

MIDDLETOWN, OHIO

March 6, 2018

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: S. Bohannon, J. Mulligan, A. Vitori, L. Mulligan, T. Moon.

Staff Present: Nadine Begley, Susan Cohen, Amy Schenck, City Manager Doug Adkins.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Darrell Banks, 5918 Hayden Drive, commended the City for the progress being made downtown and offered some suggestions to make it even better. He reported that there is a lot of trash and debris on the bike path and expressed his concern that once the new MetroParks river facility opens, the restrooms will need to be secured. He stated that there is a bad smell downtown and some buildings need to be improved. He suggested adding more murals depicting Middletown's history to the downtown area.

ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS

Elizabeth Connor provided information about the Great Miami Riverway Coalition, a 99-mile regional destination marketing and placemaking campaign. She explained that riverway communities have invested over \$500 million in riverfront development. The goals of the Great Miami Riverway Coalition are to increase use, attract visitors, support economic development and to strengthen river neighborhoods.

CITY MANAGER Master Plan

Mr. Adkins reported that work on the Master Plan began with staff on February 26 and will continue with the public committee in March. A final report should be ready for Council approval by the end of the year.

Housing Plan

Mr. Adkins reported that he met with members of the CARE Group on February 28th to discuss how best to receive community input and share information about the housing plan. He is looking for a few more members with technical knowledge to add to the group.

Avionics Program

Mr. Adkins reported that he traveled to Harrison, Ohio, to tour the airport and to learn more about their avionics program. Mr. Eisenbraun will present a report at the April 3rd City Council meeting.

Annexation

Mr. Adkins explained that the City received an annexation petition whereby the owners of 4501 S. Dixie Highway wish to annex from Franklin Township into the City of Middletown pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 709.023. Pursuant to the code, the City must enact an ordinance stating what services it will offer to the annexed property. He explained that a special meeting and emergency legislation may be necessary due to time constraints placed in the Ohio Revised Code. He will discuss this annexation with staff.

CONSENT AGENDA

To Receive and File the Board of Health minutes from January 9, 2018.

Mr. Moon 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.

MOTION AGENDA

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To authorize the transfer of a City-owned residential lot at 605 Fifteenth Avenue to the Butler County Land Reutilization Corporation (Land Bank).

Authorize Sale 605 Fifteenth

Mr. Bohannon moved to authorize the transfer of a City-owned residential lot at 605 Fifteenth Avenue to the Butler County Land Reutilization Corporation (Land Bank). Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon.

To extend the DORA Hours for St. Patrick's Day, beginning at 8 a.m. until midnight on Saturday, March 17th, 2018.

Extend Dora March 17, 2018

Mr. Bohannon moved to extend the DORA Hours for St. Patrick's Day, beginning at 8 a.m. until midnight on Saturday, March 17th, 2018. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Ms. Vitori** Ms. Vitori announced that she would be attending the Starbucks annual meeting and will not be able to attend the March 20th City Council meeting.
- Mr. Moon** Mr. Moon reported that the Middletown City Schools will be unveiling their Master Plan and encouraged people to contact the Chamber or the school district to learn more about it.
- Mr. L. Mulligan** Mr. L. Mulligan reported that the Southwest Ohio Symphonic band will be having their spring concert at Miami University Middletown on April 17th. He announced that the annual Earth Day clean-up in Middletown, Ohio, is slated for Saturday, April 21, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Middletown City Building, One Donham Plaza. Keep Middletown Beautiful (KMB) Executive Director Jeff Michel will coordinate volunteers to continue the successful series of annual projects in Middletown. The 2018 Earth Day event will focus on the Middletown City Building area and downtown streets as well as general clean up in several parks. Arbor Day will be celebrated with a tree planting at this time.
- Suspend Charter** Mr. Moon moved to suspend the Charter provision that requires reading on two separate days and to declare Resolution No. R2018-03, Ordinance No. O2018-04 and Ordinance No. O2018-06 emergency measures to be read one time only. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan.
- Res. No. R2018-03
Solid Waste Plan** **Resolution No. R2018-03**, a resolution approving the Solid Waste Management Plan of Butler County, Ohio, and declaring an emergency was read.
- Mr. Bohannon moved to approve Resolution No. R2018-03, a resolution approving the Solid Waste Management Plan of Butler County, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori.
- Ord. No. O2018-04
Contract with
Howden Roots LLC** **Ordinance No. O2018-04**, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing a contract with Howden Roots LLC for the repair and rebuild of a blower at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and declaring an emergency was read.
- Mr. Moon moved to approve Ordinance No. O2018-04, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing a contract Howden Roots LLC for the repair and rebuild of a blower at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and declaring an emergency. Mr. Bohannon seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Mr. Bohannon, Ms. Vitori.
- Ord. No. O2018-05
2018 Action Plan** **Ordinance No. O2018-05**, an ordinance authorizing the submission of an application for Federal Assistance, an Action Plan and a Projected Use of Funds, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended for Program Year 2018 was read for the second time.
- Mr. Bohannon moved to approve Ordinance No. O2018-05, an ordinance authorizing the submission of an application for Federal Assistance, an Action Plan and a Projected Use of Funds, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended for Program Year 2018. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon.
- Res. No. R2018-04
Amend Appro.** **Resolution No. R2018-04**, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2018, (Court Special Projects Fund) was read for the second time.
- Mr. Moon moved to approve Resolution No. R2018-04, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2018. (Court Special Projects Fund) Ms. Vitori seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan.
- Res. No. R2018-05
Amend Appro.** **Resolution No. R2018-05**, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2018, (EMS & Law Enforcement Mandatory Drug Fine Funds) was read for the second time.
- Mr. Moon moved to approve Resolution No. R2018-05, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2018. (EMS & Law Enforcement Mandatory Drug Fine Funds) Mr. Bohannon seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan.

**Ord. No. O2018-06
Amend Chapter 891**

Ordinance No. O2018-06, an ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 891 of the Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency was read.

Mr. Bohannon moved to approve Ordinance No. O2018-06, an ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 891 of the Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency. Ms. Vitori seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori.

**Res. No. R2018-06
Amend Appro.**

Resolution No. R2018-06, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2018, was read for the first time. (General Fund)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:57 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: Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Mr. Bohannon, Ms. Vitori. Council returned to regular session at 6:47 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:47 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned until the Council meeting of March 20, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.

Lawrence P. Mulligan, Jr., Mayor

Attest: _____