

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON  
MINUTES  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chairman Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Richard Bechtold, Duane Rosenberg and Katrina R. Dodro, Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, 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. Councilmember Sarah Potter Robbins was absent.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Lashley welcomed everyone and requested a moment of silence on the recent passing of Mr. John Shay, City Attorney, prior to calling the meeting to order.

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

Mayor Hanko offered his personal and City condolences to the family of Mr. John Shay, City Attorney, as he served the City well as one of our attorneys. Mayor Hanko noted that the school year will be ending soon and advised the residents to please drive carefully, as many children will be playing and riding their bikes throughout the City. Mayor Hanko closed by advising the residents of New Carrollton of the City's efforts to conserve energy with our recycling programs and our many greening efforts.

Interim Administrative Officer Nagro advised the Council he had no formal written report. Mr. Nagro advised the Council that he has begun to review applications for the Code Enforcement Manager position. Mr. Nagro also advised that Mr. Kevin Ellen, Code Enforcement Officer, had submitted his resignation.

Director of Public Works Cochran had no written report. Mr. Cochran noted that work on the Bicentennial Wall Project is almost complete and then a new sidewalk will be installed in front of the wall.

Chief of Police Rice had no written report. Chief Rice gave his condolences to the family and law firm of Mr. John Shay on behalf of the City of New Carrollton Police Department. Chief Rice closed his report by providing the monthly stats for May 2017.

**3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION**

Ms. Dodro had no questions. She expressed her excitement with the installment of the new Bicentennial Wall.

Mr. Bechtold had no questions.

Mr. Rosenberg had no questions.

Mr. Lashley had no questions. Mr. Lashley noted his excitement that the Bicentennial Wall project was being completed.

**4. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Dodro noted that the last day of school is Tuesday, June 13, 2017. Ms. Dodro advised of several programs that offer meals to students during the summer months. Ms. Dodro closed by noting the summer reading program being offered by the Prince George's County Library System.

Mr. Bechtold noted the upcoming Friends of New Carrollton Police Foundation Meeting scheduled for Saturday June 10, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Bechtold noted that the Foundation Annual Raffle has begun with the winners to be announced on Saturday, September 30, 2017, at the City of New Carrollton annual Community Day event.

Mr. Rosenberg noted that the New Carrollton Pool is now open.

Mr. Lashley noted the upcoming City of New Carrollton Annual Community Day event scheduled for Saturday, September 30, 2017, from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. to be held at Beckett Field (8511 Legation Road). Mr. Lashley noted that he hopes for good weather, as for the past three years the event has taken place with intermittent rain.

**5. ORDINANCE 17-07 – OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON, MARYLAND FISCAL YEAR 2018**

There was no discussion on the item. Mr. Lashley requested that Mr. Rosenberg read the official motion to adopt Ordinance 17-07, an ordinance for the Operating and Capital Budget for the City of New Carrollton, Maryland Fiscal Year 2018 (second reading) at the special legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, 2017.

**6. RESOLUTION 17-04 FY 2018 SCHEDULE OF FEES**

There was no discussion on the item. Mr. Lashley noted that there were no changes made to the FY 2018 Schedule of Fees. The resolution will be voted on by the Council at the special legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, 2017.

**7. DISCUSSION OF CHANGES TO CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON CODE CHAPTER 27 (PURCHASING AND CONTRACTS)**

Mr. Nagro and Mr. George presented the proposed changes to New Carrollton Code Chapter 27 (Purchasing and Contracts) to the Council. Mr. Nagro noted the proposed change in the amount required before going out for a public bid. Mr. Nagro and Mr. George responded to questions given by the Council on the item. Mr. Lashley noted that the item would return for additional discussion and in formal ordinance form at the next scheduled Council Workshop Meeting scheduled for Monday, June 19, 2017, with a planned introduction (first reading) scheduled for Council Legislative Meeting on Wednesday, June 21, 2017.

**8. DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTION 17-05 – AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON TO SEEK 1.5 MILLION IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND FINANCING**

Mr. Nagro and Mr. George reviewed with the Council the proposed Resolution 17-05 authorizing the City of New Carrollton to seek 1.5 Million in general obligation bond financing. There was no discussion as the Council supports the City Administration moving forward with securing required funding for improvements to the City Municipal Center (6016 Princess Garden Parkway).

**9. DISCUSSION OF STREET LIGHTS AND THE CITY'S TREE CANOPY**

Chief Rice addressed the Council with concerns the Police Department and the Department of Public Works have received from the residents regarding street lights in the City. Chief Rice noted that his department has monitored and evaluated the residents' concerns and shared them with the Director of Public Works.

**10. MEETING MINUTES**

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (May 3, 2017)
- b) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (May 15, 2017)
- c) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 17, 2017)

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

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

Ms. Joanne Anderson, a Frenchman Creek resident, addressed her concerns regarding water issues at her residence.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on July 19, 2017.