

A regular meeting of the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, held on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 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 Mrs. Duncan, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, members approved the minutes of the February 14, 2017, 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:

**25-17** An Ordinance titled, "Approving an amendment to the existing CC-2A District Development Plan for 4.93 acres located at Bechtle Avenue and St. Paris Connector, comprised of parcel 3200200001000128 to modify the site layout on the subject development."

**1-17** An Ordinance titled, "Confirming purchases and the obtaining of services for the City and providing for payments therefor."

**29-12** An Ordinance titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 1 to the contract between the City and R. B. Jergens Contractors, Inc., for the CLA - Villa Road Project, PID No. 89421, to increase the contract in an amount not to exceed \$21,770, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,465,858.57."

**84-12** An Ordinance titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 16-106 by increasing the authorized expenditure for the City's Home Loan Program to \$102,279."

**62-17** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to submit the 2017 Action Plan of The City of Springfield, Ohio, to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, Law Director, and Community Development Director to do all things they deem necessary to implement, operate, and administer the City's Community Development Block Grant Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program, and HOME Program for the 2017 fiscal year (April 1, 2017, to March 31, 2018); and declaring an emergency."

~~~~~ Next regular City Commission meeting: March 28, 2017. ~~~~~

### **SECOND READINGS—ORDINANCES**

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

**282-08** An Ordinance No. 17-61 titled, "Confirming and approving Amendment No. 2 to the Hangar Lease between the City and SelectTech Services Corporation, dba SelectTech, at the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**272-00** An Ordinance No. 17-62 titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 16-66 authorizing an additional expenditure for the City's Radio Maintenance and Tower Construction Contract with Michael Wolf, dba W. S. Electronics, of an amount not to exceed \$30,000."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**88-11** An Ordinance No. 17-63 titled, "Confirming and approving a Memorandum of Agreement with DATAMATX, Inc., for utility bill printing, mailing, and postage services to extend the current contract to June 11, 2018, for an amount not to exceed \$195,000."

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.

**51-17** An Ordinance No. 17-64 titled, "Authorizing the purchase of four 2017 Ford F-450 cabs and chasses with dump body and snowplow packages from Walt Sweeney Ford, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$224,860.88, 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."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**52-17** An Ordinance No. 17-65 titled, "Authorizing the purchase of three 2018 Navistar 7400 cabs and chasses for an amount not to exceed \$219,101.73, from Rush Truck Inc., through the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program in accordance with the provisions of Section 5513.01(B) of the Ohio Revised Code."

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.

### **SECOND READING—RESOLUTION**

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

**53-17** A Resolution No. 5969 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 2017 Sidewalk, Curb, and Gutter Program."

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

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:

**8-16** Emergency Ordinance No. 17-66 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Community Reinvestment Area Agreement by and between The City of Springfield, Ohio, and Community Gardens, L.P., granting a Community Reinvestment Area tax abatement; and declaring an emergency."

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.

**63-17** Emergency Ordinance No. 17-67 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to accept a grant from the ODOT Congestion Mitigation, Air Quality, and Surface Transportation Fund in an amount of \$518,595 for public transit related expenses; authorizing the City Manager, Law Director, and Finance Director to do all things necessary for the acceptance of the grant and to comply with all relevant local, state, and federal legal requirements; and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**271-16** Emergency Ordinance No. 17-68 titled, "Consenting to an improvement by the installation of a pre-emption system at the Interstate 70/State Route 72 interchange to provide traffic control for the westbound entrance and exit ramps, (project identified as CLA SR 72 6.70, PID No. 102840); requesting cooperation of the Director of Transportation of the State of Ohio in the planning, design, and construction of such improvement; providing for the maintenance of said improvement; authorizing the City Manager to enter into agreements with the Director of Transportation of the State of Ohio necessary to complete the planning and construction of this improvement; 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.

**61-16** Emergency Ordinance No. 17-69 titled, "Levying special assessments for the improvement of streets by the construction of sidewalks, curbs, and gutters in the 2016 Sidewalk, Curb, and Gutter Program, and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**4-13** Emergency Ordinance No. 17-70 titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 4 to the contract between the City and R. B. Jergens Contractors, Inc. for the CLA - Lowry Bridge Project, PID No. 96375 to increase the

contract amount by \$9,290.65, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$594,265.07; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 4; and declaring an emergency."

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.

**47-17** Emergency Ordinance No. 17-71 titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 17-39 by increasing the authorized expenditure for the purchase of certain crime lab equipment from Agilent Technologies by \$536.30, for a total amount not to exceed \$124,577.50, to account for the trade-in of certain City-owned equipment, and declaring an emergency."

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 RESOLUTION**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**65-17** Emergency Resolution No. 5970 titled, "Finding the necessity and declaring the intent to appropriate interests in real property in connection with providing the real estate needed for the public purpose of constructing an eight-inch sanitary sewer line from Merritt Street north to the first east-west alley north of Merritt Street, as part of the City's 2017 Miscellaneous Sewer Replacement Project; and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **EMERGENCY RESOLUTION—FAILED**

**64-17** Emergency Resolution titled, "Opposing the centralized collection of net profit tax returns and other provisions of Governor Kasich's proposed budget related to the municipal income tax, which will cause a substantial loss of revenue needed to support the health, safety, welfare, and economic development efforts of The City of Springfield, and declaring an emergency."

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

Yeas, Mrs. Duncan, Messrs. Martin, Copeland; Nays, Mrs. Chilton and Mr. O'Neill.

Yeas 3, Nays 2.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were ordered received and filed:

**66-17** Minutes from the February meeting of the Community Beautification Committee.

### **COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**29-12** City Engineer Shanayda reported that the costs associated with the Villa Road Project were determined in 2012. Now that the project is closer to getting underway, it has been determined that the trees that were to be cleared easily five years ago have now grown to a circumference requiring that they be felled. The additional work caused an increase in the contract amount.

**63-17** Finance Director Beckdahl stated that the City will receive a grant from the ODOT Congestion, Mitigation, Air Quality, and Surface Transportation Fund. The grant money will be used to replace two buses, for bus maintenance, and other capital items.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Mrs. Chilton announced that March was National Kidney Disease Awareness Month.

**67-17** Police Chief Moody reviewed the Police Division's compliance with the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board. He noted that the division exceeds the requirements set by the board.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**8-16** Ms. Tina Koumoutsos, executive director of Neighborhood Housing Partnership, updated the City Commission on the status and timetable for the Community Gardens pocket neighborhood development. She stated that

state tax reforms caused changes in the project's funding. Some investors have pulled out or decreased what they will pay for tax credits. The partnership was able to secure an additional 15 percent toward necessary tax credits. Both the closing and the commencement of construction will take place in June. The City will enter into a Community Reinvestment Area Agreement with Neighborhood Housing Partnership and grant a tax abatement. Community Gardens is designed as a walkable community with affordable rental housing. Sixty units will be built initially with 36 units in a second phase.

**64-17** Mr. Bruce Williams, 226 Corlington Drive, stated that Governor Kasich's budget harms Springfield through lost revenue. The City is already trying to recoup lost state revenue through a tax levy.

Mr. Copeland stated that the City Commission strongly objecting to state cuts, which affect cities. He has made his objections known to Springfield's state legislators.

**24-17** Mr. Andy Dill, 259 North Broadmoor, commented on the toxins located in the Tremont City Barrel Fill.

**15-17** Mr. David Sanford of South Yellow Springs Street, commented on tenant nuisance abatement issues, the Peacekeepers group having a presence at only three schools, and the City laying off employees while asking for a tax increase.

A representative of the Peacekeepers stated that a background check is conducted on each group member. As additional members become available, additional schools would be supported.

Mr. Copeland offered his appreciation to the Peacekeepers for their participation.



On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Martin, the meeting adjourned into executive session on personnel appointment matters.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

On motion of Mrs. Duncan, seconded by Mrs. Chilton the executive session adjourned.

Yeas, Mmes. Chilton, Duncan, Messrs. Martin, O'Neill, and Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

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