

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE 10<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE  
May 28, 2019  
6:10 P.M.**

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PRESENT: Tina L. Vick; Saundra N. Cherry, D. Min; Marcellus L. Harris III; David H. Jenkins; and McKinley L. Price, DDS-----5

ABSENT: Sharon P. Scott, MPA and Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury-----2

OTHERS PRESENT: Cynthia Rohlf; Collins Owens; Darlene Bradbury; David Freeman; Zina Middleton; and Indiana Brown

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 purpose:

- (1) To call a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, subsection: (7) consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

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

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Vick, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price

Nays: None


(Closed Session 6:15 p.m. – 6:26 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 Vice Mayor Vick.

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Vote on Roll Call:  
Ayes: Vick, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price  
Nays: None

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,  
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:26 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:** May 28, 2019

**MOTION:** Councilman Marcellus L. Harris III  
**SECOND:** Vice Mayor Tina Vick

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.

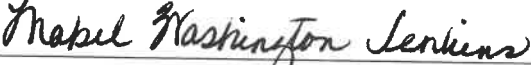
**VOTE**

AYES: Vick, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price  
NAYS: None  
ABSTENTION: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: Scott, Woodbury

ABSENT DURING MEETING: Scott, Woodbury

ATTEST:

  
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Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC  
City Clerk