

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON  
MINUTES  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019**

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:05 p.m., on Monday, January 14, 2019, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Vice Chair Lincoln Lashley, Councilmembers Sarah Potter Robbins, Roy A. Peterson, Phelecia Nembhard, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, City Administrative Officer Timothy George, Chief of Police David Rice, Director of Public Works Bernard Cochran, and City Clerk Douglass Barber.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Lashley welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

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

Mayor Rosenberg reminded the residents of the upcoming holiday (Martin Luther King Holiday) as the City offices will be closed on Monday, January 21, 2019. Mayor Rosenberg briefed the Council on recent snow event; Mr. Richard Bechtold's Memorial Service held on Saturday, January 12, 2019; and scheduled City of New Carrollton Special Election to be held on Monday, February 25, 2019. Mr. Rosenberg closed by noting the Community Tax Program will open on Monday, February 4, 2019.

Director of Public Works Cochran updated the Mayor and Council on the following:

- The second round of sidewalk work repair has been completed. The street paving project has begun with the curb work;
- The City has made contract with the engineers at CPJ for a project design on the Frenchman's Creek water issue that is affecting the roadway;
- The Parks Department is working with PEPCO to install new trees in the City where removals took place;
- The 2018 leaf season is complete;
- The City of New Carrollton has prepared and is ready for the first forecasted snow event of 2019.

Chief of Police Rice noted the recently held Friends of New Carrollton Police Department Meeting held on Saturday, January 12, 2019, followed by Mr. Bechtold's Memorial. Chief Rice closed by providing the stats for December 2018.

Administrative Officer George updated the Mayor and Council on the following:

- The City has submitted the final MEA/MSEC paperwork for the \$30,000 grant reimbursement. Mr. George highlighted the work of the Code Enforcement Department over the past year and thanked them for the work that they do for the City. Mr. George noted that the Code Enforcement Department was able to take 1200 unresolved cases off the books in 2018.

City Clerk Barber advised the Council of the 2019 Special Election Calendar and proposed schedule for the 2019 Maryland Municipal League Conference.

**3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Peterson requested clarification on the cars towed from Nicholson Street and 84<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Chief Rice responded to Mr. Peterson's questions. Mr. Peterson thanked the Department of Public Works for their hard work during the recent snow event in the City..

Ms. Robbins thanked the Department of Public Works for the great job in clearing the snow from the City streets during the last snow storm. Ms. Robbins requested the City to emphasize the proper way to clear their cars after a snow event.

Mr. Lashley thanked all involved in the memorial held on Saturday, January 12, 2019, for Mr. Bechtold.

**4. CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 19-01: ELECTIONS (SECOND READING)**

There was no discussion on the item. Mr. Lashley requested that Ms. Robbins read the official motion to introduce Charter Amendment Resolution 19-01: Elections at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019. Mr. Barber noted that the required Public Hearing on Charter Amendment Resolution 19-01 is also scheduled to take place during the legislative meeting.

**5. ORDINANCE 19-07 CHAPTER 75: LICENSES (SECOND READING)**

There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested Mr. Peterson read the official motion to adopt Ordinance 19-07 Chapter 75: Licenses at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

**6. ORDINANCE 19-08 CHAPTER 89: RENTAL PROPERTY (SECOND READING)**

There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested Mr. Peterson read the official motion to adopt Ordinance 19-08 Chapter 89: Rental Property at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

**7. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 19-11 BUDGET AMENDMENT RECONCILIATION NO. THREE: TO AMEND ORDINANCE 18-08 CURRENT EXPENSE BUDGET FOR FY 2019**

City Administrative Officer George presented proposed Emergency Ordinance 19-11 Budget Amendment Reconciliation No. Three: To Amend Ordinance 18-08 Current Expense Budget for FY 2019 to the Council. Mr. George responded to questions posed by Mr. Lashley on the item. Mr. Lashley requested Ms. Nembhard read the official motion to adopt Emergency Ordinance 19-11 Budget Amendment Reconciliation No. Three: To Amend Ordinance 18-08 Current Expense Budget for FY 2019 at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

**8. ORDINANCE 19-12 CHAPTER 6: BUDGET AND FINANCE (FIRST READING)**

City Administrative Officer George presented proposed Ordinance 19-12 Chapter 6: Budget and Finance to the Council. There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested Ms. Robbins read the official motion to introduce Ordinance 19-12 Chapter 6: Budget and Finance at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

**9. RESOLUTION 19-10 AMENDING THE FY 2019 SCHEDULE OF FEES**

City Administrative Officer George presented proposed Resolution 19-10 Amending the FY 2019 Schedule of Fees. The Council discussed the issue at length and requested additional clarification. The Council requested the item be placed on the next scheduled Council Workshop Meeting for additional discussion.

**10. RESOLUTION 19-11 REDUCING TRANSPORTATION PETROLEUM CONSUMPTION**

City Administrative Officer George presented proposed Resolution 19-11 Reducing Transportation Petroleum Consumption to the Council. There was no discussion. Mr. Lashley requested Ms. Nembhard read the official motion to adopt Resolution 19-11 Reducing Transportation Petroleum Consumption at the legislative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

**11. 4-CITIES COALITION MEETING – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2019 (HOSTED BY THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK) AGENDA ITEMS**

Clerk Barber requested the Council to provide items for the upcoming 4-Cities Coalition Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 30, 2019, being hosted by the City of College Park. The Council did not have any items for the agenda.

**12. COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CITY ADMINISTRATION**

The Council discussed communication between the elected officials and the City's administration. City Administration advised the Council of the protocols that have been put in place to address the Council's concerns of communication between the elected officials and the City Administration.

**13. MUNICIPAL CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT UPDATE**

Mayor Rosenberg and City Administrative Officer Tim George discussed with the Council potential ideas for the renovations at the City Municipal Center. Mr. George advised the Council a new scope of services could be requested from the current contractor. Ms. Robbins addressed her concerns with the look of the outside of the building. The Council gave their consensus with moving forward with the project. Mayor Rosenberg and Mr. George noted that once additional information is obtained the information will be provided to the Council at a future meeting for further discussion.

**14. MEETING MINUTES**

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (December 17, 2018)
- b) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (December 19, 2018)

Mr. Lashley advised the Council that the minutes listed had been previously provided by Mr. Barber. Mr. Lashey requested that the Council provide any corrections to Mr. Barber.

**15. REVIEW OF BILLS**

**Batch # 1 (December 20, 2018); Batch # 2 (January 3, 2019); and Batch # 3 (January 10, 2019)**

The staff responded to questions and comments of the Council regarding the bills.

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

The Bechtold Family, 6462 Fairborn Terrace, called to thank the City of New Carrollton staff for all their support with the passing of Mr. Richard Bechtold.

**17. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on March 20, 2019.