the same protection as other citizens. I have given HACA a deadline to have all their units inspected or the city would do the inspections themselves in the same way the inspected non-HACA housing. Therefore the most important action I can take is to put strong talented people on the board. By nominating individuals with demonstrated diverse skills, from a verity of backgrounds to fill the vacancies on HACA'S Board of Commissioners, it is my goal to promote progress in HACA's current operations and promote positive change in its administration.

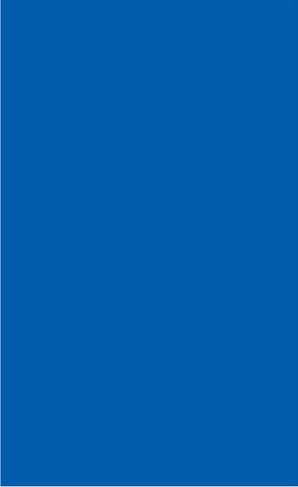


**Martin L. "Chip" Doordan**



**Christopher B. Flynn**

The city is so fortunate that Martin L. "Chip" Doordan is coming out from retirement and Christopher Flynn is taking time from his young family to accept my request to serve on the Board. These two men of integrity and proven records of excellence will bring new areas of management expertise to HACA. Martin L. "Chip" Doordan is the CEO Emeritus of Anne Arundel Health Systems, Inc., after serving as its Chief Executive Officer and President from 1994 to 2009 and as its Chief Executive Officer from 2009 to 2011. As CEO, Mr. Doordan managed more than 3,200 employees and an annual budget of \$551 million. Christopher B. Flynn, a Naval Academy graduate, is currently an attorney in the Anne



Arundel County State's Attorney's Office and brings more than 15 years of logistic and leadership experience to the position. His qualifications include operational planning, training, government contracts, administration, personnel management, finance, and business development.

I believe they will use their talents and professional expertise to help guide the board and its residents, creating a new direction for HACA, while providing a heightened level of protection for its residents and promoting positive change for the betterment of all Annapolis residents.