

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 6:20 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

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

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), Labor Counsel John Lavin, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano and Michael Johnston of Lerch, Vinci and Higgins Registered Municipal Accountant

PROPOSED TRAFFIC PLAN AROUND WASHINGTON IRVING SCHOOL NO. FOUR AND THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the proposed changing of the Alternate Side Parking rules, changing streets to One Way Streets, and establishing four-way stop intersections in the area of Washington Irving School No. Four located on Madonna Place and the Middle School located on Lanza Avenue.

PROPOSED DOG RUN

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the proposed establishment of a Dog Run at the Hobart Place Playground or the Lizette Street Playground.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The proposed close out of the Twentieth Century Field Improvement Project.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 14-427

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 6:55 P.M. on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, 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; (review of PBA Local No. 46 collective bargaining negotiations).
- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (Body cameras for Garfield Police Officers).
- * Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (Meeting with Connor Strong and Buckelew Vice President Diane Peterson and Senior Associate Consultant/Employer Benefits consulting

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Regina M. Garber re: Employee Health Benefits Plan review including Prescription Plan).

- * 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; (Grievances regarding Police Officers Pedro Gongora and Eric Dudek; White Collar Union Dues Grievance).

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 Delaney

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Louis G. Aloia

EXIT AND ARRIVAL OF VARIOUS CITY OFFICIALS

At 7:10 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell left the Work Session during Closed Session. At 7:25 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney joined the Work Session during Closed Session. At 7:45 PM, Michael Johnston of Lerch, Vinci and Higgins left the Work Session during Closed Session. It was duly noted for the record.

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:30 PM, there being no further business, the Work Session was adjourned.

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK