

CITY OF NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

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Minutes

Thursday, April 19, 2018

SPECIAL MEETING
City Administration Building
6:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Nagy called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. Council Members Collazo, Freitas, Bucci, and Vice Mayor Hannon were present.

B. Acceptance of the conceptual design for the new Civic Center and authorizing Heller Manus Architects, the project architect, to proceed with the development of the Bridging Documents.

RESOLUTION NO. 10770

Chief Building Official/City Architect Collier and representatives from Heller Manus Architects, Thuilot Associates, Safdie Rabines Architects, and McClaren, Wilson & Lawries, Inc presented the site master plan, the site landscape design, the city administration building, library building, police building, and the existing library changes. Slight modifications were highlighted such as the change to the paver and concrete design, the addition of a canopy to the entrances, and the removal of the partition wall between the entrance city administration bulding lobby and the Council Chambers lobby.

The City Council requested root barriers to prevent damage from the new trees, the removal of the secondary entrance to the City Administration Building, and for staff to consider a moveable divider wall between the two large seminar rooms in the library.

In response to Council questions, Library Branch Manager Stoner stated that they selected the seminar room sizes to provide flexibility for a variety of activities.

Chief Building Official/City Architect Collier estimated the cost of construction as follows:

City Administration Building	\$16,500,000
Library	\$17,400,000
Police Department Building	\$15,000,000
Police Annex (existing library)	\$ 2,500,000
Site Work and Demolition	\$11,600,000
Sub Total Construction Estimate	\$63,000,000
Soft Costs and City Generated Improvements	\$10,400,000
Grand Total Estimated Cost of Project	\$73,400,000
Budget	\$74,000,000

Chief Building Official/City Architect Collier stated that he anticipated that the design/build contact would be awarded in January 2019, construction would begin in August 2019, the new buildings would be occupied by December 2020, and the project completed by Summer 2021.

Vice Mayor Hannon moved, Council Member Collazo seconded to accept the conceptual design of the new Civic Center with the amendments to remove the secondary entrance to the City Administration Building near the council chambers and to consider a moveable partition wall between two of the seminar rooms in the library and authorize Heller Manus Architects to proceed with the development of the bridging documents in preparation for soliciting construction proposals from selected design/build firms, Project 1188. The motion passed, 5 AYES.

C. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Nagy adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.