

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 6:15 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Joseph Delaney presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the Work Session 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: Frank J. Calandriello, Louis G. Aloia, Glenn A. Mati and Joseph Delaney

Councilmembers Absent: Tana M. Raymond

Also Present: City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John Bruno), Labor Counsel John Lavin, City Engineer Representative Bernard Mirandi (for City Engineer Kevin Boswell), Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano, Police Chief Kevin Amos and Redevelopment Agency Attorney Christos Ditzkas

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Police Chief Kevin Amos reported on the following:

1. National Night Out scheduled to be held Tuesday, August 6, 2013 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Twentieth Century Field off Elizabeth Street.
2. The Police Report addressing the concerns of the neighbors of Division Avenue. On Wednesday, July 10, 2013, The Speed Radar Trailer was placed in the neighborhood and on Thursday, July 11, 2013, the Command Bus was placed there and the neighbors came to the bus to meet police officers. A Tube Survey was done to count vehicles and record speed. A Police Officer with a radar gun was also assigned to the neighborhood. Motor vehicle accidents from 2008 to the present were also analyzed.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 13-234

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 6:40 P.M. on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- * Matters involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds; (settlement negotiations with Schley Crossing, LLC for Redevelopment Zone located at 163 Schley Street, Garfield, New Jersey Block 119.03 Lot 52).
- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (background checks of DPW candidates; proposed resolution appealing New Jersey PERC decision).
- * Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (settlement negotiations with Schley Crossing, LLC for Redevelopment Zone located at 163 Schley Street, Garfield, New Jersey Block 119.03 Lot 52, defense of various tax appeals; English Paving vs. the City).

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.

CLOSED SESSION

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Glenn A. Mati

ARRIVAL AND EXIT OF VARIOUS CITY OFFICIALS

At 7:10 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell joined the Work Session and at 7:30 PM, Garfield Redevelopment Agency Attorney Christos Ditzkas left the Work Session. At 7:40 PM Police Chief Kevin Amos left the Work Session. It was duly noted for the record.

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After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:00 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The written Report of the City Engineer dated July 23, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:05 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Aloia moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

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

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK