

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:45 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the meeting 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: Louis G. Aloia, Frank J. Calandriello, Erin N. Delaney, Joseph Delaney and Richard Rigoglioso

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Robert Ferraro and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

School Officials Present: Superintendent of Schools Nicholas Perrapato, School Business Administrator Dr. Edward Izbicki, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Anna Sciacca, School Board Attorney Kurt Geisler, Assistant School Board Attorney Amy Lefkowitz, and the following members of the Board of Education: President Everett Garnto, Vice-President Charles Nucifora, Frank Barber, Anthony Barckett, Richard Derrig Allan Focarino and Julio Quilles

ADOPTION OF THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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RECUSAL OF MAYOR RIGIGLIOSO AND
CUTS IN THE DEFEATED 2018-2019 SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

At 6:50 PM, Mayor Richard Rigoglioso recused himself and stepped down from the dais, and Deputy Mayor Joseph Delaney chaired the meeting from this point forward. The City Council and Cabinet and School Officials discussed proposed cuts in the 2018-2019 School Board Budget defeated at the polls during the election held April 17, 2018.

ARRIVAL OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER MAZZOLA

At 7:05 PM, Board of Education Member Jack Mazzola joined the Special Meeting and it was duly noted for the record.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 18-150

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 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 7:10 PM on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- * Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (Proposed cuts in the 2018-2019 School Board Budget defeated at the polls during the election held April 17, 2018).

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 violating the confidentiality of personnel.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Mayor Rigoglioso

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Erin Delaney

EXIT OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Immediately after the City Council voted to go into Closed Session, all School Officials left the Council Chamber and it was duly noted for the record.

CUTS IN THE DEFEATED 2018-2019 SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET
AND RETURN OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 7:25 PM, all School Officials present before the Closed Session returned to the Council Chamber and the discussion continued again on the proposed cuts in the defeated 2018-2019 School Board Budget.

SHORT RECESS AND RETURN TO ORDER

At 8:25 PM, Councilmember Aloia moved to take a short recess while the Board of Education went into Closed Session to discuss proposed cuts in the defeated 2018-2019 School Board Budget. Councilmember Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Mayor Rigoglioso

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RETURN TO ORDER AND
CUTS IN THE DEFEATED 2018-2019 SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

At 8:30 PM, the meeting was again called to order by Deputy Mayor Joseph Delaney and the discussion continued again on the proposed cuts in the defeated 2018-2019 School Board Budget.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:40 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Erin Delaney moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Mayor Rigoglioso

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK