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### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Keenan called the Monday, March 10, 2014 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Dublin Municipal Building.

### ROLL CALL

Members present were Mayor Keenan, Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, Mr. Lecklider, Mr. Peterson and Ms. Salay. Mr. Reiner arrived at 6:05 p.m. Vice Mayor Gerber was absent (excused).

### ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Keenan moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss land acquisition matters, legal matters, collective bargaining matters, and personnel matters (to consider the compensation of a public employee or official).

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes; Mayor Keenan, yes; Vice Mayor Gerber, yes; Mr. Lecklider, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes.

(Mr. Reiner joined the executive session in progress.)

The meeting was reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

Staff members present were Ms. Grigsby, Mr. Smith, Ms. Crandall, Mr. McDaniel, Mr. Foegler, Mr. Thurman, Ms. O'Callaghan, Mr. Wagner, Chief von Eckartsberg, Ms. Ott, Mr. Hammersmith, Mr. Hahn, Ms. Rauch, Ms. Gilger, Mr. Gracia, Ms. Leroy and Ms. Ott.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### PROCLAMATION/SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- **Dublin Business Appreciation Day – Friday, March 14**

Mayor Keenan presented a proclamation in honor of Dublin Business Appreciation Day to Michael Morgan, CEO of Updox. In recognition of the day, the Dublin Economic Development team, joined by two or three Council members, will be visiting nine different companies accompanied by three Irish bands. The City expresses its sincere appreciation to all Dublin businesses and employees for choosing to work and create in Dublin.

Michael Morgan, CEO of Updox thanked Council and expressed appreciation for Council's efforts to make Dublin a business-friendly community. Updox is a start-up healthcare technology company, and has been located in Dublin since its founding in 2009. They have grown from four to 20 employees and expect to reach 30 by the end of the year. They are located at 94 N. High Street. It has been a wonderful location, but the building is slated to be removed for the Bridge Street project. They are working with Crawford Hoying to identify a temporary location, but will be signing a letter of intent to be one of the first ten tenants located in the new Bridge Street project. Their goal is to exceed 70 employees by 2016-2017. The location will be strategic for them as they attempt to recruit young talent nationwide. They have over 20,000 users of their system. They are very excited about their future with Dublin.

- **National Athletic Training Month**

Mayor Keenan stated that the City is committed to promoting healthy lifestyles. Two of the City's successes are its Healthy By Choice benefits plan, which focuses on employee overall health, as well as the community-wide Healthy Dublin program, which offers wellness, education, fitness and prevention health risk measures to residents and businesses throughout the City. He presented a proclamation

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recognizing March 2014 as National Athletic Month to Eric Leighton, lead athletic trainer for Nationwide Children's Hospital Sports Medicine, 5680 Venture Drive.

Mr. Leighton thanked Council and the City of Dublin for the recognition. Nationwide Children's Hospital is very proud to be part of the Dublin community. They participate with City Employee Health Fairs. Nationwide Children's has five buildings on its Dublin campus. Children's is the only hospital to have two sports medicine/orthopedic buildings dedicated only to children, one of which is in Dublin. They look forward to working in the future with the City.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Wallace Maurer, 7451 Dublin Road stated that:

- (1) During the two recent major blizzards, City snowplow drivers performed heroically. However, they knocked down his mailbox twice. His mailbox does not extend over the road, and it is a very expensive one. Mail cannot be delivered until a mailbox is in place. He was quite concerned about not receiving a valuable piece of anticipated mail.

Ms. Salay indicated that he should contact the City's Service Department to replace the mailbox, if it was impacted by City snowplows.

- (2) He was unable to attend the recent State of the City event, so he watched it on DTV. The Master of Ceremonies was an ex OSU football player and seemed to turn the event into a football rally. Mr. Maurer was not pleased when the emcee patronized the City Finance Director, Ms. Mumma. He posed a question to Ms. Mumma, and her response could not be heard. Someone should have addressed this situation and should have provided a working microphone.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher responded that Ms. Mumma had a lapel microphone, but it was not working properly. They did provide a hand-held microphone, once the problem was identified and Ms. Mumma repeated her comments.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

(Items proposed for the Consent Agenda are acted upon by a single motion and vote of Council. However, upon request of a Council Member, any proposed Consent Agenda item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion/consideration under the regular order of business.)

Ms. Salay moved approval of the two items on the Consent agenda.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Salay, yes; Mr. Lecklider, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Mayor Keenan, yes; Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes.

- Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 10, 2014
- Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 24, 2014

**POSTPONED ITEMS**

**Ordinance 70-13**

**Rezoning Approximately 10.5 Acres, Located on the West Side of Paul Blazer Parkway, Between the Intersections of Rings Road and Parkcenter Circle from PCD, Planned Commerce District (Tuttle Crossing/I-270, Subarea 5A) to PUD, Planned Unit Development District (Tuttle Crossing/I-270, Subarea 5A) to Modify the Development Text and Preliminary Development Plan Regarding Sign and Parking Requirements. (Case 13-056Z/PDP)**

Ms. Rauch stated that Ordinance 70-13 was introduced at the August 12, 2013 Council meeting. The ordinance provides modifications to development text and the preliminary development plan related to parking and sign requirements for the

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property located 5515 Parkcenter Circle. The 10.5-acre site is located on the south side of Rings Road, west of Paul Blazer Parkway. The existing 116,000 square foot building is located on the southern portion with parking located to the west and north, with a significant tree stand located within the northern portion of the site, adjacent to the retention pond. At the first reading, Council members expressed concerns with the site design, the removal of the landscaped island and the trees located within it. Since that time, the applicant has revised their submission to what is shown tonight. The revised design re-orientes the parking spaces, provides some additional landscape and trees within the interior of the parking area, as well as provides additional replacement tree areas on the site. The proposal does continue to reflect the removal of eight trees within the northern landscape area, due to their fair to poor condition and the relocation of six smaller trees identified as good within another portion of the landscape area on site. The modifications would then permit additional parking for the site from the existing 571 spaces to 677. This proposal continues to meet the lot coverage and landscape requirements with their text, and the Code as well.

The Planning Commission (PZC) did require a condition that the applicant demonstrate and secure a tenant and provide documentation to the City in order to make this modification to the site. In addition, they need to obtain Final Development Plan (FDP) approval from the Commission, should Council approve this modification.

The second part of the proposal is related to the signs, which would permit a combination of signs. Two monument signs, which would permit tenant names, one located at the intersection of Parkcenter Circle and Paul Blazer Parkway, and then another at the Paul Blazer entrance. Those would be permitted to have the tenant names. The text also would permit address numbers only, should these numbers be divided up with multi tenants, to help a particular visitor find the site. In addition, they would be permitted some smaller directory signs adjacent to the building entrances. At Council's request, staff has also provided some proposed sign details. The final details would have to be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission, but this gives a general sense of what they could look like. The final details and locations would be approved through the FDP. The conditions required by PZC either have been addressed within the text, or will be addressed through the FDP process.

Mr. Lecklider stated that, for him, the priority would be the sufficiency of the perimeter screening. In many cases, that takes the form of mounding. When he visited the site, he observed more mounding along Paul Blazer Parkway. Council's policy over the years has been to screen parking spaces. However, there is not much mounding along Rings Road frontage.

Ms. Salay stated that is because there are beautiful trees in place in that location.

Ms. Salay inquired if there is a requirement, or could a requirement be put in place about a required length of time for the lease.

Ms. Rauch responded that there was not such discussion as part of this. She is not certain how the City would enforce that.

M. Salay stated that if Council approves this rezoning, it would approve the destruction of these trees. She believes it is not justified.

Mr. Smith noted Mr. Hale can respond to that question. Typically, commercial leases are for five or ten years, with options.

Ms. Salay indicated that she has an additional question concerning signage. If there can be multiple tenants – for example, there were four tenants -- it would be difficult to read the names. If there are four businesses located there, it would be difficult to read the names. A number of other businesses have desired multi-tenant signs, but motorists cannot read them. In this case, will the buildings be named, or will Council be approving five small lines of text? If Council is going to modify the sign code for

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this site, she wants to ensure it will be something legible and useful to the traveling public.

Mayor Keenan stated that this will require approval of the Planning Commission in any event.

Ms. Rauch added that the sign would be permitted either under the existing Code or through the text. The signage would ultimately be up to the applicant and approved by the Planning Commission.

Ms. Salay stated that she wanted to make sure this is included in the record of the discussion of this application.

Ben Hale, Jr., 37 West Broad Street stated this building has been on the market for quite some time, and a number of potential tenants have been identified but are not able to work within the waiting time involved for these approvals. They do believe that once this approval is received for the text changes, the process for the approval of the final development plan is generally predictable. This building is not unique. He recalls that one tenant did a substantial increase in their parking numbers, but now need to add another 350 spaces. They have not added any square footage in the office space. Employees are being housed in smaller spaces, and businesses are using cloud computing instead of servers. The needs in the workplace have significantly changed in terms of workspace. This building is unusual in that the current standards can continue to be met for lot coverage – 65 percent – and the limit for lot coverage in Dublin is 70 percent. They will replace the trees taken out, tree for tree, and they will do much of that in the setback areas. To do this will cost in the range of \$100,000. They do not want to make this investment unless they have a tenant who needs this space. They do not have an objection to making this conditional on having a tenant – to prove to staff that the need exists. They do not want to invest the \$100,000 if it is not needed to secure a tenant. Most leases are five to ten years, with several extensions available. When this is completed, they will have a building that is competitive in the marketplace. He views all real estate, especially this type, as a tremendous asset to the City. Buildings like this are as much the City's future as any others. They believe they will secure tenants, and their need for the modifications will be verified to staff. They are requesting approval from Council and look forward to collaborating with the City's business development staff in securing a tenant.

Mayor Keenan stated that Council is very well aware of the economic realities with respect to the parking and the changing needs. Discussion occurred on this topic at the Council retreat.

Wallace Maurer, 7451 Dublin Road that he recalls Council Member Reiner pushed through legislation a few years ago related to conservation design. It meant, in essence, that the City should be so constructed that one could, from any point, see live earth beyond. There are references in a couple of places in these zoning documents to trees -- trees in good or fair condition or trees in any condition. His question is what constitutes "fair" in terms of survival under normal conditions?

Ms. Rauch responded that the trees are assessed by a certified arborist who determines whether a tree is in good, fair or poor condition.

Mr. Maurer noted that in the development text, there is a reference to height limitation and the statement there is for a height limitation of 100 feet. He recalls that the maximum height in Dublin was or is 45-50 feet – is that correct?

Ms. Rauch responded that it depends upon the development. Within this particular development text, the height was specified at 100 feet when this was originally created. It has not been modified from the original approval.

Mr. Maurer stated that under directional signs, he found a statement for which clarification is needed. "Signs will present a high quality, corporate image." He does not know what this would be.

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Ms. Salay responded that the Planning & Zoning Commission determines whether signage presents a high quality, corporate image at the final development plan stage. This provides the applicant a guideline for Dublin's expectations.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher added that one can look around Dublin and view the corporate signage in place that has been done very tastefully by corporations. This is not new language but what has consistently been required of corporations in signage.

Mr. Reiner stated that the landscaping fits the Dublin Landscaping Code, and the Code provides that screening must be done for all sides. Will that be accomplished with mounding?

Ms. Rauch responded that the applicant would have to meet that requirement with grading, mounding and trees located on center. Their intent is to meet the landscape Code.

Mr. Reiner stated that in looking at the plan view, he could not determine which were deciduous and which were evergreen. This relates to screening all the cars and the visual pollution of the glass and chrome. Is there to be further input regarding these items?

Ms. Rauch responded that at the time of final development plan, the specific species of what they will replace the trees with would be required as part of the Planning Commission review. Staff will ensure it meets the requirements.

Mr. Reiner stated that this is a very worthwhile project and it is important for the City to update this to meet the changing marketplace. He does want to ensure the aesthetics is not diluted in any way.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher noted that Council has spent significant time discussing the ever-changing workforce and the way companies currently operate and will operate into the future. Council is aware that there is a need to change parking lots in many of the existing corporate buildings. The key will be the perimeter screening. It still can be done in all of these circumstances and will ensure the aesthetics into the future. People have relied upon the high aesthetic standards that Dublin provides. She thanked Mr. Hale for his patience with the delays involved with this matter. She noted that she is appreciative of the changes from the original submission to meet the requirements, the intent and spirit of the Dublin Code.

Ms. Salay stated that she feels very strongly about this site and the trees in question being removed for the sake of adding 50 or so parking spaces. Her neighbors view these trees as a buffer to the water tower. They are quite beautiful and do not appear to be in fair condition. They are too valuable to be removed for the construction of a parking lot. She understands the need to change the City's parking code to allow more spaces and agrees with that. However, for this particular building and site, it is the wrong thing to do. She cannot support this and urges Council not to support this. A negligible amount of revenue/jobs are involved, and she believes that at some point a tenant will be secured for the building and the City will be glad that the trees were not removed. This is a unique site, and she cannot point to any other parking lot where five beautiful, mature trees will be removed. She believes that Council will have to defend its reason for removing the trees – should this rezoning be approved. She urged Council not to support this rezoning.

Vote on the Ordinance: Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Mr. Lecklider, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Ms. Salay, no; Mayor Keenan, yes.

Mr. Hale addressed Council, noting that he has been coming to Dublin for 45 years and this is his last Council meeting.

(A round of applause followed.)

Mayor Keenan stated that he is aware that everyone has valued Mr. Hale's input over the many years he has been involved in Dublin development. His word has always

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been the "gold standard" of the people who work with the City on development matters. If Mr. Hale says something will be done, that is what happens. Council thanks him for his service over these many years.

Ms. Salay and Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher thanked him for his service as well.

Mr. Reiner added that Mr. Hale has always spoken the truth, has presented things in a fair and objective way, and had great insight. Many times, it was Mr. Hale's input that prompted a developer to do something above the standard. He thanked him for his service.

Mr. Lecklider agreed, noting he appreciates his service. He has enjoyed working with him for over 20 years in various capacities at the City.

Mr. Smith indicated he has worked 37 years with Mr. Hale and concurs with all that has been said!

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher added that in the few times that an applicant retained a different development/zoning attorney, at their second visit, they generally were represented by Mr. Hale!

## **SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance 11-14 (Amended)**

#### **Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Assignment, Real Property Necessary Conveyance Documentation to Acquire 10.00 Acres, More or Less, Fee Simple Interest Located East of Village Parkway and South of Tuller Road from Commercial Site Acquisitions, Inc. ("Casto") for Parkland and Right of Way, and Declaring an Emergency.**

Ms. Grigsby stated that this ordinance relates to acquisition of approximately 10 acres the intersection of Village Parkway and Cooperstone Drive. Currently, the Casto Communities Management Company has an option to purchase this site. This legislation allows the City to obtain the assignment of those rights and acquire this property for the future extension of John Shields Parkway. The acquisition price is \$4.6 million. The only change from the last discussion at Council is that staff is requesting adoption by emergency action tonight in order to continue to move forward with the acquisition of the property.

Mayor Keenan stated that Council members are all well aware of the importance of this acquisition to the City.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher moved for emergency passage.

Mr. Reiner seconded the motion.

Mayor Keenan invited public testimony.

Wallace Maurer, 7451 Dublin Road state that the relationship between Casto, Byers and the City is very complex. His question is that Buyers, in the position of offering these 10 acres to Casto said that the cost would be \$4,600,000. He tried to track that figure through all the materials, but could not do so. His ultimate question is if this is the price the City is paying for this property?

Ms. Grigsby stated that is correct.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Salay, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Mr. Lecklider, yes; Mayor Keenan, yes; Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes.

Vote on the Ordinance: Mayor Keenan, yes; Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Salay, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Mr. Lecklider, yes.

**INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING/VOTE - RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution 10-14**

**Acknowledging that Ohio University Has Met the Subarea One Development Requirements in Accordance with Ordinance 22-12 and the Associated Economic Development Agreement.**

Ms. Salay introduced the resolution.

Mr. McDaniel stated that Ordinance 22-12, approved in April of 2012 authorized an economic development agreement with Ohio University for the extension campus of Ohio University's Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine, as well as associated bioscience medical research and education facilities. Resolution 14-10 acknowledges that Ohio University has met the Subarea One requirements of the EDA. The definition of those Subarea One requirements was provided in the staff report. The agreement provided that if Ohio University closed on the three buildings, renovated them and then established the School of Osteopathic Medicine, the City would then transfer or release Subarea One to them for future expansion. Staff and Legal staff have reviewed this and believe that the University has substantially met those requirements. Staff therefore recommends passage of this resolution. He added that they plan to build a nearly 100,000 square foot building on Subarea One, and this development has been reviewed and approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission. This building would accommodate a Physician Assistant school as well as other health sciences.

Mayor Keenan commented that he is very impressed with Ohio University's commitment to the City.

Vote on the Resolution: Mr. Lecklider, yes; Mayor Keenan, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes; Ms. Salay, yes.

**Resolution 17-14**

**Affirming Key Public Infrastructure Improvement Projects in the Scioto River Corridor of the Bridge Street District and Directing the Administration to Proceed with the Final Design of Those Public Improvements Included in the 2014-2018 Capital Improvements Program.**

Mr. Lecklider introduced the resolution.

Mr. Foegler stated that the resolution summarizes and requests affirmation and authorization for the next level of design activities, as discussed and reviewed with Council at their recent retreat. In view of the planning done to date, the capital plans that have been approved to date, the number of public processes held with regard to the planning for the river corridor, staff is requesting Council's authorization tonight to affirm some of the key results of that planning process as well as authorizing staff to move forward with the design of all those public improvements currently within the City's Five-Year Capital Plan in the river corridor, as well as one additional roadway. This resolution will authorize the Administration to proceed with the final design of the following Bridge Street District Scioto River Corridor public improvement projects as well as one additional roadway:

- State Route 161/Riverside Drive roundabout. He noted that preliminary engineering is complete for this project.
- Relocated Riverside Drive in this area, including the piece of the, in effect, missing link of the John Shields Parkway that is a City obligation for a development agreement with the nursing home.
- Grading and utility planning for the park area adjacent to the road along the east side of the Scioto River.
- The new piece, not in the current CIP, is a connection, which will extend and connect Tuller Ridge with Dale Drive, becoming one of the new north/south

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connection points within the grid of the Bridge Street District. The timeframe for that is such that staff would expect to both accelerate the design of that connection and advance and complete construction of that this year, if possible. Staff will bring forward to Council the necessary legislation related to acquisition and other items for that to occur.

This summarizes the items reviewed with Council at the retreat related to transportation planning in this corridor. He offered to respond to any questions.

Mayor Keenan thanked staff for their work on this.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher asked for clarification that Council is approving the next level of final design for these items, as well as the design and actual construction of the connection between Tuller Ridge and Dale Drive.

Ms. Grigsby stated that is correct. A construction contract for that connection will be brought to Council when that is ready. This resolution authorizes moving forward with the items as outlined in the resolution and described by Mr. Foegler.

Mayor Keenan asked Mr. Foegler to highlight on the map the exact location of the connector road.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher state that in discussions during the board and commission interviews, there were some questions from the Planning and Zoning Commission about the approval process for some of these connectors and road alignments. She assumes that with passage tonight, that information will be shared with the Commission – that Council has approved moving to the next step, based on the plans already reviewed.

Mr. Foegler stated that is correct. Staff felt it was appropriate to affirm at this time the planning, consistent with the Thoroughfare Plan that Council has adopted. This action will be communicated to the Planning Commission and more broadly to the public. It is fully consistent with the capital programming already approved by Council.

Ms. Salay stated that at one point, there was discussion of the need for a second vehicular bridge between I-270 and Bridge Street and having two vehicular bridges crossing the river. In reviewing this plan, it reflects one vehicular bridge. What was considered when the decision was made that there was not the need for a second vehicular bridge crossing further to the south.

Mr. Foegler responded that as part of the analysis done last winter, staff and the consultants looked more closely at those alternatives and options. In effect, that second vehicular bridge did not play a role in relieving traffic at the critical intersections – particularly at Bridge and High or in the functioning of the roundabout at SR 161/Riverside. However, to do that would effectively preclude the pedestrian bridge crossing in this location. With the pedestrian bridge accommodating both pedestrians and bicycles, and with the addition of the vehicular bridge to the north, given the number of bridges that exist for vehicular options, the recommendation made through the river corridor framework planning process was for a pedestrian bridge at the southern crossing point and a full service vehicular bridge, which will include pedestrians and bicycles at the John Shields Parkway crossing. Functionally, that would work well for this area.

Ms. Salay asked for an estimate of the cost of a vehicular bridge across the river.

Mr. Foegler responded that the City Engineer estimated a range is \$10-12 million, but that was based upon some old comparables. New estimates would be needed.

Mr. Keenan noted that the cost would depend upon the number of lanes as well.

Ms. Salay stated that the minimum savings of eliminating this other vehicular bridge would be \$10 million.

Ms. Salay asked in regard to the pedestrian bridge and having some certainty about its location. At what point will that be determined?

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Mr. Foegler responded that there are two elements involved. One is reviewing some cost savings design alternatives, which has the biggest design implications in the near term. Within five-six weeks, staff will have the design alternatives, renderings to review and compare, and modified cost elements. For landing points, there is potential variation due to the emerging private developments that are creating new and different opportunities. As part of what is shared with Council in six weeks, a preferred landing will be identified; however, this still could be impacted on the west side by some private development decisions. The general location will be the same – only the western landing point may be slightly modified. He estimates the movement could potentially be up to 50 feet north of the landing site presently shown on the western side. The goal is to have the pedestrian circulation to the bridge to be as free of conflict with vehicles as possible. There is lots of private development being proposed adjacent to that area. For these reasons, the landing location on the west side may be modified somewhat.

Wallace Maurer, 7451 Dublin Road asked about the status of citizen acceptance and cooperation versus citizen resistance to the Bridge Street District plans.

Mayor Keenan stated that there will always be those opposed and in support of projects. It is part of the public nature of the process.

Mr. Foegler added that the survey work done by the City with Marty Saperstein has found overwhelmingly strong citizen support for the idea and goals of Bridge Street. For the public meetings, the significant questions and responses are posted online and updated regularly. At Council's retreat, staff shared a series of videos and materials that address questions citizens have asked about the District. However, in terms of the survey work of the community, it reflects strong alignment with Council's direction on the district.

Ms. Grigsby added that very favorable comments have been received from the business community, including tonight's comments from the CEO of Updox. She recommends that citizens view the video on the City website related to interviews done with business representatives in the community who believe the Bridge Street District is important to them as well.

Vote on the Resolution: Mr. Reiner, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Ms. Salay, yes; Mr. Lecklider, yes; Mayor Keenan, yes; Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, yes.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Ms. Grigsby:

1. Noted that there was discussion at the retreat and included in the memo regarding Resolution 17-14 about the need for project review for Bridge Street District. The current Tuller Flats project being proposed by Casto would require significant City infrastructure where a partnership with the developer would be needed. Council expressed interest in early views of such projects prior to bringing forward an economic development agreement to Council. Because of the timeframe Casto is working under and that the project is under review by Planning and Zoning Commission, staff is proposing that a work session for Council be scheduled on Monday, March 17 to discuss this project.

It was the consensus of Council to meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 17 for this work session.

Mr. Foegler indicated it would require approximately two hours.

2. Thanked staff involved with the preparation for the State of the City, the evening of, and the follow-up – especially Community Relations staff. She thanked Shared Vision for the videos they provided, which help share the City's story for this annual address.
3. Highlighted the memo in the packet regarding potential community activities in conjunction with The Memorial Tournament. Council can provide feedback tonight, or can respond to any questions.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher, Administrative Committee reported that:

1. The Committee recently interviewed candidates for magistrates for the Mayor's Court. Mr. Gerber, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Keenan, Mr. Lecklider and she were present. Recommendations will be brought forward for these appointments.
2. All Council was present last week for interviews of candidates for appointment to boards and commissions. Recommendations will be brought forward for the March 24 Council meeting.

Mr. Reiner, Community Development Committee reported that the Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 12 at 6 p.m. to review the Beautify Your Neighborhood grant applications.

**COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE**

Ms. Salay:

1. Stated that she talked with Pat Losinski, Chief Executive Officer of the Columbus Metropolitan Library who indicated that the Library is eager to engage with Council to discuss their ideas and plans. Perhaps others talked with him as well. She would be interested in having that discussion in a work session format. They indicated a willingness to come to Dublin for this purpose and meet with Council. Council has indicated they are very interested in discussion of potential sites.

Ms. Grigsby responded that staff is working to schedule a meeting with the library representatives regarding discussion about the library's criteria for the site selection. If Council would like to schedule a work session on March 31, staff will coordinate with Mr. Losinski and staff. Mr. Losinski also mentioned it would be possible to have this discussion at a Council meeting.

Ms. Salay asked if the site selection discussion would be an executive session matter. Ms. Grigsby responded that if potential sites are identified, the discussion would be executive session as land acquisition.

Mayor Keenan stated he believes all Council members are very interested in the site selection.

Ms. Grigsby noted that she is not certain of whether they have specific sites at this point. Council can schedule a work session, and if there is discussion of specific sites, the meeting can be adjourned to executive session.

Ms. Salay suggested that March 31, April 7 and April 21 be left open to see what works for the library staff.

Mr. Lecklider indicated he would prefer to have a work session meeting for this purpose, if Council agrees.

Council expressed their concurrence.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher noted that she is not available on April 21.

It was the consensus of Council to establish Monday, April 7 for the work session. Staff will follow up with the library staff.

2. Stated that additional discussion and deliberation regarding the board and commission appointments is needed. Perhaps Council could schedule this at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 17 – if that is agreeable to Mr. Gerber and the rest of Council.

It was the consensus of Council to meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 17 for this purpose.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher:

1. Asked for an update on the completion of the Brand Road bikepath.

Mr. Hammersmith stated that staff's last update indicated that construction will begin again in April, weather permitting. The winter weather precluded work on the bridge foundation. The estimated completion date is the first part of May for the portion from Muirfield Drive to the roundabout.

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2. Asked for a progress report on Emerald 8 project.

Mr. Hammersmith responded that everything has gone well. The CON/SPAN bridge over Billingsley Creek will be set tomorrow. Waterline work has been proceeding at Bright Road, along with sanitary sewer work and burial of overhead utilities on Bright Road. The rock blasting continues on the hillside. The weather has been somewhat of a hindrance.

Ms. Chinnici-Zuercher asked if the information shared with the neighbors about the process is being followed closely.

Mr. Hammersmith responded affirmatively.

3. Congratulated staff for recruiting Chevrolet of Dublin as a sponsor the St. Patrick's Day Parade. This was a great way to bring them into participation in the community events.

Ms. Grigsby responded the Ms. DiSalvo does a great job of interacting with new businesses that come to Dublin.

4. Updcox is a great example of what can result from the City's support of start-ups and offering the services at the DEC. She hopes that these stories can be shared through *Dublin Life* so citizens are aware of the success of these smaller companies.
5. Congratulated Ms. Grigsby and staff on the State of the City presentation. She is very proud of our City, and the participation of people attending is a tribute to the excitement of being in the Dublin community. Wendy's has been a terrific host for this event!
6. Thanks to Chief von Eckartsberg for the information on the distracted driving education efforts. The Police goals provided in the packet are also excellent. It is great that the Dublin Police division has goals in place.
7. Commented regarding the Memorial Tournament Community Activities memo provided to Council. She had understood that all of the activities done in 2013 for The Presidents Cup were done because of the unique and one-time opportunity of having the Cup in Dublin. She was not expecting to repeat all that was done for the Cup. Many of the items listed in the memo are acceptable – the Leadership Breakfast in particular is a good opportunity for all involved. She does not believe that the Fore!Fest should be repeated on an annual basis. It is an event, and there has been discussion about the number of events already taking place in the community. A more comprehensive discussion is needed with Council and the Events staff about this. She doesn't view hosting events as a primary purpose for municipal government. The golf ball public art was popular with the corporations, and the flags were tastefully done and would be appropriate for this year.

Mr. Lecklider:

1. Followed up on the Police division goals for 2014 focusing on the reduction of property crime, reduction of traffic crashes, preparation for major crimes, critical incidents and issues of community concern. In that memo, it is worth noting the reduction in crime in the City in 2012, compared with peer communities in the Central Ohio area. It is very impressive and he compliments the Division of Police on these efforts.
2. Noted the report about Dublin's safety rankings – the 12<sup>th</sup> Safest City in Ohio, one of the Top 100 Safest Cities in the U.S., and the recent ranking of Dublin as the fourth safest suburb in America. Clearly, these are largely attributable to the Division of Police. Congratulations!
3. Noted he is looking forward to seeing everyone at Saturday's St. Patrick's Day Parade!

Mr. Reiner:

1. Wished the Law Director a belated Happy Birthday!

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2. Commended Mr. Hahn and staff for the wonderful restoration work at the Mt. Zion cemetery.
3. Reported that over the weekend, he encountered Dom Tiberi, who expressed his thanks to Council for their support of the distracted driving educational efforts.
4. Congratulated Mr. Hidaka who was selected as "Businessperson of the Year" by the Dublin Chamber.

**Mayor Keenan:**

1. Echoed the positive comments regarding the distracted driving education efforts. This is an important community education service for both young drivers and adults.
2. Noted he had the opportunity to meet Mr. Kazuyuki Katayama, the Consul General of Japan in Detroit who was attending a JASCO speech contest at City Hall on Saturday, March 1. It was a pleasure to meet him.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Mayor – Presiding Officer

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Clerk of Council