

CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center by Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins. Attending were Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins, Vice Chair Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Duane Rosenberg, Richard Bechtold, Katrina R. Dodro, and Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, Interim Administrative Officer Joseph Nagro, Director of Public Works Bernard Cochran, Lt. Vincent Lyew, Treasurer Diane Dawes and City Clerk Doug Barber.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Robbins welcomed everyone and asked Mr. Rosenberg to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Report of the Treasurer – Consideration of Bills

Treasurer Dawes presented the Treasurer's Report: Batch #1 (January 19, 2017); Batch #2 (January 26, 2017); Batch #3 (February 2, 2017); and Batch #4 (February 9, 2017) the bills totaled \$246,808.58. There were 4 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 Mr. Lashley. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

3. Meeting Minutes

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (January 4, 2017)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (January 17, 2017)
- c) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (January 18, 2017)

Mr. Lashley moved that the following minutes be approved: City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2017; City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2017; and City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2017. Ms. Dodro seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

4. Council Member Announcements

Mr. Rosenberg noted that the Community Tax Aid (CTA) program started the beginning of February 2017. The program will run through April 2017 at the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center – Multipurpose Room on Monday's and Thursday's from 6:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. Mr. Rosenberg noted the upcoming Chili Supper on Monday, February 20, 2017, at the Word of God Baptist Church, located on Queen Chapel Road, in Hyattsville, Maryland from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Mr. Rosenberg closed by noting he would not be at the Council Workshop Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

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Mr. Lashley noted his attendance at the Princes George's County Municipal Association Wine and Cheese Social on Thursday, February 9, 2017, held in the City of Bowie. Mr. Lashley closed by reminding the residents of the upcoming City of New Carrollton Police Department 2016 Annual Awards Banquet which is scheduled for Friday, February 24, 2016, from 7:00 p.m. until 12:00 Midnight at the Metro Points Hotel.

Mr. Bechtold had no announcements.

Ms. Dodro highlighted the potential legislation that is being discussed by our legislators in Annapolis, and encouraged the residents to follow the proposed legislation. Ms. Dodro noted her planned attendance at the City of New Carrollton Police Department 2016 Awards Banquet scheduled for Friday, February 24, 2017.

Ms. Robbins advised the Council that she had tentatively scheduled a Meet and Greet with the local principals for Monday, February 13, 2017. Ms. Robbins will provide additional information to the Council, once the principals have confirmed their attendance.

Ms. Robbins advised that the City Council will be scheduling a Special City Council Workshop Meeting on Saturday, March 25, 2017, to discuss the City Municipal Center Building. Ms. Robbins requested Council to provide any discussion topics they would like added to the official meeting agenda on behalf of the City of New Carrollton. The Council had no items to add to the Four Cities Coalition Meeting.

5. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

6. Old Business

There was no old business.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Ordinance 17-05 FY 2017 Budget Amendment No. Two: To Amend Ordinance 17-01 Current Expense Budget for FY 2017

Motion: Mr. Lashley moved that the Council adopt Emergency Ordinance 17-05, an Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton amending the Adopted Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 as embodied in Ordinance 17-01 to reflect the receipt of additional grant funds and other revenues, and to adjust various expenditures. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rosenberg. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

Ordinance 17-06 Chapter 12: Ethics (First Reading)

Motion: Ms. Dodro moved that the Council introduce Ordinance 17-06, an Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton amending Chapter 12 “Ethics” Code of the City of New Carrollton, §12-6 and §12-7 to change the financial disclosure requirements for certain employees. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rosenberg. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion to postpone adoption of Ordinance 17-06 until the next legislative meeting was approved (5-0-0).

FCC Cell Tower Coalition

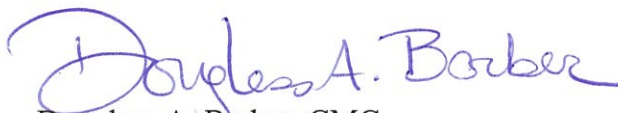
Motion: Mr. Rosenberg moved that the City of New Carrollton join the Maryland Coalition, represented by Best, Best and Krieger, who will provide legal support to challenge private companies from becoming utility contractors and allowing them to put cell towers in City right-of-ways. Mr. Rosenberg further moved that the City Council direct the City administration to sign the Retainer Agreement with Best, Best and Krieger and remit \$2,000 to cover the City’s pro-rated cost. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dodro. There was no discussion. Chairman Robbins called for the vote. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

8. Adjournment

There being no further business Mr. Rosenberg moved to adjourn the City Council Legislative Meeting of Wednesday, February 15, 2017, seconded by Mr. Lashley. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on March 15, 2017.