

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2018**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Richard Bechtold, Councilmembers Lincoln Lashley, Sarah Potter Robbins, Roy A. Peterson, and Phelecia Nembhard, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, Administrative Officer Timothy George, Director of Public Works Bernard Cochran, Chief of Police David Rice, City Treasurer Diane Dawes, and City Clerk Douglass Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bechtold welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Rosenberg gave his first report as Mayor. Mayor Rosenberg noted former Mayor Andrew C. Hanko had passed away on May 19, 2018. Mr. Rosenberg advised that Prince George's County Councilmember Danielle Glaros presented the City with a proclamation that proclaimed May 25, 2018, as Andy Hanko Day as a tribute to his service to the community from the Prince George's County Council. Mayor Rosenberg thanked the City staff for their exceptional job with handling the many funeral arrangements and preparations for Mayor Hanko's repass that was held at the City Municipal Center. Mayor Rosenberg closed his report by noting his attendance at the Health Equity Conference held in College Park, Maryland where County leaders discussed health programs.

Administrative Officer George had no written report. Mr. George provided the Council with updates on the following projects that are moving forward at the City Municipal Center: HVAC Upgrades (piping), Ceiling Replacement Project, and Lighting Upgrade Project.

Director of Public Works Cochran had no official report. Mr. Cochran advised the Council that the department has been marking sidewalks with paint throughout City to note trip hazards to be repaired. Mr. Cochran noted how important it is for residents to report any trip hazards they see in the City to the Department of Public Works.

Chief Rice did not have a written report. Chief Rice thanked the Mayor and Council for the great sendoff given to Mayor Andrew C. Hanko. Chief Rice closed his report by reminding the residents to be aware of things going on in their neighborhoods and to contact the police with any concerns.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Bechtold welcomed the new Councilmembers. Mr. Bechtold reviewed with the Council the process in which the Council can get things on the agenda.

Mr. Lashley requested clarification on an email received by the Mayor from the Carrollton Elementary School. Mayor Rosenberg provided clarification.

Ms. Robbins congratulated and welcomed Mr. Peterson and Ms. Nembhard to the City Council.

Mr. Peterson requested clarification from the Department of Public Works regarding trip hazards and the time frame for getting them repaired. Mr. Cochran responded to Mr. Peterson's question.

Ms. Nembhard requested clarification on notifying the Department of Public Works when residents see trip hazards not tagged by the Department of Public Works. Mr. Cochran advised the Council and residents to contact the Department of Public Works to report any issues.

4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Lashley welcomed his new Council colleagues. Mr. Lashley thanked the City staff for a great send off for former Mayor Andrew C. Hanko.

Ms. Robbins thanked Chief Rice for all his work with the Hanko Family for the funeral arrangements for former Mayor Hanko.

Mr. Peterson noted he is glad to be on the City Council and is looking forward to attending his first Maryland Municipal League Conference (June 10-13, 2018).

Ms. Nembhard noted that she is very excited to be on the City Council as she has worked with the City of New Carrollton as a volunteer for many years.

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

5. UPDATE ON NEW CARROLLTON MUNICIPAL CENTER RENOVATIONS – DESIGN COLLECTIVE

Administrative Officer George opened the presentation by introducing the Council to representatives from Design Collective. Design Collective noted that they have made updates to their previous presentation to the Council regarding design recommendations for the proposed renovations planned for the Municipal Center. The Council discussed at length several options presented by Design Collective. Mr. Bechtold requested that the Council provide direction to the City Administration in order to move the project forward. The Council addressed concerns with the current look of the outside of the building that was not a part of the scope of work. Mr. George advised the Council that he would look into their

request to address the Council's concern with the curb appeal of the building. Mr. George explained to the Council that once the Council agreed on an option, the project could move forward and allow Design Collective to put actual figures together for the project.

6. MARYLAND OPEN MEETINGS DESIGNATION FOR CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON (2018-2019)

City Clerk Barber noted that the Maryland General Assembly passed SB 450/ HB 880 in 2017, which prohibits a public body from meeting in closed session unless the public body designates a member to receive training on the Maryland Open Meetings Act. Council Chair Bechtold and Council Vice Chair Lashley have been designated and have received the training.

7. DRAFT RESOLUTION 18-10 AMENDED FY 2019 SCHEDULE OF FEES

City Administrative Officer George presented draft Resolution 18-10 Amended FY 2019 Schedule of Fees to the Council. Mr. George advised the Council that the proposed amendment to the FY 2019 Schedule of Fees will allow the City of New Carrollton to charge a dishonored/return check fee. There was no discussion. Mr. Barber advised the Council that proposed Resolution 18-10 would be presented for adoption at the Council Legislative Meeting of July 18, 2018. Mr. Bechtold requested that Mr. Lashley read the official motion for Resolution 18-10 at the July 18, 2018 meeting.

8. DRAFT ORDINANCE 18-09 (CHAPTER 57- FEES)

City Administrative Officer George presented draft Ordinance 18-09 (Chapter 57- Fees) to the Council. Mr. George advised the Council that the proposed amendment to Chapter 57 Fees will allow the City of New Carrollton to charge a dishonored/return check fee. There was no discussion. Mr. Barber advised the Council that proposed Ordinance 18-09 would be presented for introduction at the Council Legislative Meeting of July 20, 2018. Mr. Bechtold requested that Ms. Robbins read the official motion for Ordinance 18-09 at the June 20, 2018 meeting.

9. DISCUSSION OF ADVISORY QUESTIONS RESULTS FROM THE 2018 ELECTION BALLOT ORDINANCE 18-09 (CHAPTER 57- FEES)

Mr. Bechtold opened the discussion with the Council regarding the results of the 2018 Election Ballot Advisory Questions. The Council discussed each question and provided their views on the questions. Mr. Bechtold requested staff to provide their input on the following questions: (1) Change the eligible age to vote in the City of New Carrollton elections from 18 years of age to 16 years of age?; (2) Remove the requirement for staggered terms so that the Mayor and all Councilmembers are elected at the same time?; (3) Change the terms of the City of New Carrollton Mayor and Councilmembers from 2 years to 4 years? Mr. Bechtold requested staff to provide a report from research on the questions and present back to the Council at the Council Workshop Meeting of July 16, 2018.

10. DISCUSSION OF 6000 HARLAND STREET PROPERTY

Mr. Bechtold opened the discussion with the Council regarding the future plans for the 6000 Harland Street Property (Pool). The Council discussed the current options the Council has regarding the property. Mr. Bechtold suggested a Special Council Work Shop Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the future of the 6000 Harland Street Property.

11. MEETING MINUTES

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting/Special Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 2, 2018)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting /Special Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 14, 2018)
- c) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 16, 2018)

Chairman Bechtold advised the Council that the minutes listed had been provided by Mr. Barber. Mr. Bechtold requested that the Council review the minutes and provide any corrections to City Clerk Barber before the meeting at which they will be adopted.

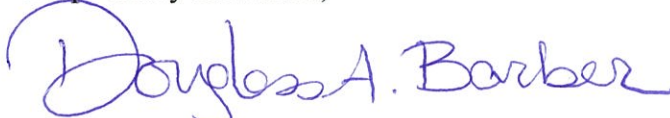
12. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

Ms. Sandra Dawson, 8313 Oliver Street addressed the Council with some personal issues.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on July 18, 2018.