

MIDDLETOWN, OHIO

January 22, 2019

At 5:30 p.m., Mayor Mulligan called the City Council meeting to order in Council Chambers, Lower Level of the City Building.

ROLL CALL

City Council Members present: A. Vitori, S. Bohannon, J. Mulligan, T. Moon, L. Mulligan.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Adkins announced that he has been working on the Certified Local Government application and will be meeting with the Ohio Historical Society in Columbus at the end of the month. He reported that the Housing Committee met and finished going through and discussing the ten global issues. The Committee has put in long hours to find the best policies moving forward for demolition, renovation of existing homes, dealing with tax delinquent property, vacant land, vacant housing, infill construction and full use of the Butler County land bank. As we move into 2019, we'll take those concepts and create a comprehensive housing policy along with neighborhood plans for renovations. He announced the Council workshop tonight would be discussing Smart Cities technology.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the City Council Minutes from November 15, December 4, and December 12, 2018
 Confirm the Personnel Appointments of: Brian Mariano, Thomas Gilvin, Jacob Moore, Matthew Fornshil, Matthew Gault, and Jacob Lentz to the position of Firefighter-EMT in the Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire.
 Confirm the Promotional Appointment of Brad Sorrell to the position of Equipment Operator in the Department of Public Works & Utilities, Division of Sewer Maintenance.
 Receive and File Oaths of Office for:
 Ida Hawkins-Banks, Trace Jordan, Amanda Miller, and Holly Schultheis
 Receive and File Board and Commission Minutes:
 Cemetery Board- October 17, 2018
 Board of Health- December 11, 2018
 Confirm Joe Mulligan as the Alternate Representative on the OKI Board of Directors

Mr. Bohannon moved to approve the issues and actions listed on the Consent Agenda. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Ms. A. Vitori

Ms. Vitori thanked the third grade at St. John XXIII for inviting her in to talk about City Council; the students wrote letters to City Council.

Mr. L. Mulligan

Mr. L Mulligan thanked the Atrium Medical Center for sponsoring the youth oratory event to celebrate Reverend Martin Luther King Day. He expressed his appreciation to the Public Works employees for their hard work and dedication during the recent snow events.

Waive Charter

Mr. Moon moved to suspend the Charter provision that requires reading on two separate days and to declare Ordinance No. O2019-03 an emergency measure to be read one time only. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Mr. Bohannon, Ms. Vitori.

Ord. No. O2019-02 Approve Agreement With Dayton

Ordinance No. O2019-02, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing an inter-governmental agreement with the City of Dayton was read for the second time.

Mr. Moon moved to approve Ordinance No. O2019-02, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Dayton. Mr. Bohannon seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Mr. Bohannon, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Moon.

Ord. No. O2019-03 Credit Card Policy

Ordinance No. O2019-03, an ordinance adopting the Purchasing and Credit Card Policy for City employees and declaring an emergency was read.

Mr. Bohannon moved to approve Ordinance No. O2019-03, an ordinance adopting the Purchasing and Credit Card Policy for City employees and declaring an emergency. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan.

Ord. No. O2019-04 Badger Meter

Ordinance No. O2019-04, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing a contract with Badger Meter, Inc. for the purchase of water meters was read for the first time.

Ord. No. O2019-05 Modify DORA

Ordinance No. O2019-05, an ordinance modifying the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area, establishing requirements to ensure public health and safety within such area was read for the first time.

Res. No. R2019-01 1318-1326 Central

Resolution No. R2019-01, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1318 - 1326 Central Avenue in the Downtown Mid-

CRA Agreement

**Res. No. R2019-02
1364, 1366, 1368
Central CRA
Agreement**

dletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

Resolution No. R2019-02, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1364, 1366 and 1368 Central Avenue in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019-03
1372, 1374, 1378
1380 Central CRA
Agreement**

Resolution No. R2019-03, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1372, 1374, 1378 and 1380 Central Avenue in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019-04
1389, 1391 Central
CRA Agreement**

Resolution No. R2019-04, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1389 and 1391 Central Avenue in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019-05
12 Clark St. CRA
Agreement**

Resolution No. R2019-05, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 12 Clark Street in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019- 06
1720, 10722 Central
CRA Agreement**

Resolution No. R2019-06, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1720 and 1722 Central Avenue in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019-07
1500 First Ave. CRA
Agreement**

Resolution No. R2019-07, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1500 First Avenue in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019-09
1316 First, 108,112,
114 Curtis CRA**

Resolution No. R2019-08, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to Douglas Todd Fisher for redevelopment of 1316 First Avenue and 108, 112 and 114 Curtis Street in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:47 p.m., Mr. Bohannon moved to adjourn to executive session under the authority of O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan.

At 6:15 p.m., Mr. Bohannon moved to return to regular session. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon.

**WORKSESSION
Smart Cities**

At 6:25 p.m. City Council convened for a work session to discuss Smart Cities technology in the 4th Floor Learning Lab, City Building. Smart Cities and Community Development Professionals Workshop Session

Attendance:

Council: Mayor Larry Mulligan, Vice Mayor Talbott Moon, Steve Bohannon, Joe Mulligan, Ami Vitori

Staff: Doug Adkins, Susan Cohen, Scott Tadych

Guests: Ed Richter, Mindy Muller, Chip O'Donnell and Kevin Kellams (HP Energy)

1. Smart Cities

- a. Doug Adkins introduced the program ideas. Working with Chip O'Donell and Kevin Kellams from HP Energy about potential ways to implement smart cities technology in downtown/DORA area, but also potential expansions to the airport and Smith Park areas.
- b. Presentation from Chip O'Donnell, assisted by Kevin Kellams regarding what Smart Cities technology is and how it might be implemented in Middletown.
 - i. Technology involves utilizing high speed fiber technology and the like to provide wi-fi services to the areas included. Requires installation of fiber technology and nodes that receive that fiber optics reception and distribute to devices in the area.
 - ii. Use Apps for people to receive wi-fi and design experience for the city. Technology has been used to tell users about the area they are in, direct to restaurants, parking, local attractions, shopping etc. Can also be used for real time public safety uses (shot spotter), traffic enforcement and traffic control/monitoring. Information is collected from wi-fi users and can be utilized to study locations of people, habits, etc.
 - iii. Cost for implementation depends upon areas chosen to utilize for technology. If City used this for downtown area, as well as smith park/airport area, the estimates are that it would require 50 nodes and approximately 1million to 1.5million in startup costs. These costs could be spread into pieces and could be changed depending on the technology and how it was decided to implement.
- c. All Councilmembers agreed and asked HP Energy to do a more thorough study on implementation in the downtown/DORA area for implementation and work with staff to review. Bring back when more information is available.

2. Community Development Professionals

- a. Information presented by Mindy Muller regarding services that are provided by Community Development Professionals to streamline the administration of our CDBG/HOME entitlement grants in 2019.
- b. Agency works in grants, etc. but also works with non-profits to address sustainability and funding.
- c. Previous concerns raised by council about CDBG funding for 2019 Program Year and whether funds should be largely dedicated to funding street improvements or spread out to include more funding to community organizations such as CBI that have received funding in the past
- d. Decided to step down funding for CBI/non-profits and work to move funding more street projects and less dependence by non-profit on city funding.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned until the City Council Business Meeting on February 5, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Lawrence P. Mulligan, Jr., Mayor

Attest: _____