

A regular meeting of the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, in the Forum of City Hall, was called to order.

Roll call was answered by Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

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

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, members approved the minutes of the March 27, 2018, regular meeting as presented.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. 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:

27-18 An Ordinance titled, "Confirming purchases and the obtaining of services for the City and providing for payments therefor."

108-18 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing a contract with DATAMATX, Inc. for utility bill printing, mailing and electronic bill payment and presentment services for the period of June 11, 2018 through June 10, 2019, for an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00; and authorizing an additional expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$147,000.00 to reimburse DATAMATX, Inc. for postage expenses."

109-18 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the issuance of a purchase order for the purchase of three stainless steel dump bodies from K E Rose Co. LTD for an amount not to exceed \$71,550.00."

110-18 An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the acceptance of donations for the purpose of providing personal flotation devices for members of the Fire / Rescue Division."

85-12 An Ordinance titled, "Amending Ordinance No. 16-105 by increasing the authorized expenditure for the City's Emergency Repair Program - 2016 Revision to One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00)."

111-16 An Ordinance titled, "Adopting the City's 2018 Historical District Improvements Loan Program; authorizing expenditures for rehabilitation loans made in implementing the 2018 Historical District Improvements Loan Program; and authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, Law Director and Director of Community Development to do all things they consider necessary for and incidental to carrying out the 2018 Historical District Improvements Loan Program and entering into loan agreements in implementing the 2018 Historical District Improvements Loan Program."

~~~~~ Next regular City Commission meeting: May 8, 2018. ~~~~~

### **FIRST READING—RESOLUTION**

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

**79-18** A Resolution titled, "Declaring it necessary to require the construction or reconstruction of curbs, gutters and sidewalks at the points identified as Section No. 2 of Streets and Section No. 2 of Selected Locations of the 2018 Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter Program."

~~~~~ Next regular City Commission meeting: May 8, 2018. ~~~~~

SECOND READINGS—ORDINANCES

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

250-16 An Ordinance No. 18-107 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into Amendment A to the Engineering Services Agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation for the Primary Effluent Pumps Replacement Evaluation and Design Project, to increase the contract for an amount not to exceed \$42,336.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$150,736.00."

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

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

97-18 An Ordinance No. 18-108 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for demolition services with Tony Smith dba Tony Smith Wrecking & Trucking for an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00."

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

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

98-18 An Ordinance No. 18-109 titled, "Consenting to the appointment of Aimee Belanger-Haas to the Airport Advisory Board."

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCES

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

14-18 An Ordinance No. 18-110 titled, Providing for Supplemental Appropriations within various funds."

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

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

113-18 An Ordinance No. 18-111 titled, "Approving general salary increases for non-bargaining unit employees pursuant to Section 175.03(c) of the Codified Ordinances of The City of Springfield, Ohio; authorizing the City Manager to do all things necessary to implement such increases, and declaring an emergency."

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

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

114-18 An Ordinance No. 18-112 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Amendment to Financial Assistance Award with the Economic Development Administration to update the Standard Terms and Conditions that apply to the Revolving Loan Fund Program, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

The following legislation was presented for the first time:

115-18 A Resolution No. 6007 titled, "Finding the necessity and declaring the intent to appropriate interests in real property in connection with providing right-of-way and easements needed for the purpose of making and repairing roads which shall be open to the public, without charge, to wit, the pavement reconstruction and resurfacing, curb and walk replacement and drainage improvements on Belmont Avenue between Mitchell Boulevard and Home Road."

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

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

LIQUOR PERMIT

70-18 On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the administration's report relative to notification from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control of a request for a new liquor permit from Ohio Village Restaurant LLC, 1805 W. First Street, Springfield, OH 45504, was ordered received and filed with the City Clerk.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

111-18 Mrs. Chilton asked which areas are eligible for the 2018 Historical District Improvements Loan Program and how citizens can apply. Community Development Director Meadows stated that homeowners living in one of the two historic districts, the East High Street Historical District or the South Fountain Preservation District, may apply. Funding of \$100,000 is available for use from previous Lead Programs' income generated from repayments. Non-lead repairs such as walkways and porches are qualifying projects for zero percent, interest-free loans up to \$10,000.

Mrs. Chilton asked if landlords are eligible for the repair loans. Mrs. Meadows stated that the program is currently written for owner-occupied residences but could be expanded in the future to other owners.

Mr. O'Neill asked how much had been allocated for the former repair program. Mrs. Meadows replied that the lead program began with \$140,000, approximately \$50,000 was loaned out, and repayments continually come in to be reused.

250-16 Dr. Estrop asked for details on the primary effluent pumps replacement project. Service Director Moore explained the subject change order is to increase the size of the pit where the pumps are installed.

113-18 Dr. Estrop asked if the salary increase for the non-bargaining employees would create a deficit in the 2018 budget or a deficit over the period of the increase. Finance Director Beckdahl replied no to both questions.

114-18 Dr. Estrop asked if the amendment to the Financial Assistance Award to update the terms and conditions for the revolving loan program was standard language updates. City Manager Bodenmiller stated that all loan recipients across the country are required to update the terms and conditions portion of the agreement.

Mrs. Chilton asked if the revolving loan pertained to the Small Business Development Center. Mrs. Meadows explained that the subject revolving loan program funding goes to the Small Business Development Center to make loans to assist small businesses in the community. The reporting for the loan is completed by the Community Development staff.

115-18 Mr. O'Neill commented that the Belmont Avenue improvements are needed.

70-18 Mrs. Chilton asked if the requested liquor permit was for the former Bay Breeze Restaurant building, and staff responded that it is, but not open at this time.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

25-18 Dr. Estrop asked if the City Manager and staff had prepared a schedule for the budget cycle. Mr. Bodenmiller stated Dr. Estrop's correspondence related to the budget cycle is consistent with previous years' schedules. Staff will have a response to commissioners soon.

25-18 Mr. Rue asked if Senior Staff set goals related to the adopted Commission goals. Mr. Bodenmiller explained that staff always makes specific goals related to the City Commission goals. Timing of those goals may change depending upon other activities and projects that come up during the year, but Mr. Bodenmiller stated that he hopes to update commissioners quarterly.

25-18 Mr. O'Neill commented on correspondence from Neighborhood Housing Partnership (NHP) Director Tina Koumoutsos related to the former Schaeffer School site. He indicated that there may be confusion over who may potentially develop the site for housing.

Dr. Estrop stated the property is owned by the Springfield City School District, and located in a current Community Reinvestment Area (CRA). The school district is looking for potential buyers of the property currently zoned government.

Mr. Copeland commented that there was a misunderstanding between the various parties. The City has no plans to use the property for housing. NHP may be interested in developing additional housing similar to what is being built at the former Community Hospital site and would be required to submit plans as standard procedure.

Mr. Bodenmiller added that the sale of the property would be a private transaction, but the city would be involved in the zoning and development plans.

Mr. Copeland stated that he would talk further with NHP about their plans.

25-18 Mr. Copeland mentioned that he was wearing a purple T-shirt in memory of his great-nephew who passed away four years ago shortly before his college graduation. Mr. Copeland also spoke of his brother who passed just two weeks later.

25-18 Mr. Rue announced Clark County Service Day will be held on Friday, April 27. He also announced the NAACP's Minority Health Fair would take place at Fulton Elementary on Saturday, April 28.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

25-18 Mr. Derek Bird, Jr., introduced himself to the commissioners. He is taking the place of the late Bruce Williams in the Peacekeepers organization.

25-18 Mr. David Sanford, 528 South Yellow Springs Street, spoke on the need for diversity in hiring for the city. He also stated property surveys should be public and recorded with the Clark County Map Room. He stated that fences are often put on another person's property when there is no current survey.

Mr. Copeland stated that he had been working with the Human Relations Board on recruitment. Mr. Bodenmiller added that a new payroll person had been hired and would begin working the next business day. The former payroll person also worked in the Personnel Department and would now be free to do more recruiting. Mr. Bodenmiller added that the city is actively hiring for positions as people are leaving and encouraged citizens to apply for those positions.

Mr. Rue commented on the Euclid Avenue property that Mr. Sanford had previously discussed and it is currently under abatement. Dr. Estrop added that Representatives Koehler and Hackett had both visited the site.

Mr. Copeland stated that he is working with a committee of Ohio mayors who want to bring brownfield sites to the attention of the governor.

There being no further business, on motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the meeting adjourned.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION

CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION