

A Work Session of the City Council was held Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at 6:05 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 board in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Tana M. Raymond, Louis G. Aloia, Stanley J. Moskal and Frank J. Calandriello

Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Joseph J. Rotolo, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano, City Auditor Dieter Lerch, Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo and Police Chief Kevin J. Amos

OUTWATER LANE POST OFFICE SUBSTATION

The City Council and Cabinet met with Garfield Postal Employees Jessica Davila and Joseph Sokol who presented a petition objecting to the proposed reduction of the hours of the Outwater Lane Post Office Substation located at 85 Outwater Lane to 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The City Council and Cabinet met with Susan Safire, the Executive Director of the Habitat for Humanity of Bergen County, 10 Banta Place – Suite 105, Hackensack, NJ 07601, concerning their proposed project of Zoë's Place, for homeless teenage mothers and their children, to be located at 58 Farnham Avenue.

2008 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the 2008 Municipal Budget.

ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY AND CITY ENGINEER BOSWELL

At 6:45 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney joined the Work Session; and at 6:55, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell joined the Work Session during the discussion of the 2008 Municipal Budget. It was duly noted for the record.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 08-266

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 7:10 PM on Tuesday, July 22, 2008, 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 of or possible violations of the law; (Past performance and need for accurate water meter reading and billing; Surrounding property owners to be notified by the federal Environmental Protection Agency of alleged Chromium Spill by E.C. Electroplating of Clark Street in December of 1983 and public hearing on this matter proposed to be held in August 2008).

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- * 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; (Fees for professionals such as the City Engineer, City Attorney, Etc.).

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 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Stanley J. Moskal

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:10 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Raymond moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Moskal duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK