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Dublin City Council

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BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

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CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Peterson called the Tuesday, January 9, 2018 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Dublin Municipal Building.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Reiner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mr. Peterson called for a moment of silence in memory of Dublin Post Office employees, Postmaster Ginger Ballard and Postal Supervisor Lance Maurice Herrera-Dempsey, who died on December 23, 2017. City Council extends its sincere condolences to their family and friends and to their fellow Post Office employees and letter carriers, who have been directly impacted by this tragedy.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Re-elected Council Member Gregory S. Peterson, Ward 1, took the oath of office, administered by Ms. Readler.

Newly elected Council Member Jane E. Fox, Ward 2, took the oath of office, administered by her brother-in-law, Attorney Timothy Redman. Ms. Fox was joined by her husband, Dr. Thomas Fox; son Dr. Anthony Fox and wife Dr. Lynn Fox; daughter Lori Begley and husband John, with grandchildren, Mackenzie and Caden; and daughter-in-law Becky Fox with grandsons Alex and Eddie.

Re-elected Council Member John G. Reiner, Ward 3, took the oath of office, administered by Council Member Alutto. Mr. Reiner was joined by his wife, Sheila.

Newly elected Council Member Cathy De Rosa, Ward 4, took the oath of office, administered by Attorney Beverly Farlow. Ms. De Rosa was joined by her husband, Michael; mother, Ellen Racicot; sister, Suzy Risma; and future son-in-law, Charles Moodispaw.

ROLL CALL

Present were Ms. Alutto, Ms. Amorose Groomes, Ms. De Rosa, Ms. Fox, Mr. Keenan, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Reiner.

Staff members present were Mr. McDaniel, Ms. Readler, Ms. Mumma, Ms. Crandall, Ms. O'Callaghan, Ms. Goss, Mr. Rogers, Chief von Eckartsberg, Mr. Earman, Ms. Burness, Mr. Hammersmith, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Nardecchia, Ms. Husak, Ms. Martin, Ms. Richison, Ms. Delgado and Mr. Plouck.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Peterson moved to adjourn to executive session at 7:10 p.m. to consider the appointment of a public official.

Mr. Reiner seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Mr. Reiner, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Fox, yes; Mr. Keenan, yes; Ms. De Rosa, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

ELECTION OF MAYOR

Mr. Keenan moved the nomination of Council Member Gregory S. Peterson to a two-year term as Mayor.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Mr. Keenan, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Fox, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Mr. Peterson, abstain; Ms. De Rosa, yes.

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ELECTION OF VICE MAYOR

Mr. Keenan moved the nomination of Council Member Chris Amorose Groomes for a two-year term as Vice Mayor.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. De Rosa, yes; Mr. Peterson, yes; Ms. Fox, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Amorose Groomes, abstain; Mr. Keenan, yes.

OATHS OF OFFICE

- Mayor

Mr. Peterson took the oath of office, administered by his wife, Attorney Sonni Peterson. They were joined by their children, Tatum and Zachary.

- Vice Mayor

Ms. Amorose Groomes took the oath of office, administered by former Dublin Mayor and Attorney Michael Close. She was joined by her husband, Kevin, and sons, Tyler and Tucker.

(A brief recess took place to allow the official 2018 photo of City Council to be taken.)

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Noura Fayyazi, 420 Caldy Court, Dublin and Deborah Maynard, 7903 Wiltshire Drive, Dublin, provided information about the second annual Sunday Supper on Sunday, January 14, 2018.

Ms. Maynard stated that Walter "Joe" Neidhardt, long-time resident of Dublin and a member of the Dublin Community Church passed away in July of 2013 at the age of 84. Mr. Neidhardt was a road and bridge builder in his long career as a civil engineer and in his life of service to his family, church, community and country. In 2003, Mr. Neidhardt decided it was time for the City of Dublin to have a community celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King. He solicited church members, neighbors, City officials and Dublin City School officials, including Bridget Dritz. Together, Mr. Neidhardt and Ms. Dritz recruited members of the community to join them in the effort to honor Dr. King. In 2004, Dublin hosted the first annual community celebration in honor of Dr. King at the Dublin Community Church. In 2008, as the president of Dublin Parents of Black Students Association and a teacher at Dublin Coffman High School, she was honored to join the Martin Luther King Community Remembrance Committee. With the advent of the Dublin Sunday Supper, they have joined efforts with the Dublin Teen Corp to host the Sunday Supper.

Ms. Fayyazi stated that, inspired by Dr. King's vision of people from diverse backgrounds interacting on personal levels, the Sunday Supper encourages people to share a meal and discuss issues that affect their community. This year's theme is respect, and the event will be held at the Dublin Community Recreation Center on Sunday, January 14 at 6:00 p.m. Participants will leave the event with tool kits that will show them how to host similar roundtable discussions in their community to continue the conversation in their own social circles.

Ms. Maynard noted that Steve Francis, Dublin resident and Chief Diversity Officer for the City of Columbus will facilitate the large group discussion, which will close with gospel music. They thank the City of Dublin for their continued support for this community conversation and encourage their attendance at the event.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **December 4, 2017 Regular meeting**

Mayor Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 Regular Meeting. Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Mr. Reiner, yes; Mayor Peterson, yes; Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Keenan, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes. New Council members Ms. Fox and Ms. De Rosa abstained.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- Notice to Legislative Authority of New D5 Liquor Permit for Pins Mechanical Company Dublin LLC, 6542-6558 Riverside Drive - Building B1, Dublin, OH 43017
Ms. Readler stated that the City received notification that the business has applied for a D5 liquor permit. If they had any history of liquor violations, City Council could request a hearing, but there are no such violations.

Mayor Peterson moved to accept the notice of permit with no request for a hearing.

Mr. Keenan seconded the motion.

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

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCES

Ordinance 86-17

Rezoning Approximately 5.86 Acres from PCD, Planned Commerce District (Perimeter Center, Subarea I) to PUD, Planned Unit Development District (Crown Campus) for an Amendment to the Approved Development Text to Increase the Permitted Density and to Comprehensively Update Sign Provisions. (Case 17-078Z/PDP/FDP)

Ms. Martin stated that the first reading of Ordinance 86-17 was on December 4, 2017. The request is for approval of a rezoning with a final development plan. The final development plan submittal provides more detail with the application than Council would typically review. The 5.86-acre site is located south of Mercedes Drive and north of Perimeter Loop Road. The proposal includes an increase in density within the allowance of the Community Plan and a comprehensive sign package. The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of this rezoning at their November 2, 2017 meeting with no conditions. The Commission simultaneously approved a final development plan for all architectural modifications, landscape improvements, and sign materials with seven conditions, which the applicant will be required to implement if Council passes this Ordinance. The applicant has fulfilled all conditions requiring plan updates prior to City Council review. At the first reading, Council members expressed support for the proposal to expand the building and comprehensive updates to the sign regulations, but there were some concerns expressed about the proposed removal of healthy trees and the future approval of signs if a different automotive brand were to occupy the facility. Staff has worked with the applicant to address those concerns and is recommending approval with two additional conditions:

- 1) That the applicant work with staff in the field to transplant the trees shown to be removed in appropriate locations on the site and update the landscape plans accordingly prior to applying for permits, subject to staff approval; and,
- 2) That the development text be updated to require all future sign modifications be reviewed and approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes thanked staff and the applicant for their work on the two additional conditions to address Council's concerns.

Vote on the Ordinance: Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Keenan, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Fox, yes; Ms. De Rosa, yes; Mayor Peterson, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

Ordinance 87-17

Accepting the Regular Annexation of 44.0 Acres, More or Less, from Jerome Township, Union County, to the City of Dublin. (Petitioners Roger Warren Gorden, Trustee of the Roger Warren Gorden Living Trust and Denise Ann Gorden, Trustee of the Denise Ann Gorden Living Trust)

Ms. Readler stated that this ordinance was introduced on December 4, 2017. Union County Commissioners approved this annexation on May 25, 2017. Under the Ohio Revised Code sections pertaining to annexations, the Clerk is required to hold the transcript for 60 days after receipt, and then present to Council at the first Regular meeting scheduled after this 60-day period. This period was extended, however, because Jerome Township appealed the County Commissioners' approval to the court. Jerome Township dismissed that appeal on November 7, 2017, and no litigation is currently

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outstanding. The next step in the process is for Council to consider the annexation acceptance. Once the property is annexed to Dublin, it will be automatically rezoned to the R-Rural District. If the property owners desire to develop the property in a different way, they would be required to undergo a full rezoning process.

Vote on the Ordinance: Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Mayor Peterson, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. Fox, yes; Ms. De Rosa, yes; Mr. Reiner, yes; Mr. Keenan, yes.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING – ORDINANCES

Ordinance 01-18

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Real Estate and Transfer of Property Agreement and Other Necessary Documents with Delta Energy Holdings, LLC for the Purchase of Property Located at 5555 Perimeter Drive.

Ms. Alutto introduced the ordinance.

Ms. Goss stated that this is a proposal for the acquisition of property located at 5555 Perimeter Drive for municipal purposes. With Council's approval of the Term Sheet on December 4, 2017, legal staff pursued due diligence and drafted the necessary documents to facilitate the purchase. The property totals 2.58 acres and is improved with a two-story building constructed in 2010, comprising approximately 20,000 square feet in area. Immediately adjacent to this property is an undeveloped City-owned parcel also consisting of approximately 2.5 acres and bordered on the west by the property that supports the Justice Center. In total, the City currently owns 108 acres that surround and are adjacent to the 5555 Perimeter Drive building and property. While further study is required to understand fully the City's programmatic and future facility needs, the availability of this property provides the unique opportunity to fulfill the City's 1997 and 2007 Community Plan objectives. As outlined in both studies, the ability to locate City Hall in close proximity to the Justice Center enables the creation of a municipal complex that will serve as a gateway to Coffman Park and create a locus for administrative and safety services. The City-owned acreage immediately to the west also facilitates future development and expansion.

Mr. Keenan stated that Council has discussed a new City Hall for many years and it has been scheduled in the CIP. Earlier today, he requested some information from Ms. Mumma, which he believes is important to the discussion:

- A new City Hall was first programmed in the 2002-2006 CIP with \$540,000 for design; no construction was programmed at that time.
- In the 2003-2007 CIP, \$16.5 million was programmed;
- In 2004, \$19.3 million was programmed;
- In 2006, the budget remained at \$19.3 million.
- In 2007, the project was removed from the CIP.

In 2007, Council determined that it was more important to use the funds for needed infrastructure and roadways. The time is now appropriate for Council to pursue this project. Council believes purchasing this building would be far more economical and efficient than constructing a new building, based on the previous CIP budgets. In addition to the construction costs, land in Dublin is very expensive, and the City campus needs would be significant. Finally, this acquisition will achieve the important synergy of all these City groups located and working together.

There were no further Council comments or questions.

There will be a second reading/public hearing at the January 22 Council meeting.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING/VOTE – RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 01-18

Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police – Ohio Labor Council Regarding Wages, Hours and Terms and Conditions of Employment for Employees within the Communications Technician Bargaining Unit.

Ms. Alutto introduced the resolution.

Mr. Rogers stated that this resolution will authorize the City Manager to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) with the Fraternal Order of Police – Ohio Labor

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Council for employees within the Communications Technician bargaining unit. This bargaining unit is comprised of 22 employees within the Dublin Northwest Regional Emergency Communications Center. Negotiations went smoothly, and all of the updates are consistent with those provisions for the rest of the City employees. The economic updates are outlined in the staff memo. Staff recommends approval.

Mr. Keenan inquired if the proposed employee insurance terms in this contract would bring the City under one umbrella with the same level of coverage.

Mr. Rogers responded affirmatively.

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

Resolution 02-18

Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with the Delaware City Prosecutor in the Delaware Municipal Court.

Ms. Alutto introduced the resolution.

Ms. Readler stated that the terms of this agreement are for the Delaware City Prosecutor's Office to handle prosecution of cases generated by the City of Dublin in the Delaware Municipal Court in 2018 at a rate of \$210 per case. In 2017, there were only three cases. Council had no comments or questions.

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

Resolution 03-18

Authorizing the City Manager to Contribute Funds to the NW33 Innovation Corridor Council of Governments.

Ms. Alutto introduced the resolution.

Mr. Gaines stated that this legislation would authorize contribution of funds to the NW 33 Innovation Corridor Council of Governments ("COG"). These costs are related to the Federal Smart Mobility Grant that the COG has been awarded. This project would enhance and expand the fiber connectivity throughout the Innovation Corridor. All of these costs are split evenly among the three primary entities of the COG. The City's total contribution this year would be \$466,399. Of this total amount, \$216,666.66 reflects a cost that will be repaid once the grant process has been completed.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired when the grant process would be concluded.

Mr. Gaines responded that it is anticipated to be concluded at the end of 2018 or early 2019.

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

OTHER

• Tree Replacement Waiver Policy – Community Development Committee

This is a request for review and approval of an update to the existing Tree Replacement Waiver policy. This item was postponed at the December 4, 2017 City Council meeting to allow staff to address some clerical errors in the draft. Those have been addressed with the revised Tree Waiver Policy provided tonight. Staff requests City Council approval of the updated Tree Waiver Policy.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that she has one remaining question: Item #3 – Waiver Submittal Requirements, reads, "Tree survey must include," which is inconsistent with the balance of the language. Could it state, "Tree survey including," which would make it consistent with the other bullet points? Other than that one point, the updated policy looks great.

Ms. Husak responded that the wording would be revised as requested.

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Mayor Peterson moved to approve the updated policy.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Keenan moved the following Standing Committee appointments:

- Administrative Committee - Chair Amorose Groomes; Members Keenan and Fox
- Community Development Committee – Chair Reiner; Members Amorose Groomes and De Rosa
- Finance Committee – Chair Keenan; Members De Rosa and Alutto
- Public Services Committee – Chair Alutto; Members Reiner and Fox

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Keenan moved the following appointments to Other Entities:

- Dublin Arts Council Representative - John Reiner
- Dublin Board of Education Council Liaison - Christina Alutto
- Logan/Union/Champaign (LUC) Regional Planning Commission Representative - Cathy De Rosa
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Representative - Chris Amorose Groomes
- NW 33 Innovation Corridor Group Representatives - Cathy De Rosa and Jane Fox
- Planning & Zoning Commission Representative - Jane Fox
- Washington Township Board of Trustees Liaison - Greg Peterson
- Dublin Friendship City Association Council Liaisons - Christina Alutto and John Reiner

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Peterson inquired if 2017 Committee chairs had final reports.

Mr. Keenan, outgoing Administrative Committee Chair, stated:

1. The Administrative Committee would need to begin work immediately on the Council Goal Setting Retreat, which will include setting a date, selecting a facilitator and a location. Scheduling it early in the year, typically in February, works best.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes indicated that she would begin work on this immediately with the goal of identifying a February date.

2. Board and commission candidate interviews and appointments occur shortly thereafter, typically with March appointments.
3. City Manager and Council Clerk performance reviews by Council occur within the first quarter of the year.

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. McDaniel:

1. Expressed congratulations to re-elected and new Council members. Staff looks forward to working with them. An orientation program has been provided to new Council members De Rosa and Fox. He hopes that has been beneficial. Staff will continue to provide assistance whenever it is needed.
2. A staff report was provided in Council packets with background on the Library and Parking Garage projects. The recommended bid acceptance for the garage and infrastructure projects is anticipated to be scheduled for consideration at the January 22 Council meeting.

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3. Thanked staff who worked through the holidays and on the holidays with the weather events that were experienced. Their personal commitment and sacrifice, which impacts their families, is acknowledged and appreciated.
4. Thanked staff who worked on the Council Chambers technology upgrades. The Council Clerk and I.T. team will be coordinating training for Council members.

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

Ms. Fox thanked everyone for the great welcome. She is very excited to begin this journey with such a great team. Staff has provided excellent orientation and offered their offices, advice and mentorship. The City of Dublin has the best staff that any City could ever want. She is honored to be serving on Council as a representative for her ward and the City. She will do her very best.

Ms. De Rosa expressed her thanks to staff for the orientation. It is amazing what the City does and how much there is to learn. She expressed thanks in advance for the many questions she and Ms. Fox will continue to ask. She extends her thanks, as well, to her family and the community for their support, and to her Council colleagues. She is excited about the new technology in Council Chambers!

Mr. Reiner:

1. Thanked the voters on behalf of the new and the re-elected Council members.
2. Thanked Mayor Peterson for his fulfilling the office of Mayor with professionalism, dedication, and diligence.
3. Thanked previous Council Members Lecklider and Salay for their combined 32 years of service to Dublin.
4. Welcomed the two new Council members, Jane Fox and Cathy De Rosa.
5. Expressed confidence that Ms. Fox would take the passion and care she feels for the Old Dublin area and expand that over the entire City. As a nurse, she has a special empathy for the human being and her husband is a physician. He predicts that will translate into a caring for the general welfare of our citizenry. We have developed over 130 miles of walking trails and created a subsidized Recreation Center for the improvement of our residents' health and quality of life. With a grant of \$300,000 in the past, we offered our citizens free mini physicals, healthy cooking classes and lectures from some of the leading experts in medicine. He is certain that with her knowledge, Ms. Fox will translate her gifts to the overall welfare of her neighbors. What greater gift can a government give its citizens than the opportunity of having good health and a long life?
6. He learned that Ms. De Rosa grew up on a small cattle ranch in Montana. We are aware of the hard work and determination of those who work on ranches, including hay stacking, fence mending, tending pasturelands, and caring for young animals in sometimes difficult temperatures. Ms. De Rosa also has an extensive work resume in the private sector, punctuated with an MBA from Harvard University. Our newest members to City Council have travelled extensively, which he believes is always an advantage for a City that values creativity and is interested in incorporating new ideas from around the world for the betterment of this community. Welcome to them both!

Mr. Keenan:

1. Thanked Ms. O'Callaghan for her staff's extra efforts in snow removal services for the residents of Indian Run Drive. The residents noticed and were most appreciative, given the topography of their street.
2. Thanked Ms. Mumma and the entire Finance team for the professional help they provided him in his role of Finance Chair the last two years. He is looking forward to working with them again over the next two years.
3. Welcomed new Council members! Exciting times lie ahead – the Library and Pedestrian Bridge will be completed in a couple of years, and Council will have the opportunity to develop a beautiful new park on the river.

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4. Thanked Mr. McDaniel for assembling the staff the City has had in place over the last three to four years. He does not believe the City could be where it is without his leadership, especially with the very complex Bridge Street project.
5. Thanked Ms. Mumma for her efforts with that project as well, often through new mechanisms that required extraordinary work and dedication.

Ms. Alutto:

1. Thanked staff for their many efforts!
2. Welcomed new Council members De Rosa and Fox; congratulated re-elected members Peterson and Reiner; congratulated Mayor Peterson on his re-election as Mayor and Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes on her election as Vice Mayor.
3. Thanked Ms. Fox for being willing to serve as the Planning and Zoning Commission liaison.
4. She is looking forward to working with such a great team!

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes:

1. Stated that she is pleased to welcome new Council members De Rosa and Fox. Their experience on ARB and PZC will be invaluable to Council. She is looking forward to the opportunity to learn from and with them.
2. Noted that she is very humbled and thrilled to serve as Vice Mayor. She appreciates Council's support, and plans to fulfill that duty to the best of her ability. There may be mistakes along the way, but it will not be for lack of effort. She is looking forward to learning from Mayor Peterson, who invests a tremendous amount of work in serving as Mayor.
3. Stated that she is looking forward to a great two years, which will be made possible by a great staff that provides Council with the needed information to make decisions and move forward.

Mayor Peterson:

1. Welcomed Ms. Fox and Ms. De Rosa to Council. Through the election of Council members and appointments of board and commission members, the quality of the individuals who live in this community is evident. Dublin has a citizen-run government, and its citizens are extraordinary. He is confident in the success of Council's two new members.
2. Thanked the voters for returning him for another term. He is proud to be able to serve this community.
3. Thanked Mr. Reiner for his service as Vice Mayor, his over 20 years as a Council member, and previous service as a PZC member. He serves with class and professionalism, and his dedication to the well-being of this community is unrivaled by any other Council member who has served. His commitment to the health of the City's residents and commitment to the arts can sometimes be overlooked, but his service in both have been with passion. Our community is better off for his efforts provided through his service as a Council member. He thanks Mr. Reiner for his many efforts to make Dublin a great community.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor – Presiding Officer

Clerk of Council