



NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING

NO. 96-02

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1996, IN CONFERENCE ROOM #230 AT THE NEW CARROLLTON MUNICIPAL CENTER.

Topics of Discussion

1. Officer Juan Cordone, Community Oriented Officer, Frenchman's Creek Condominiums.
- * 2. Proposed Budget Amendment No. 8 (F.Y. 1996 Current Expense Budget) For A Chipper - Second Reading.
- * 3. Proposed Budget Amendment No. 9 (F.Y. 1996 Current Expense Budget) To Increase Overtime For Snow Removal Purposes.
4. Review Of Revenue Resources Decreases In Fiscal Year 1997 Budget.
- * 5. Review Of Council Meeting Minutes:
January 2, 1996
January 3, 1996
6. Review Of List Of Bills
7. Report Of The Mayor and Council
8. Adjournment

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**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
January 16, 1996**

The meeting of the City Council Workshop Meeting was called to order by Chairman John A. Schaffer at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Andrew C. Hanko, Council Members Raymond J. Garvey, Rose M. Hurdle, Stephen L. Keleti, Sarah C. Potter, Administrative Officer Lawrence E. Pierce, Assistant Administrative Officer Carol A. Vitale and Public Works Director Richard E. Robbins.

Topics of Discussion

1a. Discussion In Regard to Blizzard 1996

Chairman Schaffer initiated the discussion by stating that the City Staff performed an outstanding job and that this is one example of the advantages to live in a municipality that provides its own services to the residents in the community. Also, Mr. Schaffer stated that he received numerous compliments from his neighbors. Public Works Director Robbins stated that the snow removal crew worked two successive nights in order to keep abreast of the situation. Discussion ensued with Chairman Schaffer stating the school children are forced to walk on City streets since sidewalks have not been cleared. Mayor Hanko replied that the City has a list of snow shovelers which will be included in his report at the Wednesday City Council Meeting. Also, Mayor Hanko will remind the residents that their sidewalks must be cleared of snow within 24 hours after the storm. Council Member Keleti stated that his neighbors shoveled their sidewalks, but has observed school children walking on the streets. Mayor Hanko stated that he will forward a letter to the local schools so that this issue can be addressed accordingly.

Chairman Schaffer asked Mr. Robbins if storm drains have been cleared and opened so that water may easily flow into catch basins to avoid flooding. Mr. Robbins replied that 40 to 50 storm drains in the City have been opened and cleared as well as storm drains in the apartment complexes. Council Member Garvey suggested that snow removed from City streets be dumped at Beckett Field. Mr. Robbins replied that this could destroy the field and create a bigger problem. Council Member Hurdle suggested that emergency notices and the trash removal schedule be televised on Channel B-10.

At this time, Community Contract Police Officer Juan Cordone and Officer Scarlatta arrived and were introduced to the Council.

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1. Discussion with Community Oriented Police Officer Juan Cordone and Officer Scarlatta

Mayor Hanko initiated the discussion by informing the Council that Officer Cordone will be patrolling 85th Avenue and Officer Scarlatta will be patrolling the area surrounding Heritage Square. Officer Cordone informed the Council that the Hyattsville Police Department has its own bicycle patrol unit which is funded by the community. Mayor Hanko stated that the City is pursuing this option and that Officer Doug Easter has expressed an interest to participate in the program. At this point, Council Member Garvey asked Officer Cordone if his office is located at Heritage Square. Officer Cordone replied that his office is located at the Carrollton Manor Apartments on 85th Avenue. Officer Cordone stated the since the City has a problem with B&E's, he patrols the area twice a day. Officer Scarlatta informed the Council that Prince George's Plaza will have a police outpost station. Mayor Hanko replied that the City has requested that a police outpost station be placed at Carrollton Mall which was denied. Chairman Schaffer asked if Heritage Square has problems with drug activity. Officer Cordone replied that Heritage Square is known as an open air drug market and the drug dealers who are arrested usually live outside the area. Council Member Garvey asked if the apartment complex on 85th Avenue has problems with drug activity. Officer Scarlatta replied that although there are problems with drug activity, the Heritage Square apartment complex is the local spot for such activity.

After a lengthy discussion, Officer Cordone and Officer Scarlatta were excused from the meeting and thanked for attending.

2. Consideration to the Proposed Budget Amendment No. 8 For A Chipper Machine - Second Reading

(Applies to F.Y. 1996 Current Expense Budget)

The item was placed on the Wednesday Agenda for action.

3. Consideration to the Proposed Budget Amendment No. 9 To Increase Overtime For Snow Removal Purposes

(Applies to F.Y. 1996 Current Expense Budget)

Council Member Hurdle informed the Council that FEMA will be dispersing funds to local municipalities for relief purposes.

The item was placed on the Wednesday Agenda for approval.

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4. Review of Revenue Resources Decreases In Fiscal Year 1997 Budget

This item will be discussed at the next City Council Workshop Meeting.

5. Consideration to the City Council Minutes

January 2, 1996 - Corrections to the Minutes of the City Council Workshop Meeting were submitted to the recording secretary.

The item was placed on the Wednesday Agenda for approval.

January 3, 1996 - Corrections to the Minutes of the City Council Meeting were submitted to the recording secretary.

The item was placed on the Wednesday Agenda for approval.

6. Review of the List of Bills

The List of Bills were reviewed and placed on the Wednesday Agenda for approval. Administrative Officer Pierce noted that \$51,218 is a progress payment to the Tot Lot Playground which is a reimbursable item through the Block Grant Program.

7. Report of the Mayor and Council

Mayor Hanko reported the following issues:

- Mayor Hanko reported that he received a call from Mr. Jeff Larkin of the West Lanham Volunteer Fire Department to invite the Council to the annual banquet which will be held this Saturday at 6:00 p.m. for cocktails and dinner to be served at 7:00 p.m.

Administrative Officer Pierce had no report.

Public Works Director Robbins had no report.

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Council Member Keleti reported the following issues:

- **Council Member Keleti informed the Council that a Bowie Committee will recommend to the Bowie Council that Bowie establish its own police force and suggested that Mayor Hanco discuss the possibility of creating a municipal police force for the cities of New Carrollton, College Park and Bowie with districts in each of the cities at the Mayor's meeting.**
- **Council Member Keleti asked if Dr. Rosson is still experiencing lack of parking spaces for his clients. Administrative Officer Pierce replied that to the best of his knowledge, there have been no complaints.**
- **Council Member Keleti suggested that the City obtain an independent third party so that the vibration issue on 85th Avenue at the Onda residence can be resolved and corrected.**

Council Member Potter reported the following issues:

- **Council Member Potter reported that she spoke with Michael Jacobs at the P.G.C.M.A. banquet and has learned that the Police can enforce City code enforcement ordinances.**
- **Council Member Potter shared with the Council an article written about Karl Spain's accomplishments and success.**

Council Member Garvey reported the following issues:

- **Council Member Garvey expressed his concern over the transmittal letter of the Revenue and Expenditure Report submitted by Bridgett Mock & Associates, P.A.**

Council Member Hurdle reported the following issues:

- **Council Member Hurdle reported that she will be attending a MML Legislative Meeting with Governor Glendening as guest speaker.**
- **Council Member Hurdle reported that a B&E occurred on Inlet Street.**

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8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Claudia M. Jones

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