

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON  
MINUTES  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Sarah Potter Robbins, Councilmembers Lincoln Lashley, Richard Bechtold, Duane Rosenberg and Katrina R. Dodro, Interim Administrative Officer Joseph Nagro, Assistant Administrative Officer Timothy George, Public Works Director Bernard Cochran, Chief of Police David Rice, Director of Finance and Accounting Maisha Williams, Human Resources Coordinator Alayna Rowlett and City Clerk Doug Barber. Mayor Hanko was 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 due to being under the weather. Mr. Nagro had no written report. Mr. Nagro advised the Council that Keith Goodhue, Code Enforcement Manager, had submitted his resignation and his last day with the City of New Carrollton would be Friday, May 12, 2017.

Director of Public Works Cochran had no written report. Mr. Cochran noted that work on the Bicentennial Wall Project is set to start the second week of May. Mr. Cochran noted that the annual bulbs give-a-way will begin next week.

Chief of Police Rice had no report.

**3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Bechtold asked if the City has considered having the Department of Code Enforcement report under the direction of the City Police Department.

Mr. Rosenberg requested clarification from the Director of Public Works Cochran as to where the Department is working regarding tree trimming requests. Mr. Cochran advised the Council that currently the City Arborist is on light-duty, but should return to regular duty soon. Chief Rice advised the Council that his officers were reviewing areas of concern and submitting the information to the Department of Public Works.

Ms. Dodro discussed the idea of having pop-up libraries through-out the City. Ms. Dodro noted the idea as the New Carrollton Branch Library is currently closed for renovation and the Hyattsville Branch Library is scheduled to close soon for renovations.

Mr. Lashley had no questions.

**4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Bechtold thanked all the residents who came out to vote on Monday, May 1, 2017.

Mr. Rosenberg thanked Councilmembers Lashley, Robbins, and Bechtold for their service to the City, and congratulated them on winning the election. Mr. Rosenberg noted the upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at the City Municipal Center.

Mr. Lashley congratulated Mr. Bechtold and Ms. Robbins for winning the election. Mr. Lashley noted the upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at the City Municipal Center. Mr. Lashley closed by reminding the residents of the deadline submittal for the Weinbach Scholarship is Thursday, May, 25, 2017.

Ms. Dodro provided an update on the Maryland Municipal League's Board of Directors as she serves on their board. Ms. Dodro noted that Chief of Police Rice was recently elected by the Maryland Chief's Association as President, which gives him a seat on the MML Board of Directors. Ms. Dodro provided an overview of some of MML's initiatives and updates to the Council.

Ms. Robbins noted the upcoming Prince George's Little Theatre production of "The Uninvited". Ms. Robbins closed by thanking all who came out to vote on Monday, May 1, 2017.

**5. FY 2018 PROPOSED BUDGET: BUDGET DISCUSSION: PUBLIC WORKS (PAGE 103-156)**

Chairman Robbins led the Councilmembers, Mayor, and City Staff through a page-by-page review of the proposed FY 2018 Budget (Public Works – Pages # 103-156) with Director of Public Works Cochran and City staff providing clarification on questions posed by the Council on the proposed FY 2018 Budget.

**6. MEETING MINUTES**

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (April 5, 2017)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (April 17, 2017)
- c) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (April 19, 2017)

Chairman Robbins advised the Council that the minutes listed above will be provided to the Council by the end of the week. Ms. Robbins requested that Council provide any corrections to City Clerk Barber.

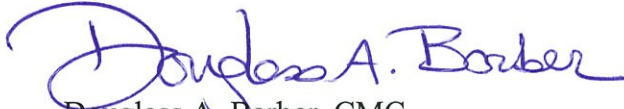
**7. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS**

No one wished to address the Council.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglass A. Barber". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

Douglass A. Barber, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on June 21, 2017.