

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SUMMARY**

August 18, 2009

Those present at 7:00 PM:

Mayor Funk presiding
Council Members Pomeroy, Clifton, Tuttle, Athey, Temko & Markham

City Manager Kyle Sonnenberg
City Secretary Patricia Fogg
Finance Director Dennis McFarland
Planning and Development Director Roy Lopata
Public Works Director Rich Lapointe
Parks and Recreation Director Charlie Emerson
Assistant to the City Manager Carol Houck
Assistant Planning and Development Director Maureen Feeney Roser

The purpose of the workshop was to discuss City finances and services as follows:

1. Stormwater Utility – a presentation was made by Gerald Kauffman, Director of Water Resources Agency. The proposal will be further researched by staff.
2. Dumpster Collection – staff was asked to make the current dumpster collection policy consistent including considering multifamily residences receiving once a week garbage collection and recycling like single family residences. Fees will be reviewed based on category.
3. Charge for Late Leaf Collection – Council supported implementation of a fee.
4. Downtown Special Assessments – staff was asked to get input from the Downtown Newark Partnership and determine dollar impact on those assessed.
5. Parking Garage – staff was asked to put this item on hold.
6. Substation Sale – staff was asked to do further research on this item.

7. Trolley Fare Offset – it was agreed the City should not offset trolley fares.

8. Revenue Sharing – CD/RS committee will be advised to recommend distribution of funding at same level as 2009.

9. Community Development City projects – CD/RS committee will continue to consider City projects for funding.

10. Housing Assistance Programs – these programs have temporarily been suspended and will be reviewed again in July, 2010.

11. City-owned Pools – the pools will continue to operate.

12. Meadow Areas – Parks and Recreation will stop cutting grass in certain areas of the City; said areas will be left as meadows.

13. Events – Parks and Recreation will reduce the length of Liberty Day and the length of Community Day.

All documents are available in the City Secretary's Office.

Meeting adjourned. Time 10:00 pm.


Patricia M. Fogg
City Secretary

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