

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:01 p.m., on Wednesday, April 16, 2018, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Duane Rosenberg, Richard Bechtold, Katrina R. Dodro, Sarah Potter Robbins, Administrative Officer Timothy George, Assistant Administrative Officer Karen Ruff, Director of Public Works Bernard Cochran, Lt. Marc Butler, Maisha Williams, Director of Finance, and Alayna Rowlett, Human Resources Administrator, and City Clerk Douglass Barber. Mayor Andrew C. Hanko and Chief David Rice were absent.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lashley welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Administrative Officer George advised the Council that he submitted his written monthly report to the Council. Administrative Officer George provided the following highlights from his report:

- Met with Design Collective (via conference call) to discuss the City Council's refined direction regarding the renovations to the multipurpose room;
- Reviewed and finalized quotes for the lighting renovation project;
- Met with Noyes to discuss the HVAC changeover and installation of the new FCU (fan coil units) in the Municipal Center.

Director of Public Works Cochran submitted his official written report to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Cochran highlighted the following from his report:

- The tulips are out and blooming. When the bulbs are eventually removed the website will be updated with pickup times for citizens to come to the Department of Public Works facility to pick up the bulbs. The parks crew did a fantastic job re-working the flower beds by the Beckett Field parking area. The new design greatly enhances the entry into the City;
- The streets department is addressing potholes throughout the City. Citizens can report any potholes to the Department of Public Works and they will be addressed as quickly as possible;
- City has continued to contact the County on the Riverdale Road extension into the condos and apartments, but has yet to receive a response;
- The foot bridge on Carrollton Parkway has been closed by Prince George's County. The Department of Public Works will continue to monitor the bridge to ensure the barricades remain in place. There has been an initial site survey done on the bridge;

- The Community Gardens are now open for the 2018 spring planting season. The Parks Department did a great job in preparing for the season;
- The 2018 cutting season has begun and residents are asked to please be aware of the mowers as they drive through the City.

Lt. Marc Butler did not have a report.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Robbins had no questions.

Ms. Dodro requested that the Department of Public Works look at the pedestrian bridge located at Carrollton Parkway and Jodie Street. Ms. Dodro thanked the Department of Public Works for the beautiful flowers blooming throughout the City.

Mr. Bechtold requested that the City Administration look into preparing an entire broadcasting budget for a new system instead of patching the current system. Mr. George noted he would be looking into the issue.

Mr. Lashley requested a follow up to the discussion with Design Collective regarding the multipurpose room and ADA requirements for the bathroom. Mr. George advised he was still awaiting a response from the firm.

4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Robbins noted that Prince George's Little Theater's upcoming production of "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" will open on Friday April 29, 2018, at the Bowie Public Playhouse.

Ms. Dodro noted information she received from the Prince George' County School system highlighting the County's performance and highlighting their many programs. Ms. Dodro noted she would not be at the Council Legislative Meeting on Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

Mr. Rosenberg had no announcements.

Mr. Bechtold advised that the Friends of New Carrollton Police Foundation meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 14, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Chief's meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Lashley noted he recently attended County Council Chair Danielle Glaros's community meeting that discussed the many social services provided by the County.

5. FY 2019 PROPOSED BUDGET: BUDGET DISCUSSION: POLICE (PUBLIC SAFETY) (PAGES 75-106)

Chairman Lashley led the Councilmembers and City Staff through a page-by-page review of the proposed FY 2019 Budget Police (Public Safety) – Pages # 75-106) with City staff providing clarification on questions posed by the Council on the proposed FY 2019 Budget. The following item was highlighted during the Council's discussion of the Proposed Budget regarding increasing the Police's Community Promotion by \$10,000 with the stipulation that the funds be designated for National Night Out.

6. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 18-07 BUDGET AMENDMENT RECONCILIATION NO. FOUR: TO AMEND ORDINANCE 17-07 CURRENT EXPENSE BUDGET FOR FY 2018

Director of Finance Williams presented proposed Emergency Ordinance 18-07 to the Council. Ms. Williams responded to questions of clarification given by the Council on the proposed ordinance. Mr. Lashley requested that Mr. Rosenberg read the official motion to adopt Emergency Ordinance 18-07 Budget Amendment Reconciliation No. Four: To Amend Ordinance 17-07 Current Expense Budget for FY 2018 at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

7. MEETING MINUTES

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (March 7, 2018)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (March 19, 2018)
- c) City Council Closed Meeting Minutes (April 4, 2018)

Chairman Lashley advised the Council that the minutes listed have been provided by Mr. Barber. Mr. Lashley noted that once the Council receives the minutes that they provide any corrections to Mr. Barber.

8. REVIEW OF BILLS

Batch # 1 (March 22, 2018); Batch # 2 (March 29, 2018); Batch # 3 (April 4, 2018); and Batch # 4 (April 12, 2018)

The staff responded to questions and comments given by the Council regarding the bills.

9. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

Ms. Evelyn Lashley, 6009 85th Place, addressed the Council regarding the Annual Easter Egg Event. Ms. Lashley thanked City Clerk Barber for his work on the event. Ms. Lashley closed by welcoming Councilmember Sarah Potter Robbins to the meetings.

10. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion: Mr. Rosenberg moved that the City Council adjourn the Council Workshop Meeting and go into a closed meeting, in accordance with the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Maryland, §3-305 (b) (1) to review compensation of City staff to consider adjustments. Ms. Robbins 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. Dodro	X			
Mr. Rosenberg	X			
Mr. Bechtold	X			
Ms. Robbins	X			

The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The Council adjourned into a Closed Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on May 16, 2018.