

A regular meeting of the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, held on Tuesday, January 19, 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 Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. Martin, members approved the minutes of the December 22, 2015, regular meeting and January 2, 2016, organizational 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:

23-16 An Ordinance titled, "Confirming and approving the acceptance of a donation from Walmart, Facility No. 2429 on Bechtle Avenue, in the amount of \$2,000 to be utilized by the Fire Prevention Bureau for the purchase of new equipment."

24-16 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Turner Foundation for a grant to partially support CultureFest 2016 in an amount up to \$1,000; and 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."

24-12 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with The Endurance Group LLC, dba Emerald Green Lawn and Landscape Pros, for boulevard mowing services, for an amount not to exceed \$35,959.35."

22-12 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with Dayton Sweeping Service, Inc., dba DSS Sweeping Service, Inc., for the sweeping and cleaning of City streets, for an amount not to exceed \$167,468."

25-16 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the purchase of a 2015 standard commercial slope mower from Kut Kwick Corp., for an amount not to exceed \$62,393, 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."

☞☞☞ Next regular City Commission meeting: February 2, 2016. ☞☞☞

SECOND READINGS—ORDINANCES

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

4-16 An Ordinance No. 16-14 titled, "Confirming and approving a Contract For Purchase and Sale of Real Estate to sell certain property to SRPK Corp."

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.

5-16 An Ordinance No. 16-15 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of street materials with Shelly Materials, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$306,275."

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.

6-16 An Ordinance No. 16-16 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of street materials with A & B Asphalt Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$337,150."

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.

7-16 An Ordinance No. 16-17 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of street materials with Valley Asphalt Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$70,000."

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.

219-13 An Ordinance No. 16-18 titled, "Confirming and approving Revised Change Order No. 1 (Final) to the contract between the City and Indiana & Ohio Railway Company for the Bechtle Avenue Bridge Project, PID No. 85172, to increase the contract amount by \$10,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$106,622.64; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said Revised Change Order No. 1 (Final)."

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.

22-13 An Ordinance No. 16-19 titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with Everett J. Prescott, Inc., for the purchase of water meter equipment for an amount not to exceed \$183,000."

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 the first time and requires presentation at a second regular meeting before vote on passage:

8-16 A Resolution No. 5917 titled, "Extending support from the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, to a tax-credit development proposed by Neighborhood Housing Partnership of Greater Springfield, Inc."

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Duncan, 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:

281-15 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-20 titled, "Amending the Zoning Map of Springfield, Ohio, by rezoning 11.05 acres at the former Community Hospital Site at the southeast corner of South Burnett Road and East High Street, Springfield, Ohio, from RM-12, Low-Density, Multi-Family Residence District, to RM-12, OPD-H, Low-Density, Multi-Family Residence District, Planned Development Housing Overlay District; and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

26-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-21 titled, "Providing for Supplemental 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.

27-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-22 titled, "Authorizing an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$69,341.54 to contract with SunGard Public Sector, Inc., to provide the City with maintenance services for various computer software applications for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016; confirming and approving maintenance services provided by SunGard Public Sector, Inc., under said contract for the period January 1, 2016, to the passage of this Ordinance; 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.

8812, 174-01 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-23 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into Addendum No. 2 to the City's Lease Agreement with Elderly United of Springfield and Clark County, Ohio, Inc., dba United Senior Services, to provide for a termination date of December 31, 2016; 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.

28-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-24 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Option to Lease agreement with Dayton Society of Natural History, dba Boonshoft Museum of Discovery, for the property located at 101 South Fountain Avenue; 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.

40-15 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-25 titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with Chemical Services, Inc., for the purchase of sodium hypochlorite for use by the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, for an amount not to exceed \$79,560; 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.

41-15 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-26 titled, "Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the contract with PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc., for the purchase of liquid sodium bisulfite for use by the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, for an amount not to exceed \$56,400; 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.

29-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-27 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Development Incentive Agreement (Non-Residential Development) with JJM Properties, LLC, to provide for sewer services to real property outside the City limits, 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.

30-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-28 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to apply for a grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation in an amount up to \$1,465,000 for the replacement of transit vehicles; authorizing the City Manager, City Engineer, and the Director of Finance to do all things necessary for the submission of the application 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.

33-11 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-29 titled, "Confirming and approving Change Order No. 6 to the contract between the City and Sunesis Construction Company for the CLA Veterans Bridge Project, PID No. 88484, to increase the contract amount by \$36,317.95, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,548,929.61; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Change Order No. 6; and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

31-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-30 titled, "Authorizing release of the City's mortgage on 1616 South Fountain Avenue for \$1,500; authorizing the City Manager, Law Director, and Community Development Director to do all things necessary to effectuate the release of said mortgage; 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.

32-16 Emergency Ordinance No. 16-31 titled, "Appointing Joyce Chilton, who shall serve in her official capacity, to the Clark County Land Reutilization Corporation Board, 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.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

21-16 Emergency Resolution No. 5915 titled, "Approving the establishment of services to be furnished to the property owners in the Bruce Annexation Area when it has been annexed to The City of Springfield, Ohio; and declaring an emergency."

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

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

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

33-16 Emergency Resolution No. 5916 titled, "Appointing Diane Turner-Sharazz to the Human Relations Board, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, 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 Citizen petitions signed by those opposed to the construction of a roundabout at Bechtle Avenue and the St. Paris Connector (67 part-petitions).

91-15 Minutes of the December 3, 2015, meeting of the Community Beautification Committee.

112-15 Quarterly financial reports, 2015 (fourth quarter.)

266-15 Correspondence from the Ohio History Connection announcing that Wellington Square's nomination for Springfield Metallic Casket Company, 105 North Center Street, was given approval by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places of the National Park Service, United States Department of Interior. .

34-16 Minutes of the January 7, 2016, meeting of the Community Beautification Committee.

35-16 Notification from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control of a request to transfer a liquor permit to Champion City Enterprises, LLC, dba Carleton Davidson Stadium excluding ticket booth area and locker rooms, Davidson Stadium, 1301 Mitchell Boulevard.

36-16 Notification from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control of a request to transfer a liquor permit to 425 Club, LLC, dba 425 Club, 425 Harrison Street, first floor and patio..

COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

22-12 Mr. Martin inquired into the rationale for contracting out sweeping of City streets when the City owns street sweepers.

Service Director Moore responded that DSS Sweeping Service, by contract, will complete one full sweep of the City's streets. The Service Department does not have the personnel to complete this task each spring when other springtime tasks, such as mowing, gear up. DSS Sweeping Service's sweepers collect a high-volume of debris off the streets. The Service Department is not set up to handle this material. The City owns two street sweepers. These are used as needed around town throughout the year. Mr. Moore noted the contract price increased three percent for 2016.

8-16 Mrs. Chilton requested a report on the support the City Commission will extend to Neighborhood Housing Partnership concerning its tax-credit development at East High Street and South Burnett Road.

Community Development Director Meadows stated that the City will support the project with \$250,000 in HOME funds. This allocation was approved by the Community Grant Advisory Board. This pocket-neighborhood concept is an appropriate use of HOME dollars. The tax-credit application will also carry the recommendation of staff members.

281-15 With regard to the rezoning of the former Community Hospital site at the southeast corner of East High Street and South Burnett Road, Mr. Copeland asked if a development plan would be brought to the Commission in the future for approval.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Thompson stated that the City Commission's approval of the rezoning will also approve the site plan, which was provided to the City Commission for review.

Mr. Martin inquired into the process that would attach the City Planning Board's recommended conditions for some kind of barrier between the development and Gruen Drive residents. He asked what mechanism would cause the barrier to become a requirement for the developer.

Mr. Thompson stated that a building permit will not be issued, nor the plans approved, if the criteria for a barrier is not demonstrated on the plans.

Mrs. Duncan stated that the concerns raised about the site are legitimate ones. However, a senior housing development is a real amenity for this part of the community. Springfield has need of a quality development of this kind. She expected it to provide a very pleasant environment for the tenants.

Mr. Martin spoke again. The development will provide a residential bridge between the adjacent neighborhoods.

Mr. Copeland stated that the state must approve Neighborhood Housing Partnership's application for tax credits before additional steps are taken.

28-16 Mr. Martin offered his compliments to staff members for pursuing the relocation of the Boonshoft Museum from the Upper Valley Mall to the Myers Market building. He stated it was a good reuse of that building.

Mr. Bodenmiller noted that the Dayton Society for Natural History, dba Boonshoft Museum of Discovery, will use the next six month to raise the necessary funds for renovation of Myers Market.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION

39-15 In response to Mr. O'Neill's inquiry, Mr. Bodenmiller stated that he would not make a recommendation about the Bechtle Avenue roundabout to the City Commission until the public education phase was complete. With regard to a timetable, he would take Hobby Lobby's construction of its new store into consideration. Once a timetable was established, he would propose what the next steps should be.

Mr. Copeland stated that the timetable would be made public.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

34-11 Mr. Richard Haynes of Taywell Drive, stated that the Drexel Avenue Senior Rental Housing Development built by Neighborhood Housing Partnership, was built in 2011 and has already needed roofs replaced.

Ms. Tina Koumoutsos, director of Neighborhood Housing Partnership, stated that the roofing material was improperly installed. The initial contractor installed new roofs on all the units.

20-16 Mr. Raymond Upshaw, 325 West Liberty Street, discussed the Ohio Highway Patrol patrolling Springfield streets and targeting black people.

Mr. Richard Smith, 938 Beil Street, stated that he wanted to see growth in the community. He discussed livable communities and the needs of the 50-plus age group.

Mr. David Sanford, 514 Fremont Avenue, spoke to discrimination issues.

39-15 Mr. Bob Hulsizer, 1909 West Washington Street, commented on the roundabout and stated that Bechtle Avenue motorists would be better served with a service road within the shopping centers to get them from one store to the next.

Mr. Bodenmiller stated that the funding set aside for the roundabout could not be used for a service road. It was not an eligible expense.

Mr. Mike Lowe, 1537 Brookhollow Drive, stated he was not in favor of the Bechtle Avenue roundabout. He felt senior drivers and inexperienced drivers would have difficulty negotiating it. Mr. Lowe presented 67 part-petitions with over 1,000 signatures, representing Springfield residents who are not in favor of the roundabout.

Mr. John Gallagher of East High Street commented that all roundabouts are problematic.



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