

A Work Session of the City Council was held Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at 6:15 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: Louis G. Aloia, James Krone, Joseph Delaney and Frank J. Calandriello

Councilmembers Absent: Stanley J. Moskal

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

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. Fire Official/Acting Construction Code Official Gerald Walis has proposed a reorganization of the Building Department including a proposed full time Building Inspector/Zoning Officer with the additional duties of Illegal Housing and Property Maintenance and a new pay schedule for the Electrical Subcode Official, the Fire Subcode Official, the Plumbing Subcode Official, the Construction Code Official and the full time Building Inspector/Zoning Officer.
2. The proposed resolution to engage the services of retired New Jersey Superior Court Judge Patrick F.X. Fitzpatrick as a consultant and hearing officer for disciplinary matters.
3. The payment of pension checks to retired firemen.
4. The thank you letter from Deputy Police Chief Kevin Amos to the Building Department for allowing the Police Department to utilize their jeep.
5. The proposed resolution concerning the Preliminary Assessment Report provided by City Engineer Boswell concerning Improvements to Twentieth Century Field.
6. Phase I of the Water System Master Plan Implementation.
7. The Belmont Oval Improvement.
8. The proposal for professional services from Arcari and, Iovino Architects, PC for City Hall Roof Drainage Improvements.
9. The proposed Garden State Paper Redevelopment Agreement.
10. At the direction of City Manager Duch, Interim Chief Financial Officer Riggitano has contacted the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs concerning a request to apply \$50,000 from the Liveable Communities Grant towards construction of the Historic Dundee Dam Pedestrian Way and Preserve.
11. The Garden State Paper Redevelopment at 950 River Drive and the need for an agreement to provide water to the site, which was provided for decades by the Passaic Valley Water Commission.
12. The proposed construction of a water line coming off the 30" main line from the Elmwood Park Well Field to run down Lanza Avenue to River Drive to provide enhanced water pressure to the entire area and in connection with the water needs for the Garden State Paper Redevelopment.

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13. The new MEL Safety Institute Electronic Tracking System for employees of municipalities in Joint Insurance Funds to keep track of completion of mandatory training courses.
14. He has scheduled an initial collective bargaining session with union leaders of PBA Local No. 46 on Wednesday, January 9, 2008 at 3:00 PM at City Hall.
15. The swear-in ceremony of police officers to begin tonight's Regular Meeting.
16. The grant award for a Recreation bus from New Jersey Transit.
17. In a recent newspaper article in the Bergen Record, New Jersey School District Aid for the City of Garfield is scheduled to go from \$38-39 million in 2007-2008 to \$46,772,000 in 2008-2009.
18. The revised construction schedule of APS Contractors, Inc., who is the contractor for Phase I of the Water System Master Plan.

Mayor Frank J. Calandriello reported on the following:

1. The water pressure at 104 Wood Street.

ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER MOSKAL

At 7:30 PM, Councilmember Stanley J. Moskal joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 07-465

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 7:30 PM on Tuesday, December 18, 2007, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- \* Collective bargaining agreements including the negotiation of the terms and thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body; (White Collar Collective Bargaining Proposal Voted Down by the White Collar Employees).
- \* Matters involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds (Banking Proposal from Spencer Savings Bank; Proposed Purchase of 403 Midland Avenue at the Corner of Beech Street; Garfield Boys and Girls Club Request for Municipal Bingo License Fee to Be Waived).
- \* Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (Garfield Girls Softball League Matter With Coach Joseph Evelina Appears to Be Strictly a League Matter and the City Council Should Continue to Remain Uninvolved With This Matter).

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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; (Proposed Retirements of Police Chief Robert Andrezzi and Police Captain Glenn Mati; Health Department Organization – Yvette Delaney as Registrar of Vital Statistics, Lisa Sokulski as Deputy Registrar and Darlene Revielle as Alternate Deputy Registrar; Jason Gakowski leaving for the Bergen County Police Force; Workers Compensation Claim of Police Officer Francisco Sanchez; Disability Retirement of DPW Employee John Prencik; Disciplinary Hearing for Marcy Calabrese has been Scheduled for January 9, 2008).

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) James Krone  
Louis G. Aloia

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:00 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Krone moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Moskal duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK