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Dublin City Council

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Peterson called the Monday, March 11, 2019 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 6:04 p.m. in Council Chambers at Dublin City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Peterson, Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, Ms. De Rosa and Mr. Reiner. Mr. Keenan was absent (excused). (Note: Ms. Alutto was not present for the beginning of the executive session for the purposes of recusing herself due to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest regarding one of the discussion items.)

Staff members present were Mr. McDaniel, Ms. Crandall, Ms. Readler, Ms. Mumma, Ms. Gilger and Ms. Goss.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Peterson moved to adjourn to executive session for the purposes to:

- Consider confidential information related to a request for economic development assistance that involves public infrastructure improvements that are directly related to an economic development project, and which executive session is necessary to protect the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project;
- Conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action; and
- The disposition of property.

Ms. De Rosa seconded the motion.

<u>Vote on the motion:</u> Mayor Peterson, yes; Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Reiner and Mr. De Rosa, yes.

(Ms. Alutto joined the executive session at 6:30 p.m. for the remainder of items being considered.)

RECONVENE

The meeting was reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

Additional staff members present were Ms. O'Callaghan, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Earman, Deputy Chief Paez, Mr. Stiffler, Ms. Nardecchia, Mr. Dearth, Mr. Hammersmith, Ms. Richison, Ms. Rauch, Ms. Burness and Mr. Plouck.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Peterson invited two members of Troop 200 that were present to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes of February 25, 2019
- Notice to Legislative Authority re: Change of Stock Ownership for Martinos, Inc., dba Martinos Sports Bar & Grille, 6645 Dublin Center Drive, Dublin, OH 43017

Mayor Peterson moved to approve the actions for items on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Reiner seconded the motion.

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

<u>FIRST READING/PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES</u> Ordinance 06-19

Amending the Annual Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019.

Mayor Peterson introduced the Ordinance.

Mr. Stiffler stated that the details of the appropriations ordinance was included in Council's packet and he was happy to answer any questions.

Ms. De Rosa referred to the section regarding the Bridge Street Fund, and asked for additional background as to why this \$1.4 million advance is necessary.

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Mr. Stiffler stated that the expenditure was budgeted, but the advance was not, so staff is requesting to put that advance back in the budget. It is possible that service payment revenue will come in through the year that will mean the advance will not be needed, but at this point in time, the advance is necessary to make the payment to the schools. Ms. De Rosa inquired about last year and whether or not the service payments came in and the money was returned to the general fund.

Mr. Stiffler stated that there was no service payment revenue last year, so an advance was made last year as well. Eventually when the service payments do begin to come in, the advance may not be necessary.

Ms. Mumma stated that the minimum service payment guarantee first goes to pay the debt service on the parking garages and the street network associated with Bridge Park. What is expected over time as property values increase, is that the minimum service payment becomes the floor and what is actually collected above that can go to retire the debt service but can also go to any other public improvements that have been identified in the TIF Ordinances for Bridge Park.

Ms. De Rosa clarified that this does not change the annual operating budget. Ms. Mumma stated that if the entire advance is necessary, then it will increase the general fund expenditures by that amount. Each fund has a fund balance, so each year staff makes sure that any revenues coming in are sufficient to cover any expenditures that have been budgeted. Within the Bridge Street fund itself, staff did budget for the payments to the school district and therefore accounted for it properly. Because that fund doesn't have a dedicated revenue stream at this time, it is necessary to make an advance from the general fund to make that fund stay whole.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired as to whether or not there was a date tied to the guaranteed minimum service payment. Ms. Mumma stated that their minimum service payment guarantee began last year and they made their payment. The payment was applied toward the debt service.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked if any of those funds are allocated toward the school payment. Ms. Mumma stated that it is not currently allocated for that payment. The Bridge Park debt structure shows that in the first ten years, the minimum service payment guarantee was not sufficient to cover in its entirety the debt service on the parking garages and streets. In the latter years, it is sufficient to cover the debt service. Ms. De Rosa questioned the reforestation table showing the beginning balance of \$282,149 for 2018 and then shows an increase to \$458,834. She stated that there are not a great number of expenditures, so she is inquiring why an increase is necessary. Mr. Stiffler clarified that the beginning balance in 2018 was \$282,149 and \$198,950 was received into that fund. There is an expenditure expected for \$22,265, so the fund balance will be \$458,834.

Ms. De Rosa asked for clarification on what specifically is being requested.

Mr. Stiffler stated that staff is asking for the amount of \$458,834 to be appropriated in 2019.

Ms. Mumma stated that this is a little different because this is a separate account within the general fund that is tracked so at the end of every year, the ending balance is requested to be appropriated into the new year.

Ms. De Rosa stated that there is a sizable balance in that fund that keeps increasing every year. She asked why we keep adding to the fund if there is already such a balance not being used. Ms. Mumma stated that this fund grows when fee-in-lieu of payments are made, so there is no pre-conceived notion of what will be coming into this fund each year. She stated it depends on development.

Mr. McDaniel stated that this is a fund that is "parked" there for that particular purpose. Council could choose to spend against that if needed, potentially for items from the retreat.

Ms. De Rosa stated that she agrees that it sounds like the funding is there for the retreat items.

Mr. Reiner stated that the City's forestation program is 20+ years old and we are fortunate to have the funding to do the planting and keep the City looking sharp. Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked if there was a specific project that these funds will be used for once they are transferred. Ms. Mumma stated that she is not aware of a specific project that has been discussed, but some of the items discussed at Council's retreat would be more than eligible for those funds.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked why the transfer of the funds would happen before having a project to put the funding toward. Ms. Mumma stated that as soon as a project is identified, they can begin if funding is already there. She added that there is no harm in moving the money because it cannot be used for anything else.

Mr. McDaniel clarified that the money is funding that is required to be in that fund due to the reason it is collected.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that most of the other appropriations are for a specific reason, a payment is due, a change order on a project, etc. This fund is more of an outlier because there is not an event that is causing the appropriation. Ms. Mumma stated that was correct.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes inquired about the change order mentioned in section four of the memo regarding the Historic Dublin Columbus Metropolitan Library Street project. She asked if this was part of the contract that we entered into with the contractor for the garage and the bridge, where they were part of the design team. Ms. O'Callaghan responded affirmatively. She added that from a funding perspective, our contract with Turner for our guaranteed maximum price comprises three separate projects: the garage, street network and the Grounds of Remembrance. She noted that overall, the City is still within budget. The street project went over budget, but the garage and the Grounds of Remembrance were under budget. The items that were listed in the change order referenced by Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes are all part of unforeseen conditions that were encountered during construction and are not covered by the guaranteed maximum price contract provision.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated the one in particular that she was questioning was the "adjustments in elevations at High and North Street (east side)." She had some questions about the specifics of that particular item. Ms. O'Callaghan will follow up and provide more specific details.

Mr. Reiner gave some background about the reforestation on major thoroughfares. He was glad to hear these efforts were continuing and he looks forward to seeing a program. Ms. De Rosa asked if staff could provide a summary showing the impacts on the operating budget. She would like to see the impact of each of these to the general fund, operating budget, and capital budget.

The second reading/public hearing will be held on March 18, 2019.

Ordinance 07-19

Vacating 0.013 Acres, More or Less, of Public Right-of-Way in the City of Dublin, County of Franklin, State of Ohio. (19 S. Riverview Street)

Mayor Peterson introduced the Ordinance.

Ms. O'Callaghan stated that a representative of the property owner at 19 S. Riverview Street contacted the City regarding an existing encroachment of a portion of a residential garage and driveway onto City land prior to selling the property. She stated that staff has researched the matter and stated it is likely that the encroachment existed prior to the City taking ownership in 1986. Staff determined that vacating this public right-of-way will not interfere with the public use and safety.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes clarified that there is an approved building permit on file and this went through the approval process. Ms. O'Callaghan stated that was correct. In response to Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes' question regarding the measurement of the encroachment, Ms. O'Callaghan stated that at its widest point it is 2.3 feet and at the narrowest point it goes down to 1.2 feet.

The second reading/public hearing will be held on March 18, 2019.

Ordinance 08-19

Authorizing the Conveyance of Certain Real Property and the Provision of Certain Incentives to the Ohio State University to Induce it to Establish a Comprehensive Ambulatory Medical Facility Within the City; and Authorizing the Execution of a Real Estate Purchase and Sale Contract, a Property Reconveyance Escrow Agreement and an Economic Development Agreement.

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Mayor Peterson introduced the Ordinance. Ms. Alutto recused herself from any discussion regarding this Ordinance to avoid the appearance of any conflict of interest and noted she plans to abstain from the vote on April 8.

Ms. Goss stated that in February 2016, Council authorized the purchase of approximately 79 acres on Shier Rings Road at a total cost of approximately \$79,000 per acre, and subsequently in September 2018, Council authorized the acquisition of three adjoining parcels totaling approximately 28.84 acres along Eiterman Road at a cost of approximately \$147,000 per acre. The strategy in amassing approximately 100 acres in this location was to leverage the property for economic development opportunities and increase the likelihood of a broader development strategy due to the highly visible frontage along OH161/SR33, and accessible frontage along Eiterman Road within the West Innovation District. The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center (OSU) has proposed a development on a portion of the site anticipated to progress in two phases. The first phase will include a comprehensive ambulatory medial facility not less than 225,000 square feet in size to support a wide range of outpatient services and spaces, inclusive of conference and education spaces, medical and surgical specialty clinics, complementary testing and treatment services, and four ambulatory surgical operating rooms. OSU expects to proceed with a second phase project to construct additional medical facilities on the property, the scope and timing for which remain undefined at this time.

Ms. Goss provided a conceptual image showing the approximately 34 acres of proposed development. No studies or surveys have been completed as of yet. The character of the roadway is envisioned to be similar to Emerald Parkway and effectively opens up this area for development as planned. In terms of land and infrastructure costs, OSU will be responsible for a share of the infrastructure improvements necessary to support the project. The share is equal to Thirty-Two and One-Half Percent (32.5%) of the actual cost (including design, land acquisition as allocated only for the portions of such land necessary for the right-of-way for the Realignment of Shier Rings Road, utility relocation, and construction) of the Public Improvements. In addition, OSU will contribute \$1,250,000 toward the Avery Road/Shier Rings Road roundabout project. Ms. Goss stated that in addition to providing world-class medical services for the community, it is expected that the Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center project will bring substantial economic and social benefits to Dublin, including:

- the creation of approximately 350 new employment opportunities with a projected payroll in excess of \$50 million annually within the first 10 years of operation of the project;
- the retention of approximately 60 existing full-time equivalent jobs; and
- approximately \$6 million in annual payroll.

The proposed incentive is a 15% Performance Incentive for 10 years (2023-2032) on net new withholdings capped at \$1.1 million in total, regardless of calendar year in which the threshold is reached. The City projects to invest approximately \$16 million over a three-year period on roadway and infrastructure improvements in support of this project and to promote economic development in the West Innovation District. OSU estimated net payroll is approximately \$7.6 million over ten years.

Ms. Goss provided a conceptual image illustrating the proposal showing that future development and uses to the areas south of the project will be limited to 30 feet in height. All the parcels adjacent to the project site prohibit patient care services directly competitive with OSU patient care services. The City has requested a comprehensive list of those services. Additionally, OSU shall have limited Right of First Refusal on the adjoining parcel to the east of the project through October 1, 2024. OSU also has Right of First Refusal on the adjoining parcel directly southeast of the project beginning 2024-2026. If targets are not being met the City does not have to convey the property. Ms. Goss outlined the circumstances regarding the closing and conveyance of property. Ms. Goss then shared the target timeline and discussed the public input process. There will be many opportunities for public engagement at critical times of the project's review.

Ms. Goss introduced Mr. Dan Like, The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center Executive Director of Ambulatory Services and Keith Myers, The Ohio State University Vice President of Planning and Real Estate.

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Mr. Like came forward to discuss project objectives. He discussed the process in choosing Dublin as a partner on the project. There was a strategic planning process that revealed what was already known about Dublin -- it is vibrant and growing. He stated that 30+ visible acres is not easy to find in 2019. Mr. Like has his own personal connection in Dublin as he is raising his family here. He stated that one thing that makes

Dublin unique is the quality of choices offered. OSU is currently in Dublin, representing 60,000 square feet of fragmented space. There are already services offered here, but they felt they could do better to provide comprehensive continuity of care. Mr. Like provided the strategic objectives for this project:

 create an outpatient care center with a comprehensive mix of highly accessible programs geared towards improving the population's health;

 provide value to the City of Dublin, its schools, employers and residents through enhanced service offerings and innovative strategies and partnerships;

create jobs and enhance our investment into the community;

consolidate multiple locations into one convenient, and accessible location; and

 eliminate operational redundancies that is currently present by operating out of multiple facilities.

Mr. Like provided a list of the services that are currently provided in the 60,000 square feet of space. He then shared that the new facility will provide expansion of all current services, plus more comprehensive ambulatory services, including in part: women's health, mental health, procedural services and community and education space.

Mr. Like summarized the community benefit of this project including: additional choices and improved access to healthcare, job creation, education and research opportunities and to provide structure and relationships.

Mayor Peterson stated that he is a proud graduate of The Ohio State University and finds this proposal very exciting. He has a concern with the section of the agreement that addresses restrictive covenants. He stated that specifically, his concern is regarding the following prohibitions that would be put on the land and run with the land forever:

"... (ii) a prohibition on any patient care services on Parcels A, B, C, D and E directly competitive with patient care services provided by OSU, ..."

Mayor Peterson stated that his concern is that on the four remaining parcels owned by the City, we could not sell to someone or an entity to construct a facility that competes with or provides the same patient care services as OSU. Mr. Like stated that was correct. Mayor Peterson continued that his concern includes the following excerpt in the Restrictive Covenants of the agreement:

"To facilitate implementation of this clause, OSU will submit a list of patient care services that are provided by OSU on the date of occupancy and will provide an updated list on an annual basis only in the event of any service changes."

Mayor Peterson stated his issues with this statement are:

- stating simply "OSU" and not defining this particular location could mean any OSU facility (downtown, New Albany, etc.);
- "Patient Care Services" is not defined anywhere in the agreement. During Mr. Like's presentation he provided a slide with a wide variety of services, so if the City were to allow a building to go in on one of the remaining four parcels to provide a service that OSU currently did not provide, but in ten years, OSU adds that service to their care services list, what happens?

Mr. Like stated in response to Mayor Peterson's first question about all of OSU services or on this specific site, the intent is for this to include the services <u>only on this parcel</u>, not region-wide.

Mr. McDaniel stated that was correct.

Mr. Like stated that language can be clarified in the agreement.

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In response to Mayor Peterson's second question, Mr. Like stated OSU is willing to provide updated specific services that are offered in whatever manner will work, but the intention behind the restricted covenant is to protect OSU's investment.

Mayor Peterson reiterated that he likes everything about the proposal, but he does not like the language he has cited. He stated that the only reason this is being placed on the City is because the City purchased those parcels for the purpose of leveraging economic development opportunities. He posed the question, "what if Dublin Methodist Hospital had put this restriction on the City?" OSU would not be able to build where proposed because they are in competition with Dublin Methodist Hospital. Had the City not purchased the other parcels adjacent to the parcel OSU is interested in, the original owners would still own them and OSU would not be able to put a restrictive covenant on the property. Mayor Peterson stated that he wants to make sure that they are protecting the City's investment as well.

Mayor Peterson added that it is not just OSU, but all the "affiliated OSU entities" which can include anyone OSU has a contractual relationship with.

Mr. Reiner asked if this was something that could be worked out with staff. He agrees with Mayor Peterson that he doesn't want anything to be too exclusionary.

Mr. Like stated that OSU is committed to wanting to come out of this process and having everyone feel good about their investments. They are committed to work on that with the City and he is confident they can find a common ground in addressing this concern. Mr. Myers added they will work through these issues.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that she appreciates their partnership. We have to be able to justify the improvements in the area. At a minimum, it will delay and maybe prevent other businesses from developing on those parcels. She thanked them for working with staff on these issues.

Ms. De Rosa thanked them and stated that she appreciates their partnership. She stated that healthcare is changing so quickly. She stated that when she looks at these parcels she can imagine the partnerships that could help everyone and bring value to the whole. She added that she is excited for all the forward thinking.

Mr. Like stated that many services are offered in the hospital and it ends up costing the patient more money. The intention of these centers is to set them up as free standing departments that can save the patient money. OSU is committed to improving the cost efficiencies of healthcare and investing in health and wellness. He looks forward to continuing this partnership and will work with staff to improve the language in the agreement.

Mr. McDaniel thanked OSU for all the effort. This is significant for all the City has planned for in the West Innovation District as an anchor to the area.

OTHER

Informal Review - The Residences at Tuller Heights

Ms. Rauch stated that this is an informal review of the Residences at Tuller Heights. She gave a brief history and then turned the discussion over to the applicant.

Mr. Underhill, representing applicant Graziano Construction provided an overview of the past several months and how they have worked to address Council's concerns. He stated that originally, they were trying to meet the Bridge Street Code with the project. Zoning was not an issue as the property is already zoned for this use. He also stated that in the previous presentations, no context was given to the property to the north of the site. He thought it important to address that in this presentation.

Mr. Underhill reviewed the previous concerns shared by Council. They were:

- the building is too long for John Shields Parkway
- · Lack of usable open space and plazas
- Applicant did not demonstrate the project's integration with pedestrian traffic along John Shields Parkway; and
- The architectural design was too "box-like" and "more of the same."

The Block and Access Plan shows a new public street on the western portion of the site and it contemplates the realignment of Tuller Road and Village Parkway. Mr. Underhill provided a conceptual picture of a new site plan showing the building along Village Parkway instead of John Shields Parkway. There were townhomes represented in the

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picture and additional green space, which was accomplished by rotating the building. He stated that this new plan protects the investment that the City has made along John Shields Parkway. He also noted that if Village Parkway is ever redeveloped, this will integrate well with that. He is hopeful that this new plan addresses some of Council's concerns. The amenities offered on this site were originally intended only for use by the residents of the development, but upon feedback from Council, areas of access were explored to offer some of these amenities to the public as well. Areas of pedestrian interest were also added along John Shields Parkway and Tuller Road. The townhomes provide a nice mix of uses in close proximity to each other. Mr. Underhill reiterated that the original architectural design was largely to adhere to Code. He stated it is difficult to invest in architecture without a site plan, but he provided some pictures of possible inspirational architectural elements, such as roof lines, materials, etc. He would like guidance from Council on the architectural elements. Mr. Underhill posed three questions to Council and asked for their feedback. The questions were:

- 1. Does Council support the use, which is permitted under the current zoning of the property?
- 2. Can the new site plan be supported as a general direction for the developer to proceed, understanding that this is a high-level plan that will be refined through future applications?
- 3. Should the goal of architectural design for multi-family portion of the project be to meet Code and continue the characteristics of other projects in Bridge Street, or are deviations warranted in order to incorporate more traditional elements?

Mr. Reiner stated that the site plan is improved. He shared that he has heard from the community that there are enough of the Tuller type units. He referred to the units on Gay Street in Columbus, Ohio, behind the Cathedral and stated that they are very attractive. The architecture was very detailed and interesting. He wouldn't want to see an apartment complex. Mr. Underhill asked if roof lines were one of the issues. Mr. Reiner referred to Mr. Underhill's images that he provided and stated that the buildings shown are what you see in every community across America. He reiterated that the Gay Street units were an example of what this community might like. Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that not much has changed for her in terms of the project since the last presentation. Her concerns are with the vibrancy and activation of the street network. The interior buildings would be difficult to engage the street in a meaningful way. She questioned if we are living up to the vision of Bridge Street being a vibrant, walkable neighborhood. She stated that offering some of the amenities inside the building to the public does not reach that bar. She stated that she didn't see retaining walls in the plan this time, but wanted to reiterate that retaining walls are counterproductive in an urban walkable district. She expressed concern that the block is too long without experiencing something interesting along the way. She appreciated the information regarding the additional development to the north of the site, but it didn't meet the threshold of the vision of Bridge Street. She stated she is reluctant to point him in a direction if she is not certain he can get there. She stated that architecturally, she would like to see more rooflines and more natural materials used. In response to Ms. De Rosa's question regarding the length of the building, Ms. Rauch stated that it is approximately 400 feet. Ms. De Rosa clarified that the massing of the building didn't change. Mr. Underhill stated that was correct and that it is very similar in size. Mr. De Rosa stated that the size is a challenge because this area is an entry way into the area. The large building sitting in this area doesn't activate the street network. She stated she is struggling with the fit on the space and lack of green space. She referred to the Gay Street area and stated that it has a lovely courtyard where people gather and eat lunch. The building and land work together to create that space. Mr. Underhill stated that there may be a way to create notches and courtyards, but it is difficult to go into that level of detail on a block drawing. Ms. De Rosa stated that with regard to the amenities in the building, if the public has to come through the residence to get to the café for example, that doesn't activate the street in the way the live, work, play environment is intended to do. Mr. Underhill described some things they could look at to make it more accessible. Ms. De Rosa stated this is about the use in the space and the activation. She stated she doesn't see it there.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that the porte-cochère is on the interior portion of the building and isn't adjacent to any street.

Mr. Reiner stated that it looks like a medical block type building. He suggested making more subspaces that are interesting.

Ms. Alutto agreed that she wants the street engagement and to uphold the vision of the walkable community. She would like to see areas where people can participate in their environment. She said she was fine with the general use of the space. She stated that it feels stark. She stated that she would lean more toward the inspirational type architectural. She stated this is an "anchor" location and she would like to see something different in this area.

Mayor Peterson stated that the example of inspirational architectural could be in any community in central Ohio.

Ms. De Rosa reiterated that the size of the building overtakes the function and is difficult to create energy.

Mayor Peterson called upon Ms. Denise Pampena, 654 Alfa Drive, Pittsburgh, PA, who had signed in to speak on this matter.

Ms. Pampena stated that in an independent living community, services are purposefully located inside the building so seniors don't have to leave the building. It is difficult to break up the building because if the residents' mobility is an issue, the intent is that they don't have to go far or even leave the building for dinner or the salon for example. These are not intended to be carriage houses, this is an independent living community with services.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Mr. McDaniel stated that the State of the City will be Thursday, March 14, at 6:00 p.m. at The Exchange.
- He mentioned the North Pool Memo provided in the packet to see if Council had any questions staff needs to address.
 - Ms. De Rosa stated that there has been a lot of community engagement. She would like to know more about the five options. She would like to know the pros and cons of each option as well as the pricing. She would like that information taken back to the neighbors as well.
 - Mr. Earman stated that staff will take the feedback from the first two meetings and hone in on what that means in the way of price and fundraising efforts that will be needed. He also stated that they would like to give as many options and alternatives for the community to weigh in on.
 - Mr. McDaniel stated that staff would like to focus on the need of the immediate neighborhood and have a high-level understanding before we go too far into pricing because a great deal of time and money can be wrapped up in pricing. Ms. De Rosa stated that she would like to know ballpark estimates. She stated that other factors could come into play also such as public and private partnerships. It would be good to have an understanding of what each option means in the form of opportunities.
 - Mr. Reiner asked about the life of the materials and the costs of maintenance. Mr. Earman stated that they have engaged with the architect to answer those questions so those conversations are already happening. Regarding the pricing gap, he will share the estimates that they have received.
 - Mr. McDaniel stated the next steps would be to schedule another meeting with the neighborhood.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes asked if the HVAC requirements were contemplating a saltwater pool. Mr. Earman stated it was not a saltwater pool. Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that she has been told that saltwater pools are less expensive to maintain and it is a better way to address air quality issues as well.

- Mr. McDaniel commented on the following memos included in Council's packet:
 - Citizen U memo for Council's awareness. The dates have been put on Council's calendar.
 - The relocation of Memorial Day services and the proposal that these services stay in Monterey Park. Mr. Reiner felt that it was a good flow last year.
 - Teen tech support program This is an Eagle Scout Project; and

o Innovation Framework – inventory of innovative projects going on.

- COMMA held a vote last week to support the Governor's gas tax increase. The gas tax increase could mean significant dollars to local governments. The COMMA
- group also endorsed the idea of a regional housing study.
 Chief Heinz von Eckartsberg is retiring as of March 22, 2019. There will be an event for him on April 4.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Development Committee

Mr. Reiner shared the recommendations of the Committee regarding the Beautify your Neighborhood Grants which were reviewed at their meeting of March 4. There were seven applications received. The total amount of grant funds requested from the seven applicants is \$25,837. The approved 2019 budget is \$32,000. Mr. Reiner thanked the applicants for taking part in this program.

Mr. Reiner moved, seconded by Ms. De Rosa, to accept and approve the recommendations of the Community Development Committee.

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

DCAP Review: Mr. Reiner stated that the committee also met about the DCAP. Of the options that were provided, the Frantz Road Corridor Zoning overlay was considered to be the best option. Staff will be coming back to the committee.

Administrative Committee:

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that the first round of interviews for Board and Commission vacancies were held on March 6. There will be a few more interviews held on March 18. Appointment to vacancies will be made at the March 18 Council meeting.

She also stated that a draft retreat report will be provided to Council Members in the next packet and she encouraged them to review the report.

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Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that MORPC is very supportive of the gas tax increase. She reached out to Senator Kunze regarding an amendment to this that would set the ground level for the permissive license tax. In order to be a recipient of the distribution of the extra funds that are generated through the increased gas tax, there would be a minimum threshold of \$15-\$20 of gas permissive tax that they would have to participate in to be recipients. She appreciates Senator Kunze's efforts. This would be leveraging the dollars that would be created by the additional tax. They are also looking at adding an additional \$5.00 to the permissive license tax. She is hoping this will increase participation on everyone's part and free up some funds to solve some of our peripheral problems in being good partners with our neighboring jurisdictions. She appreciates what Senator Kunze is doing and encouraged other members of Council to reach out to her.

DAC

Mr. Reiner shared that there was a great exhibition opening on March 23 called "Opening doors." The next exhibition opening will be June 18th. The Garden Party is May 3, from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Board of Education

Ms. Alutto stated that the Board of Education has been talking with Joe Yersavich, Columbus Metropolitan Library Dublin Branch Manager, the DCVB and the HDBA regarding a partnership to celebrate the anniversary of the 1919 building. More information will be coming.

Ms. De Rosa asked if they had a timeframe.

Ms. Alutto stated the library opening will be June 6, so it may be that weekend, June 8th.

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COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

Ms. De Rosa:

- She had the opportunity to attend the Economic Development team's gathering on workforce development last week. The IT community across central Ohio came together to discuss making sure we have the best talent to grow the eco-system. She noted in particular the discussion regarding creating jobs versus creating careers.
- 2. Economic Forecast Breakfast was a great event.
- 3. Innovation Framework: she would like to see that come back maybe quarterly for updates so Council can participate.

Mr. Reiner:

1. Noted that the registrations for Art Camps will open soon. These camps are scheduled from June 3 through August 5 for ages 6-15.

Ms. Alutto:

 Echoed Ms. De Rosa comments regarding the Economic Development workforce development meeting. She found it was interesting to think about what our community has to offer.

Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes:

- 1. Thanked staff for the travel report that was put together and the additional financial reports.
- 2. She asked about the pavers on John Shields Parkway and Riverside Drive. She stated that they are falling in disrepair in a rapid pace and asked about warranty information.
- 3. She thanked all the residents that participated in board and commission interviews.
- 4. She wished Chief von Eckartsberg the best in his new endeavors.
- 5. Expressed sympathy to Council Member Fox upon the loss of her mother.

Mayor Peterson:

- 1. Passed along his condolences regarding Council Member Fox's mother.
- 2. Happy Birthday to Vice Mayor Amorose Groomes!
- 3. Looking forward to the State of the City on Thursday and the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.	
Mayor – Presiding Officer	
Acting Clerk of Council	