

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 6:25 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Deputy Mayor Tana Raymond 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, Tana M. Raymond and Glenn A. Mati

Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John Bruno), City Engineer Representative Bernard Mirandi (for City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell), Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano, Fire Official Gerald Walis and Property Maintenance Inspector John Pinto

LA FESTIVA ITALIANA

The City Council and Cabinet met with Vincent Leto concerning La Festiva Italiana scheduled to be held Thursday, August 14, 2014 through Sunday, August 17, 2014, surrounding the property of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Roman Catholic Church located near the intersection of Frederick Street and Mac Arthur Avenue.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE REQUIRING ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNERS TO CLEAR FIRE HYDRANTS AFTER SNOW STORMS

The City Council and Cabinet with Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo and discussed a proposed ordinance to require abutting property owners to clear fire hydrants after snow storms and a proposed ordinance which would require residents to clear crosswalk corners. Superintendent Garofalo proposed the procurement of tandem dump trucks and a snow clearing machine.

ARRIVAL OF CITY AUDITOR LERCH AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER ROSSI

At 6:40 PM, City Auditor Dieter Lerch and Environmental Engineer Frank Rossi of Boswell Engineering joined the Work Session. It was duly noted for the record.

2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the 2014 Municipal Budget.

ARRIVAL OF MAYOR DELANEY, POLICE CHIEF AMOS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR MARSH

At 7:20 PM, Mayor Joseph Delaney, Police Chief Kevin Amos and Emergency Management Coordinator Michael Marsh joined the Work Session. It was duly noted for the record. Mayor Delaney chaired the Work Session from this point forward.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The written Report of the City Engineer dated February 25, 2014.

EXIT OF AUDITOR LERCH, POLICE CHIEF AMOS, FIRE OFFICIAL WALIS,
SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS GAROFALO AND
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTOR PINTO

At 7:35 PM, City Auditor Dieter Lerch, Police Chief Kevin Amos, Fire Official Gerald Walis, Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo and Property Maintenance Inspector John Pinto left the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 14-81

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 7:40 P.M. on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, 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; (meeting with Environmental Engineer Frank Rossire: removal of a storage tank in the 1990's at the DPW yard located at 413 Midland Avenue and any required cleanup which may be required by the State of Department of Environmental Protection).
- * Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (possible grievance concerning Police Officers working as Police Investigators).

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) Tana M. Raymond
Frank J. Calandriello

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:35 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Raymond moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK