

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE 10<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE  
JANUARY 9, 2018  
5:30 P.M.**

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PRESENT: Herbert H. Bateman, Jr.; Sandra N. Cherry D. Min.; Marcellus L. Harris III;  
McKinley L. Price, DDS; Sharon P. Scott, MPA; Tina L. Vick; and Dr. Patricia  
P. Woodbury -----7

ABSENT: None-----0

OTHERS PRESENT: Cynthia Rohlf; Collins L. Owens, Jr.; Darlene Bradberry; Mabel  
Washington Jenkins; Florence Kingston; Carol Meredith; Alan Archer; David  
Freeman; Indiana Brown; and Zina Middleton

After ascertaining that proper meeting notice had been provided to each member  
of City Council, Mayor Price called the meeting to order and stated the meeting was being held  
for the following purposes:

- (1) To call a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, subsections: (5) Discussion of a prospective business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating a facility in the community, the subject of which is a prospective new business in the southern section of the City; and (7) A Consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual and probable litigation, where such consultation in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the public body, the subjects of which are cases involving contractual claims and civil rights claims.

Councilman Harris moved for a closed meeting under sections and reasons cited above; seconded by Councilwoman Cherry.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Bateman, Cherry, Harris, Price, Scott, Vick, Woodbury

Nays: None

(Closed Session 5:40 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.)

After reconvening in open session, Councilman Harris moved to certify that to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting by the Council. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Cherry.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Bateman, Cherry, Harris, Price, Scott, Vick, Woodbury

Nays: None

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,  
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:15 P.M.



Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC  
City Clerk

McKinley L. Price, DDS  
Mayor  
Presiding Officer

A true copy, teste:

City Clerk

**CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED MEETING**

**MEETING DATE:** January 9, 2018  
**MOTION:** Councilman Marcellus L. Harris III  
**SECOND:** Sandra N. Cherry D. Min.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Newport News has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote as required under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712.D of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a certification by this City Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Newport News does hereby certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the City Council.

**VOTE**

AYES: Bateman, Cherry, Harris, Price, Scott, Vick, Woodbury  
NAYS: None  
ABSTENTION: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: None

ABSENT DURING MEETING: None

ATTEST:

  
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Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC  
City Clerk