

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON MINUTES
COUNCIL WORKSHOP / LEGISLATIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022**

The Council Workshop/Legislative Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, as a virtual meeting. Attending were Chairperson Cynthia DB Mills; Councilmembers Allyne Hooks, Katrina Dodro, and Briana Urbina; Mayor Phelecia Nembhard; City Administrative Officer Latasha Gatling; Assistant City Administrative Officer Michael McMahon; Finance Director Lorna Grant-Charles; Chief of Police David G. Rice; Director of Public Works Andre Triplett; Information Technology Administrator Andrew Facey; and Office Manager Assistant Araceli Guzman.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Mills welcomed everyone and called the Workshop meeting to order.

2. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Nembhard referred to Chief of Police David Rice for his report.

Chief Rice began stating he has no report and will send the crime statistics once he receives them. He further stated PD is stepping up enforcement of stop sign violations.

Director of Public Works Triplett stated they are working on grass cutting, installing speed bumps, crosswalk painting, and tree trimming.

City Administrative Officer Gatling was called on to deliver the administration's report. Ms. Gatling stated the new phone system is up and running. The Municipal Center Restroom Upgrade Project is complete. The City did receive an award for a grant from the Maryland Energy Administration to install solar panels on the Municipal Center roof. MML Summer Conference is coming up soon and the registration packets will be available next week.

Mayor Nembhard concluded by stating that she wished Ms. Mills well. The City has been receiving complaints of loud noise and code enforcement is responding. The downed power lines that have been down are being repaired. Finally, she stated she signed a letter of support for Sustainable Maryland to continue its role as the State EAP through the University of Maryland

3. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Urbina shared that running stop signs is an issue and thanked the Chief for their efforts.

Councilmember Dodro requested the agenda order be rearranged to have the Budget discussion in the Legislative section instead of the Workshop section. No one had an issue with the change. She then asked about the memorial services for former Councilmember Potter-Robins and for someone to comment on the upcoming Special Election to fill the vacancy on the Council

It was stated the memorial service is on June 7th and at the United Baptist Church at 1 pm.

Ms. Gatling stated we had to do a re-set of the Special Election process and that a postcard will go soon to the residence.

Ms. Gatling then stated a number of items were left off of this Agenda including the setting of the 2022 Schedule of Fees, setting the date for the special election, two proclamations, and the

purchase of police vehicles. She stated the City Charter states says the Council must meet on the third Wednesday of June. A discussion followed about what time of day to hold that meeting.

Councilmember Urbina made a motion to hold the June 15th meeting at 2pm. Councilmember Hooks seconded the motion. All were in favor.

A discussion took place about issuing a purchase order for the five police cars the Chief wants to purchase from a Pennsylvania dealer. The Chief stated all he needs is a Purchase Order to lock the lock procurement.

4. **MML- ALL PREPARED FOLDERS WILL BE IN MAILBOXES**

Ms. Gatling stated the registration folders will be in your mailboxes next week.

5. **REVIEW OF SUGGESTED CHANGES TO THE FY 2023 BUDGET**

The City Councilmembers then discussed changes made from the previous versions of the proposed FY23 Budget.

6. **Public Comment – (Residents’ Concerns, Audience Participation and Phone Calls)**

Chairperson Mills if any residents had any comments for the City Council. No one spoke

ADJOURNMENT OF WORKSHOP MEETING

Chairperson Mills asked for a motion to adjourn the Workshop meeting.

Councilmember Urbina made the motion to adjourn the June 1, 2022, City Council Workshop and convene June 1, 2022, City Council Legislative Meeting. Councilmember Dodro Seconded the motion and all were in favor.

CALL TO ORDER OF THE LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Chairperson Mills called the Legislative Meeting to order.

7. **ORDINANCE 22-05 FY 2023 BUDGET (SECOND READING)**

Councilmember Urbina made a motion to adopt Ordinance 22-05, an Ordinance of the City Council of New Carrollton adopting an annual operating and capital budget for the City of New Carrollton for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023; Establishing the tax rate to be levied upon the taxable property within the City; Authorizing the collection of such taxes; Specifying a rate of interest to be charged upon overdue personal property taxes, liens and unpaid fees: Adopting annual budgets for the Commercial and/or Industrial Properties Special Public Safety Taxing District and the Multifamily Properties Special Public Safety Taxing District; Establishing the Annual Tax Rate to be levied upon the Special Public Safety Taxing Districts; and all things generally relating to the adoption of an annual budget for the City of New Carrollton.

Councilmember Dodro seconded the motion and all were in favor.

8. **COMMENT ON LETTERS (CHAIRMAN & MAYOR) TO RESIDENTS PERTAINING TO FY 2023 BUDGET**

A discussion followed on the letters to residents pertaining to the FY 2023 Budget.

9. **MEETING MINUTES**

- a.) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (May 4, 2022)
- b.) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (May 16, 2022)
- c.) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (May 18, 2022)

Councilmember Dodro stated no minutes were in the agenda packet. No action was taken

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilmember Dodro moved to adjourn the Council Legislative Meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2022. Councilmember Urbina seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The meeting ended at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael McMahon
Assistant City Administrative
Officer

Adopted by the City Council on July 20, 2022.

Note: The official recording of the City of New Carrollton's Council Legislative Meeting of Wednesday, June 1, 2022, has been posted to the City of New Carrollton's website.

