

**CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON MINUTES
COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023, 7:00 P.M.**

The Council Legislative Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, as a virtual meeting. Attending were Chairperson Cynthia DB Mills; Lincoln H.G. Lashley, Katrina R. Dodro, and Briana Urbina; Mayor Phelecia Nembhard; Director of Public Works Andre Triplett; Chief David G. Rice; Information Technology Administrator Andrew Facey; and City Clerk Araceli Guzman-Benitez. (Councilmembers Allyne Hooks was absent).

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Mills called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. REPORT FROM THE AUDITORS – BRIDGET MOCK & ASSOCIATES, P.A.

Finance Director Lorna Grant-Charles presented Ms. Diane Mock to provide the audit report for the year ending June 30, 2022, with Ms. Lori Mayers as well to answer questions.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

NONE

4. MEETING MINUTES

- a.) Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (January 4, 2023)
- b.) Council Legislative Meeting Minutes (January 18, 2023)

Councilmember Mills move that the City Council approve the following minutes: (Council Workshop Meeting, January 4, 2023), and (Council Legislative Meeting, January 18, 2023).

There was no discussion. Chairperson Mills called for the vote. The motion passed (4-1-0).

5. COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS PERTAINING TO INFORMATION THAT WILL BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF NEW CARROLLTON

Chairperson Mills open the floor for the topic.

Councilmember Urbina announced did not have comments.

Councilmember Lashley asked whether to postponed the meeting minutes; Chairperson Mills clarified that she read the motion; Ms. Lashley asked about structural issue on Powhatan and Westbrook Drive

Councilmember Dodro stated that she was at a meet and Greet for County Councilmember at Large Mel Franklyn and he was talking about the school system and P-3 partnerships in trying to build schools; Jason Washington from PGCPs brought out a presentation about the phase II school package

OLD BUSINESS

6. THE ADMINISTRATION SEEKS APPROVAL FROM THE CITY COUNCIL TO ALLOW PGCPS TO PURCHASE LAND FROM THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON: Chairperson Mills open the floor for the topic.

Two parcels of land adjacent to Margaret Brent Regional Special Education Center and an additional parcel adjacent to Robert Frost Elementary School, at a price offer of “\$850,000.”, or any new negotiated price for or all the parcels. These acquisitions would allow Prince George’s County Public Schools to build two new replacement schools that would benefit the community.

Chairperson Mills moved that the City Council approve PGCPS to Purchase Land from the City of New Carrollton, the sale if for two parcels of land adjacent to Margaret Brent Regional Special Education Center, and an additional parcel adjacent to Robert Frost Elementary School, at a price offer of \$850, 000., for or all the parcels. These acquisitions would allow Prince George's County Public Schools to build two new replacement schools that would benefit the community.

Chairperson Mills called the motion. Councilmember Urbina seconded the motion. There was a discussion. Chairperson Mills called for the vote. The motion passed (5-0-0).

7. ADOPTION OF FY2024 BUDGET SCHEDULE

Chairperson Mills presented the topic. A discussion followed. They did not vote on the topic.

Councilmember Lashley moved that the City Council adopt the FY2024 Budget Schedule, as presented at the Council Legislative Meeting of Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

Chairperson Mills called the motion. Councilmember Hooks seconded the motion. There was a discussion. The motion did not passed (2-3-0).

**NEW BUSINESS
NONE**

8. COMMENTS OF PAID BILLS

Chairperson Mills asked if anyone had comments about the list of bills:

Batch #1 (January 1, 2023); Batch # 2 (January 20, 2023).

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Victoria Gourdin from the Office of Congressman Glenn Ivey, introduce herself and she provided her contact information: Victoria.Gourdin@mail.house.gov or call 240-906-6262. Or contact Ethan Sweeps.

Constituent Mr. Emmanuel provided a comment about a meeting that happened at the Library hosted by Katrina Dodro. Constituent Mr. Emmanuel continued to provide comments about said meeting.

Chairperson Mills stated that she wanted to share information about calls that she had received in reference to such meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Mills called the adjournment.

There being no further business, Chairperson Mills moved the motion to adjourn the Council Legislative Meeting for Wednesday, February 15, 2023. Councilmember Hooks seconded the motion. Everyone were in favor. The motion failed. (2-2-0).

Chairperson Mills closed the meeting at 8:10 pm.

The meeting ended at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Araceli Guzman-Benitez

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City Clerk

Adopted by the City Council on April 19, 2023.

Note: The official recording of the City of New Carrollton’s Council Legislative Meeting of Wednesday, February 15, 2023, has been posted to the City of New Carrollton’s website: www.newcarrolltonmd.gov.