

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2018**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, January 3, 2018, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Duane Rosenberg, Richard Bechtold, Katrina R. Dodro, and Sarah Potter Robbins, Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, Administrative Officer Timothy George, Assistant Public Works Director Andre Triplett, Chief of Police David Rice, and City Clerk Doug Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lashley welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Hanko had no report.

Administrative Officer George had no written report. Mr. George advised the Council that the HVAC project was running on schedule with a 5-12 week projected timeline for the project. Mr. George noted that the City of New Carrollton has welcomed Ms. Karen Ruff as the new Assistant City Administrative Officer.

Assistant Director of Public Works Triplett had no official report. Mr. Triplett advised the Council and residents that the Department of Public Works was monitoring the snow being forecasted for the area, and that the City streets had been pre-treated.

Chief Rice did not have a written report. Chief Rice wished everyone a Happy New Year. Chief Rice updated the Council on some recently reported crimes that the Police Department has been handling.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Robbins requested clarification on the City's procedures when the Prince George's County Government closes due to inclement weather. Mr. George responded and provided the City's process and procedures when the Prince George's County Government closes.

Mr. Rosenberg asked Chief Rice if the incidents he reported on were considered isolated incidents. Chief Rice responded to Mr. Rosenberg's question.

Mr. Bechtold had no questions.

Ms. Dodro noted the pending weather being forecasted for the City of New Carrollton and reinforced to the residents that the City is ready and prepared for the pending weather.

Mr. Lashley welcomed Ms. Ruff to the City of New Carrollton as the new Assistant City Administrative Officer.

4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Robbins wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Rosenberg advised that the Community Tax Aid (CTA) program held annually at the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center – Multipurpose Room would begin in February 2018 and end in April 2018. Mr. Rosenberg also noted that CTA was looking for volunteers and to contact the City’s administrative office for additional details.

Mr. Bechtold noted the upcoming meeting scheduled for the Friends of New Carrollton Police Foundation and encouraged residents to join the organization.

Ms. Dodro wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Lashley wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mr. Lashley reminded residents to check on their neighbors during these extreme cold weather days. Mr. Lashley closed by noting the upcoming Blood Drive scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2018, at the City Municipal Center.

5. 4-CITIES COALITION MEETING – THURSDAY JANUARY 25, 2018 (HOSTED BY THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK) AGENDA ITEM

City Clerk Barber advised the Council of the upcoming 4-Cities Coalition Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 25, 2018, being hosted by the City of College Park. Mr. Lashley asked if the Council had any items for the agenda. There were no items for the agenda. Mr. Lashley requested the Council provide any items to the City Clerk.

6. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 18-04 REGARDING ELECTION PROCESSES

City Clerk Barber presented the proposed revised Charter Amendment Resolution 18-04 to the Council. Mr. Barber noted the revisions were corrections provided by the Council at the previous meeting. Mr. Barber advised the Council that the proposed Charter Amendment 18-04 would be presented for adoption at the Council Legislative Meeting of January 17, 2018. Mr. Barber also advised the Council that a public hearing on the proposed Charter Amendment Resolution would be scheduled for January 17, 2018, during the Council Legislative Meeting.

7. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 18-04 CHAPTER 50 ELECTIONS

City Clerk Barber presented the proposed revised Ordinance 18-04 (Chapter 50 Elections) to the Council. Mr. Barber noted that the ordinance has been updated with the revisions made by the Council at the previous meeting. Mr. Barber advised the Council that proposed Ordinance 18-04 would be presented for introduction at the Council Legislative Meeting of January 17, 2018.

8. NEW CARROLLTON MUNICIPAL CENTER RENOVATIONS DISCUSSION

City Administrative Officer George presented several options for the Council to discuss regarding the next phase of the renovation at the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center (6016 Princess Garden Parkway). The Council discussed the issue at length. The Council each had the opportunity to provide input to the staff on the several options. The Council requested additional information be obtained as to what options best fit the needs for the City. The Council requested that upon the conclusion of the meeting Mr. George could request that the architects provide additional options for the Council to consider. Mr. George noted he would work to provide additional information and be ready to present to the Council at the Council Workshop Meeting of February 7, 2018.

9. MEETING MINUTES

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (December 18, 2017)
- b) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (December 20, 2017)

Chairman Lashley advised the Council that the minutes listed above had been provided to the Council. Mr. Lashley requested that Council provide any corrections to City Clerk Barber.

10. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

No one wished to address the Council.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on February 21, 2018.