

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON  
MINUTES  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 1, 2017, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins, Councilmembers Lincoln Lashley, and Katrina R. Dodro, Interim Administrative Officer Joseph Nagro, Assistant Administrative Officer Timothy George, Public Works Director Bernard Wilson Cochran, Chief of Police David Rice, Code Enforcement Manager Keith Goodhue, and City Clerk Doug Barber. Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, Councilmember Richard Bechtold and Councilmember Duane Rosenberg were absent.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Robbins welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

**2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION**

Interim Administrative Officer Nagro advised the Council that Mayor Hanko was absent from the meeting due to illness. Mr. Nagro noted that he had no written report to give to the Council. Mr. Nagro advised the Council that he has been meeting with the Administrative staff as they work to prepare the proposed FY 2018 budget.

Director of Public Works Cochran had no official written report to give to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Cochran updated the Council on the proposed letter regarding the issue at the school path by Lamont Elementary. Mr. Cochran had no updates from Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) regarding water-main breaks in the City.

Chief of Police Rice had no official written report to give to the Mayor and Council. Chief Rice thanked all who attended the New Carrollton Police Department 2016 Awards Banquet held on Friday, February 24, 2017, at the Metro Points Hotel.

**3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Lashley thanked Director of Public Works Cochran for his work on addressing the residents' concerns with pathway located near Lamont Elementary.

Ms. Dodro thanked Director of Public Works Cochran as there are many things happening in the City. Ms. Dodro was glad to see the new pedestrian bridges completed in the City.

Ms. Robbins noted that a Special Council Workshop has been scheduled for Saturday, March 25, 2017, to discuss the future of the City of New Carrollton Municipal Center.

**4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Lashley congratulated the police department and all those who participated in the City of New Carrollton Police Department's 2016 Annual Banquet event held on Friday, February 24, 2017.

Ms. Dodro had no announcements.

Ms. Robbins had no announcements.

**5. DISCUSSION OF CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON CODE CHAPTER 66: HEALTH AND SANITATION (SECTION 66-3 PROHIBITED ACTS) REGARDING TREE STUMPS**

Interim Administrative Officer Nagro and Code Enforcement Manager Goodhue presented the item to the Council. Mr. Nagro and Mr. Goodhue noted the process the City followed concerning the numerous tree stumps throughout the City. Mr. Nagro noted the hardship to the residents this may cause. The Council requested that the City staff suspend sending notices to residents regarding tree stumps on their property. The Council would like to see the city staff review the current codes regarding this matter and provide the Council with some recommendations. The staff will review and provide the Council with proposed revisions to Code Chapter 66: Health and Sanitation at a future meeting.

**6. MEETING MINUTES**

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (February 1, 2017)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (February 13, 2017)
- c) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (February 15, 2017)

Chairman Robbins advised the Council that the minutes listed above have been provided to the Council. Ms. Robbins requested that Council provide any corrections to City Clerk Barber.

**7. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS**


Ms. Anne Popovich, 8119 Quentin Street, thanked the departments of the City (Police and Public Works), and Mayor Hanko for all their hard work in the City.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Lashley moved to adjourn the Council Workshop Meeting of March 1, 2017, seconded by Ms. Dodro. The motion passed unanimously (3-0-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Douglass A. Barber, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on April 19, 2017.