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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Peterson called the Monday, May 7, 2018 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Dublin City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Peterson, Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, Ms. Alutto, Ms. De Rosa, and Mr. Reiner. Ms. Fox joined the executive session in progress. Mr. Keenan was absent (excused).

Staff members present were Mr. McDaniel, Ms. Readler and Mr. Earman.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Peterson moved to adjourn to executive session to consider the purchase of property for public purposes.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

The meeting was reconvened at 7 p.m.

Other staff members present included: Ms. Crandall, Ms. O'Callaghan, Ms. Goss, Chief von Eckartsberg, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Foegler, Mr. McCollough, Mr. Hammersmith, Ms. Weisenauer, Mr. Keir, Ms. Richison, Ms. DiSalvo, Mr. Krawetzski, Ms. Rauch, Corporal Keiffer, Sergeant Rice, Ms. Ray, Mr. Gracia, Ms. Delgado and Mr. Plouck.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Reiner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

- **Bike Month Proclamation**

Mayor Peterson presented a proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2018 as Bicycle Month in the City of Dublin to Glenn Aidt, a member of the Bicycle Advisory Task Force. Mr. Aidt has been a resident of Dublin for 15 years and has been active in many community organizations and with the City since his first days here. He was appointed to the Bicycle Advisory Task Force by Dublin City Council in the fall of 2009. The Task Force has launched many biking initiatives for the City, including the development of the Dublin Bicycle Ambassadors volunteer program. He was one of the original ambassadors in 2012, helping to form the program, assisting with bike rides, group rides, policy formation and ongoing development. He has remained an active Bicycle Ambassador to this day. Mr. Aidt will be moving from Dublin to the Cincinnati area this summer. In gratitude for his service to and advocacy for safe biking in Dublin, this proclamation is presented to Mr. Aidt.

Mr. Aidt accepted the proclamation on behalf of all the Bicycle Ambassadors and bicyclists in the City. Dublin is one of the greatest communities in which he has ever lived, and he has enjoying riding his bike nearly every day. He is leaving the City to move closer to his children. He thanked City Council for the recognition.

Mr. Reiner noted that Mr. Aidt worked over two and a half years designing the City's bicycle trails with the Bicycle Advisory Task Force. It was a long assignment, and his contribution was significant! He has been looking forward to the celebration party when the last segment of that bicycle trail opens; unfortunately, the last section has been delayed due to some legal issues.

Mr. Aidt responded that he would return for that event and also to ride over the Scioto River pedestrian/bicycle bridge when it is completed.

- **Jason and Tina Liu, owners J. Liu Restaurant & Bar**

Mayor Peterson presented a proclamation of recognition to Mr. and Mrs. Liu, owners of the J. Liu Restaurant & Bar, located in the heart of Historic Dublin. The J. Liu Restaurant has sponsored City of Dublin signature events since the restaurant first opened its doors

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in 2004. Every year, their restaurant has prepared and served 400 dinners at the Dublin Irish Festival's Emerald Club. They have also hosted an annual luncheon honoring the Grand Leprechaun following the City of Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade, serving the current and former Grand Leprechauns, their guests, and members of City Council. Jason and Tina Liu are wonderful examples of meaningful business partners to the City of Dublin.

Mr. Liu stated that since 2004, they have worked hard to be a valuable member of the Dublin community and the Historic District. He thanked his wife and staff for their efforts. They are very grateful to this community for the success they have enjoyed the past 14 years. They have been inspired to participate in City events and have had fun doing so. They are looking forward to enjoying another 14 years of serving the Dublin and Worthington communities!

- **Light Central Ohio Blue**

Police Chief von Eckartsberg introduced Police Sergeant Renee Rice to provide comments. Sergeant Rice stated that "Light Central Ohio Blue" is a coordinated effort to honor those law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty. It is also a way in which to show support for officers currently serving and the families of both. It coincides with Police Week, as well as the City's Police Memorial recognition. All residents and business are encouraged to light blue lightbulbs on their businesses, porches or front windows from May 9 through 16 to show their support for law enforcement officers. The City's Police Memorial event will take place on Friday, May 11 at 1:00 p.m. at the Justice Center. Ms. Rice noted locations in which blue lightbulbs are available for purchase. Community Service Officer Mr. Hansley noted that he has a supply of blue lightbulbs and can be contacted with requests for them. He noted that the fee of \$5/bulb will provide support to the Dublin Police Department program.

Mayor Peterson commended the Dublin community on their desire to "give back" to the Dublin Police Department. The Community Service Officer academy provides citizens an opportunity to do that. He presented a proclamation to Sergeant Rice in recognition of Light Dublin Blue Week, May 9-16, 2018. By "going blue," the campaign encourages businesses and residents to show their respect for those officers who have paid the ultimate price, their families and the officers currently serving.

Chief von Eckartsberg stated that with Police Memorial Week, we recognize that, unfortunately, line of duty deaths occur. Although the City of Dublin has been fortunate not to have had this experience, recently, three officers were lost in nearby communities: Officer Sean Johnson in Hilliard; Officers Eric Joering and Anthony Morelli in Westerville; and Officer Steven Smith in Columbus. Unfortunately, it can happen anywhere, anytime.

- **Five-Year Anniversary for Community Service Officers**

Chief von Eckartsberg stated that tonight, the City recognizes six City of Dublin residents, who were groundbreakers in central Ohio by becoming Dublin's first Community Service Officers. These six volunteers donated their time to help the Dublin Police Department keep our community safe. As a new way to involve citizens in keeping their community safe, the Citizens Police Academy was launched in 2013. The Academy is a one night/week, 13-week academy. Interested participants must apply and pass a thorough background check. The Community Service Officers give their time and attention to daily Police assistance and special events, and they spend hours annually retraining. This first group of volunteers has helped the Police Department form policies and procedures for the Community Service Officer (CSO) program. Of the original team of 13 CSOs, five are still serving and have completed nearly 5,000 hours of service to the City of Dublin. Since the inception of the academy, CSOs have completed over 5,200 house checks, 1,200 crime prevention notices for citizens who have left items in vehicles, garage doors open, etc. and assisted with more than 200 vehicle lockouts. They have had a significant positive impact and created a new culture of volunteer service for the Dublin Police Department. The City offers its thanks and gratitude to CSOs: Kevin Cooper, Debbie Giddings, Joe Sanderlin, Abdul Sawah, Becky Saylor and Lisa Trippe. In honor of their recognition, the City of Dublin has made a donation in each of their names to the "Get Behind the Badge," a central Ohio organization that offers financial and emotional support

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to families of first responders who have lost their lives in the line of duty. That organization was initiated by Angie McDowell, wife of a City of Whitehall officer, who lost his life in the line of duty 10 years ago. He also recognized Corporal Kevin Keiffer, who has coordinated this program since its beginning, extending all efforts to make it a success.

- **Economic Development Week**

Ms. Gilger shared a video promoting economic development outreach. She noted that is only the second or third year that the economic development profession has been recognized nationally. The economic activity generated from the City of Dublin's 4,300 companies comprise more than 7% of the entire region's (11 counties) gross metropolitan product of \$112 billion, second only to the City of Columbus. The City of Dublin's corporate payrolls reached \$4.4 billion last year. Dublin has over 14 million square feet of commercial building stock, which would comprise half of downtown Columbus. For seven consecutive years, readers of *CEO Magazine* have voted Dublin as the "Best Suburb in which to do Business." The City's Economic Development team annually initiates over 500 business calls – their daily goal is to sell Dublin. Team members are: Jeremiah Gracia, Rachel Ray and Kyle Kridler. They thanked Council for the support of their mission and initiatives.

Mayor Peterson stated that Council greatly appreciates their efforts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Approval of April 23, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

There were no corrections to the minutes.

Mayor Peterson moved to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of April 23, 2018.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCES

Mayor Peterson stated that the next four ordinances are related to the Hyland-Croy Road/Riviera Connector, and moved to waive Council's Rules of Order to discuss Ordinances 32-18, 33-18, 34-18 and 35-18 together and have the Clerk read the names of the owners and addresses of the properties into the record.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

[The Clerk read the names and addresses of the property owners into the record.]

Ordinance 32-18

Appropriating a 0.091-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way, Without Limitation to Existing Access Rights from Darshan Shah, from the Property Located at 8700 Hyland-Croy Road for the Public Purpose of Constructing a New Roadway, Which Shall Be Open to the Public without Charge.

Ordinance 33-18

Appropriating a 0.372-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way, Without Limitation to Existing Access Rights; a 0.003-Acre Storm Water and Drainage Easement; a 0.002-Acre Storm Water and Drainage Easement; and a 0.299-Acre Temporary Construction Easement from Noman I. Malik and Josephine Samina Malik, from the Property Located at 8640 Hyland-Croy Road for the Public Purpose of Constructing a New Roadway, Which Shall Be Open to the Public without Charge.

Ordinance 34-18

Appropriating a 0.878-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way, Without Limitation to Existing Access Rights; and a 0.140-Acre Temporary Construction Easement from Barbara Stroble and Laney Stroble, from the

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Property Located at 8622 Hyland-Croy Road for the Public Purpose of Constructing a New Roadway, Which Shall Be Open to the Public without Charge.

Ordinance 35-18

Appropriating a 0.946-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way, Without Limitation to Existing Access Rights; a 0.231-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way, Without Limitation to Existing Access Rights; a 0.002-Acre Storm Water and Drainage Easement; a 0.002-Acre Storm Water and Drainage Easement; and a 0.186-Acre Temporary Construction Easement from Kevin D. Mullins and Jocelyn Mullins, from the Property Located at 8600 Hyland-Croy Road for the Public Purpose of Constructing a New Roadway, Which Shall Be Open to the Public without Charge.

Mr. McDaniel noted that there were no changes to report since the first reading.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired if the appraisals the City received included the cost of relocating the driveways of the residents along the new Ciacchio Lane, or was that appraisal amount only the land value.

Mr. Hammersmith responded that the appraisal included the reimbursement for the value of their existing driveway, but the cost of the new driveway is considered a project-related cost. One point of clarification – Council asked previously about the driveways for the flag lots. Two of the properties will receive new driveways. Several years ago, the Malik property relocated their driveway to the north; they no longer have a driveway.

Vote on Ordinances 32-18, 33-18, 34-19 and 35-18: Mr. Reiner, yes; Ms. Fox, yes; Ms. De Rosa, yes; Mayor Peterson, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes.

Ordinance 36-18

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.230-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way, Without Limitation of Existing Access Rights, from Harry D. Miller aka Harry David Miller and Anna Louise Miller, Located at 6260 Rings Road for the Public Purpose of Constructing a New Roadway, Which Shall Be Open to the Public Without Charge.

Mr. McDaniel stated that there are no changes to report since the first reading.

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.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING – ORDINANCES

Ordinance 38-18

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.007-Acre Fee Simple Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way a 0.068-Acre Standard Highway Easement; a 0.363-Acre Channel Easement; and a 0.012-Acre Sewer Easement from Gage Crossing II, LLC Located at 5314 Avery Road, approximately 1,500 Feet South of Cara Road for the Public Purpose of Constructing a New Roadway.

Mayor Peterson introduced the ordinance.

Mr. McDaniel stated that this ordinance relates to the construction of the Tuttle Crossing Boulevard extension and the Avery Road improvement project. A specific construction date is not yet scheduled, awaiting resolution of a funding gap. Acquisition of the needed easements and right-of-way is budgeted for 2018-2019. Acquisition of multiple property owners will be necessary. Staff has been participating in good faith discussions with those parties from Gage Crossing II, and they have agreed to donate the necessary right-of-way. This ordinance will authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary conveyance and contract documents to formally accept the property interests described.

Ms. Fox inquired about the purpose of the marked yellow area on the map in the packet materials.

Mr. Hammersmith responded that is an easement to provide for stormwater drainage on the property.

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There will be a second reading/public hearing at the May 21 Council meeting.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING - RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 23-18

Accepting the Lowest and Best Bid for Sanitary Sewer Extension for Areas 11A and 11B and the Limerick Lane Stormwater Improvements Projects.

Mayor Peterson introduced the resolution.

Mr. Hammersmith stated that on April 30, 2018 two bids were opened for this project. This is the first project to be constructed in the 15-year conceptual implementation plan that was a part of the Utility Extension Policy adopted by Council on December 7, 2015. This project also includes construction of 1,500 feet of stormwater improvements along Limerick Lane. The bids exceeded the Engineer's estimate for the project. The increase in cost was determined to relate to the maintenance of traffic, mobilization, and the increase in the cost of 8-inch and 6-inch sanitary sewer pipe that is used in the largest portion of the project. The pipe cost alone represents a 110% increase over the estimate. Because the two bids are relatively close, staff believes the Engineer's estimate did not accurately reflect the true cost to perform the sanitary sewer portion of the project. Staff is recommending the contract be awarded to George J. Igel & Company, Inc. By deferring a few other capital projects, funds are available in the Sewer Fund for this project.

Ms. De Rosa inquired what projects would be deferred.

Mr. Hammersmith responded that the sanitary sewer lining project could be deferred, which was programmed for \$1.5 million this year.

Mr. McDaniel stated that, as is the typical practice, staff will review the remaining budget near the end of the year. If there is opportunity, that lining project would occur. If deferred, an attempt would be made to schedule it in next year's CIP. Lining occurs every other year.

Ms. Fox inquired why the City received only two bids – was it due to the current impact of construction everywhere else?

Mr. Hammersmith responded that may be part of the reason, but it is not the primary reason related to this project. After the bids were received, staff spoke with a few other contractors. They indicated that their primary reason for not bidding on the project was the amount of bedrock excavation. Because they do not have the equipment or the expertise, they do not bid projects that involve rock.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that during a similar development boom several years ago, she was working on the Bank One at Polaris project. The size pipe that was specified was in high demand. They were able to upsize the pipe and purchase that pipe at a more favorable rate than the pipe that was in high demand. Is there the ability to increase the pipe capacity, and if so, review the cost for a different size pipe?

Mr. Hammersmith responded that there are only two different pipe sizes. A 6-inch pipe is used for the house service connections. Staff does not want to use a larger pipe due to the need to keep a minimum flow in that pipe as it crosses to the main line. The main line is an 8-inch diameter pipe. He does not believe much cost savings would be realized by using a larger pipe there. The 12-inch pipe is made of the same material. However, staff will talk to the contractor about that possibility. There is not a need for a larger pipe, as it will serve a small area. They would also need to look at the impact on the hydraulics; it is essential to ensure that solids would not be left behind with the movement of liquids, which would result in a maintenance issue.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes noted that she inquired because sometimes a different size can result in a cost savings, but certainly there would be engineering ramifications.

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

Resolution 24-18

Accepting the Lowest and Best Bid for the 2018 Parking Lot Maintenance.

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Mayor Peterson introduced the resolution.

Mr. Hammersmith stated On April 5, 2018, four bids were opened for the 2018 Parking Lot Maintenance Program. The scope of the project involves seven different parking lots throughout the City, as described in the staff report. A local contractor, Chemcote, Inc., located on Cosgray Road, submitted the low bid of \$313,754.61, which was \$5,000 less than the Engineer's estimate. Staff recommends the contract be awarded to Chemcote, Inc.

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.

Resolution 25-18

Supporting the Naming of the Transportation Research Center as a Federal Proving Ground.

Mayor Peterson introduced the resolution.

Mr. McDaniel stated that the U.S. Department of Transportation announced a pilot program in November 2016 to designate ten autonomous vehicle proving grounds across the United States. The Transportation Research Center (TRC) of East Liberty, Ohio, which is part of the U.S. 33 Corridor's efforts for autonomous vehicles, was not named in the pilot program. We want to re-position, re-focus and gain some momentum toward that designation. This resolution would express Council's support of that effort to be named as one the ten sites. The Union County Commissioners, the City of Marysville and the Logan County Commissioners have passed similar resolutions of support.

Ms. De Rosa inquired what "re-positioning" would look like.

Mr. McDaniel responded that it would be an attempt to be included on the list of designated proving grounds. The U.S. Department of Transportation has made available grant funding in the amount of \$60 million for designated proving grounds. At this time, it is not certain that a grant would be available, but a grant is not accessible to an entity that is not on the list. Therefore, this is an attempt to have the TRC included on the list. It is a 4,500-acre proving ground, unusual in its size, scope and function. Because there is also a federal presence there, it was surprising that it was not named in the pilot program.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired if the expansion of the Smart Corridor would assist in this effort.

Mr. McDaniel responded that it is a contributing factor. The investment that is being made into the TRC is well over \$100 million. The wind tunnel that is being developed is itself a \$100-million-dollar project. They will be putting in a connected vehicle grid on site that will mirror an urban grid. This will permit on-site testing of vehicles in different traffic patterns. However, that significant level of investment didn't posture the TRC to be designated on U.S. DOT's list. OSU and other entities working at TRC have been making significant investments in it. Although TRC is gaining some public exposure, that needs to occur more significantly.

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

Resolution 26-18

Adopting a Statement of Services for a Proposed Annexation of 12.0 Acres, More or Less, from Washington Township, Franklin County. (Petitioners: Chemcote, Inc., The DuRoc Trust, Strait Real Estate LLC 1, LTD and the City of Dublin)

Mayor Peterson introduced the resolution.

Ms. Readler stated that Don Plank, the agent for the four petitioners, filed a petition with the Franklin County Commissioners for an annexation pursuant to the regular majority owner annexation method. The City does own a strip of land that is included in this annexation petition. The property is located in Washington Township. After Council considers this statement of services, the Franklin County Commissioners will hold a hearing on July 10 and determine whether to approve or deny the annexation. If the Commissioners approve the annexation, the transcript will be sent to the City and Council will consider an ordinance regarding acceptance of the annexation. The statement of services resolution includes the services the City will provide to the property upon

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annexation, which include Police and water-sewer-stormwater services. Fire services will be provided by Washington Township. This property is located within the Dublin-exclusive annexation area, as defined in the water and sewer service agreements with the City of Columbus, and it is within the planned annexation area in the Community Plan. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that the last sentence in staff's memo reads, "Dublin will ensure that the property will be provided with fire protection and EMS services at the same or similar level now being provided to other areas of the City." However, won't the fire and EMS services to this property be unchanged, as their services are currently provided by Washington Township, and that identical service will continue in the future? Ms. Readler responded that is correct.

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

OTHER

• Temporary Signage for Memorial Tournament

Mr. McDaniel stated that the City Manager's office has received a request for temporary signage related to the 2018 Memorial Tournament. Bridge Park will serve as an off-site destination for the Memorial Tournament throughout the week of the tournament. The Fore!Fest street festival, which was hosted at Bridge and High Street during the Presidents Cup, will be held again this year on Longshore Street within Bridge Park. The goal of the festival, which will have live entertainment, food and beverages, is to engage the Dublin community, as well as the golf patrons and visitors. Crawford Hoying has submitted applications for community event permits to close certain streets temporarily. As indicated in Council's packet, certain signs will be placed on three buildings in that area, two on Longshore and the other on the south side of AC Marriott facing the roundabout. The signs would be placed the week before the tournament and be removed the week following the tournament -- an estimated three-week timeframe. Although this is not a typical sign, staff's recommendation is to allow the signage, which would be part of the event permit application process.

Mr. Reiner stated that he is in favor of the temporary signage, which will add to the festiveness of the occasion in the City. On a separate matter, he asked if Legal staff is working on consideration of the use of temporary graphics/signage to be used with the protective chain-link fencing on construction sites. It could, perhaps, display the appearance of the completed building or provide positive messages to the citizens about what is occurring on the site. He would like to see a change in the City's sign code to permit such temporary signage. Many other cities use this method to share positive information and images regarding construction sites for their citizens. He inquired if other Council members would be interested in this opportunity.

Ms. Readler responded that if Council gives that direction, staff would draft appropriate Code language.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes responded that she would be more interested in handling it from the perspective of an events package application. She does not disagree with Mr. Reiner's suggestion; however, it would be difficult to measure and codify the sign sizes. The sample image of the sign on the side of the hotel appears to be eight stories in height and 40-60 feet wide. The Code would permit/not permit such signage in various locations throughout the City. However, if it is continued to be part of the event permitting process, it would be tied to a particular location.

Ms. Fox stated that the Memorial Tournament is a national event. Often, banner signs are used for different events, and the size and location of them in any community is determined by the size of the event. This is Dublin's largest event, which is viewed nationally. She supports providing the opportunity for this signage so that it can be further reviewed in follow-up. However, most communities request that the temporary signs be removed within 48 hours after the event, and she would prefer that timeframe for removal. She is also concerned about illumination at night. Because of the way the sign is curved, she does not believe the sign could be viewed on the residential side of

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the river. She believes illuminated signage would be seen only from Riverside Drive to the south, and if that is the case, she would not have a concern with an illuminated sign. However, if the sign is oriented toward the residences along the river, she would object. If the signage is to be used for events, the permitted size should be based on the size of the event.

Mr. McDaniel stated that he assumes that the sign will be illuminated; he would reserve the right to check that, and if the illumination is determined to be too great or facing the wrong direction, it would be remedied. In regard to the 48-hour removal requirement, he would also prefer that timeframe. However, there is a concern whether that size sign on that building can be taken down that quickly, so he requests some leeway be permitted with this first such attempt. He understands the need to keep the timeframe minimal, and, as staff understands the process, can assure that going forward.

Ms. Fox stated that in view of the understanding the City has with its residents regarding a "dark skies" policy, a significant illumination such as this signage -- if left in place longer than necessary -- would result in resident complaints.

Mayor Peterson inquired if the intent is to address this request individually, and later schedule a policy discussion after receiving staff feedback.

Mr. McDaniel responded that the event permitting process could limit the signs to either nationally-recognized events, and perhaps the Independence Day or DIF events. He would suggest that Mr. Reiner's suggestion for construction-related project signage be considered separately.

Ms. De Rosa stated that what makes these types of signs effective is that they are unexpected and temporary. We can see what happens in downtown Columbus, when there are competing signs. The duration, the quantity and the proximity of the signs to each other is important. Because that is difficult to codify, she prefers that they be handled through an event permitting process. In regard to the materials, while some canvasses can be brilliant, others are not. Following this first experiment, there should be material specifications for any future applications. These signs will work if they are of high quality and of short duration.

Mayor Peterson moved to approve the requested temporary sign package for the 2018 Memorial Tournament.

Mr. Reiner seconded the motion.

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

Mr. McDaniel stated that staff will bring back to Council a proposal for temporary signage related to chain-link construction fencing. With the Library project, for example, he has had some out-of-town guests question what was occurring on the site. Often, guests and residents do not know what is happening. There are some construction projects for which signage would be helpful. He would appreciate any direction Council would like to provide.

Mr. Reiner stated that this is an opportunity to create *esprit de corps* with the citizens. Ms. De Rosa inquired if what he is saying is that a project done well would be a combination of what the project is and its message. The sign would provide a "Dublin" message along with information about what is occurring on the site. That can be done in a consistent quality manner, so it doesn't look like a potpourri of signage.

Mr. Reiner stated that it would be important that City staff review the graphics and ensure the quality and message is of high quality.

Ms. Fox added that Council has not discussed information kiosks in the Bridge Park area and the Historic District, although there are many projects and events occurring in these locations. She suggests that the City provide an informational kiosk in these highly-traveled areas. It could eliminate the need for too much individual signage, in particular, for community events. It would be an opportunity to have the community more involved.

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- **Waivers Requested by Tantrum Theater**

Ms. Crandall stated that Ohio University's professional theater company, Tantrum Theater, is returning for a third summer season. Two plays are planned for the summer season, with performances beginning June 6 and continuing through July 29. Before Council tonight are two waiver requests that are very similar to those that Council has considered the past two years.

Waiver #1 – Serving of Alcohol for Opening Receptions

This is a waiver request to permit Ohio University to serve wine and/or beer in the lobby area adjacent to the theater and in the second floor open area following the opening night performance of each of the three shows. This theater lobby area was designed to accommodate these type of events and can be easily blocked off to restrict the consumption of alcohol to this designated area only. Currently, under Chapter 35 of the Dublin Codified Ordinances (Schedule of Fees and Service Charges), the serving of beer and wine is limited to only the Community Hall (Tallas) portion of the DCRC and is further limited to such service occurring after 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Waiver #2 – Extension of DCRC Rental Hours

This waiver request is for Ohio University to rent the Abbey Theater up to midnight, seven days/week as needed, and communicate with City staff to accommodate rehearsal and performance times. Currently, under Chapter 35 of the Codified Ordinances (Schedule of Fees and Service Charges), rental hours for the Abbey Theater can only be extended up to midnight on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, pending staff and facility availability. Ohio University will have a need as part of both rehearsals and performances to extend rental of the theater up to midnight on any day of the week during their summer rental schedule. A full preliminary schedule has been reviewed with the DCRC staff and, based on this schedule, the City could provide a staff member during requested evenings.

Ms. Crandall introduced OU representative, Rachel Cornish, Director of External Relations for Ohio University's College of Fine Arts. Ms. Cornish is also the founding producing director of Tantrum Theater. With Ms. Cornish is Emma Parrott, assistant producer of Tantrum Theater.

Ms. Cornish stated that they are at the eve of their first rehearsal for this season. They expect close to 100 members of the company to be in Dublin at some point this summer. The first show that they are performing is "The Cake," which was written by one of the writers of NBC's show, "This is Us." Their second show is "Next to Normal," which is a contemporary rock musical about a suburban family dealing with grief in the household. Based on the success of last year's musical, they are very excited to be doing this one. She offered to respond to any questions regarding their waiver request.

Mr. Reiner stated that the Tantrum Theater productions are off-Broadway quality. These productions have elevated the arts in this region. He encourages residents to take advantage of this opportunity and attend a performance.

Ms. Cornish responded that their ticket sales this year are double last year's at this time.

Mayor Peterson inquired the dates of the two productions.

Ms. Cornish responded that the two opening nights are: Friday, June 8 and Friday, July 13.

Ms. Fox inquired if, during the period in which they will be using the facility four days/week for rehearsals, it would be for only certain hours of those days.

Ms. Cornish responded that the timeframe in which they are in The Abbey is a rather intense rehearsal period. They are at the theater from the time the facility opens until midnight on many of those days leading up to opening night. After opening night, they are at the theater an hour or two before the show until 45 minutes after the show. The need for extended hours of rental tends to be for a week before each opening.

Ms. Fox inquired if, after the end of their summer season shows, they would have any need of the theater during the month of August.

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Ms. Cornish responded that they would not. Previously, they have offered a third show, but they have discovered that at the time of the Dublin Irish Festival, it is best left to the Irish Festival. They are looking into the possibility of offering another show after the Dublin Irish Festival, but that will not occur this season.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that in the past, they have done a good job of separating themselves, visibly and physically, during the reception from the Dublin Recreation Center population. Do they intend to continue that this year?

Ms. Cornish stated that the receptions do not begin until after the shows are over. She would ask Council that if the Dublin Recreation Center is closed by the time the receptions begin, they would not have to erect the barrier since the facility is closed.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that she believes the intent was to separate the alcohol serving from the teens using the building. If the facility is closed and the teens are not present, there should not be a need for a barrier.

Ms. Crandall stated that the Rec Center closes at 9:30 p.m., so this event would occur after that time. However, there may be other activities or rentals occurring in the facility, so staff will ensure that there is a barrier to block off this event.

Ms. Fox inquired if there is much demand for the Abbey Theater for summer camps during the summer, or do they have other options?

Mr. Earman stated that when the Tantrum Theater group requested use of the Abbey Theater, staff worked diligently to relocate the camps to other venues, some of which were school sites.

Mayor Peterson moved to approve the two waivers requested by the Tantrum Theater.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

• **Riverside Park/East Plaza Site Plan**

Ms. Rauch stated that she, Mr. Earman and the MKSK consultants will be making a collaborative presentation to share the details and the programming for the park. She will provide the background, other team members will provide the details and programming, followed by a video simulation.

Background:

- This Site Plan for the first phase of development for the City of Dublin Riverside Crossing Park, East Plaza and associated site improvements is based on the approved Master Plan and Basic Plan approved by Council in May 2016. The site is located on the west side of Riverside Drive, north of the intersection with SR 161.
- The River Corridor Framework Plan was authorized by City Council in 2013, which led to the development and planning of the public infrastructure and park improvements along the Scioto River within the Bridge Street District. A series of public meetings and input sessions resulted in the creation of a Master Plan for the park along the west and east sides of the river. City Council adopted the Scioto Riverside Park Master Plan on May 23, 2016 with Resolution 32-16. That plan showed the possibilities of what could occur on both the east and the west sides of the river, the opportunities that the City has to engage both sides of the river and incorporate that into the overall development of this area of the City.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission and Architectural Review Board conducted an informal review of the Basic Site Plan on November 3, 2016, with formal review and recommendation for approval by the Administrative Review Team on November 23, 2016. City Council approved the Basic Plan Review on December 5, 2016. This proposal is very much in line with that plan.
- The Site Plan for the West Plaza was approved in August of 2017. Tonight, Council will review the details of the Site Plan for phase 1 of the East Plaza.

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Darren Meyer, MKSK, project lead from the consultant side was joined by colleagues Chris Kimbrel, MKSK and Dan Haynes, Columbus Architectural Studio. Mr. Haynes will focus on the architectural components of the project.

Mr. Meyer stated:

- The east side of the park is a very exciting portion of the overall Park Master Plan. The Master Plan as a whole is a very passive work – it is a natural-resource based park, based around a river. There are areas within the park which are anticipated to be higher traffic, higher use in terms of engaging the community. They began by looking at the future pedestrian bridge and where that traffic would land on the east side of the river; considering the energy that is starting to develop at Bridge Park and how that would spill across Riverside Drive into this; and also looking at the major points of access into the park at John Shields Parkway and Bridge Park Avenue. A lot of those come together at this location. This is one portion within a largely passive park that does have some more amenities, more hardscapes, and more opportunity for the public to engage and gather.
- He shared a slide, which splits this portion of the final site plan into two views. There are two largely hardscaped areas where the bridge lands and where it transitions into the park. What we are calling the upper plaza is where the pavilion is, is where the pedestrian bridge traffic flows across, where there is traffic crossing at the existing signal and crosswalks on Bridge Park Avenue over Riverside Drive, and that is at street grade. As one transitions to the north to the right hand side, there is a lower plaza which starts to make that transition from street grade down into the park and towards the grades as one approaches the river.
- Tonight, he will review the primary materials, features and amenities in the park. The high quality both in the public streetscapes and in the private development are reflected in the park design with brick, stone masonry and granite and a significant amount of limestone as part of the walls and retaining systems.
- The next image moves to the north – the second half of the view. This is an open lawn space for flexible community events and activities. There is a ridge pathway that takes one along approximately where the former Riverside Drive was located. There is a connection to the underpass that goes under John Shields Parkway as well as a connection where it comes across at grade. retaining wall along Riverside Drive, which will be reviewed in detail.
- The next slide shows a white rectangle, which is the pavilion at the east landing.

He invited Mr. Haynes to speak about this pavilion structure.

Mr. Haynes stated they have made significant progress. The pavilion has been situated so that it is at the terminus of Bridge Park, but it is off to the side. The key component is the pedestrian flow that goes in front of it onto the Bridge Park. Architecturally, it is meant to be a secondary building with the bridge itself as the primary focal point into the area. The key component of the shelter/pavilion in the park is that it is on a very slight, raised step, but will also be fully accessible. The idea is that the pavilion will be of wood underside, with a combination of glass and wood side onto it as well as some interesting lighting features. There is limestone at the base and they have considered a couple of options for the front. After presentation to the ARB, they had some options they felt best to share with Council. The image on the right is a limestone entrance front, and on the left is shown a wood front. The design team favors the wood front on the piece, but these are options to consider.

The next slide shows the pavilion in use throughout the various seasons. It is designed to have a fireplace as a focal point under the canopy piece. Lighting will be a key component to the facility, enabling use in the evening hours.

They are proposing a green roof for the top of the main facility itself. This would consist of a sedum roof, and he shared the options. This request for a green roof came from the ARB.

Mr. Reiner stated that they propose either a stone or wood façade, correct?

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Mr. Haynes responded that stone would be just at the south, and that would mirror what is being done at the fireplace.

Mr. Reiner noted that the wood preservation would be challenging. Is this set up in such a way that the overhang protects the wood?

Mr. Haynes responded that the area under the overhang will be fully protected. On the south side, there may be some need for maintenance and for this reason, they are proposing limestone.

Mr. Reiner stated that limestone is proposed for the south, and wood for the other three sides. His concern is with eliminating the need for maintenance going forward.

Mr. Meyer continued, noting that one of the other major features of the east landing and plaza is a water feature. In some previous discussions, there was talk of the opportunity to have some type of water feature. There are some views shown, from the lower east plaza looking west. There is also an opportunity for the potential coming off the pedestrian bridge and looking east to have the feature incorporated in the view. In the last view, an overview of how those work together is depicted.

Mr. Reiner stated that for every vertical foot of water, typically three feet of horizontal catch basin is needed. This appears to be 5-6 feet high and there might be two feet of catch base. If the horizontal component is not done correctly, there is a chance of constant burning out of pumps. It is an expense and problematic. He is not sure how the waterwall works from the illustration. Perhaps a wider catch basin is warranted.

Mr. Meyer responded that these are good questions. As the detail design is done, they will determine what level of roughness is needed on the surface to have a bit of whitewater and additional noise, as well as what the implications are from a water catch basin standpoint. It is a good observation.

Vice Mayor Amorose Grooms stated she agrees with Mr. Reiner that there is not much of a catch provided – perhaps the top portion could be rounded to actually channel the water back into the feature. From reading the material, she understands that the water feature is not to be interacted with physically.

Mr. Meyer responded that, for example, at Ballantrae there is a different kind of interaction. In this case, it would be reach out and touch, but not like the interaction of a splash pad such as at Ballantrae.

Vice Mayor Amorose Grooms stated that he described Ballantrae as a less intensive use than this park.

Mr. Meyer clarified that Ballantrae is a much more intensive water use than is envisioned at this park.

Vice Mayor Amorose Grooms asked what quantity of people this park is designed to accommodate on a regular basis.

Mr. Meyer responded that will vary, depending upon whether there are planned activities or events. When they looked at both the west plaza, east plaza and the lawn, they put together some typical event capacities – whether there is blanket seating or standing room only. This information can be provided in a follow-up.

Vice Mayor Amorose Grooms stated she would like typical use numbers as well as the maximum numbers that can be accommodated. In terms of the water feature, it is her understanding from the drawings that the area just under the waterfall is a small retaining wall, six inches off the ground, correct?

Mr. Kimbrel responded that what is seen is a slightly raised lip around the base. There would be a lower area, a basin, that is spilling into and getting recirculated.

Vice Mayor Amorose Grooms asked for the elevation change from the "lip" to the bottom of the basin where the water is caught. It appears to be about six inches.

Mr. Meyer stated that there is a similar format downtown on Civic Center Drive where it is not an open trough one could fall into. There are stones mounted on there with gaps between the stones without filters so that the water can pass through. Or a grate could be used alternately. It allows one to stand or step there without actually being in the basin.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that her preference would be not to have any obstacles to getting to that point – understanding if there had to be a slope to retain the water in a lower section. It appears to be about five feet high, and children could interact with the water in a more meaningful way. It would spill down into concrete as exists at Easton, and the water disappears. There is nothing to fall into or trip over. She would prefer to see something far more interactive in that water feature and something safer. The drawings indicate the trough to be about 18 inches deep.

Mr. Meyer stated there would be a grate or a paver on top of that – not an open 18-inch deep trough.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated she prefers to have nothing so that if someone walked in, there would be a perforated ground catch of concrete on top with some openings that were covered, similar to what is seen in many spray parks.

Mr. Meyer responded that, based upon the concerns about safety and the desire for more interaction, this can be accomplished in the plans.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that if visitors to the park can't touch the river from this side of the park, it would be desirable for families to be able to go to the riverfront park and touch some water – even if it isn't the river.

Mr. Meyer stated that the intent is consistent with her goals. Perhaps they will need to consider expanding more pavement there – whether for water catchment or just because of the location that appeals to children. They will work through those details, based on some great examples in the region.

Ms. Alutto agreed, adding that this would be important for those with disabilities. A visitor using a wheelchair who has to reach across a lip of some type will have a safety issue. She agrees with having the ability to come up onto the water.

Mayor Peterson asked where those changes would be incorporated into the plans. Will Council review these plans again?

Mr. Meyer responded that the final site plan is at about 45 percent construction documents. The general design intent being presented tonight would be refined and developed, based on comments received from Council. The immediate issues they will address would be catchment, safety, accessibility – making sure the issues are addressed into this overall intent.

Mayor Peterson asked if Council will have another opportunity to review the changes.

Ms. Rauch responded that Council's final review is scheduled for tonight, so Council would not necessarily see more iterations.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that Council can certainly request another review.

Ms. Rauch stated that perhaps a condition of approval could be included as well that would address the issues.

Ms. De Rosa asked staff to describe the process of review in terms of where this goes after tonight and share the points at which there has been public input and review of the plans.

Ms. Rauch responded that tonight's agenda includes the final development plan and site plan for this project. The Basic Plan was approved by Council previously, and this is the last step that requires formal review by Council. From there, it would move to the next level of construction drawings and through the CIP process for funding and phasing. Unless Council directs otherwise, this is the final review by this body. In terms of public review, there was a lot of initial input in 2013 and the PZC and ARB have had special meetings for review. The last review done by PZC and ARB was in January of 2018 where they reviewed a preliminary version of these plans.

Ms. De Rosa asked when the general residents had the opportunity to review these park plans.

Ms. Rauch responded that the plans have not gone to the public in a formal review capacity. Staff is carrying out the direction of Council from 2013 regarding the process of review.

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Mr. Meyer added that there was a public meeting where the park plan was shared. The Master Plan was informed in a public meeting in 2013. Subsequent public meetings and HOA meetings were also held. Staff can prepare a summary of those public engagement points.

Mr. McDaniel added that public input was solicited via the website for those who could not attend meetings.

Ms. De Rosa stated she was involved at PZC fairly early in the process when the park was in concept form. This is such an important amenity to the City as its central park, and it is vital that the residents have input into their park. She wants to make sure the time is provided for this public input.

Ms. Fox concurred with Ms. De Rosa. She complimented the team's consideration of different uses for the park, and the various areas where these uses can all be integrated. But she wants to meet the needs of the residents, one of which was access to the river. That is not occurring for the most part. She does believe that this plan needs to have more review by the public before a decision is made to move forward. She is interested in residents' opinions of the proposed plan. She recalls that in 2013, there was a desire for more of a naturalistic feel. This park is fairly contemporary and streamlined, and she welcomes hearing more feedback.

Mr. Meyer noted that this discussion focuses on one of the more intensely hardscaped portions of the park. He shared a slide, noting that the east side of the park has fairly steep bluffs. River access is planned, as identified as No. 7 on the slide. It is a challenge to get down there, but they believe access is important on both sides of the river. The greater opportunity for access to the river is on the west side where there is more general floodplain environment. There is significant access on the west side, trailhead parking allowing for accessible route to the river, potential to bring kayaks and canoes down to the river. There are a couple of touch points – some that exist just south of the bridge and in a number of places, although not all are labeled on the slide shown. These will allow people to engage with the river. Taking the park in its entirety – not just the portion of the Phase 1 final site plan before Council tonight – is important. What they are hearing is a great reinforcement of what they have heard publicly about access to the river. It is more of a challenge on the east side, but there is that opportunity as part of this final site plan being proposed.

Mayor Peterson asked him to elaborate about No. 7 on the slide.

Mr. Meyer shared the slide of the Master Plan, approved in May of 2016. It is not possible to achieve an accessible route down to the river on the east side, as it is a long and steep drop. What this will be is a more naturalized access. Instead of broad, concrete staircases, this will be more like embedded stones down to the river. This is shown at No. 5 on this master plan.

Ms. Alutto stated that it appears there are accessible routes from either side of the pavilion downward.

Mr. Meyer responded affirmatively.

Mr. Reiner stated that the topography of the east and west sides of the river were discussed in great detail in the past. He was very pleased with the hard surfaces used that will stand the test of time. He commented about Milwaukee, WI where there is a beautiful green space along the river, and every weekend there is an ethnic festival. He was hoping that over the next 20-30 years, Dublin's greenspace will be able to accommodate such activity in this park. Sheet L5 leaves this open enough for that to occur. Over time, amenities will be likely be added to upgrade the park even more.

Mr. Meyer stated that the Milwaukee example is a good one. At the end of the presentation, one of the questions they have received – both in public discussions and with PZC, ARB and Council – relates to what activities are envisioned there. At the end of the presentation, Mr. Earman will share some concepts developed about programming and how the spaces created support that initially and how that can evolve and grow over time.

Mr. McDaniel stated in regard to the east side of the river that to the north of it is river access in which the City invested significant dollars – underneath the Emerald Parkway

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bridge. There is great access there for fishing. Another gem is the wetlands park just to the south, on the other side of the 161 bridge, which will ultimately have connectivity to this area. One can walk the edge of the river very safely in this location.

Mr. Meyer stated that there is a path designed to connect those – a ridgeline path extends off to the north to that location and to the south as well. In addition, there will be lots of access to the river on the west side.

Ms. Fox asked how parking for the disabled will be handled – for those who cannot walk from the parking garage.

Mr. Meyer responded there are some accessible spaces that exist in the portions of Riverside Drive that have been improved – on street, accessible spaces as well as in the garage. Those are the two primary parking options for the east side access to the park. There is not a parking lot per se on the east side.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked for clarification about the slope of the green space from the bottom of the retaining wall, listed as "N" on the drawing to "D" to the north and south and "B" to the east. It appears there is approximately 10 and 15-foot change in grade.

Mr. Meyer responded that visiting the site today, the one big change from what exists today to what is being proposed is that the slope from "N" to the path "D" is going to be more gradual. A low retaining wall will be created along Riverside Drive. The slope will be relatively gradual, and this wall will provide some options for seating as well as flattening out and creating a buffer between the park and the roadway itself.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes requested a drawing with slopes – finished, at grade slopes – because it is difficult to tell from the contour line drawings provided.

Mr. Meyer responded that they can provide this.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes added that the image looks really flat – assuming the wall is an 18-20 inch wall if it is seat height.

Mr. Meyer responded that these are great concerns. The best way to get a feel for this is to walk it, as it exists. It is not far off today from what the future condition will be with the exception of adding this retaining wall. They can provide the percent slopes along there and some cross sections that will provide details.

Ms. De Rosa noted she has questions about lighting. The plan is that this park is open 24/7, 365 days a year. Is that correct?

Mr. Earman responded that this is an open space and active area, and enforcing hours would be difficult.

Ms. De Rosa asked if the facilities in the pavilion are open 24/7.

Mr. Earman responded that has not yet been determined. It is dependent upon need and programming.

Ms. De Rosa stated that the drawings in the packet were different than the images shown tonight. On one of the images, she noted about five lighting poles in the park and two to three other ground illuminations. Is that the extent of the lighting?

Mr. Meyer responded there is a sheet with the lighting summary available. It shows two split views of the southern and northern halves of the park. In the area of the upper plaza where the pavilion is located, the plan is to use imbedded lighting in the stairs, under rail lighting, ambient light from the building, so that the lighting from the pedestrian bridge is highly visible. Particularly in this area, it is not desirable to overflight the park and impact the views of the bridge. In the balance of this, the fixture currently on John Shields Parkway will be the predominant fixture on the pathways. Fixture B would be specific to the lower landing.

Ms. De Rosa asked for clarification about location of light posts.

Mr. Meyer responded there would be a regular spacing of those posts along the trails.

Ms. De Rosa asked if these are ground lights for illumination.

Mr. Meyer responded they are pedestrian scale, similar to John Shields Parkway – with 16-foot high poles.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes commented in regard to the lighting in the pavilion itself. It appears that behind the glass, there are bar lights mounted to the wall that shine out. Given how dark this area will be, and that light makes things darker if one sees the source of it, the lights that are mounted on that wall actually make it darker versus ambient or deflective light.

Mr. Meyer responded that the goal with those is more of a glow or diffuse light versus looking into a flood or spotlight. Her observation about seeing the source of the light is correct in terms of the darkness.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated she is not supportive of seeing any light sources in this. The path lights are well done – domed over – and reflective.

Mr. Meyer stated that with any park or public space, there is a balance to be achieved between creating space that doesn't feel dark or dangerous and a gas station overlit feel. All of these comments are on track in terms of respecting dark skies, adjacent residents, and not being overpowered by looking at direct light sources. These will be taken into account when the lighting design is refined for the plans, walking that appropriate line between those two concerns.

Ms. Fox recommended that this park is such an important piece that making a decision tonight seems shortsighted. She personally would support having an opportunity for the community to review it. She would support another session to allow Council to discuss this and to hear input from the community. The design team has done a beautiful job of capturing much of the activity and spaces, and sensitivity about lighting along the river. She would not be comfortable tonight with taking action, given the questions raised, without further study or a work session. She asked that Council consider this option.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked that the consultant proceed with the remainder of his presentation prior to Council's discussion of next steps.

Mr. Meyer stated that the next element to discuss is terraces. There is a grade change from street grade down to the old Riverside Drive, where there is a ridge trail. This creates both a practical constraint in terms of providing an accessible route, but also creates some opportunities. These terraces are part of the social experience of the park. The idea is to create great broad benches in the park. This facilitates seating for small groups or families. Similar to that, this creates a buffer between the park and the roadway, allows flattening of the grade, and gives some built-in seating. One of the concerns brought up previously is the grade change, so it has been modified to be much more gradual, with built-in seating, etc. The wall proposed is of limestone.

Mr. Kimbrel shared the east park planting plan, which is largely unchanged from what was shown at the Basic Site Plan stage. It is a turf and trees landscape with some ornamental plantings and planters within the plazas. Otherwise, turf and deciduous shade trees are proposed. There are also some colors layered onto the plan, which indicate the condition of trees that they requested to have graded at areas with a high concentration of construction, impacting the slope or the bluff. Also, potentially, creating some opportunity for views. What is shown on the slide, trees in green, are existing trees that have been surveyed. The trees in yellow are in good condition, and the trees in orange are in fair condition. Trees in red are in poor condition. With regard to potential tree removal, the current thinking is these would include only invasive trees, trees in poor condition and trees impacted by construction.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked for clarification. She understands that the green shaded trees remain, the yellow, orange and red are removed.

Mr. Kimbrel clarified that green are existing trees where only dead wood would be addressed. The colored trees are an indication of the grade given as a result of the condition established in the survey.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked what condition has been established for the green shaded trees.

Mr. Kimbrel responded that there is not a grade established for the trees along the entire length of the corridor – only caliper size and location are identified at this point. There is always an opportunity to gather additional information in any areas felt to be significant.

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Mayor Peterson asked how that decision is made regarding what trees to grade and what not to be graded.

Mr. Kimbrel responded it is focused on the area of construction of the bridge and predominantly the upper landing, the overlook to the south, and the area of the river access. These are areas where it was felt construction would impact the vegetation.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that the only drawing Council has been given that indicates tree removal is the one with the trees that are shaded on the drawing. It is confusing in terms of numbering. The trees scheduled to be removed appear to be less than a dozen.

Mr. Kimbrel clarified there are 39 trees to be removed.

Ms. Rauch noted that the last five sheets in the packet materials should be the colored renderings, but the sheets are numbered differently in tonight's presentation.

Ms. De Rosa stated that the images shown tonight are different from those in the packet.

Mr. Kimbrel apologized that this slide is out of order. There are areas with a large canopy tree that has a tree in poor condition underneath it. The red tree in poor condition is actually what is slated for removal. Generally, the only trees shown coming out are those in poor condition. There are a few that will likely be impacted in providing the access downward.

Mr. Earman added that the policy direction given to the design team regarding the final site plan is that no trees are to be removed as part of this plan with the exception of those that must be removed for construction, or dead trees impacting the views that can be removed without damage to other vegetation. The only other vegetation to be removed is the honeysuckle at the very top of the bench of the cliff – whatever portion can be removed without impacting the integrity of the cliff itself. Again, staff will not remove anything in the future without an onsite review with all of the parties involved – no trees that are unnecessary to be removed will be removed.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes applauded staff for taking this stance going forward, because on the west side of the river, it was almost clear-cut. She hopes that the City is far more sensitive on the east side of the river, as it will be very difficult to re-establish vegetation in this location.

Ms. De Rosa commented about plantings. Up near the pavilion, an earlier slide showed a couple of planters of flowers near the water feature. Are those the only two plantings?

Mr. Kimbrel responded that in the background beyond that – across the plaza – there is a planter on that side, too. Just out of view to the left, there is a planter on the northeast side of the plaza.

Ms. De Rosa asked if there is a view of the plaza from the south side looking north.

Mr. Meyer responded that view is not contained in this package.

Ms. De Rosa asked about access, given it is a lower terrace with an elevation change. Are there stairs?

Mr. Meyer responded there are. On the south side, there are no stairs down – just an accessible route. There is a wall and railing.

Ms. De Rosa asked for details about the elevation change.

Mr. Meyer stated that the grade change from Riverside Drive down to the old Riverside Drive is approximately 12-16 feet, depending upon your location in the park. The wall on the south side goes from nothing to a 14-foot high grade as you get down to the path.

Ms. De Rosa stated that an illustration of this would be very useful.

Mr. Meyer stated that in coming off the street, there is a flat, gradual grade from the pedestrian bridge across; the grade drops as one goes toward the river. As the grade drops against the plaza, the wall height grows.

Ms. De Rosa stated that in the rendering with the planters, there is a heavy cement feel. Some of the other terrace seating shown could be softened with plantings. What is the plan for behind those terraces?

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Mr. Meyer responded that shade trees will be mixed in and around those terraces on the slope to provide a shady place to sit. The balance of the ground cover is currently proposed as turf.

Ms. De Rosa stated that one of the great things about the park going in now is the chance to observe what has happened in Bridge Park. Context is everything, and we have an opportunity to do that. She knows there is a fair bit of this type of cement seating or terrace seating between some of the buildings in Bridge Park as pocket plazas. In looking at them now, they appear more cement-like than inviting. To make this more inviting, it is important to break up that cement with landscaping. The renderings shown tonight indicate a heavy cement feel.

Mr. Meyer responded that one of the shortcomings of the quick view created is that it lacks texture – there is some stone built in around the fountains, and the trees are faded back so they don't obscure what is being reviewed. They will be enhancing this to make sure the feel is not stark or barren.

Ms. De Rosa stated that "green" is Dublin's brand – so this should feel lush and inviting. These renderings feel a bit cold. We have already seen how this plays out in Bridge Park with the pocket parks.

Mr. Meyer stated that there is a lot of plant material that has not been installed yet in Bridge Park, and it may take some time to mature the plants. Her point is well taken.

Mr. Meyer continued with slides showing the architectural components. He shared an elevation looking east, containing a cross-section of the pedestrian bridge. From Riverside Drive, there is an accessible grade. There is less than two percent in any direction on the plaza. It is fairly level as one comes out to the pedestrian bridge. What that creates is the grade change of 14 feet, plus or minus. It accommodates the depth of the bridge in this location plus the clearance needed to have a continuous path running north to south. There is a path that takes one up to Riverside Drive to the upper plaza and down at an accessible slope. There is also a continuous ridge path that runs north to south from Emerald Parkway all the way to Kiwanis Park. At the plaza itself, one can see the pavilion above; one can see the handrail; and because of the raised area, because of the vault that accepts the pedestrian bridge, there was the ability to either fill this entire area with earth or use it as open space to help with storage of park maintenance equipment, etc. This is shown on the slide. The area underneath the pavilion has the water feature mechanicals and some equipment storage. Regarding the south side, there is a wall and the rail. The wall gradually decreases in height as one travels up to Riverside Drive. He shared some benchmark images, some from Historic Dublin with the idea of the limestone wall at the entry and at the base of the bridge, where there is cut limestone.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that on L30 of the packet plans, it has a retaining wall that is 10 feet in height, sidewalk area and access for the storage referenced, and then a retaining wall that is 14.5 feet in height. How long is the 10-foot wall – does it run the length of the 14-foot wall?

Mr. Meyer shared a plan view, pointing out the 14-foot high wall and the north end of the 10-foot high wall that roughly aligns with that. The south end extends perhaps 5-10 feet beyond it. Generally speaking, the 10-foot and 14-foot walls are roughly the same length.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked about the treatment of the top of the 10-foot wall. She assumes that will have to be a significant railing of industrial strength, due to the operation of maintenance vehicles in and out of that location. What about the railing on the top of the 14-foot wall, as the other side of that is the plaza.

Mr. Meyer responded that in both cases, the 14-foot wall will have more visibility than the lower wall. In terms of architectural qualities of that railing, the desire is for something appealing at the plaza level, given most people will view the river and bridge from that location. For the lower wall, not only will there be a railing, but there may be some sections along that ridge path where additional curb and/or railing will be needed as well. There will be some continuity of that railing design seen all the way along the ridge path, all the way along the north-south extent to the park. They may not be the exact same railing, but will have some relation.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that the relation of these two will be important. Her concern about the appearance of this area is traveling west to east on the pedestrian bridge. No one is going to look up when walking across, but rather over the side. These 14-foot and 10-foot walls will be very visible to pedestrians. She hopes that real limestone will be used.

Mr. Meyer agreed with the use of real limestone.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that a 14-foot high wall is not a pedestrian scale wall. Before approving this, it must be very special and well done. The railings must be done just right.

Mr. Meyer agreed.

Programming

Mr. Earman stated that the most feedback staff has received about the park is about programming and amenities. A major challenge is building the amenities to accommodate all of the desires. The concept from the outset was to capture some of the input, recognizing that the design should accommodate all of those things – some on a temporary or evolving basis throughout the seasons. Recently, the structure for event permitting has been redesigned. The City receives over 150 applications for various types of events each year. His expectation for this park, based on inquiries, is the number of applications will double just in this area. Staff must therefore be prepared administratively and by the design of the park not to limit future uses.

He shared examples of the upper plaza with outdoor seating, facilitating food carts and other items seen in urban settings, pop-up shops, market areas, project art pieces, seasonal décor, different types of events and meetings. This is the kind of character desired – allowing the City to evolve to meet future requests.

The lower section, the terraced area and the plaza, will have group fitness, exercise opportunities, and leisure/relaxation. The water feature will provide some attraction; roaming art exhibits; and a temporary ice rink. A permanent ice rink was determined to be very expensive and very time consuming. There are businesses that will provide temporary ice rinks.

The lawn area itself and the access to it provides that linear structure that gives opportunities for food trucks, rib and jazz fest concept events, and seasonal events.

Some larger events such as movies in the park, community yoga, and fitness can be accommodated in the park. Kite flying and summer entertainment are also possibilities for the park.

Staff made sure that access by the general public will not be limited when programmed events are planned. The park is not designed for exclusive use of the park by groups.

In regard to the natural side of the area, it is seasonal dependent and water depth dependent. There are areas where the access is available to the river edge. The desire is for the area to remain natural and offer another view shed from the west side looking east to make sure that what is enjoyed on the west side is complimented by what is happening on the east side.

There will be canoe and kayak opportunities along the river; current programming that requires river access will be expanded.

[He shared a brief video that provides a visual dimension for the project.]

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked, given the construction drawings are 45 percent complete, what is the price tag for this park.

Mr. Foegler stated that what the design team has been asked is to stay consistent with the capital budget estimates provided in the approved CIP. What has been viewed tonight is consistent with those estimates. If this is approved, the design will be further refined and updated.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked what is the budget in the approved CIP for this park.

Mr. Foegler responded that he believes that the Phase 1 improvements over the Five-Year CIP are funded for approximately \$22-23M. These improvements would include the west plaza, east plaza, and all the park improvements programmed within the CIP.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes noted that contracts have already been executed for the plazas.

Mr. Foegler responded that contracts have not yet been signed; Council has approved the final development plan for the West Plaza. This is included in the \$22-23M referenced. He added that the infrastructure reimbursement agreement for the West Plaza will be brought to Council in June. With regard to process in terms of moving forward, should Council approve the plan, there is one element discovered in association with the pedestrian bridge that needs to occur as part of the pedestrian bridge work that is moving forward. The 10-foot wall discussed holds in the path that goes underneath the pedestrian bridge. This 10-foot wall needs to go in place now, not after the pedestrian bridge is built. It has been in design for months to resolve the technical problems, the detailed surveying in the field, understanding how it will drain ultimately. None of the rail systems, none of the surface rock or those things will need to go on now. As he understands, the structural steel for the pedestrian bridge is slated to begin in the summer, and therefore this wall work needs to be done in June. That element of the retaining wall, absent details on stone or design elements, will be much more expensive to do post pedestrian bridge construction.

Mayor Peterson clarified that the concerns raised about the railing, the stone and façade are not impacted by this portion moving forward.

Mr. Foegler responded this is strictly related to the structural work – not the other elements.

Mr. Reiner stated this is simply the reinforced concrete work for that wall.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that PZC did not recommend approval of the waivers for the retaining wall heights.

Ms. Rauch stated that the ART makes the formal recommendation for that, and they recommended approval of the waivers. PZC is not the required reviewing body for this item – it is Council. PZC and ARB had informal review as part of the process.

Mr. Foegler added that one other matter related to the 14-foot high wall is the rationale – it is as it was in the Basic Plan approved by Council. The pedestrian bridge has a V shape that projects down four feet. What remains is 10-foot clearance for the path. The design engineers advised nothing less than that, if it can be avoided. The 14-foot clearance allows for the vehicles that need to use the path over time, and creates good usable space for the park people in the building that it accommodates to the east of that. That is part of the minimum height rationale that supports that 14-foot height.

Mr. Foegler noted that, historically, a number of Council members present now were not involved in the Master Plan for the park. At the time the Master Plan for the park was presented, all of the comments from citizens were provided to Council in a large packet. That should be recirculated to new Council members.

Ms. Fox stated that it has been three or four years since the residents have had input, and she would like another opportunity for input from residents at this point in time. She walked the site today. On the pavement on the plaza level, will it be the same color as what is on the other side, or is that the natural orange look on the Historic District side?

Mr. Foegler responded that it will be the brick standard for the east side of the river. The plaza on the west side is the same brick as that used in the Historic District. Both sides match their respective districts.

Ms. Fox stated that she agrees with Ms. De Rosa. There is a severity to this concept. It is one long strip, and when things are added that create a more longitudinal sense, particularly if they are strong and hard edged, it reinforces that feeling. She loves the intimacy of terraces; they are a great piece. She would recommend taking a look at how the seating feels and evaluating how much softness in the landscaping would mitigate that feeling. People are looking for a naturalness to the river. She does not want to create a park that relates to Bridge Park only. It should be a park that connects to the City's riverfront character. Although the plan can pull some contemporary elements from Bridge Park, this community looks for the softness of natural settings. In 2013, there was discussion about the value of natural settings. She would caution that as they continue with this design, they remember people want a respite from their hectic, urban lives; they

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are looking for passive, soft places. They also want activity, but she believes both are achievable.

Ms. De Rosa stated that she would prefer to have resident feedback. When she served on the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Commission reviewed an early concept. A plan can differ significantly from concept phase to where it is today. When the City is planning to spend \$23 million and build the best park in central Ohio, Council needs to take some more looks at the plan and obtain more feedback. There is the advantage of having some of the area already developed, so there is some context. It is not a bad idea for the "people's park" to have more input from the people.

Mayor Peterson stated that he agrees that public input is important, but there has already been a large amount of public input on this plan. Council also had a public work session on this subject.

Ms. De Rosa stated that was a general type of discussion a few years ago.

Mr. Foegler stated that is a fair characterization. Initially, staff used graphics in its presentation, and later the staff met with neighborhood groups, organizations and business associations to discuss the details of the basic and the concept plans. The final development plans that Council is viewing today are the most refined versions. The entire design team wants Council and the community to be comfortable with this plan, because this plan will be moving from 45% completion to 100% completion. At that point, it is a final, irreversible plan. We do not want to go back to the drawing board at 45%, because that would mean a significant increase in time and cost. However, staff can provide an updated memo to Council ensuring that they have captured Council's comments tonight. The team can also share the more refined version of the plan that Council is viewing tonight within the same type of public venues that staff held previously, to seek additional input at this time. Staff can also share with Council the public input that was collected in prior meetings. He is confident the design team and management would support those steps.

Mr. McDaniel noted that public input on this plan has not been terminated. Staff has taken a large amount of public input, and will continue to do so. It is very easy to share this presentation at public meetings. The pedestrian bridge is the foundational piece, and the bridge landing is dictating much of the plan. Other elements are developed from that, and those amenities can be re-visited. However, it is essential to have the hardscape components right. He noted that staff has received a large amount of public input regarding programming. The objective is to build a unique park with maximum flexibility to respond to trending programming. That is where the opportunity lies – how to leverage the programming opportunities. Currently, there are programs that have been taken beyond the walls of the Recreation Center to the parks. The critical component is the effect of this on the bridge construction. The structural wall element is critical. We will soon be entering the CIP discussion process. The funding can be retained and adjusted, if needed. However, he does not believe Council is asking to have the plan re-designed but rather to submit it to another level of public exchange and input. There is sufficient time to do that.

Mr. Foegler stated that it is important that the plan be right, because the pedestrian bridge is anticipated to be completed the summer of 2019. At that time, people will want to be able to cross the completed bridge. One of the challenges is that, as the east plaza and improvements are under construction, how is an interim walkway provided. The sooner that we can reach an understanding and complete the construction drawings for what will be built and how it is built, the sooner we can plan the phasing in an informed way, including the interim access measures. Much of this plan cannot be constructed before the bridge construction is completed – only some minor elements – so there is time to make sure everyone is comfortable with the plan. He asked that Council keep those timeframes in mind.

Ms. Fox stated that this is a good opportunity to start to promote this park. Dublin has not had a town hall meeting in a long time. We can use our social media, share the plan, give the public opportunity to tell us what they think, and then sit down to discuss the plan again. We will be much happier if we have great public support.

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Mr. McDaniel stated that there is a town hall meeting in Dublin every other week. There have also been work sessions, PZC and ARB meetings. He does not want the public to hear tonight that there has not been opportunity for input.

Ms. Fox responded that what she is suggesting is a dedicated opportunity to see this plan. She is aware of only what PZC and ARB have said; she is not aware of what the public has said.

Mr. Foegler stated that neighborhood meetings were held at La Scala's, the Rec Center and at OCLC, and a variety of small discussion groups to secure input. Those comments were catalogued and compiled into a large report. That input informed the Master Plan. Looking at the previous public input could be helpful in suggesting some strategies for public input at this point, with the current level of design and planning. Staff will take a look at that and bring back a recommended approach for soliciting additional input at this stage.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes requested that when Council talks about this plan again, Council should be aware ahead of time the decisions that have been made. She spent 4.5 hours studying the drawings, looking for opportunities for retaining walls that would more closely meet Code, and then learns tonight that in 21 days, construction of the 10-foot and 14.5-foot retaining walls are necessary if the bridge is to land; otherwise, the bridge is built to nowhere.

Mr. Foegler responded that nothing has been said about the wall that requires a variance/waiver for 14.5 feet. The 10-foot retaining wall is a structural element that holds up the western edge of the pedestrian path. That does need to move forward with the bridge construction.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that in the drawings, it appears that the pedestrian bridge lands on top of the 14.5-foot retaining wall.

Mr. Foegler clarified that the abutment where the bridge lands is built. It is the retaining wall underneath the structural steel that needs to be built now.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired if the 14.5-foot retaining wall has already been built.

Mr. Foegler requested that Ms. O'Callaghan provide additional detail about the abutment that has been built.

Ms. O'Callaghan stated that at this time, what has been built is the abutment, which is the western end of the bridge; it is a large, square section of concrete. That is the landing point and set elevation; everything else needs to be built around that point.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that, according to the drawings, the 10-foot retaining wall is the low wall on which the sidewalk is built. The 10-foot retaining wall is the one on which the bridge lands.

Mr. Meyer responded that the bridge lands on the abutment. The question with this design is whether we desire a plaza at bridge and street grade that accepts the traffic at that grade, which would require a 14.5-foot wall or whether we want the bridge to land on a 14.5-foot high abutment and slope down with a narrow path or some other design solution that would preclude the need for a 14.5-foot high wall. Earth could be sloped down with gravel or groundcover. There could be a 14-foot wide path that reaches from the abutment to Riverside Drive. However, their belief is that a greater plaza gathering space would be preferable, which requires the area to be level and accessible; hence, the need for the 14.5-foot retaining wall.

Mayor Peterson inquired if that is dictated by the height of the abutment.

Mr. Meyer noted that it is also dictated by the grade of Riverside Drive and the bridge landing.

Mr. Reiner noted that the landing is also the floor elevation of the bridge

Mr. Foegler stated that neither the 14.5-foot or 10-foot retaining wall are included in original bridge contract. However, the 10-foot retaining wall is essential to accommodate a walkway along river's edge. It would be very expensive and highly undesirable to build after the pedestrian bridge is completed.

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Ms. O'Callaghan stated that the 10-foot retaining wall would fall between the abutment that has been built and is in the river today. Essentially, the retaining wall is built on the end of the cliff.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired if the 14.5-foot retaining wall encloses the existing abutment.

Mr. Meyer responded that, in essence, it does. The abutment is only as wide as it needs to be to accept the 14-foot wide bridge, but we have used the wall to expand that space a little more to create the plaza around the landing.

Mayor Peterson stated that although a vote on the Site Plan is not occurring tonight, is a vote on the waiver for the retaining wall still needed?

Mr. Foegler stated that a vote on the waiver for the 14.5-foot retaining wall is not needed. What is needed is Council's acknowledgement that there is a need to move forward on the 10-foot retaining wall as part of the bridge project. That is the time-sensitive piece.

Ms. Readler stated that what is needed is a motion to authorize the construction of the 10-foot retaining wall. The remainder of the items can be tabled at this time.

Mayor Peterson moved to authorize the construction of the base elements of the retaining wall (retaining wall G3) in conjunction with the pedestrian bridge to provide for the construction sequencing of these structures.

Mr. Reiner seconded the motion.

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

Mayor Peterson stated that the issues for which Council has requested further staff input are:

- The retaining wall and retaining wall railing
- Diagrams that show the grading percentages
- Issues with the waterflow design of the fountain
- Explanation of the lighting
- Plantings and seating, hard edge vs. softening effects
- Views from south, looking north

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes noted that the color coding for the tree survey was confusing and requested that a key or color code be provided that indicates the trees that will be removed.

Mayor Peterson responded that Mr. Earman has indicated that only the trees that are dead will be removed in addition to trees that must be removed to permit construction; all others would remain.

Ms. Alutto stated that her questions have been answered, and her understanding is that staff's follow-up memo will provide information on the previous public input that has been received on the riverside park and plaza plan.

Council indicated consensus for the use of wood on one side and stone on three sides of the pavilion.

Mr. Reiner stated that Ms. Fox suggested the addition of quiet nodes within the larger, open space. Could this be addressed in this design?

Mr. Meyer responded that it is a great idea, and quiet nodes/spaces would be included in the design.

Council indicated consensus to include the proposed green roof.

Ms. Fox inquired if there would be opportunity to create some intimacy in the environment on the south end of the park, heading toward the Bridge Street bridge.

Mr. Meyer responded that there would be such an opportunity there.

Ms. Fox stated that in her visit to this area earlier today, she parked in front of Cap City Diner. At that point, it would have been a very long walk to the intersections to cross Riverside Drive. Are there any plans for a pedestrian crossing in this location? She is concerned that people will not walk to the intersections to cross Riverside Drive to the park.

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Mr. Foegler stated that is probably correct, as it relates to people who park on the east side of Riverside Drive. People using the parking structures will probably gravitate to the streets where signalized crossings are provided. Council also approved an underpass at John Shields Parkway to make that more appealing. Staff is concerned about that crossing issue, but it will require training, enforcement and signage. All of the pedestrian crossing options possible have been included in the design.

Mayor Peterson suggested that after staff has provided the updated information that Council has requested, a public meeting be scheduled, perhaps at the Rec Center, to present and review the plan for the public. Perhaps an online opportunity could be provided for the public to share their comments. Council can review those comments, and at a following meeting, Council can consider the plan for approval/disapproval.

Council expressed consensus about scheduling the meetings as suggested.

Mayor Peterson moved to table the Riverside Crossing Park and East Plaza Site Plan. Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. McDaniel pointed out several staff memos in Council's informational packet:

1. Status report on the Jacquemin Farms/Jerome Grand development. This update also includes the terms of the Infrastructure Agreement between Schottenstein Real Estate and Union County. Staff is looking at road widening options and phasing. Preliminary, order-of-magnitude costs for several options are included. Staff is engaged with Union County regarding these options and will be providing Council future updates, as they progress. The goal is to have those items resolved to the point that they can be included in the upcoming CIP discussions.
2. Maintenance of Muirfield Village Street Signs. The association has requested a transfer of responsibility for all street sign maintenance within Muirfield Village to the City, and the City has agreed to make the conversion. In the past, the City has asked Muirfield Village to consider this, as the new signage will meet a higher standard of safety. Staff's report provides the estimated costs and phasing of the project. It will be included in the Operating Budget. There may be an opportunity to begin the project this year, but it will not be completed in one year.
3. Frantz Road/Rings Road Neighborhood Commercial Development RFQ Process. It was the direction of the previous Council that the City-owned land at the corner of Frantz and Rings roads not sit idle. Therefore, the City will begin accepting statements of interest to collaborate on developing this 10-acre site, which is the residual from the 23.7-acre parcel acquired in 2016, of which 13 acres is being developed with a parking lot as part of an Economic Development Agreement with Cardinal Health. Guided by the recommendations of the draft Dublin Corporate Area Plan, a tentative project timeline has been established for gathering resident input regarding options for development.
4. Cold In-Place Recycling Pilot Project Follow-Up. During the April 9, 2018 Council meeting, Council requested additional information on the environmental benefits of the Cold In-Place Recycling. Rings Road west of Cosgray Road has been chosen as a pilot project for Cold In-Place Recycling (CIR). The CIR reuses 99% of the existing material. The only thing that escapes is the dust.

Ms. Alutto thanked staff for providing this follow-up. How many other cities have a similar program?

Mr. McDaniel responded that there some cities in the west that have these programs, but not many in this region.

5. Advisory Speed Limit on Muirfield Drive during the Memorial Tournament. At the March 19, 2018 Council meeting, Council requested that staff investigate the possibility of temporarily reducing the speed limit on Muirfield Drive during the Memorial Tournament week to enhance pedestrian safety. Although it is not

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possible for Dublin to reduce the speed limit on Muirfield Drive, temporary advisory signs will be installed in that area of Muirfield Drive.

6. Development in Surrounding Jurisdictions Update. Also included in the Info Only packet was a new report providing a summary of development updates from surrounding jurisdictions. Staff monitors what is occurring in the Planning Commission meetings in adjacent communities, and this ongoing report will keep Council apprised of any pertinent development information.
7. Planning Report. This regular report has been resumed and was in this Council packet. This will keep Council up-to-date on projects currently under consideration.

Mr. Reiner asked if the City and Muirfield Association General Manager, Walter Zeier came to an agreement on the type of street sign that would be used in Muirfield.

Mr. McDaniel responded that the City's standard, street name sign (white lettering on brown background) and sign post would be used.

Mr. Reiner stated that because Dublin was not part of the Hyland-Croy agreement, he would prefer to see Union County assume the responsibility for most of the road improvements needed. Although Dublin may need to be involved in a less significant manner, he would prefer that Dublin taxpayers not pay for those improvements.

Mr. McDaniel stated that to accommodate this development, Jerome Township will be making improvements to the west side of Hyland-Croy Road. Union County has been able to persuade the developer to contribute more funding for that project. Improvements are underway or will soon be underway at Post Road and Hyland-Croy Road – the turn lane and the traffic signal. There will also be another turn lane and traffic signal at Park Mill. A three-lane road is also anticipated between Post Road and Park Mill. At this point, the timing of this installation is not clear. From that platform comes other options, such as three lanes all the way to Brand Road vs. a boulevard halfway or all the way to Brand Road. The City of Dublin should have some level of contribution. Contributions for that have been agreed upon by the developers on the east side of Hyland-Croy Road. Because City residents use that road, the City would have some level of responsibility in funding those road improvements. The opportunity to leverage other funding sources or jurisdictional partnerships is under consideration. In the future, he will be providing information about those opportunities for Council's awareness or consideration. The goal is to control a minimal investment or an investment in something that would be eliminated too soon -- a minimal investment for an interim solution versus making a larger investment is the challenge.

Mr. Reiner stated that, given the density that was approved for that rezoning, he would like to see Union County cover the majority of the costs of these improvements. It is appropriate that those entities that did not want Dublin's participation in the zoning considerations should have to bear the greater cost impacts of their decisions. However, part of it is a Dublin road, so some City participation is appropriate. In the end, doing the right thing for our community is the goal.

Referring to Mr. Reiner's previous inquiry about the street name signs that would be used in Muirfield Village, Ms. O'Callaghan displayed slide images of the street name signs and posts and of the standard regulatory signage. She has discussed the use of standard City signage in Muirfield with Mr. Zeier and with Mr. Fathman, who was involved in one of the meetings, as well. All parties are in agreement.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Zoning Commission

Ms. Fox, Council representative to the Planning and Zoning Commission reported that the Commission met May 3. It was a good meeting, but she would prefer that when PZC considers a concept plan it is indeed a concept plan and not a fully-baked plan. She noted that the PZC minutes continue not to be updated at the City website.

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Administrative Committee

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, Committee Chair stated that the dates for employee evaluations and the additional work session have been scheduled. The Committee will be very busy until Council's July recess.

Finance Committee

Ms. Alutto, Committee member, reported that three tentative CIP workshops are scheduled for the month of August.

Ms. De Rosa stated that she has some questions related to the packet memo regarding Debt Presentation Follow-up from the last Finance Committee meeting. Because Ms. Mumma is not present this evening, she will defer those questions until a later time, after which an additional follow-up may be needed.

Public Services Committee

Ms. Alutto, Committee Chair stated that the Committee met on Monday, April 30 and discussed the topics of Aging in Place as well as Panhandling. The Committee will meet again on September 5 to receive updates on Aging in Place initiatives. Staff will also be compiling a follow-up related to the Panhandling discussion to either the Committee or to Council. In Council's mailboxes today were sample "Beyond Cash" cards, which were produced by the City as a result of community suggestions for ways to make the individuals aware of other resources that are available to them. Although the cards were designed for Police and Community Service Officers to distribute, they are available to the public at the Rec Center and the Library. She reiterated the strong desire for City residents not to give cash or food to panhandlers. It only encourages them to continue panhandling. However, the City wants to make sure that they have the access to resources they need.

Ms. De Rosa stated that Council has received some interesting ideas from residents to address panhandling that they have seen in other places. She is aware that those were part of the Committee's discussion. What is the anticipated timing for following up and implementing some of these suggestions?

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that she has asked staff to display slide images of a couple of ideas that she received via email from residents. [They were displayed.] She would like to see this type of communication pursued, but more in Dublin's format.

Ms. Crandall stated that staff has received similar ideas from other communities, which would be appropriate for use in certain vehicle/pedestrian points.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes noted that this type of message would be useful for the intersection of Bridge and High Streets.

Ms. Crandall stated that staff would provide an update to Council with some recommendations. Some ideas, such as the street signs, may be implemented sooner. Council will be updated.

Mr. McDaniel stated that a good idea regarding the use of a street sign to convey the desired message came from the City of Dayton.

Mr. Reiner stated that one question that arose at the Community Development Committee meeting is the appropriate level for City participation in an Aging in Place program. Three elements have been identified as necessary for the aged to maintain health – exercise, diet/nutrition and a site for social interaction. The question becomes one of the appropriate level for the City to provide.

Ms. Alutto stated that the Committee discussed the need to identify the City's goals and responsibilities. She agrees with the point made that a key piece is understanding the metrics behind being successful in whatever is implemented.

Central Ohio Transit Authority

Ms. De Rosa, COTA Board member stated that she attended her first COTA board meeting on April 25. COTA's new CEO, Joanna Pinkerton assumed her new position only three days earlier. Beginning in June, a new initiative called the Downtown C-Pass Program will kick off, whereby downtown employers would provide free unlimited COTA rides for their employees to reduce the amount of traffic flow and parking issues. Eligible employers could begin signing up for the program on May 1, and their employees will be

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able to begin using their free bus passes on June 1. She is looking forward to working with the COTA group.

Dublin Community Foundation

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, Council representative, stated that the Board met last week. The Board is working to identify ways in which to raise money within the community and coordinate services.

Dublin Friendship Association

Ms. Alutto, Council representative stated that:

1. She and Ms. Richison met with Tim Sword, president of the Greater Columbus Sister Cities International, and discussed potential joint events. The GCSCI would like one of the focus areas to be India.
2. She and Dr. Hoadley met with the Columbus Metropolitan Library to discuss the potential of celebrating the 100th anniversary of the 1919 Building along with the new CML Dublin branch opening, since they fall within the same year. The Library will respond with their input on that suggestion. The Library has a very structured program that is used for their Library branch openings. We do not want to interfere with that, but there may be some opportunity to involve some key community members to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 1919 Building, as well.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, Council representative, reported that their first Executive Committee meeting occurred this week. They also discussed the bus pass program. The group will be returning to Nevada to view the more advanced hyperloop construction. The hyperloop initiative may happen sooner than anticipated, which will result in major changes and deviations in transportation. Also discussed was the expansion of the US33 Corridor to I-75 and points beyond. This will result in an even more robust area for study.

US 33 Innovation Corridor Group

Ms. De Rosa and Ms. Fox, Council representatives, indicated that the group would meet next on Friday, June 15.

Dublin Arts Council

Mr. Reiner, Council representative, reported that the Dublin Arts Council Garden Party was a success. There were over 200 items in the silent auction!

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

Ms. Fox:

1. Stated that Council received a resident communication requesting Council to consider additional space for the Dublin Cemetery. She is aware that Council has discussed the lack of cemetery space in the past. She spoke with the individual and indicated that Council would discuss the issue again to determine whether any potential ideas could be identified.
2. Noted that Council continues to receive comments about the property maintenance issues occurring on Monterey Drive.
3. Thanked the City Manager and the Department of Streets and Utilities for the help they provided residents when the bio-filter was not working.
4. Noted that she would be speaking at the Llewellyn Farms homeowner association annual meeting, which will be held in Council Chambers on Thursday evening. If Council members would like her to share anything in particular with the HOA members, please contact her.

Ms. De Rosa:

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1. Congratulated the Dublin Chamber and thanked the residents for the successful Community Service day that was held this past Saturday. It was an excellent example of neighbors helping neighbors.
2. She had an opportunity to ride on a new LimeBike! She encouraged those who have not tried it to do so!

Ms. Alutto:

1. Agreed that the Community Service Day was great as was the LimeBike experience. For those who are unaware, the wheels are not filled with air; they are made of hard foam.
2. Attended the Citizen U meeting last Thursday, where they discussed the fact that although Dublin has been a Tree City community for 30 years, our sign is not posted anywhere in the City. The City of Powell, however, has their Tree City 20 Years sign posted in a highly visible location.

Mr. McDaniel responded that staff would follow up and post the signage.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes:

1. Thanked staff for responding with solutions to the Historic Dublin noise issue. Attempts will be made to resolve those problems.
2. Noted that she will provide her questions related to the Debt Presentation Follow-up memo to Ms. Mumma.
3. Inquired if the wayfinding signage package approved by Council contained a shamrock-shaped finial at the top of the posts. Is that finial still anticipated for the top of all of the wayfinding sign posts?

Ms. O'Callaghan responded that she would check the wayfinding information, but she believes the finial was specific to the wayfinding signs in the Historic District. She will check on this and report back.

4. Thanked the Wendy's corporation for the invitation to address their top 200 general managers from around the world on April 25. It was an impressive group!
5. Had the opportunity to administer the oath of office for the new ARB members on April 25. They were excited and eager to begin their service.
6. Thanked staff for the nice reception for the new Ohio University President, Dr. Nellis. She enjoyed meeting and welcoming him to the community.
7. Commented that Community Service Day is one of her favorite days in the year. It is nice to see so many families involved in trying to help their neighbors. That is a great defining characteristic of our community.

Mayor Peterson stated that he also enjoyed meeting Dr. Nellis. He will be a great partner with the City. Dr. Nellis is very excited about Ohio University's expansion in Dublin.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Mayor – Presiding Officer

Clerk of Council