

A regular meeting of the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016, in the Forum of City Hall, was called to order.

Roll call was answered by Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and President Copeland.

The invocation was offered by Mr. Copeland, who then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Duncan, members approved the minutes of the February 2, 2016, regular meeting as presented.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **FIRST READINGS—ORDINANCES**

The following legislation was presented for the first time and requires presentation at a second regular meeting before vote on passage:

**57-16** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the purchase of six 2016 Chevrolet Tahoes from Taylor Chevrolet, for an amount not to exceed \$212,289, through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, pursuant to Ohio's Cooperative Purchasing Act in accordance with the provisions of Section 125.04 of the Ohio Revised Code."

**37-16** An Ordinance titled, "Confirming purchases and the obtaining of services for the City, and providing for payments therefor."

**272-00** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to extend its October 25, 2000, Radio Maintenance and Tower Construction Contract with Michael Wolf, dba W. S. Electronics, through the fifth-option period ending March 31, 2018, for an expenditure not to exceed \$290,000."

**58-16** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to execute a *Contract For Purchase And Sale Of Real Estate* to sell certain real property to Clark County Fuller Center For Housing."

**59-16** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to apply for an EMS Priority 1 Training and Equipment Grant in an amount up to \$3,500 from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, and authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, and Fire Chief to do all things necessary for the submission of the application and to comply with all relevant local, state, and federal legal requirements."

**60-16** An Ordinance titled, "Confirming and approving a Development Incentive Agreement (Single-Family Residential Development) with Larry A. and Kathleen S. Keating to provide for water services to real property outside the City limits."

**291-05** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc., for the Automated Traffic Control Photographic System Project."

☺☺☺ Next regular City Commission meeting: March 15, 2016. ☹☹☹

### **FIRST READING—RESOLUTION**

The following legislation was presented for the first time and requires presentation at a second regular meeting before vote on passage:

**61-16** A Resolution titled, "Declaring it necessary to require the construction or reconstruction of curbs, gutters and sidewalks at the points identified as Section One of *STREETS* and Section One of *SELECTED LOCATIONS* of the 2016 Sidewalk, Curb, and Gutter Program."

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### **SECOND READINGS—ORDINANCES**

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

**282-15** An Ordinance No. 16-55 titled, "Accepting the application for annexation of certain territory containing 28.24 acres, more or less, in Springfield Township and commonly known as the Cox Annexation Area to The City of Springfield, Ohio."

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Martin, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**22-16** An Ordinance No. 16-56 titled, "Amending the Zoning Map of Springfield, Ohio, by rezoning 28.24 acres located at 693 Titus Road, Springfield, Ohio, from A, Agriculture District, to M-1, General Manufacturing District."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. Martin, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**88-11** An Ordinance No. 16-57 titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with DATAMATX, Inc., for utility bill printing, mailing services, and postage, for an amount not to exceed \$165,000."

On motion of Mrs. Duncan, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**48-16** An Ordinance No. 16-58 titled, "Confirming and approving a Cropland Lease Agreement (2016-2020) with R. Alan Thompson to lease approximately 561.251 acres at and near the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport in Clark County, Ohio, of which 530.5 acres are tillable farmland."

On motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**49-16** An Ordinance No. 16-59 titled, "Confirming and approving the submission of an application for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); authorizing the local matching expenditure; authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, and Law Director to perform all acts and execute all documents they consider necessary to fulfill the City's obligations under said grant and to comply with all relevant local, state, and federal legal requirements; and repealing Ordinance No. 15-343."

On motion of Mrs. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Martin, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**206-12** An Ordinance No. 16-60 titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 7 to the contract between the City and Kokosing Construction Company, Inc., for the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant Wet Weather and Capacity Improvements Project, to increase the contract in an amount not to exceed \$202,424.94, for a total amount not to exceed \$52,255,576.04, and to extend the project completion date to January 5, 2016; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 7."

On motion of Mrs. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Martin, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **EMERGENCY ORDINANCES**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**62-16** Emergency Ordinance No. 16-61 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Shelter Plus Care 2 Grant Agreement (Grant No. OH0295L5E071406) with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in an amount not to exceed \$32,835; authorizing the City Manager and Director of Finance to perform all acts and execute all documents they consider necessary to fulfill the City's obligations under said grant agreement and to comply with all relevant local, state, and federal legal requirements; confirming and approving related expenditures occurring from December 1, 2015, to the date of this ordinance; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. Martin, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**162-14** Emergency Ordinance No. 16-62 titled, "Authorizing an expenditure for years two through five for the agreements with Credit Bureau Systems, Inc., dba Ambulance Medical Billing (AMB) and ESO Solutions, Inc., for EMS billing services, accounts receivable management, and software license fees, for an amount not to exceed \$594,000; confirming and approving all related expenditures occurring from February 1, 2016, to the passage of this Ordinance; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mrs. Duncan, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**63-16** Emergency Ordinance No. 16-63 titled, "Confirming and approving a Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement with the United States Government, Department of Justice and Department of Treasury, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016; confirming and approving all transactions up until the passage of this Ordinance, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **MOTION**

**64-16** On motion Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, *Guidelines for Citizens Participation at City Commission Meetings* were adopted.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**65-16** Emergency Resolution No. 5922 titled, "Reappointing Marta Wojcik to the Historic Landmarks Commission, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Duncan, the resolution was adopted.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**66-16** Emergency Resolution No. 5923 titled, "Consenting to the appointment of Jeanette Anderson to serve as the City Planning Board's representative to the Board of Zoning Appeals; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Duncan, the resolution was adopted.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were ordered received and filed:

**39-15** Correspondence from Elton L. Moose, Ph.D., concerning the Bechtle Avenue roundabout.

**90-15** Minutes of the December 7, 2015, meeting of the City Planning Board.

**67-16** Minutes of the January 20, 2016, meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

**68-16** Notification from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control of a request to transfer a liquor permit to Ahhaa, LLC, 18 Buxton Avenue.

**69-16** Notification from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control of a request for a new liquor permit for Chipotle Mexican Grill of Colorado, LLC, 1930 Bechtle Avenue and patio.

### **COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**58-16** Deputy City Manager Heck reported on the sale of property to Clark County Fuller Center for Housing. The subject property, located at 1212 Church Lane, would be used as a community garden for the surrounding neighborhood.

**206-12** Service Director Moore commented on Change Order No. 7 for the Wet Weather and Capacity Improvements Project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. An additional \$202,424.94 in funding was needed for the installation of an agitation feature within the treatment process.

**62-16** Mr. Heck referred to the Shelter Plus Care 2 grant and stated that the US HUD \$32,835 grant would provide funding for the Rapid Rehousing Program.

**162-14** Mr. Martin commented on the authorization for a \$594,000 expenditure for a four-year period during which the City would receive EMS billing and accounts receivable services from Ambulance Medical Billing and ESO Solutions, Inc. Mr. Martin asked if the City was advancing this funding, to which Finance Director Beckdahl responded in the negative.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Mrs. Chilton reminded residents that March 15, 2016, was primary election day for Ohioans.

Mrs. Duncan announced a STEM career education event for middle school girls and their parents. The

event would be held at The Dome.

**70-16** Mrs. Duncan stated that the acting director of US EPA Region 5 and the Ohio EPA director have both been in contact with the *People For Safe Water*. The Region 5 director advised that US EPA would engage the Army Corp of Engineers to complete additional research to determine if any other remedial measures might exist with regard to the hazardous waste stored at the Tremont City barrel fill. The Ohio director's communiqué said that there has been no movement with regard to the barrel fill remediation plan that local citizens found unacceptable.

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**64-16** Mr. David Sanford, 514 Fremont Avenue, stated that limiting each citizen to three subject matters in a three-minute time frame was too restrictive for those who attended City Commission meetings and wished to speak before the body. He referred to the *Guidelines for Citizen Participation at City Commission Meetings*.

**20-16** Mr. Raymond Upshaw, 325 west Liberty Street, commented on criminal activity, racism, and Ohio Highway Patrol officers issuing traffic tickets within the city limits.

Mr. David Moore addressed the City Commission with regard to the Ohio Highway Patrol officers issuing traffic tickets inside the City limits. Mr. Moore stated that it was his opinion that these OHP officers only issued tickets to black drivers.

Mr. Copeland replied that he, the local president of the NAACP, and others meet with an OHP captain and made a strong case, expressing this same opinion. Mr. Copeland stated that the captain indicated that the OHP has a legal right to be anywhere in the state. The City of Springfield has no recourse in the matter.

Mr. David Sanford, 514 Fremont Avenue, spoke to the need for transparency in government.



There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the meeting adjourned.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION

CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION