

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at 1:45 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Frank J. Calandriello presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice was provided by mail and fax to the official City newspapers and to other interested parties and by posting the meeting notice on the bulletin boards in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Joseph Delaney, Louis G. Aloia, and Frank J. Calandriello
Councilmembers Absent: Tana M. Raymond and Stanley J. Moskal
City Officials Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The Lanza Avenue Water Line and Roadway Improvement Project.

Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano reported on the following:

1. Recently enacted Health Benefit Reform and Pension Reform.

ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER RAYMOND

At 1:50 PM, Councilmember Tana M. Raymond joined the meeting and it was duly noted for the record.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. Proposed Resolutions and Ordinances.

Councilmember Tana M. Raymond reported on the following:

1. A proposed stricter curfew for minors.
2. A proposed tax on rental properties.
3. Property Maintenance issues concerning American Legion Post No. 255 at 163 Cedar Street.
4. The Water Spray Park on Jewell Street and the proposed opening of the park on weekends with an increased fee.

Councilmember Joseph Delaney reported on the following:

1. The recent meeting by Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo at the Offices of the Housing Authority of the City of Garfield concerning the Sewer Fees Ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 11-216

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BIDDING OF THE LANZA AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, MIDLAND AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND PASSAIC STREET STREETScape PROJECT

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey the City hereby authorizes the Bidding of the above referenced project.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

Special Meeting July 5, 2011, Continued

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 11-217

See

The

Following

Pages _____

For

Capital Budget Amendment

ORDINANCES

Councilmember Raymond introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE LANZA AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, THE MIDLAND AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND THE PASSAIC STREET STREETScape IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$700,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Raymond moved that this ordinance entitled: BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE LANZA AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, THE MIDLAND AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND THE PASSAIC STREET STREETScape IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$700,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held on July 19, 2011 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk shall be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record Newspaper, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Delaney, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 4, Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

Councilmember Raymond introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMMEND ORDINANCE NO.1268, ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE TRAFFIC AND PARKING” IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Raymond moved that this ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO AMMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1268, ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE TRAFFIC AND PARKING” IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held on July 19, 2011 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk shall be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record Newspaper, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Delaney, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 4, Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

EXIT OF CITY ENGINEER BOSWELL AND INTERIM
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER RIGGITANO

At 2:59 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano left the meeting and it was duly noted for the record.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 11-218

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that a "Closed Session" is hereby called at 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 5, 2011, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (the hiring of three new police officers; promotion of Lieutenant Darren Sucurowski to Police Captain; suspension of Police Officer Mariggi Lopez after accident with police car).
- * Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplinary action of personnel unless the individual in the right request a public meeting in writing; (the hiring of three new police officers; promotion of Police Lieutenant Darren Sucurowski to Police Captain; suspension of Police Officer Mariggi Lopez after accident with police car).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 –Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Tana M. Raymond

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 3:10 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Aloia moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Raymond duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK