

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 6:30 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, fax and email 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 and City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

The Mayor and Council discussed the Person to Person and Place to Place Transfer Application of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0221-33-055-005, from Danuta Stecyk and Stanislaw Wojdat, a Partnership (Danuta Stecyk, 134 Semel Avenue, Garfield, NJ 07026 – who owns 50% of the shares of the Partnership, and Stanislaw Wojdat, 134 Semel Avenue, Garfield, NJ 07026 – who owns 50% of the shares of the Partnership), for licensed premises located at 175 Jewell Street, Garfield, NJ 07026 to Krigla Brewery, LLC (Dejan Mileski, 69 Renaissance Lane, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 – who will own 50% shares of the corporation and Zarko Avramoski, 282 MacArthur Avenue, Apt. 2, Garfield, NJ 07026 - who will own 50% of the shares of the corporation), t/a Bistro 399 to 399 Midland Avenue, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Attorney Gary Zalarick, was present for the applicant, as were Applicants Dejan Mileski and Zarko Avramoski.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. He is meeting tomorrow with representatives from the Bergen County Department of Community Affairs to develop a power point presentation for a June 13, 2016 presentation he has to make on Redevelopment at a session at Montclair State University.
2. The Municipal Managers and Administrators Conference he attended on May 11 and 12th in Spring Lake, New Jersey.
3. The Design Principles for Redevelopment Course he has attended and upon completion, he will have completed all the courses required to be state certified as Redevelopment Executive Director.
4. His appearance at the Building Bergen Economic Center.
5. Garfield Shred Day, held Saturday, May 6th, was very successful.
6. His efforts to secure more grant money from Green Acres.
7. The City approval for bouncy rides for the Garfield YMCA-sponsored Movies Under the Stars, to be held Friday, June 17, 2016 at Belmont Oval off Spring Street for a fee not to exceed \$1500.00.
8. The JIF/MEL Cyber Security Education Session scheduled to be held in Fair Lawn Borough Hall on May 25, 2016.
9. The Transit Development Forum scheduled to be held on May 24, 2016.

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10. Every five years, the City develops a Draft Forestry Management Plan and in connection with that the City has applied for a tree-planting forestry grant.
11. The ordinance prepared to repeal the Blue Collar Salary Ordinance.
12. He was happy to report that he attended a recent Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund meeting and this is the 1st quarter with no loss time or accidents for any employees of the City of Garfield.
13. Garfield Affordable Housing Program Executive Director William Katchen will conduct an Outreach Session on June 21st at 3:00 PM in City Hall and on Wednesday, June 28th at 7:00 PM at the Frank B. Calandriello Senior Center at 480 Midland Avenue.
14. Resident complaints from Bellport Place concerning New Jersey Transit Buses parking there rather than the parking lot at the Outwater Lane/Plauderville Avenue Station.
15. Noise Complaints from Linda Wall of Riverside Place concerning activities in Pulaski Park across the Passaic River in the City of Passaic.
16. The recent motor vehicle accident along River Drive by the Riverfront Park that ripped up quite a bit of the landscaping.

City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro reported on the following:

1. Proposed amendments to the City Code regulating Peddling and Soliciting.

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

17. The United States Environmental Protection Agency Hearing to be held this coming Thursday, May 19, 2016 concerning the Chromium Contamination Leak that occurred in the early 1980's involving EC Electroplating near the intersection of Clark Street and Lincoln Place.

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The proposed resolution concerning the Safe Routes to Schools Grant Program.
2. The proposed resolution concerning Payment to Montana Construction.
3. The Football Field striping plan in Twentieth Century Field. The field should be in and completed by July 1st which is one month ahead of schedule.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 16-190

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 7:15 P.M. on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 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; (Blue Collar collective bargaining negotiations; ordinance to repeal incorrect Blue Collar Salary

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Ordinance adopted March 8, 2016; meeting with Blue Collar Union Representatives Jack Healy, John Lach, Alexander “John” Petrovics and Joyce Uram).

- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (proposed designation of Joseph Giammanco as Senior Prosecutor and Mark P. Fierro of Fort Lee as Junior Prosecutor).
- * Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplinary action or personnel unless the individual in the right request a public meeting in writing; (proposed transfer of Clerk Typist Laura Sowinski to the Health Department or the Finance Office; proposed hiring of summer help in the Resident Parking Sticker Office; proposed hiring of additional employees in the Department of Public Works; recent heart attack of Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo, proposed hiring of Clean Communities worker).

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) Frank J. Calandriello
Glenn A. Mati

ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY

At 7:20 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney joined the Work Session during Closed Session and it was duly noted for the record.

ADJOURNMENT

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

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK