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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fox called the Monday, July 25, 2022 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present were Ms. Alutto, Ms. Amorose Groomes, Vice Mayor De Rosa, Mayor Fox, Mr. Keeler, Ms. Kramb and Mr. Reiner.

Staff members present were Mr. McDaniel, Ms. Readler, Ms. O’Callaghan, Mr. Stiffler, Mr. Ranc, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Dearth, Ms. Goliver, Mr. Hammersmith, Ms. Weisenauer, Ms. Dotson, Ms. Rauch, Mr. Hounshell, Ms. Goehring, Ms. Klus and Chief Paez.

Also present: David Guion, Executive Director of Dublin Arts Council, Todd Smith, Artist – Exuvia and Marty Saperstein, Saperstein Associates.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Fox moved to adjourn to executive session for the purposes of:

- Personnel Matters: Considering the employment of a Public Employee;

Ms. Alutto seconded.

Vote on the motion: Mr. Keeler, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Mayor Fox, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes.

RECONVENE – 7:05 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fox invited Mr. Reiner to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Artist Residency Update

Mayor Fox invited Mr. Guion to come forward and update Council on the artist residency. The residency is for the commissioned repair of one sculpture and the replacement of three sculptures which will be installed in Coffman Park. Mr. Guion provided a brief history of artist Todd Smith. His artwork Exuvia are exo-skeletal sculptures of the artist himself. Four Exuvia sculptures were installed in Coffman Park in 2008. The sculptures created much interest and adoration in the community. Over the years, three of the sculptures had to be deinstalled due to weather damage and forces of nature. The public has been able to watch Mr. Smith re-create these sculptures at the Dublin Arts Council. He has also held two workshops with 40 participants. Mr. Guion shared some comments from the participants of the workshops. The sculptures created over the residency will be on display at the Dublin Arts Council grounds and a reception this Friday, July 29 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. He invited Council and public to attend. Mr. Guion introduced Todd Smith. Mr. Smith thanked Council for the support of the Dublin Arts Council. It has allowed him to launch his career. He could have never foreseen how it has impacted the public. He shared some of the interactions with Exuvia fans he has experienced over the residency. Mayor Fox thanked Mr. Smith for sharing his story. She presented him with a congratulatory letter. Ms. Amorose Groomes added that it is nice to put a face to the sculpture in the park.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

There was no request to remove a consent agenda item.

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- Notice to Legislative Authority of a New D2 Liquor Permit for Krishna Siddhi LLC, dba Chateau Wine & Spirits, 6665 Sawmill Rd., Dublin, Ohio 43017.
- Notice to Legislative Authority of a New D1 Liquor Permit for Triple B Grooming LLC, dba Hammer & Nails, 5869 Frantz Road, Dublin, Ohio 43016.
- Notice to Legislative Authority of a New D5 Liquor Permit for Corazon Country Club LLC, dba Corazon Country Club, 7155 Corazon Drive, Dublin, Ohio 43017.
- Notice to Legislative Authority of a New D5I Liquor Permit for First Watch Restaurants Inc., dba First Watch #1016, 6505 Dublin Center Drive, Dublin, Ohio 43017.

Ms. Alutto moved to approve the consent agenda.
Mr. Reiner seconded.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mayor Fox, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCES

There were no Ordinances for first reading.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING/PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES

Ordinance 28-22

Authorizing the Provision of Certain Incentives to Rea & Associates, Inc. to induce it to Purchase a Facility to Retain and Expand its Corporate Headquarters and its Associated Operations and Workforce, all within the City; and Authorizing the Execution of an Economic Development Agreement

Ms. Alutto introduced the Ordinance.
Ms. Klus stated that the City has been in discussions with Rea & Associates regarding its competitive search for expansion opportunities to establish a national headquarters in Central Ohio. They were established in Dublin in 1988 at 5775 Perimeter Drive, Suite 200. Rea & Associates is a full-service regional accounting and business advisory firm that offers accounting, tax, audit and consulting, and cyber services to clients primarily throughout the state of Ohio. The Ohio CPA firm is also regarded as one of the Top 100 public accounting firms in the country. To meet expansion needs, Rea is considering purchasing its third office location in the City of Dublin that would retain and establish a new corporate headquarters in the community. The City is offering an 18% incentive on income tax withholdings for seven years valued at \$283,000 in consideration of the company’s continued investment and planned workforce growth in Dublin. The project retains 68 existing employee positions within the City. The company also expects to create 35 new employee positions within the City by December 31, 2028. The City anticipates nearly \$1.2 million in net withholdings over the next seven years. Staff recommended approval at the second reading on August 8.

There were no public comments.

Ms. Amorose Groomes stated that they have always been great business community members. She is pleased to see them expanding and keeping their business in Dublin.

Second reading/public hearing is scheduled for the August 8, 2022 Council meeting.

Ordinance 29-22

Authorizing the Provision of a Certain Incentive to CPS Solutions, LLC to induce it to Lease a Facility to Retain and Expand its Office and its Associated Operations and Workforce, all within the City; and Authorizing the Execution of an Economic Development Agreement

Ms. Alutto introduced the Ordinance.
Ms. Goehring stated that the City has been in negotiations with CPS Solutions regarding their expansion plans. CPS Solutions is one of the nation’s leading providers of pharmacy and hospital solutions. CPS services include inpatient pharmacy solutions,

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specialty and ambulatory pharmacy solutions, pharmacy consulting, 340B services, tele-pharmacy services, supply chain and materials management services, rehabilitation services, benefits investigation, and more. CPS is considering leasing a 20,000 SF facility in Dublin to provide specialty pharmacy call center services to specialty pharmacy patients on behalf of CPS’s clients.

The Economic Development Agreement proposed is a three year payroll performance withholding incentive of up to \$83,000. The project would be the second additional location in Dublin and expects to retain 43 existing employee positions within the City. In addition, the Company expects to create 47 new employee positions, for a total of 90 employees within the City by December 31, 2025. The project is anticipated to bring approximately \$496,000 in net withholdings through 2025. The State of Ohio is also proposing economic development incentives to CPS to help retain and expand its workforce and investment in Ohio. This competitive project also considered Indiana, Florida, and Minnesota during the site selection process. Staff recommended approval at the second reading on August 8.

There were no public comments.

Second reading/public hearing is scheduled for the August 8, 2022 Council meeting.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING/VOTE – RESOLUTIONS
Resolution 36-22

Adopting the City of Dublin’s Strategic Framework

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.

Mr. Rogers stated that at the June 21, 2022 work session, staff presented a recommendation of a new Strategic Framework that focused on a revised vision statement and associated strategic goals. Council directed staff to bring forward a resolution for consideration, therefore staff brings this resolution forward with minor modifications. The modications are as follows:

- Removing the year “2035” from the title of the framework.
- Reorder the Vision Statement to read, “Dublin, Ohio is the Most Sustainable, Connected, and Resilient Global City of Choice.
- Broadband was a separate goal from Infrastructure under the Most Connected goal. Staff recommended these be combined to read: “A city with state of the art, reliable, and safe water, power, sanitary sewer, stormwater, waterways and thoroughfares along with a broadband capability that ensures 10 Gigabit access to all residents, businesses and visitors.”
- Land Use was added under the Most Connected goal and reads: “A city that prides itself as the leader in innovation, conscientiousness, and forward thinking as it addresses the current and future needs of the community in terms of design, development, consistency, and growth in its built and natural environments.”

There were no public comments.

Vice Mayor De Rosa thanked staff for the work on this Strategic Framework. She suggested adding the words “a minimum of” to the 10 gig language under the Most Connected goal since that amount could be bigger in the future.

Ms. Alutto agreed with adding broadband to infrastructure.

Discussion was held regarding the word “is” in the Vision Statement and whether or not it should be removed or replaced with different wording. Mr. McDaniel stated that a vision statement is meant to be what you believe you are and aspire to be, so the word “is” is appropriate. Ultimately, the consensus of Council was to leave the word “is” in the statement.

Vote on the Resolution: Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Mayor Fox, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes.

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Resolution 37-22
Appointing a Member to the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Dublin

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.
Vice Mayor De Rosa stated that a resignation has resulted in a vacancy on the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). She thanked everyone who has applied to serve the community. Interviews were conducted and she stated she was pleased to bring forward Mr. Dan Garvin for appointment to BZA of an unexpired term ending March 31, 2023.

There were no public comments.

Vote on the Resolution: Ms. Kramb, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Mayor Fox, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

Resolution 38-22
Accepting the Preliminary Plat for 4000 W. Dublin-Granville Road to Subdivide ± 1.98 Acres to Dedicate Right-of-Way for the Future Development of Village Parkway

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.
Mr. Hounshell stated that the undeveloped site is located north of West Dublin-Granville Road, and zoning Bridge Street District – Sawmill Center Neighborhood Zoning District. The site consists of one parcel, with approximately 320 feet of frontage along West Dublin-Granville Road. As determined by the City Engineer, a 70-foot wide right-of-way is being dedicated to the City adjacent to the west property line of the site to accommodate the future extension of Village Parkway. The developer will maintain the right-of-way until such time the road is extended.

At the June 9 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, staff recommended approval with the following conditions:

1. The applicant make any minor technical adjustments to the plat prior to submission for acceptance to City Council.
2. The applicant provide a plat note on the Final Plat specifying the developer shall maintain the right-of-way until such time Village Parkway is extended by the City.
3. The applicant provide public access easement on the Final Plat for all publically accessible open spaces.

Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed and recommended approval to City Council.

There were no public comments.

Ms. Kramb inquired about the development plan and whether or not they will build into the right-of-way. Mr. Hounshell stated that they will not be building into the right-of-way.

Ms. Amorose Groomes asked how this proposal was given a positive staff recommendation when it does not meet the code (referring to the drive-thru). Mr. Hounshell stated that drive-thrus are considered conditional uses in the district. There are use specific standards. In certain districts they are permitted to accompany uses other than a bank. In this particular use, it is a permitted conditional use for a drive-thru restaurant. Ms. Amorose Groomes stated her apprehension with putting a drive-thru in front of Lowes. She is concerned about the stacking around the building. She is not supportive of this. Ms. Rauch clarified that this resolution is the creation of those lots. The Planning and Zoning Commission already approved the conditional use to permit the drive-thru there. The applicant has gone through the steps and received approval from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mr. Reiner stated that we have had issues with this type of development in the past. He is not excited about the idea of a drive-thru there and is concerned about blocking. Ms. Readler clarified that the only action before Council is the right-of-way portion of the plat which was a request of the City. This application is only for the strip of right-of-way that the City has requested be dedicated to us. The applicant can do their full

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development without this plat approval. The conditional use is in the purview of the Planning Commission and the Planning Commission has already voted in favor of it. Mayor Fox clarified that if the plat is not voted on favorably the City would lose the right-of-way and the opportunity to extend Village Parkway in the future. Staff responded affirmatively. Mayor Fox shared that the Planning and Zoning Commission gave this application a great deal of energy regarding what would be allowed, screening, buffering, etc. on this difficult site.

Ms. Amorose Groomes restated her question of how did this application get a positive staff recommendation. Ms Rauch stated that the concept plan that came before the commission did have a recommendation of disapproval from staff. The Planning Commission recommended approval but provided comments and suggestions. When it moved forward to the next step, the applicant had adhered to all the comments made by Planning Commission so at that time, staff recommended approval because the applicant met what the Commission had asked for. This was a really challenging site with deed restrictions, so there were discussions at Planning Commission about how to help this site develop within the parameters of what they are allowed to do on the site.

Vote on the Resolution: Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Mayor Fox, yes.

Resolution 39-22
Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with Dublin City Schools for the School Resource Officer Program

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.
Deputy Chief Tabernik stated that this will be the 24th year of this program and for 2022-2023 will provide a full-time School Resource Officer (SRO) for each of the four middle schools and each of the three high schools. The middle school SROs maintain responsibility for one or more of the elementary schools as well. The partnership between the Dublin Police Department and the Dublin City School continues to be a strong and vital part of the partnership between the police and the community. The primary goal of the SROs is the safety and security of our schools. Additional goals are:

- Developing an atmosphere conducive to learning;
- Bridging the gap between police officers and juveniles;
- Increasing positive attitudes toward law enforcement;
- Encouraging more cooperation between juveniles and the police; and
- Reducing juvenile crime.

The SRO program has taken feedback over the last few years from the Chief’s Advisory Committee as well as school administration, teachers and students.
The contract presented for the 2022-2023 school year includes a reimbursement from the schools not to exceed \$329,330.14.
There were no public comments.

Vice Mayor De Rosa noted that each year the program seems to evolve with more input and engagement and she thanked staff for that.
Mr. Keeler congratulated Deputy Chief Tabernik on the completion of his recent training with the FBI.
Mayor Fox asked for additional information regarding the resources at the elementary schools. Deputy Chief Tabernik stated that the middle school SROs have responsibility for the elementary schools and they maintain connectivity with all the schools regarding safety planning, safety drills along with staff and faculty at the schools.

Vote on the Resolution: Ms. Alutto, yes; Mayor Fox, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes, Mr. Keeler, yes.

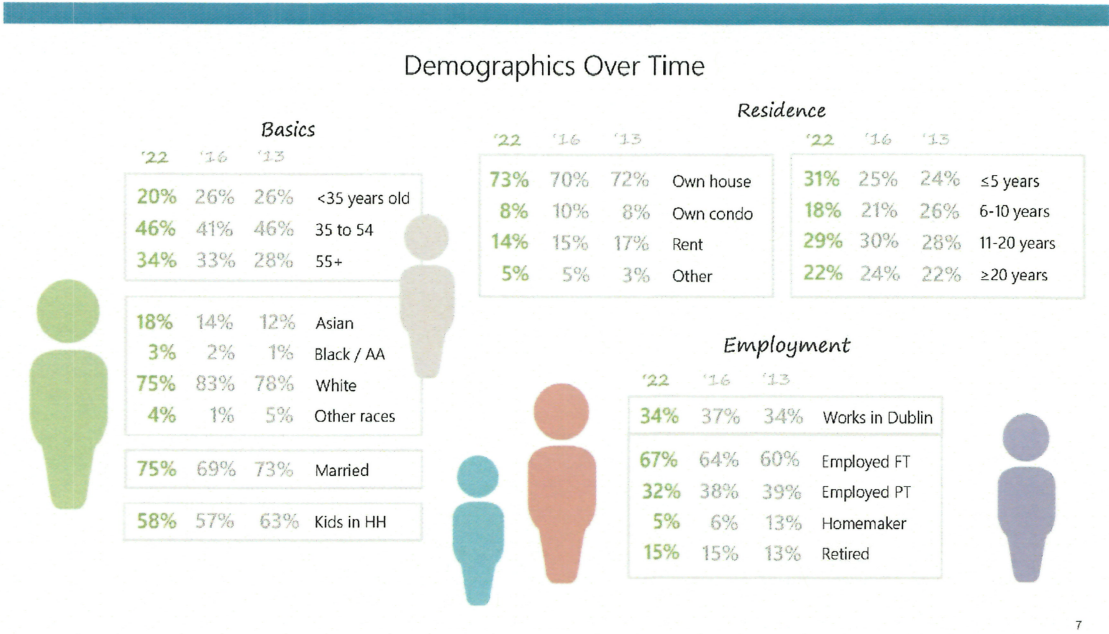
OTHER BUSINESS

- Community Attitudes Survey

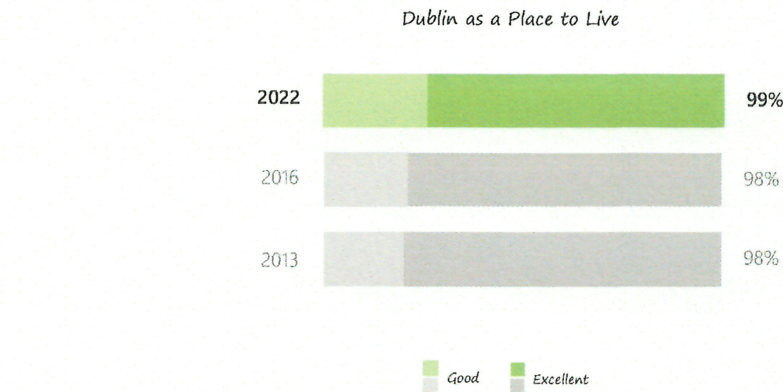
Ms. Weisenauer introduced Dr. Marty Saperstein, Saperstein Associates. Dr. Saperstein reviewed the results of the recent Community Attitudes Survey. He stated that the telephone interviews were conducted with a random sample of 400 registered

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voters living in Dublin. The calls averaged 21 minutes in length. Dr. Saperstein shared the following highlights of the survey:



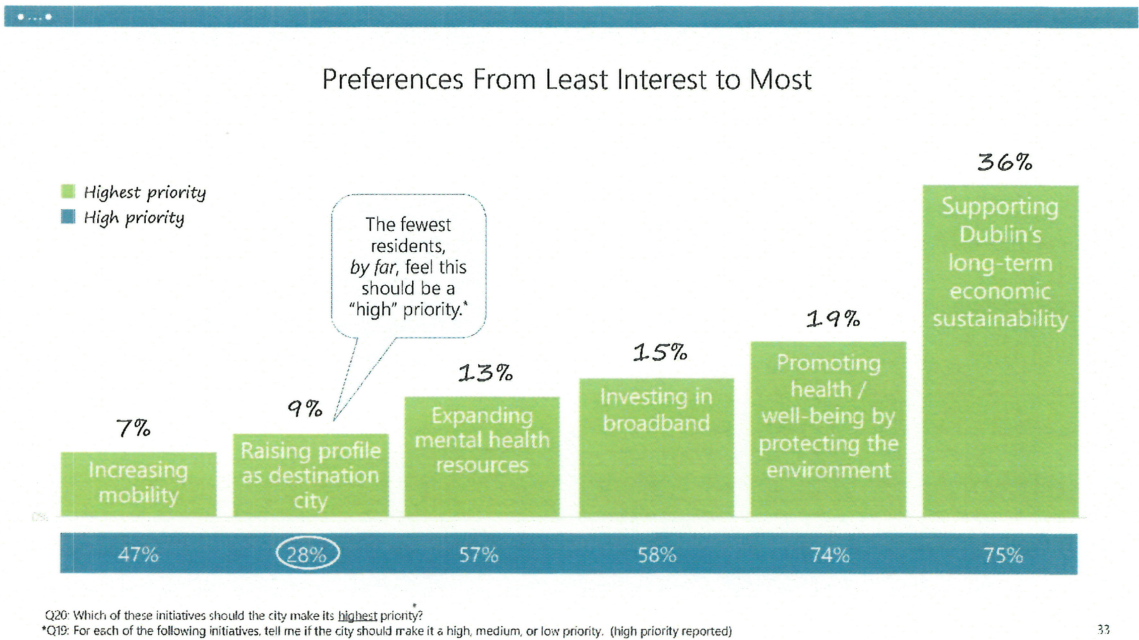
Impressions of Dublin as a place to live are almost universally positive, as they were in 2016 and 2013. In fact, most residents, once again, consider Dublin an excellent place to live.



Q6: If A means excellent, B good, C average, D poor, and F is failing, what letter grade would you give Dublin as a place to live?

- Additional highlights of the survey results are:
- 96% of residents evaluated Dublin as a good-excellent place to work;
 - Still a significant majority rate Dublin highly as a place to retire;
 - Satisfaction with Dublin’s public facilities is high;
 - Satisfaction with City services and the performance of City officials is high as well;
 - Nearly all (97%) of residents are very satisfied with the Dublin Police; and
 - Impressions of the Bridge Street District are almost universally positive (97%).

Residents were told of six initiatives, in a randomized order, and asked which one of them Dublin should prioritize. The following graphic illustrates how the residents rated the initiatives:



Regarding seniors, most seniors live in a freestanding house. More than six out of ten seniors plan to remain in Dublin indefinitely. One out of four plans to resettle in another state. Of those intending to stay in Dublin, most expect to stay in their current home.

Dublin’s social networking sites are the most common source of news and information about the city. Facebook and Instagram are the most popular platforms.

Nearly three out of four survey respondents agree that the input of Dublin residents has a significant impact on city officials. During the past year, four out of ten residents have contacted the City to raise an issue, express a concern or get information. Eight out of ten residents who contacted the City were satisfied.

In conclusion, Dr. Saperstein stated that impressions of Dublin are highly positive. Satisfaction increased notably when residents focused on the library, parking in Historic Dublin and the Bridge Street District. By contrast, satisfaction decreased when residents focused on internet access, residential growth and development and performing arts. Nearly three out of four survey respondents agree that the input of Dublin residents has a significant impact on city officials. Finally, when residents evaluated the six initiatives the City could pursue, interest was strongest in supporting Dublin’s economic sustainability. Interest was least strong in raising Dublin’s profile as a destination city.

Vice Mayor De Rosa asked how the COVID environment impacted the survey results. Dr. Saperstein felt that the COVID environment didn’t impact the results dramatically.

Mr. Reiner stated that, with regard to seniors, there really isn’t anywhere for them to go because to downsize could end up costing more but getting less.

Vice Mayor De Rosa asked if there were any cities that have been surveyed to offer comparison. Dr. Saperstein stated that the cities who want this type of research are the cities that are strong. There are not any cities that have the numbers that Dublin has, and has had for several years.

Ms. Alutto asked for the cost of the last couple of citizen surveys. Mr. McDaniel will provide that to Council.

Ms. Kramb thanked staff and Dr. Saperstein for the work and the presentation.

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Mayor Fox asked if there were any comments or other indicators as to why the residents felt that being a global destination city was not attractive. Dr. Saperstein stated that his sense is that to become a regional center of destination would change the character of the neighborhood. Mayor Fox clarified that the residents like the events and entertainment, but to change the DNA of the neighborhood or City would not be attractive. Dr. Saperstein responded affirmatively. Council thanked Dr. Saperstein for the presentation.

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. McDaniel shared the following:

- Congratulated Deputy Chief Tabernik on his graduation from the FBI training.
- Congratulated CPI on the four awards they accepted recently for DEI efforts, Abbey Theater, the St. Patrick’s Day reverse parade effort and other achievements.
- Pop-Up shop will open this weekend in Historic Dublin on Wednesday and Saturdays. He thanked Council for being supportive of this test.
- A meeting was recently held regarding an analysis of sports facilities. Mr. Keeler, staff and Visit Dublin Ohio were all in attendance. Visit Dublin Ohio were interested in studying the feasibility of expanded sports complexes which ties back to Council’s goal of expanding events, larger events, different types of events, etc. Mr. Keeler stated that the meeting brought potential opportunities to light. Visit Dublin Ohio will be presenting their recommendation to pursue the study at their August Board meeting. This initial study is basically a feasibility study that they would conduct at their cost. Mr. McDaniel added that the funding would focus on the sport complex. Mayor Fox asked if there was a concern about the company conducting this feasibility study and whether or not they would be able to be objective. Mr. Keeler stated that most of these type of facilities are operated by private companies. In the example in the packet, there were contributions made by the public entities but the operations were handled by companies with the expertise to manage them. This study would be assessing the needs. Another consulting firm could be engaged at a later time if it was felt that was necessary. Ms. Amorose Groomes pointed out that the management company would likely go out to bid if this moved forward and that would allow a fair process.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- **Committees**
 - Administrative Committee: No report.
 - Community Development Committee (CDC): The next meeting is August 15, 2022 at 4:30 p.m..
 - Finance Committee: No report.
 - Public Services Committee: The next meeting is August 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
- **Liaison Reports**
 - Mr. Reiner shared that the Veterans Committee is going to have something called Hero Hut at the Dublin Irish Festival. Hero Hut will be a series of tables that will be offering information about benefits that they may be entitled to. The Veterans Committee is concerned about the high rate of suicides among veterans. They are doing outreach to make veterans feel part of the community.
 - Ms. Amorose Groomes shared that LinkUS will not be going on the ballot initiative on this upcoming ballot as previously thought. She also shared that she met with Matthew Deitrich, the Executive Director of the Ohio Rail Development Commission. The meeting was about corridors and how they might benefit communities like Dublin. She

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suspects that this is will be ongoing conversation and although these conversations are largely due to her position as Vice Chair of the MORPC Executive Board, she will be looking out for Dublin's interests, especially since transportation ranks so highly with our residents as the survey results just illustrated. The Planning and Zoning Commission has been having great dialogue around some significant development issues. They continue to do great work.

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

- Ms. Alutto is looking forward to the Dublin Irish Festival. She also stated that kids will be returning to school soon and she encouraged everyone to be mindful of the kids walking to school and riding buses. She noted that the National Suicide Hotline, 9-8-8, is now active and she urges anyone that needs those services to please use them.
- Ms. Amorose Groomes thanked everyone for their hard work toward a great 4th of July celebration. She has received all positive feedback from the community. She also congratulated Abby Steiner, a two-time world champion and is proud that she calls Dublin home.
- Ms. Kramb thanked staff for the 4th of July celebration. She urged people to look into the affordable connectivity programs that are currently being offered. She asked staff to promote the programs to create more awareness. She also announced that Chris Amorose Groomes will be inducted into the Dublin Schools Hall of Fame in September.
- Mr. Keeler stated that, he too, wanted to thank everyone for the great July 4th celebration. He also thanked Chief Paez for offering Officer Craft to help him understand the enforcement tools for the noise complaints in the Bridge Street District. He stated it helped his understanding of the situation.
- Mr. Reiner stated that the Methodist Hospital is in the process of rehabbing their entryway with a water feature and gardens. He said he appreciated the investment into their location.
- Vice Mayor De Rosa thanked the staff for the 4th of July celebration. She was proud hearing the results of the citizen survey and is committed to continue to keep those numbers where they are.
- Mayor Fox expressed gratitude for the service of three upcoming retirements: Steve Norden, 32 years; JoAnn Muether, 30 years; and Sue Acke, 21 years. She also referred to the Friendship City status letters that were provided to Council for review and stated that unless there are any objections, these letters would be sent to renew the Friendship City status for the City of Dublin. She stated Council Member Kramb and Keeler both had birthdays while Council was in recess. She also wished Council Member Reiner a happy birthday in the coming week.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.



Mayor – Presiding Officer



Clerk of Council