

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

The City Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, July 15, 2019, in the Council Workshop Room of the Municipal Center. Attending were Chair Phelecia Nembhard, Councilmembers Roy A. Peterson, Lincoln Lashley, Stephen L. John, Sarah Potter Robbins, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, City Administrative Officer Timothy George, Assistant City Administrative Officer Karen Ruff, Director of Public Works Wilson Cochran, Chief of Police David G. Rice, and City Clerk Douglass Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nembhard welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Rosenberg requested that the invited guest speak prior to him giving his report Mr. Herbert Traxler, with the Alpine Dancers encouraged the Council and residents to get involved in the arts. Mr. Traxler noted that the Alpine Dance Group were seeking new members. Mr. William Steen, with Carrollton Enterprises addressed the Council with updates on the current projects Carrollton Enterprises is working on that are taking place in the City of New Carrollton. Ms. June Garrett, addressed the Council noting her 80th Birthday is coming and the Council should have received a save the date for the event. Mayor Rosenberg provided the Council with an update on meetings he has been attending and scheduled to attend in the upcoming weeks.

Director of Public Works Cochran provided a written report. Mr. Cochran requested that residents keep the limbs large as it is easier for them to be chipped.

City Administrative Officer George provided a written report. Mr. George noted he is working with the Code Enforcement Department to address concerns with unattended pools in the City and the concerns addressed by the Council and residents with regards to increased Mosquitos.

Chief Rice had no written report. Chief Rice noted the Friends of New Carrollton Police Foundation held their monthly meeting on Saturday, July 13, 2019, and was well attended even with many residents on summer vacations. Chief Rice closed his report by noting that the Police Department is currently planning and preparing for the Annual National Night Out Event scheduled for Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. John had no questions.

Ms. Robbins had no questions.

Mr. Lashley noted the upcoming 2020 Census and encouraged residents to be counted. Mr. Lashley requested an update on the filling of the Fleet Manager Position. City staff advised Mr. Lashley that applications for the position were being reviewed.

Mr. Peterson thanked Chief Rice and all those involved in organizing the Skate Night Event held on Saturday, June 22, 2019. Mr. Peterson noted he and many residents had a great time. He hopes to see more community events like the Skate Night in the future.

Ms. Nembhard noted that she also enjoyed the Skate Night. Ms. Nembhard noted that City Clerk Doug Barber had received his Master Municipal Clerk designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. Ms. Nembhard closed by noting the Annual City of New Carrollton Community Day scheduled for Saturday, September 28, 2019, from 12:00 Noon until 6:00 p.m.

4. RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISCUSSION

Mayor Rosenberg opened the discussion on his thoughts and ideas on proposed residential parking in the City of New Carrollton. Mayor Rosenberg shared the following:

1. Allow parking on one side of the street
2. No parking in sections/districts/zones
3. No parking during defined hours
4. Permit parking in sections/districts/zones
5. Build parking lot or structure on Mahoney Woods Lot
6. Collaborate with apartment management to expand apartment parking lots
7. Approach Baptist Church about renting spaces during the week
8. Commission a study to review entire City parking issues (approx. \$30K)
9. Offer city-funded low-interest loans for residents to expand driveway space
10. County Solution – Require residents to provide petitions for specific actions (like we now do with speed humps)

The Council discussed the issue at length. The following thoughts were shared by Council and the audience at the meeting:

- Coordinate driveway sharing among neighbors
- Consider cultural influences; multiple vehicle residences may be the norm among certain groups
- Consider City History. NC built in 1950s and 1960s with small homes on small lots to house nuclear family - Mom, Pop, 2 kids, one car
- Be cognizant of the idea that some residents are not complaining at this time and the status quo may be acceptable to many, possibly the majority, in areas (no change option)

The staff also discussed the possibility of having a private contractor provide a traffic study of the entire City. Mayor Rosenberg advised the Council that he was scheduling a Town Hall Meeting in September 2019 and the topic of residential parking concerns would be addressed. The item would come back to Council at a future meeting for further discussion.

5. **DISCUSSION OF RECYCLING CONTRACT**

Mr. George presented the discussion of the City's recycling contract to the Council. The Council discussed the item at length. Mr. George advised the Council that the official contract once obtained would come before the Council for an official vote.

6. **DISCUSSION OF CITY TRASH REGULATIONS**

Mr. Cochran presented the Council with the proposed City Trash Regulations. There was no discussion. Ms. Nembhard requested that Mr. John read the official motion at the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for July 17, 2019.

7. **DISCUSSION OF FY2020 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**

Mr. Barber presented the Council with the proposed FY2020 Council Meeting Schedule. There was no discussion. Ms. Nembhard requested that Mr. Lashley read the official motion at the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for July 17, 2019.

8. **DISCUSSION OF HEAL (HEALTHY EATING ACTIVE LIVING) GRANT PROJECT**

Ms. Ruff presented the Council with the proposed HEAL (Healthy Eating Active Living) Grant Project. Ms. Ruff had provided the Council with an in-depth memorandum detailing the project. There was no discussion. Ms. Ruff noted the required funding for the projects is included in the proposed budget amendment.

9. **DISCUSSION OF VETERANS PARK**

Mayor Rosenberg and Mr. George presented the Council with the proposed thoughts on creating additional memorials at Veterans Park. Carrollton Enterprises has approached the City with placing a memorial at the park for former Mayor Andrew C. Hanko. The staff requested time to evaluate the parking and come back to the Council at a future meeting with a formal plan. Ms. Robbins noted she would contact former Mayor Jordan Harding on the details from when the park was officially dedicated.

10. **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 20-01 BUDGET AMENDMENT RECONCILIATION NO. ONE: TO AMEND ORDINANCE 19-17 CURRENT EXPENSE BUDGET FOR FY2020**

Mr. George presented the Council with the proposed Emergency Ordinance 20-01 Budget Amendment Reconciliation No. One: To Amend Ordinance 19-17 Current Expense Budget for FY2020. There was no discussion. Ms. Nembhard requested that Mr. Peterson read the official motion at the Council Legislative Meeting scheduled for July 17, 2019.

11. 4-CITIES COALITION MEETING – WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019 (HOSTED BY THE TOWN OF BERWYN HEIGHTS) AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Barber noted the upcoming 4-Cities Coalition Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 24, 2019, being hosted by the Town of Berwyn Heights. The Council requested that New Carrollton request the topic of Residential Parking be added to the upcoming 4-Cities Meeting agenda.

12. MEETING MINUTES

- a) Council Workshop Meeting (June 5, 2019)
- b) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (June 17, 2019)
- c) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (June 19, 2019)
- d) Special Council Meeting Minutes (June 25, 2019)

Ms. Nembhard advised the Council that the minutes for June 2019 had been provided to the Council. Ms. Nembhard requested the Council provide any corrections to Mr. Barber.

13. REVIEW OF THE BILLS

Batch # 1 (June 18, 2019); Batch # 2 (June 20, 2019); Batch # 3 (July 2, 2019); and Batch # 4 (July 11, 2019)

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

14. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

Mr. Herbert Traxler, 5711 Runford Drive, addressed his comments and concerns regarding the following: environment, parking and code enforcement.

Ms. June Garrett, 6109 87th Avenue, addressed the Council with her comments and concerns regarding residential parking in the City.

Mr. Craig McLain, 5709 85th Avenue, addressed the Council regarding parking concerns in the City.

Mr. Greg Johnson, 8503 Sprague Place, addressed the Council regarding parking concerns in the City.

Ms. Loretta Lacy, 5813 Runford Drive, addressed the Council regarding parking concerns in the City.

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Green Team Membership

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Ms. Robbins moved to adjourn the City Council Workshop Meeting of Monday, July 15, 2019, seconded by Mr. Lashley. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Douglass A. Barber, MMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on August 21, 2019.

