

CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:07 p.m., on Monday, April 15, 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, Stephen John, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, City Administrative Officer Timothy George, Director of Public Works Wilson Cochran, Chief of Police David Rice, Director of Finance and Accounting/Treasurer Maisha Williams 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 requested that he be able to step away from the meeting to assist the Community Tax Aid on tax filing preparation services. Mayor Rosenberg thanked City Clerk Barber and all who assisted in the City of New Carrollton Spring Event held on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at Beckett Field.

Director of Public Works Cochran provided a written report to Council. Mr. Cochran advised the Council that new wood decking had been placed on the Carrollton Parkway Pedestrian Bridge, and it will remain closed until it can be primed, painted and cleared by the County before it will be re-opened to the public. Mr. Cochran also advised residents to watch for the forthcoming announcement from the department on their annual tulip bulb offering to residents.

City Administrative Officer George provided a written report to Council. Mr. George updated the Council on the proposed charging stations being installed in preparation for the electric vehicle (Code Vehicle) being purchased. Mr. George noted that Mr. Barry Wade (Code Enforcement Inspector) and Carlos Benson (Custodian) were new employees with the City.

Chief of Police thanked City Clerk Barber for the great Spring Event held on Saturday, April 13, 2019. Chief Rice noted the new traffic pattern at Westbrook Drive and 85th Avenue.

City Clerk Barber reviewed the 2019 General Election Schedule of Dates.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Peterson noted the City of New Carrollton Green Team's upcoming clean-up event along Riverdale Road scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

Ms. Nembhard thanked City Clerk Barber, Mr. Nichols, and Ms. Benitez for all their hard work on the Spring Event held on Saturday, April 13, 2019.

Mr. John thanked everyone involved in the Spring Event on a job well done.

Ms. Robbins noted she enjoyed the Spring Event and thanked all City employees involved. Ms. Robbins also thanked Mr. Brad Pudner for making the gardens throughout the City look so beautiful this year.

Mr. Lashley thanked all those involved in the Spring Event. Mr. Lashley also requested clarification on the plot of land behind the residents of 87th Avenue. Mr. George and Mayor Rosenberg provided an update on the issue.

4. FY 2020 PROPOSED BUDGET: BUDGET DISCUSSION: POLICE DEPARTMENT (REVIEW SUMMARY DOCUMENT AND LINE ITEM BUDGET OF PUBLIC SAFETY)

Chairman Lashley led the Councilmembers and City Staff through a page-by-page review of the proposed FY 2020 Budget (Police Department) with Chief Rice providing clarification on questions posed by the Council on the proposed budget.

5. ORDINANCE 19-15 CHAPTER 63: RECYCLING AND REFUSE

Mr. George presented proposed Ordinance 19-15 (Chapter 63: Recycling and Refuse) to the Council. Mr. George highlighted the proposed changes to Chapter 63. Mr. Lashley requested that Mr. Peterson read the official motion to introduce (First Reading) Ordinance 19-15 at the next scheduled Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, 2019.

6. MUNICIPAL CENTER BUILDING UPDATE

Mayor Rosenberg and Mr. George presented the Council with an update on the proposed renovations to the municipal center. The Council, Mayor and Staff had a lengthy discussion on several options regarding renovating the current municipal center versus moving to an alternate site in the City. Mr. Lashley noted that the item will continue to be discussed as the Mayor and staff have conversations with outside agencies regarding the municipal center building.

7. MEETING MINUTES

- a.) Council Workshop Meeting/Special Legislative Meeting Minutes (March 6, 2019)
- b.) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (March 18, 2019)
- c.) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (March 20, 2019)
- d.) Council Closed Session Meeting Minutes (March 6, 2019)

Mr. Lashley advised the Council that minutes listed will be forthcoming. Mr. Lashley requested that the Council provide any comments or corrections to City Clerk Barber.

8. REVIEW OF THE BILLS

Batch # 1 (March 21, 2019); Batch # 2 (March 28, 2019); and Batch # 3 (April 4, 2019)

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

8. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

Ms. Rebecca Frye, 5716 83rd Place, addressed the Council on how the New Carrollton Police Department has grown over the years and requested clarification on the current police vehicle take home policy.

Ms. Tammy Jones, 6417 Jodie Street, addressed the Council on several City matters.

Ms. Evelyn Lashley, 6009 85th Place, addressed the Council and thanked City Clerk Barber for his work on the 2019 Spring Festival.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on June 19, 2019.

