

A regular meeting of the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, 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 November 10, 2015, 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:

**267-15** An Ordinance titled, "Vacating the second alley west of Linden Avenue from Rice Street south to the first east-west intersecting alley."

**275-15** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Springfield Foundation for a grant to partially support CultureFest 2016 in an amount up to \$1,250; authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, and Director of Community Development 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."

**276-15** An Ordinance titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 91-90, passed March 12, 1991, and commonly known as the Codified Ordinances of The City of Springfield, Ohio, by amending Section 918.04, *Stormwater Utility Service Charges; ESU Rates.*"

**277-15** An Ordinance titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 91-90, passed March 12, 1991, and commonly known as the Codified Ordinances of The City of Springfield, Ohio, by amending Section 917.02, *Service Charge Rates*, and Section 917.11, *Septage Discharge Fees.*"

### **FIRST ORDINANCE—HELD**

**274-15** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (FY 2014 and FY 2015) with Neighborhood Housing Partnership of Greater Springfield, Inc. in connection with the 2014 and 2015 HOME Program for an amount not to exceed \$36,023."

### **EMERGENCY ORDINANCES**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**255-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-318 titled, "Amending the Zoning Map of Springfield, Ohio, by rezoning 0.13 acres at 233 North Race Street, Springfield, Ohio, from RS-5, Low-Density, Single-Family Residence District, to RS-8, OPD-H, Medium-Density, Single-Family Residence District, Planned Development Housing Overlay District; 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.

**268-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-319 titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 91-90, passed March 12, 1991, and commonly known as the Codified Ordinances of The City of Springfield, Ohio, is amended by enacting Chapter 196, *Municipal Income Tax on Earned Income*, to apply to taxable years beginning with taxable year 2016; by amending Chapter 195, *Tax on Earned Income*, to limit its application to taxable years 2015 and before; by repealing existing Section 195.01, 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.

**272-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-320 titled, "Approving Amendment No. 3 to the Joint Economic Development District Agreement between the City and Green Township establishing the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport Joint Economic Development District; authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Joint Economic Development District Agreement on behalf of the City; authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, and Law Director to do all things necessary to implement Amendment No. 3 to the said Joint Economic Development District

Agreement; 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.

**43-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-321 titled, “Approving the transfer of appropriations within various funds, and declaring an emergency.”

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.

**22-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-322 titled, “Providing for Supplemental Appropriations within various funds, 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.

**278-15** A Fiscal Officer's Certificate was presented in connection with the proposed issuance of notes in the maximum principal amount of \$175,000, to be issued in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds, all related to improving and expanding the municipal sewage facilities, including the construction of a bridge to provide long-term access. The estimated life of the usefulness of the improvements is at least five years; the maximum maturity of the Bonds calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Ohio Revised Code is 20 years; the maximum maturity of the Notes is 20 years.

Emergency Ordinance No. 15-323 titled, “Providing for the issuance and sale of Notes in the maximum principal amount of \$175,000, in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds, for the purpose of paying costs of improvements to and expansion of the municipal sewage facilities and the design thereof, together with all necessary appurtenances thereto; 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.

The Fiscal Officer's Certificate was presented November 30, 2015, prior to the commencement of the City Commission meeting and prior to passage of the ordinance.

**186-11** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-324 titled, “Authorizing the City Manager to enter into Amendment E to the Project Engineering Agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation for the Erie Interceptor Express Sewer Design contract to increase the contract by an amount not to exceed \$143,630 for a total amount not to exceed \$2,051,448; 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.

**221-14** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-325 titled, “Authorizing an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$160,000 in relation to the Clark County/City of Springfield 2015-2020 Consortium Agreement with The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Ohio and the Clark County Auditor for the provision of GIS services; and declaring an emergency.”

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.

**180-03** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-326 titled, “Authorizing the City Manager to execute Emergency Repair Program – Amendment No. 11 to the June 24, 2003, Subrecipient Funding Agreement with Neighborhood Housing Partnership of Greater Springfield, Inc., to revise the Work Program Budget and extend the time of performance through December 31, 2016; 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.

**85-12** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-327 titled, “Amending Ordinance No. 12-89 by increasing the authorized expenditure for the City's Emergency Repair Program to \$305,000; and declaring an emergency.”

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.

**279-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-328 titled, “Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Shelter-Plus-Care 1 Grant Agreement (Grant No. OH0204L5E071407) with the United States Department of Housing and Urban

Development in an amount not to exceed \$90,520; authorizing the City Manager and the 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; authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Subrecipient Funding Agreement (Shelter-Plus-Care 1 Tenant-Based Assistance) between the City and Springfield Metropolitan Housing Authority to conduct a Shelter-Plus-Care-1 funded Tenant-Based Rental Assistance and Administration Program in an amount not to exceed \$84,708; confirming and approving related expenditures occurring from October 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.

**267-14** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-329 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to execute Consultant Modification No. 19091-1 with LJB, Inc., to provide additional engineering design services for the CLA Bechtle Signals Project, PID No. 98859, for an amount not to exceed \$5,500; 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.

**104-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-330 titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 2 (Final) to the contract between the City and A & B Asphalt Corporation for the East Main and North Limestone Streets Sidewalk, Curb, and Gutter Program to increase the contract amount by \$15,996.89, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$275,683.01; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 2 (Final); 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.

**121-13** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-331 titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 2 (Final) to the contract between the City and A & B Asphalt Corporation for the CLA Miscellaneous Road Reconstruction Project, PID No. 95732, to decrease the contract amount by \$91,896.21, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$291,195.34; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 2 (Final); and declaring an emergency."

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.

**107-15** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-332 titled, ".Confirming and approving Change Order No. 2 (Final) to the contract between the City and J & J Schlaegel, Inc., for the East Grand Avenue Water and Sewer Replacement Project Rebid to increase the contract amount by \$12,661.91, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$541,017.75; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 2 (Final); 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.

**182-14** Emergency Ordinance No. 15-333 titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 2 to the contract between the City and A & B Asphalt Corporation for the 2015 OPWC Paving project to decrease the contract amount by \$26,060.94, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$933,717.54; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 2; 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.

### **EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**7-15** Emergency Resolution No. 5910 titled, "Amending Resolution 5866, which provided funding for an additional time, through December 31, 2015, to enable the National Trail Parks and Recreation District to equip, operate, and maintain parks, playgrounds, playfields, gymnasiums, swimming pools, recreation centers, golf courses, tennis facilities, and other related activities and facilities during that additional period of time, and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**280-15** Emergency Resolution No. 5911 titled, "Appointing Lea Elliott to the National Trail Parks and Recreation District Board of Trustees, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the resolution was adopted.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were ordered received and filed:

**91-15** Minutes of the November 5, 2015, meetings of the Community Beautification Committee.

### **COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**268-15** Finance Director Beckdahl reported that he received no comments from citizens on the proposed enactment of Chapter 196, *Municipal Income Tax on Earned Income*, applicable to taxable years beginning with taxable year 2016.

**272-15** With regard to Amendment No. 3 to the Joint Economic Development District Agreement between the City and Green Township, Mr. Beckdahl noted that Green Township trustees are in receipt of the amended document and will execute it in the near future.

**279-15** Community Development Director Meadows provided an overview of the Shelter Plus Care 1 Grant Program, which transitions people from emergency housing to permanent housing.

**7-15** Mr. Martin commented on the additional \$150,000 needed by National Trail Parks and Recreation District to meet its obligations for 2015. With the City's budget situation, NTPRD must keep its expenses in line. He stated that he understood that golf rounds were lower than anticipated, and that there was a loss in collected levy proceeds, as well as additional repairs and maintenance expenses. He asked if there was any level of confidence that suggested the district would not need a subsidy next year.

Mr. Beckdahl stated that the district has difficulty every year. He expected the district to need additional subsidy in 2016.

Mr. Martin complimented NTPRD executive director Leann Castillo for its programming success. He stated he was encouraged to support the subsidy, but the yearly budget overages had to stop. It was becoming harder and harder to justify these end-of-the-year payments, which are driven by the golf situation. The district must hold to the budgeted number in 2016.

Mr. Copeland stated that there must be conversations about the golf operation, which is a tough issue. It must be addressed one way or another.

Mrs. Duncan stated that the County Commission should become a bigger player with regard to funding the parks and golf courses, which are heavily used by people who don't live inside the City and who do not pay City taxes. NTPRD manages excellent facilities and provides extensive family programming. The district also had a strong showing at the polls for its renewal levy.

Mr. O'Neill complimented NTPRD staff members. These park facilities are assets, and they are expensive assets, as well as an amenity that brought an estimated \$60 million in revenue into the City. The district's levy passed overwhelmingly. He stated that the City does not have a funding mechanism for operation of the parks that makes sense.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Mrs. Duncan announced the free holiday shuttle provided by First Transit/SCAT for citizens shopping in the Bechtle Avenue/First Street/Upper Valley area. Mr. Martin encouraged Springfielders to shop at local businesses.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**221-14** Mr. David Sanford, 514 Fremont Avenue, inquired into the payment arrangements between the County Commissioners, County Auditor, and the City with regard to the provision of GIS services.

City Manager Bodenmiller replied that the City shares the cost of the GIS employee who performs services needed by the City.

**13-15** Mr. Danny Tackett, 220 Montgomery Avenue, Apartment 105, offered his appreciation to City Commissioners for the many projects completed and community events held in Springfield for the benefit of all citizens.

Mr. David Sanford commented on the City projects bid, awarded, and completed by A&B Asphalt. He felt local workers should be hired for these City-funded projects. He also spoke to part-time workers, who work for several months, then receive unemployment wages, only to be rehired by the same company to perform more seasonal work.

Mr. Bodenmiller stated that the City makes use of seasonal workers. It is not a given that those same workers will be rehired. He noted that if a person is eligible, he or she can draw unemployment.

**281-15** Mr. Richard Haynes, owner of 301 Gruen Drive, addressed the City Commission concerning a drainage problem involving the former Community Hospital site. He stated that the former hospital site was graded toward Gruen Drive and High Street. Runoff, due to the grading, affects his property. He noted that all the drains located on the property were removed when the hospital was demolished.

Mr. Copeland directed Mr. Bodenmiller to assist Mr. Haynes with the situation.



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.

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PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION

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CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION