



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

Monday, February 3, 2020 Minutes

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

7:10 – 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Stein presiding

Roll Call: Present: Dunbar, Hart, Seren, Stein, Yasinow
Excused: None

Staff present: Boland, Briley, Britton, Clinkscale, Hanna, Lambdin, Niermann O’Neil, Smith, Trupo, Wong

Topics discussed: Legislation, Committee Meetings Planning

CITY COUNCIL

7:40 – 9:11 p.m.

Mayor Stein presiding

Roll Call: Present: Dunbar, Hart, Seren, Stein, Yasinow
Excused: Russell, Ungar

Staff present: Boland, Briley, Britton, Clinkscale, Hanna, Lambdin, Niermann O’Neil, Smith, Trupo, Wong

The minutes from the City Council meeting held on January 21, 2020, were approved with submitted corrections.

Personal communications from citizens

James Williams made a statement about President Trump, CDC funding cuts, global warming, crimes, abuse of power, and human trafficking. He sang an excerpt from “Wind Beneath My Wings.”

Josefita Fehn and a neighbor asked for information about renovations to a neighboring house. Mayor Stein stated that Planning Director Richard Wong would be providing Council with an update. Richard Wong made a statement about the approvals for renovations and demolition. Susanna Niermann O’Neil made a statement about the involvement of a team of staff.

Roger Breedlove made a statement questioning the investment in Top of the Hill.

Linda Butler made a statement about the traffic study and traffic changes that would create congestion if Top of the Hill is built.

Mary Kelce made a statement regarding the congestion that will be created at Top of the Hill.

Len Friedsen made a statement about the transition to the strong Mayor form of government and requested more planning for that transition. Mayor Stein responded that staff is working on that and talking about a task force to discuss those items.

Richard Bozik made a statement of concern for the Top of the Hill financial package.

Fran Mench made a statement regarding Top of the Hill, the petition for a market study and residents' concerns.

Joan Mallick read responses to her Top of the Hill questions.

Laura Marks made a statement of concern regarding the reduction of trees.

Joyce Rajki made a statement about the residents' letters about the Top of the Hill plans that were on display at the library.

Report of the City Manager

Tanisha Briley gave an overview of her report to Council. The report may be viewed in full at https://www.clevelandheights.com/DocumentCenter/View/6247/cc_packet_02032020?bidId=.

Report of the Clerk of Council

No report.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND RECREATIONS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2020 (CRR). A Resolution recognizing February 2020 as *National African American History Month*

Introduced by Vice Mayor Seren, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Dunbar, Hart Seren, Stein, Yasinow
 Nays: None

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2020 (CRR). A Resolution proclaiming February 2020 to be *American Heart Month*

Introduced by Vice Mayor Seren, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Hart, Seren, Stein, Yasinow, Dunbar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

FINANCE COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 5-2020 (F), *Second Reading*. An Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of economic development tax increment financing revenue bonds, in a principal amount not to exceed \$26,000,000, for the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of the acquisition, construction, equipping, installation, furnishing and other improvement of a project, as defined in Section 165.01 of the Revised Code; authorizing execution and delivery of a trust agreement, a loan and service payment agreement, a bond placement agreement and related agreements, instruments and documents to provide for the revenues to pay and secure bond service charges and other required payments, the custody and application of funds and revenues, the permitted uses of bond proceeds in the financing of project costs, other requirements for the issuance, sale and delivery of the bonds and related matters

Introduced by Council Member Hart

Legislation on Second Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 6-2020, *Second Reading*. An Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$1,850,000 of economic development nontax revenue bond anticipation notes, in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, for the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of the acquisition, construction, equipping, installation, furnishing and other improvement of a project, as defined in Section 165.01 of the Revised Code

Introduced by Council Member Hart

Legislation on Second Reading

Council Member Hart stated she held a listening session and created a summary which will be posted on www.clevelandheights.com.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2020 (MS). A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for professional design, bid, and

construction administration services relating to the Delamere Drive Basement Flooding Relief Project

Introduced by Council Member Dunbar, Seconded by Council Member Hart

Roll Call: Ayes: Seren, Stein, Yasinow, Dunbar, Hart
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Council Member Dunbar stated her son was on Raymond Robinson's team when he passed, and it is amazing what is happening at the Cleveland Heights rinks now.

The Transportation Advisory Committee met last week. Sam Bell was interviewed just before that meeting and again the next day and he credited Cleveland Heights.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2020 (PD), First Reading. An Ordinance declaring certain improvements to real property located in the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio to be a public purpose; declaring such improvements to be exempt from real property taxation; making provision for the collection of service payments in lieu of taxes; establishing an urban redevelopment tax increment equivalent fund for the deposit of such service payments; confirming a compensation agreement with the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District; providing related authorizations pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5709.41, 5709.42 and 5709.43; rescinding Ordinance No. 116-2019 adopted on December 2, 2019; rescinding Ordinance No. 16-2018 adopted on March 19, 2018 except as stated herein

Introduced by Council Member Hart

Legislation Introduced

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

No report.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2020 (AS). A Resolution authorizing the use of a Consent Agenda within the agenda of meetings of the City Council; establishing the parameters thereof

Introduced by Vice Mayor Seren, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Stein, Yasinow, Dunbar, Hart, Seren
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Mayor's Report

No report.

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

Jason S. Stein, Mayor

Susanna Niermann O'Neil, Acting Clerk of Council
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