

**Proposed Closed Session Minutes
Of the Mayor and Council of Princeton
January 9, 2017**

Present: Council President Jenny Crumiller, Councilwoman Jo Butler,
Councilman Bernie Miller, Councilman Lance Liverman,
Councilman Tim Quinn, and Mayor Liz Lempert

Absent: None

Staff Present: Marc Dashield, Administrator, Trishka W. Cecil, Municipal
Attorney

Mayor Lempert called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and asked if the requirements were met of the following statement:

“The following is an accurate statement concerning the providing of notice of this meeting and said statement shall be entered in the minutes of this meeting. Notice of this meeting as required by sections 4a, 3d, 13 and 14 of the Open Public Meetings Act has been provided to the public in the form of the written notice attached hereto. On January 6, 2017 at 4:30 p.m., said notice was posted on the official bulletin board, transmitted to the Princeton Packet, the Trenton Times, the Town Topics, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Lempert asked for a motion for **Resolution 17-29**, as follows:

**RESOLUTION
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF PRINCETON
TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION
(Open Public Meetings Act Sec.3)**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of Princeton:

This body will now convene into closed session that will be limited only to consideration of an item or items with respect to which the public may be excluded pursuant to section 7B of the Open Public Meetings Act.

The general nature of the subject or subjects to be discussed in said session are as follows:

Litigation – Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgement Action Update

Contract Negotiations – AFSCME

Matters requiring confidential advice of counsel regarding AvalonBay escrow charge challenge

The matters discussed will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Council President Crumiller moved to approve; seconded by Councilwoman Butler. Council members Butler, Crumiller, Howard, Miller, Liverman and Quinn voted in the affirmative. Hearing no nay votes, Mayor Lempert proclaimed the resolution approved.

Princeton Council recessed into closed session.

Litigation - Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgement Action Update

Princeton Attorney Cecil updated Council regarding the latest mediation session conducted by the court-appointed special master and regarding the upcoming affordable

housing “methodology” trial (proceeding to determine Princeton’s third round affordable housing obligation) scheduled to begin on January 10, 2017.

Contract Negotiations - AFSCME

Mr. Dashield gave an update that the next negotiation session will take place on Thursday, January 12, 2017 in regards to the contract of contractual employees. Council discussed the status of negotiations and items still to be resolved.

Matters Requiring Confidential Advice of Counsel Regarding AvalonBay Escrow Charge Challenge

Ms. Cecil reported on the Whitman inspection invoices and AvalonBay’s issues with those charges. She reported that she and Mr. Dashield will be meeting with AvalonBay the week of January 16, 2017 for further discussion. She also reviewed with Council the legal requirements regarding escrow charges, staff’s preliminary conclusions regarding the invoices and provided legal advice regarding Council’s options.

At 7:00 P.M. Council reconvened into open session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Delores A. Williams
Deputy Municipal Clerk