

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2020**

The Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:13 p.m., on Wednesday, June 3, 2020, as a virtual meeting. Attending were Chair Phelecia Nembhard, Councilmembers Roy A. Peterson, Lincoln Lashley, Stephen L. John, Sarah Potter Robbins, Mayor Duane Rosenberg, (arrived at 8:22 p.m.), City Administrative Officer Tim George, Chief of Police David Rice, Human Resources Administrator Alayna Rowlett, and City Clerk Doug Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nembhard welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

City Administrative Officer George advised the Council that Mayor Rosenberg was attending a PGCMA Meeting and would arrive later in the meeting. City Administrative Officer George had no formal report; but advised the Council that he worked with all the City staff to provide the City's response to the CARES Act Funding provided by Prince George's County, as the submittal deadline was Friday, May 22, 2020. Mr. George provided the Council an overview of what preparations and supplies would be needed to bring staff back to the City Municipal Center safely. Mr. George closed by noting that Interim Director of Public Works Nagro had been excused from the meeting and provided an update on issues being addressed by the Department of Public Works.

Chief Rice had no official report. Chief Rice updated the Council on how the New Carrollton Police Department is responding to concerns regarding the potential protesting/rioting that is taking place in surrounding communities.

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. John had no questions or announcements.

Mr. Lashley requested an update on COVID-19 supplies that are needed for the Department of Public Works employees. Mr. George advised that the department is currently fully stocked with the required supplies.

Mr. Peterson requested clarification on why the Recap of the Town Hall Meeting on Parking Concerns was taken off the June 3, 2020, agenda. Chair Nembhard advised that the City staff had no additional information to share with the Council that had not been previously shared on the issue.

Ms. Robbins had no questions or announcements.

Ms. Nembhard thanked all the volunteers and all the supporters who donated food for distribution. Ms. Nembhard closed by noting the numerous food bank distributions in the City of New Carrollton along with their dates and times of operation.

4. PRESENTATION – FREE LITTLE PANTRY – MS. AGNELLI SYBEL

Ms. Agenni Sybel presented the Council with presentation for a proposal to support placing a Free Little Pantry in front of her home. Ms. Sybel explained the proposed program, and advised that it would work similarly to the Little Library Program, except with non-perishable food items. The Council stated their support for the proposal and requested City Administrative Officer George to move forward ensuring all requirements have been put into place for Ms. Sybel to have a Free Little Pantry in New Carrollton.

5. 2020 ELECTION UPDATE – MR. CHARLES DAVIS, CHAIR BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Board of Elections Chair Davis and City Clerk Barber provided the Council with an update on the 2020 Election. Mr. Davis reminded residents that the 2020 Election was being done by mail and requested residents that if they had questions to please contact the Board of Elections through the City Clerk by phone or email. Mr. Davis closed by noting that residents could drop off their official ballots at the Ballot Drop scheduled for Monday, June 8, 2020, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the City Municipal Center. The Council thanked Mr. Davis and the entire Board of Elections for their work on the election.

6. DISCUSSION OF HARLAND STREET PROPERTY

City Administrative Officer George provided the Council with an update on numerous concepts for the use/development of the Harland Street Property. The Council discussed at length the following concepts for the property: Single Family Residential, Age Restricted Housing (Senior Housing), City Park, City Skate Park. The Council thanked Mr. George for the update and follow-up. Mr. George advised the Council once they had agreed on an option(s); that the staff would provide additional detailed information to the Council at a future meeting.

7. COVID-19 RELIEF TO RESIDENTS

City Administrative Officer George provided the Council with an update on the City's response to COVID-19 relief efforts for residents. Mr. George advised the Council that the City recently completed a CARES Act funding request through Prince George's County. The request included funding for COVID-19 relief bags. Mr. George noted that the City will be developing selection criteria to determine who would be eligible to receive the bags.

8. MUNICIPAL CENTER RENOVATION – ADMINISTRATION BACK DOOR

City Administrative Officer George advised the Council that the City had received a preliminary quote to replace the administration back door; however, over the last two months the issue has not been able to be addressed do to COVID-19. Mr. George noted that on June 1, 2020, the City returned to Phase 2 operations, with limited in-office activity and the staff will resume the research and discussion into options for the replacement of the administration back door.

9. MEETING MINUTES

- a) Council Workshop Meeting/Special Council Legislative Minutes (April 1, 2020)
- b) Special Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (April 9, 2020)
- c) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (April 13, 2020)
- d) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (April 15, 2020)
- e) Council Closed Meeting Minutes (March 16, 2020)
- f) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (May 6, 2020)
- g) Special Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (May 11, 2020)
- h) Council Workshop Meeting/Special Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 18, 2020)
- i) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 20, 2020)

Ms. Nembhard advised the Council that the Council Meeting Minutes for April 2020 and May 2020 are being prepared and will be provided to the Council when they are complete. Ms. Nembhard requested that the Council provide any corrections to Mr. Barber once the minutes have been provided.

10. RESIDENTS' CONCERNS, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION AND TELEPHONE CALLS

Craig McLane, 5709 85th Avenue, addressed the Council with questions on the upcoming 2020 Election and the Harland Street Property. Mr. George provided responses to Mr. McLane's questions.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Peterson requested a recap on the Town Hall Meeting regarding Parking Concerns at the next Council Workshop Meeting

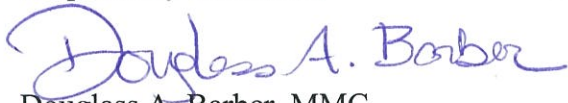
Ms. Robbins requested that the Council discuss the Replacement of the Administration Back Door.

12. **ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED MEETING**

Motion: Chair Nembhard moved that the Council adjourn into a Closed Meeting, in accordance with the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, §3-305 (b) (7) to consult with Counsel to obtain legal advice regarding certain Collective Bargaining, seconded by Mr. Lashley. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The meeting adjourned into the Closed Meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglass A. Barber, MMC

City Clerk

Adopted by the Council on August 19, 2020.