

MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETING DATE:

May 21, 2012

CALL TO PODIUM:

Maya Walker, 4th Grade Student,
Gaithersburg Elementary School

RESPONSIBLE STAFF:

Shanthi Srinivasachar, Community
Services Staff

AGENDA ITEM:

(please check one)

X	Presentation
	Proclamation/Certificate
	Appointment
	Public Hearing
	Historic District
	Consent Item
	Ordinance
	Resolution
	Policy Discussion
	Work Session Discussion Item
	Other:

PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:

(Please complete this section if agenda item is a public hearing)

Introduced	
Advertised	
Hearing Date	
Record Held Open	
Policy Discussion	

TITLE:

Presentation of the City of Gaithersburg 2012 Junior Mayor contest winner in conjunction with the Maryland Municipal League's "If I Were Mayor" Essay Contest.

SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:

Fourth graders in the City of Gaithersburg were encouraged to share what they would do if they were Mayor in a statewide essay contest sponsored by the Maryland Municipal League in partnership with the Maryland Mayors' Association, Injured Workers' Insurance Fund and Local Government Insurance Trust. The theme for this year's contest was "Meeting the Challenge." Students from Gaithersburg area schools submitted 117 essays to the statewide contest.

The Maryland Municipal League will select one winning essay from each of its 11 regional districts for the statewide contest. The City of Gaithersburg has taken this program one step further by running its own local contest. Our Educational Enrichment Committee reviewed 93 essays from area school students who are also City residents and interviewed the finalists to select someone specifically from this community to serve as Gaithersburg Junior Mayor for a year.

It is a great pleasure to introduce our 2012 Junior Mayor, Maya Walker, from Ms. Deidre Sonner's 4th Grade class at Gaithersburg Elementary School. As the winner, Maya will have the opportunity to participate with the Mayor and City Council at events throughout the year, and have her essay published on the City's website.

Maya was officially introduced at the State of the City event on April 19. Tonight we would like to invite Maya to come forward to read her award winning essay.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Present Monetary Award to Contest Winner