CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON MINUTES COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021

The Council Workshop Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, October 18, 2021, as a virtual meeting. Attending were Chair Cynthia DB Mills, Councilmembers, Allyne Hooks, Sarah Potter Robbins, Katrina R. Dodro and Briana Urbina, Mayor Phelecia Nembhard, City Administrative Officer Latasha Gatling, Assistant City Administrative Officer Michael McMahon, Human Resource Administrator Randi Barclay, Chief of Police David G. Rice, Director of Public Works Andre Triplett, and City Clerk Doug Barber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mills welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. CLEAR WATER PARTNERSHIP - PRESENTATION AND PROJECT UPDATE

Ms. Bianca Santos with the Clear Water Partnership provided the Mayor and City Council with an update on the Briars Mills Stream Restoration Project. The City Council expressed their concerns with the overgrowth and overall site of the project. Mayor Nembhard noted that the City of New Carrollton were advised prior to the start of the project that it would look bad before it would look better. Ms. Santos responded to questions given by the City Council on the project.

3. REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION

Chief of Police Rice had no written report. Chief Rice noted that he was working with City Clerk Barber on the preparations of the 2021 Halloween Goodie Bag Distribution. Chief Rice addressed concerns he had received regarding the area surrounding the 6000 Harland Street property.

Director of Public Works Triplett provided an official written report to the City Council. Mr. Triplett requested that residents put their yard waste out with their second trash collection. Mr. Triplett closed his report by providing the monthly stats for September 2021.

City Administrative Officer Gatling provided an official written report to the City Council. . Ms. Gatling noted that the City of New Carrollton had issued an RFP for VOIP Telephone System and held the official bid opening on Friday, October 15, 2021. Ms. Gatling noted an official recommendation will be forth coming to the City Council in November 2021. Ms. Gatling closed her report by noting the meetings and events she had attended as well as Assistant City Administrative Officer McMahon.

Mayor Nembhard noted the passing of Col. General Powell. Mayor Nembhard noted that the City of New Carrollton would follow federal and state guideline regarding the lowering of the flags at the City facilities in his honor. Mayor Nembhard advised the City Council of her attendance at a press conference held in the City of College Park regarding the Prince George's County Council's plan to redistrict parts of College Park. Mayor Nembhard closed her report by advising the City Council that the City of New Carrollton received a Prince

George's County Beautification Award for our Community Garden located at Saint Christopher's Church.

4. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Urbina thanked Mayor Nembhard for providing the City Council an update on the Prince George's County Council's redistricting plan.

Ms. Dodro noted that she appreciated Mayor Nembhard's update on the Prince George's County Council's redistricting plan. Ms. Dodro also attended the press conference. Ms. Dodro encouraged all residents, and City Councilmembers to send letters to the County Council on the issue.

Ms. Hooks had no questions. Ms. Hooks requested that for future Veterans Day Ceremonies in the City of New Carrollton that they be scheduled and held on Veterans Day.

Ms. Robbins supported Ms. Hooks request to have future Veterans Day Ceremonies held on the actual holiday.

5. PARKS AND HARLAND STREET PROPERTY SURVEY RESULTS

Assistant City Administrative Officer McMahon addressed City Councilmembers with regards to Parks and Harland Street Property Survey Results. Mr. McMahon provided an official report to the City Council. The City Council discussed the report at length. City Councilmembers would like to see additional surveys handed out during the 2021 Annual Halloween Event and the 2021 Shredding Event. The City staff thanked those that had submitted the survey and encouraged all residents to respond to the survey.

6. MEETING MINUTES

- a) City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (September 13, 2021)
- b) City Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (September 15, 2021)

City Clerk Barber informed the City Council that the minutes from September 2021 have been prepared and provided to the City Council for their review and comments.

7. REVIEW OF PAID BILLS

Batch # 1 (September 10, 2021); Batch # 2 (September 17, 2021); Batch # 3 (September 24, 2021); Batch # 4 (October 1, 2021); Batch # 5 (October 8, 2021); and Batch # 6 (October 15, 2021)

Chair Mills advised the City Councilmembers to review the paid bills and to contact the City Staff with any questions. The City Council had no questions.

8. Public Comment - Residents' Concerns, Audience Participation and Telephone Calls

Ms. Raneda L. King, 6709 Sunset Terrance, addressed the City Council with her concerns with the property at 6000 Harland Street.

Ms. June Garrett, 6109 87th Avenue, addressed her concerns to the City Council regarding the current appearance of the Briar Mills Ditch.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Dodro requested an informational session to discuss the 2020 Census Data collection and the impacts to the City of New Carrollton.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Robbins moved to adjourn the Council Workshop Meeting of Monday, October 18, 2021, seconded by Ms. Urbina. The motion was approved (5-0-0).

The meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglass A. Barber, MMC

City Clerk

Adopted by the City Council on November 17, 2021.

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Note: The official recording of the City of New Carrollton's Council Workshop Meeting of Monday, October 18, 2021, has been posted to the City of New Carrollton's website.

