# CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center by Chairman Lincoln Lashley. Attending were Chairman Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Duane Rosenberg, Richard Bechtold, and Katrina R. Dodro, Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, City Administrative Officer Timothy George, Public Works Director Bernard Cochran, Treasurer Diane Dawes, Chief of Police David Rice and City Clerk Doug Barber. Councilmember Sarah Potter Robbins was absent.

#### 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Lashley welcomed everyone and asked Ms. Dodro to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2. Statement for the Record – Executive Session of Tuesday, February 20, 2018:

In accordance with the General Provisions Article, Section 3-305(b)(1) of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*, I move that the minutes of tonight's meeting reflect that Council met in closed session on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, at 8:26 p.m. in Room # 230 of the New Carrollton Municipal Center, to discuss the employment of an employee over whom this public body has jurisdiction (Appointment of City Attorney).

**Motion**: Ms. Dodro moved that the City Council move into a Closed Session in accordance with the General Provisions Article, Section 3-305(b)(1) of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*, to discuss the employment of an employee over whom this public body has jurisdiction (Appointment of City Attorney), seconded by Mr. Rosenberg.

Vote to close session:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Lashley	X			
Ms. Dodro	X			
Mr. Rosenberg	X			
Mr. Bechtold	X			
Ms. Robbins				X

The following staff members were in attendance: Andrew C. Hanko, Mayor, Tim George, City Administrative Officer, Karen Ruff, Assistant City Administrative Officer, and Doug Barber, City Clerk.

Other individuals in attendance: Jason A. DeLoach and Todd K. Pounds with the firm of Alexander& Claver, Attorneys at Law.

Council took no actions during this session.

The Executive Session adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

#### 3. Public Hearing – Proposed Ordinance 18-04 Establishing City Code Chapter 50

The Council convened the Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance 18-04 Establishing City Code Chapter 50 Elections at 7:07 p.m. Chairman 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 February 3, 2018); Official Publication in the Sentinel Newspaper (February 15, 2018, edition); Posted on the City's website on February 7, 2018; and List Serv. Announcement on February 7, 2018.

Chairman Lashley noted the proposed changes to the City Code with the passage of proposed Ordinance 18-04.

No one wished to address the Council. No written testimony had been received by the City. Chairman Lashley closed the Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.

#### 3. Report of the Treasurer - Consideration of Bills

Treasurer Dawes presented the Treasurer's Report: Batch #1 (January 18, 2018); Batch #2 (January 25, 2018); Batch #3 (February 1, 2018); Batch # 4(February 8, 2018); and Batch # 5 (February 14, 2018) the bills totaled \$521,869.03. There were 13 bills in excess of \$10,000. There was no discussion. Mr. Rosenberg moved to accept the report with a copy being attached to the minutes; seconded by Ms. Dodro. Chairman Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

#### 4. Meeting Minutes

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (January 3, 2018)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (January 16, 2018)
- c) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (January 17, 2017)

Mr. Bechtold moved that the following minutes be approved: City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2018; City County Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2018; and City Council Legislative Minutes of January 17, 2018. Mr. Rosenberg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Lashley called for the vote. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

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#### 5. Council Member Announcements

Ms. Dodro offered her condolences to the Prince George's County Police Department on the recent death of Corporal Mujahid Ramzziddin.

Mr. Rosenberg provided a health update on Councilmember Robbins. Mr. Rosenberg also advised that the Community Tax Aid (CTA) program has begun and will run through April 2018 at the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center – Multipurpose Room.

Mr. Bechtold noted the upcoming 2018 Annual Police Banquet to be held on Friday, February 23, 2018, at the Metro Points Hotel.

Mr. Lashley noted that he and his family plan to attend the upcoming 2018 Annual Police Banquet.

#### 6. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

#### 7. Old Business

## **Emergency Ordinance 18-04: Chapter 50 Elections (Second Reading)**

**Motion:** Mr. Rosenberg moved that the Council adopt Ordinance 18-04, as an Emergency Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton repealing Chapter 122 "Voting" of the Code of the City of New Carrollton and re-enacting Chapter 122 with amendments as Chapter 50 "Elections" of the Code of the City of New Carrollton to encompass all issues relating to City Elections (**Second Reading**). Ms. Dodro seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

#### Resolution 18-05: Advisory Questions for 2018 Election

**Motion:** Mr. Bechtold moved that the Council adopt Resolution 18-05, a resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of New Carrollton approving advisory questions to be placed on the ballot for the 2018 municipal election. Mr. Rosenberg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

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# 9. Adjournment

There being no further business Mr. Rosenberg moved to adjourn the City Council Legislative Meeting of Wednesday, February 21, 2018, seconded by Mr. Bechtold. The motion was approved (4-0-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglass A. Barber, CMC

City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on April 4, 2018.