

CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING/SPECIAL COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Vice Chair Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Sarah Potter Robbins, Roy A. Peterson, Phelecia Nembhard, Stephen John, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, City Administrative Officer Timothy George, Assistant City Administrative Officer Karen Ruff, Director of Public Works Wilson Cochran, Major William Everts, Director of Finance and Accounting/Treasurer Maisha Williams and City Clerk Douglass Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Lashley welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION 19-17: ADOPTING AN ANNEXATION PLAN FOR THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN GOOD LUCK ROAD, SUNSET TERRACE AND HARLAND STREET PROPERTIES

The City Council convened the Public Hearing on Resolution 19-17 Adopting an Annexation Plan for the Annexation of certain Good Luck Road, Sunset Terrace and Harland Street Properties at 7:01 p.m. Vice Chair Lashley verified with City Clerk Barber that the Public Hearing had been advertised as follows: Public Notice Board located at the City Municipal Center along with flyers posted on April 17, 2019; Official Publication in the Sentinel Newspaper April 18, 2019 edition; Announcements on Facebook and Twitter on April 17, 2019; City Website Announcement and City’s Public Access Channel on April 17, 2019.

No one wished to address the Council. No written testimony had been received by the City.

Assistant City Administrative Officer Ruff provided a brief overview of the Annexation Plan.

Vice Chair Lashley noted that copies of Resolution 19-17: Adopting an Annexation Plan for the Annexation of certain Good Luck Road, Sunset Terrace and Harland Street properties are available for inspection at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Vice Chair Lashley noted that seeing no one else wanted to speak, he closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

3. PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION 19-15: ANNEXATION OF GOOD LUCK ROAD, HARLAND STREET AND SUNSET TERRACE PROPERTIES

The City Council convened the Public Hearing on Resolution 19-15: Annexation of Good Luck Road, Harland Street and Sunset Terrace Properties at 7:07 p.m. Vice Chair Lashley verified with City Clerk Barber that the Public Hearing had been advertised as follows:

Public Notice Board located at the City Municipal Center along with flyers posted on March 28, 2019; Official Publication in the Sentinel Newspaper March 28, 2019 edition and April 11, 2019 edition; Announcements on Facebook and Twitter on March 25, 2019; City Website Announcement and City's Public Access Channel on March 25, 2019.

No one wished to address the Council. No written testimony had been received by the City.

Assistant City Administrative Officer Ruff provided a brief overview on the proposed Annexation.

Vice Chair Lashley noted that copies of Resolution 19-15: Annexation of Good Luck Road, Harland Street and Sunset Terrace Properties are available for inspection at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Vice Chair Lashley noted that seeing no one else wanted to speak, he closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

4. PRESENTATION – UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND STUDENTS (CAPSTONE PROJECT – CARROLLTON PARKWAY)

The City Council was given a presentation from students from the University of Maryland on their Captstone Project – Carrollton Parkway. The study was to provide the Council a proposed plan for improving the ecological integrity of Carrollton Parkway.

5. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Rosenberg provided the Council with an update on issues he has been addressing in the office. Mayor Rosenberg noted comments given by Prince George's County Executive Alsobrooks regarding addressing the littering issue in Prince George's County. Mayor Rosenberg closed by noting complaints he had received from residents regarding parking concerns in the City.

Director of Public Works Cochran advised the Council that information was provided to residents from the department regarding the changes in the City's recycling program as well as information on changes regarding the collection of mattresses.

Major Everts had no report.

City Administrative Officer George advised the Council on the proposed charging stations being installed in preparation for the electric vehicle (Code Vehicle) being purchased. Mr. George noted that the City had received over 800 resumes for the current open Administrative position in the office of Code Enforcement that are currently being reviewed by Human Resource Administrator Rowlett.

6. **COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. John had no questions.

Ms. Robbins advised the staff that when she requests information on behalf of a resident from the staff that she provide the response to the resident and not staff.

Mr. Peterson addressed his concerns about the information provided to the residents from the Department of Public Works regarding changes in recycling and mattress collection. He requested the information be translated into Spanish.

Ms. Nembhard and Mr. Lashley also addressed their concerns with the information provided to residents from the Department of Public Works regarding trash recycling and changes to mattress collection. City staff advised the Council that the information would be placed in the next issue of the City newsletter and will also be translated in Spanish.

7. **RESOLUTION 19-18 ADDITION OF A PERSONNEL POSITION – FLEET MANAGER (GRADE 119)**

City Administrative Officer George presented the Council with proposed Resolution 19-18: Addition of a Personnel Position – Fleet Manager (Grade 119). The Council discussed the issue at length. Mr. Lashley requested the Council move forward with the proposed motion. **Motion:** Mr. Peterson moved that the Council adopt Resolution 19-18, a Resolution of the City Council of New Carrollton amending City Personnel Policies to establish a new personnel position – Fleet Manager. Mr. John seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vice Chair Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (3-1-1) with Ms. Robbins voting against and Ms. Nembhard abstaining.

8. **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 19-16 BUDGET AMENDMENT RECONCILIATION NO. FIVE: TO AMEND ORDINANCE 18-08 CURRENT EXPENSE BUDGET FOR FY 2019**

Mr. Lashley presented the Council with proposed Emergency Ordinance 19-16 Budget Amendment Reconciliation No. Five: To Amend Ordinance 18-08 Current Expense Budget for FY 2019. The staff responded to questions given by the Council on proposed Emergency Ordinance 19-16. Mr. Lashley requested the Council move forward with the proposed motion. **Motion:** Mr. Peterson moved that the Council adopt Emergency Ordinance 19-16, an Emergency Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton amending the adopted budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 as embodied in Ordinance 18-08 to reflect money brought into the budget from City Restricted/Designated Funds and to adjust various expenditures. Mr. John seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vice Chair Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

9. ORDINANCE 19-17 FY 2020 BUDGET (FIRST READING)

Mr. Lashley presented the Council with proposed Ordinance 19-17 FY 2020 Budget (First Reading). There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested the Council move forward with the proposed motion. **Motion:** Ms. Robbins moved that the Council introduce Ordinance 19-17, an Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton adopting an annual operating and capital budget for the City of New Carrollton for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020; establishing the tax rate to be levied upon the taxable property within the City; authorizing the collection of such taxes, liens and unpaid fees; adopting annual budgets for the commercial and/or industrial properties special public safety taxing districts; and all things generally relating to the adoption of an annual budget for the City (First Reading). Ms. Nembhard seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vice Chair Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

10. RESOLUTION 19-17 APPROVING AN ANNEXATION PLAN FOR THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN GOOD LUCK ROAD, SUNSET TERRACE AND HARLAND STREET PROPERTIES

Mr. Lashley presented the Council with proposed Resolution 19-17: Approving an Annexation Plan for the Annexation of certain Good Luck Road, Sunset Terrace and Harland Street properties. There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested the Council move forward with the proposed motion. **Motion:** Ms. Nembhard moved that the Council adopt Resolution 19-17, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of New Carrollton adopting an annexation plan for the annexation of those properties commonly known as 6705 and 6711 Good Luck Road, Lanham, 6000 and 6010 Harland Street, Lanham, and 6703, 6707, 6709, 6711, 6805, 6807, 6809 and 6811 Sunset Terrace, Lanham, and the street known as Sunset Terrace. Ms. Robbins seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vice Chair Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

11. RESOLUTION 19-15 ANNEXATION OF GOOD LUCK ROAD, HARLAND STREET AND SUNSET TERRACE PROPERTIES

Mr. Lashley presented the Council with proposed Resolution 19-15: Annexation of Good Luck Road, Harland Street and Sunset Terrace properties. There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested the Council move forward with the proposed motion. **Motion:** Ms. Robbins moved that the Council adopt Resolution 19-15, a Resolution of the City Council of New Carrollton enlarging the corporate boundaries of the City of New Carrollton by annexing into the corporate boundaries of the City of New Carrollton lands contiguous and adjoining to the City's existing corporate boundaries property commonly known as 6705 and 6711 Good Luck Road, Lanham, 6000 and 6010 Harland Street, Lanham, 6703, 6707, 6709, 6711, 6805, 6807, 6809 and 6811 Sunset Terrace, Lanham, and the street known as Sunset Terrace, consisting of approximately 13.2767 acres of land in total located generally south of Good Luck Road, west of Harland Street, North of Gairlock Place and east of Ian

Street. Mr. Peterson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vice Chair Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

12. ORDINANCE 19-15 CHAPTER 63; RECYCLING AND REFUSE (FIRST READING)

Mr. Lashley presented the Council with proposed Ordinance 19-15 Chapter 63: Recycling and Refuse (First Reading). There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested the Council move forward with the proposed motion. **Motion:** Mr. John moved that the Council introduce Ordinance 19-15, an Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton amending Chapter 63 “Recycling and Refuse,” to clarify what may be set out for collection as Special Bulky Items (§ 63-4), to provide for the removal of property eviction set-outs (§ 63-4A), to clarify that fees will be charged for the City to remove recycling, refuse, special bulky items and property eviction set-outs that are not properly disposed of or handled (§ 63-4, § 63-4A, § 63-6, § 63-8 and § 63-9) and to clarify that it is the property owner’s obligation to ensure compliance with the City Code, Chapter 63(§ 63-9) (First Reading). Ms. Robbins seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vice Chair Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

13. RESIDENTS’ CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

Mr. Jeffrey Dolberg 5813 84th Avenue, addressed the Council in regards to his concerns with the City of New Carrollton Police Department’s take home policy for police cars.

Ms. June Garrett, 6109 87th Avenue, addressed the Council regarding the proposed Fleet Manager Position in the proposed FY 2020. Ms. Garrett also requested a status update on the plot of land located behind her property.

14. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion: Mr. Lashley moved that the City Council adjourn the Council Workshop/Special Council Legislative Meeting and go into a closed meeting in accordance with General Provision Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 3-305 (b)(1) to discuss the compensation and/or performance evaluation of one or more City appointees and employees. Mr. John seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley called for a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Lashley	X			
Ms. Robbins	X			
Mr. Peterson	X			
Ms. Nembhard	X			

Mr. John	X			
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The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The Council adjourned into a Closed Meeting at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on June 19, 2019.