

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE 10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
May 5, 2009
6:38 P.M.**

PRESENT: Joseph C. Whitaker; Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury; Herbert H. Bateman, Jr.; Joe S. Frank; and Madeline McMillan; Sharon P. Scott; Tina L. Vick-----7

ABSENT: None-----0

OTHERS PRESENT: Stuart E. Katz; Mabel Washington Jenkins; Allen Jackson; Richard Caplan; Neil A. Morgan; Alan Archer; Cynthia Rohlf; Lottie Vincent; Brian Ramaley, David Morris, David Harris, Tom Murphy; and Jennifer Walker

After ascertaining that proper meeting notice had been provided to each member of City Council, Mayor Frank 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, subsections: (3) a discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the City; and (7) consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members pertaining to actual and probable litigation where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the public body; and regarding the provision of legal advice where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the public body.

Councilman Bateman moved for a closed meeting under section and reasons cited above; seconded by Councilwoman Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, Frank, McMillan, Scott, Vick

Nays: None

(Closed Session 6:38 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.)

After reconvening in open session, Vice Mayor Whitaker 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 Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, Frank, McMillan, Scott, Vick

Nays: None

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.**

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Mabel Washington Jenkins, CMC
City Clerk

Joe S. Frank
Mayor
Presiding Officer

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