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BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Amorose Groomes called the Monday, April 13, 2020 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the State's emergency declaration, the meeting was conducted via Zoom and live-streamed via YouTube at the City's website. This is now allowed as a result of the passage of Am. Sub. H.B. 197, which includes temporary changes to the Ohio Open Meetings Law.

ROLL CALL

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

Staff members present were Mr. McDaniel, Mr. Rogers, Ms. Readler, Ms. O'Callaghan, Mr. Stiffler, Mr. Earman, Mr. McCollough, Mr. Clark, Mr. Hammersmith, Ms. Burness, Ms. Rauch, Ms. Husak, Ms. Delgado, Mr. McKee, Ms. Barney and Mr. Edwards.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Rogers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR AMOROSE GROOMES

Mayor Amorose Groomes addressed the public, watching via livestream. She welcomed everyone to the first virtual meeting of Dublin City Council and stated:

We are living in extraordinary times. Both the State of Ohio and the City of Dublin have declared states of emergency. The Ohio Legislature passed several emergency laws to address the pandemic, including the ability for public entities to have virtual meetings. We appreciate this ability to maintain our continuity of government.

For the duration of the Stay at Home Order, we will be holding Council meetings online and live streaming those meetings on YouTube. You can access the live-stream on the City's website. In order to submit any questions or comments during the meeting, please use the form under the streaming video on the City's website. These questions and comments will be relayed to City Council by our Director of Communications and Public Information.

We want to accommodate public participation and comment to the greatest extent possible. We welcome your comments on public business, but please refrain from making any inappropriate comments.

This is not a perfect system, but we will do our best in these difficult times. We appreciate your patience.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

The Clerk and Ms. Burness reported that no citizen comments had been submitted via e-mail nor via the online platform.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of the Minutes of the March 16, 2020 Regular Council Meeting
- Notice to Legislative Authority of a New D5J Liquor Permit for Kona Craft Kitchen LLC, dba Kona Craft Kitchen, 6757 Longshore Street, Dublin, Ohio 43017
- Notice to Legislative Authority of a Change of Ownership of a D1, D2, D3 and D6 Liquor Permit for Golf Center at Sports Ohio Inc. & 9 Hole Golf Course, 6100 Dublin Park Drive, Dublin, Ohio 43016
- Notice to Legislative Authority of a New D5 Liquor Permit for Solanos LLC, 7571 Sawmill Road, Dublin, Ohio 43016

There was no request to remove an item from the Consent Agenda.

Ms. Fox moved to approve the actions for the four items on the Consent Agenda.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

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

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCES

Ordinance 09-20 (Amended)

Amending Section 150.231 of the City of Dublin Codified Ordinances regarding Property Maintenance.

Ms. Rauch reported that this legislation has been amended, based on Council's members concerns expressed at the March 16 meeting about the exemption for structures built before March 1, 1959. Planning and the Law Department have now removed that section from the proposed amendments and will utilize the current enforcement procedures to uphold property maintenance for structures that are historic. Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance.

Mayor Amorose Groomes noted there was discussion on March 16 about unintended consequences of the changes, and she believes that the amendments address these concerns.

Ms. Fox stated that the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code is the upgrade needed to give enforcement more "teeth" regarding some of the problems occurring. The intent is to have this Code adopted, and then take any problem properties and beta test them against this Code to determine if additional Code amendments are needed. This will go a long way in addressing problems.

Mr. Reiner suggested that the Public Services Committee review Section 153.178, the architectural review section that currently applies to the Architectural Review District. He would like this to be considered citywide because of the many rental properties now existing in the City. It seems a good time to discuss this.

Mayor Amorose Groomes suggested this be discussed under committee reports later in tonight's meeting.

There was no public comment received via e-mail or through the website.

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

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING - ORDINANCES

Ordinance 10-20

Amending the Annual Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020.

Mr. Reiner introduced the Ordinance.

Mr. Stiffler reported that this ordinance contains the following appropriations:

- Section 1 contains an appropriation of \$35,000 to support the Accrued Leave Reserve Fund. As the memo referenced, this fund experienced an unusual amount of spending in 2019 and as a result, the fund balance was lower than estimated to begin 2020.
- Section 2 contains appropriations from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. This section contains an appropriation for \$9,000 to cover the City's payment to the Bridge Park New Community Authority. This payment is based on a percentage of 2019 hotel/motel tax revenues. Section 2 also contains an appropriation for \$112,500 related to activities associated with the Dublin Irish Festival. This appropriation is proceeding at this time because the next supplemental ordinance will likely not occur until June and actions taken to support these appropriations need to occur prior to that timeframe. The appropriation of these funds allows the City to be ready to proceed when a decision is made regarding the status of the 2020 Festival, but does not obligate the City to make these expenditures should they not be necessary.
- Section 3 contains appropriations from the Capital Improvement Fund. A total of \$142,525 in appropriations is being requested to allow for grant reimbursements the City has received for the SHARE program. This appropriation is fully offset by

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reimbursement grants. A \$6.0 million appropriation for the Council Chamber Addition to the new City Hall building is requested at this time. This appropriation does not represent the final decision from Council before proceeding on this project. In May, the contract for this project will be brought to Council for approval and at that time, a decision on how to proceed will occur. Appropriating the funding at this time is necessary as the appropriation must be in place prior to the approval of the contract, and the next supplemental ordinance is not scheduled until June. Additionally, with this project appropriated as intended during the 2019 and 2020 CIP budgets, staff will continue to evaluate the Capital Improvements Fund and the Capital Budget to appropriately respond to the COVID-19 emergency.

- Sections 4 and 7 contain language to allow for the repayment of advances from the General Fund in December 2019 that occurred to allow two debt-financed projects to advance at that time. The bond proceeds to reimburse the General Fund for these advances were received by the City on April 2.
- Section 5 appropriates the transfers between TIF Funds required to support "The Corners" development agreement as approved with Ordinance 69-19 in December 2019.
- Sections 6 and 7 un-appropriate money for a debt-funded sewer project that will not be proceeding in 2020 and which will be re-evaluated for inclusion in future years. This also un-appropriates the repayment of an advance from the Capital Improvement Fund to the Irelan Place TIF that will instead be repaid in future years when projected revenues are received.
- Section 8, contains an appropriation for Central Ohio Interoperable Radio System (COIRS) from an agency fund. This appropriation is necessary because of the timing of the decisions of the COIRS Board and the City's Operating Budget timeline.

Staff recommends approval at the second hearing on April 27. He offered to respond to any questions.

Mayor Amorose Groomes reiterated Mr. Stiffler's comment that these are appropriations, and not expenditures. There are also un-appropriations included in the legislation. This is merely appropriations required by municipal funding – making the monies available to exercise a contract when that contract is brought to Council for approval.

Mr. Keeler thanked them for clarifying the difference between appropriating and committing to spend money. In regard to Section 3 and the construction on the new City Hall/Council Chamber expenditures, what are the commitments at this point, given the real estate closing on the 5800 Building sale has been delayed somewhat? How far advanced is the City on actually spending this \$6 million appropriation?

Ms. O'Callaghan stated there are two contracts that have been executed for the renovations of the 5555 Perimeter building, and those were accomplished in order to move the staff to be housed in that new City Hall building. There is the architect's contract in place to complete the design for the Council Chamber addition. There is also an owner's representative contract. There is currently not a contract in place for construction of the Council Chamber addition. There are some work activities included in the current contracts in place. There is landscaping and parking lot work, etc. that would be wrapped up, depending upon how we would proceed with a GMP contract. That GMP contract is planned for presentation to Council at the second May meeting.

Mr. Keeler stated that, based on this, there is approximately a month or so to determine whether any of this spending will be delayed, given the uncertainty and the mini recession anticipated. He is merely suggesting delaying until more is known.

Mayor Amorose Groomes stated this will likely be the first discussion to take place at the next Finance Committee.

Mr. McDaniel clarified that the renovation of the 5555 Perimeter building has been ongoing for several months and the move of staff to the building is taking place this week. The Development Department staff will be relocating to the 5200 Emerald Parkway building in

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the coming weeks. The item in question is likely the Council Chamber addition, and as more of the impacts of the pandemic crisis are understood, a decision can be made about going forward with that project. He will have further comments about the overall pandemic situation and impacts to the City in comments later tonight.

Ms. De Rosa thanked Mr. Stiffler for the background he provided recently prior to bringing forward this appropriations ordinance. That information included the status of the General Fund balance, construction fund balance, etc. To Mr. Keeler's point, she is appreciative that when these requests are brought forward, the financial standing and implications of the appropriations are shared. With the addition of the bond funding that came in, the General Fund balance is in a strong position, which will be helpful moving forward.

Ms. Alutto added that it is also important for the public to understand that staff keeps a close tally on how this pandemic is impacting the City, including financially. All of that information will feed into the conversation about different projects moving forward.

Mayor Amorose Groomes asked about Section 6 – Irelan Place and un-appropriating \$15,000. The scheduled payment this year was to be approximately \$29,000, correct? Mr. Stiffler stated that there was a Board of Revision decision that resulted in reducing the service payment revenue for that TIF. The estimated revenue did not therefore materialize to repay that advance in full this year. The revenue will materialize before the TIF ends, so it is simply a delay in repayment.

Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that it appears there will be an outstanding \$14,000 balance on that TIF, which will be collected over the next four years.

Mr. Stiffler confirmed that is correct.

There was no public testimony submitted via e-mail or via the website.

Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that there will be a second reading/public hearing at the April 27 Council meeting.

Ordinance 11-20

Adopting and Enacting a Supplement (S-47) to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Dublin, Ohio.

Mr. Reiner introduced the Ordinance.

Ms. Readler stated the City's codifier, American Legal Publishing, prepares Code supplements twice each year to include legislation approved by City Council as well as the State of Ohio. This supplement includes legislation approved by Council through December 30, 2019 and State legislation approved through July 30, 2019. Staff recommends approval at the second reading on April 27.

Mr. Keeler noted that there have been some changes to the list of City officials subsequent to this supplement date.

Ms. Readler responded that this supplement technically includes only the legislation adopted locally and by the state through the dates as noted. The City officials page can be updated to include the changes that have occurred since December of 2019.

There were no public comments submitted via e-mail or via the website.

There will be a second reading/public hearing at the April 27 Council meeting.

Ordinance 12-20

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Accept a Sanitary Sewer Easement from Carmen Michael Villopoto for Property Owned and Located at 7685 Dublin Plain City Road, Franklin County Parcel Number 274-001453-00.

Ms. Alutto introduced the Ordinance.

Mr. Hammersmith stated that Urban Air is a development for the construction

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of two buildings for entertainment and recreation uses and associated site improvements on two previously vacant parcels, located at 7685 Dublin-Plain City Road. The development is being constructed in two phases. The first phase is located on Franklin County parcel No. 274-002136-00 – the western parcel; and the second phase is to be located on the Franklin County parcel No. 274-001453-00 – the eastern parcel. The existing public sanitary sewer is located near the east property line of the Command Alkon site, located on Crosby Court, directly west of the western parcel. Public sanitary sewer has been extended in order to provide sanitary sewer access to the Urban Air development. For the public sanitary sewer extension, the City requires a permanent sanitary sewer easement on Franklin County Parcel No. 274-001453-00, presently owned by Carmen Michael Villopoto, for the construction and perpetual maintenance of the public sanitary sewer constructed as part of the Urban Air development. Mr. Villopoto is conveying the easement to the City at no cost and is responsible for all construction costs of the sanitary sewer improvements associated with the Urban Air project.

Mayor Amorose Groomes asked if the water drainage issues raised by an adjacent property owner who contacted City Council via the web form have been resolved. Mr. Hammersmith responded that staff is working to determine what will be required for resolution. As soon as the weather cooperates, he is confident that the issues can be resolved.

There was no public testimony received via e-mail or via the website.

There will be a second reading/public hearing at the April 27 Council meeting.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING/VOTE – RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 22-20

Accepting the Lowest and Best Bid for the Signalized Intersection Upgrade – Phase 2 Project.

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.

Mr. Hammersmith reported that two bids were received and opened. This project replaces the traffic signal wiring and controller cabinet with all new components, including the uninterrupted power supply/back-up power supply system. It upgrades the pedestrian detection to improve accessibility for those with visual or mobility challenges at the following intersections: Avery-Muirfield Drive at Perimeter Loop Road/Hospital Drive, and Frantz Road at Blazer Parkway/Longbranch Drive. The Engineer's estimate for the project is \$248,000. U.S. Utility Contractor Company Inc. submitted the lowest and best bid of \$265,842.41, corrected by staff due to a rounding error to \$265,842.42. The bid item with the largest difference when compared to the Engineer's Estimate was "Maintaining Traffic." The project is expected to begin mid-April and will be completed by mid-December. Staff recommends approval of the Resolution.

Ms. Fox noted the Waterford neighborhood is interested in these upgrades. The project is described as improving accessibility. What is the specific upgrade?

Mr. Hammersmith stated that the pedestrian cross walk buttons at the intersection will be replaced to meet current standards, which will include an audible signal as well.

Mayor Amorose Groomes asked for clarification of the audible signal. Does this mean a voice will indicate it is safe to walk, or can a pedestrian audibly request to cross?

Mr. Hammersmith responded that an audible signal activated by the button will indicate it is safe to walk across an intersection.

There was no public testimony received via e-mail or via the website.

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

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Resolution 23-20

Approving and Accepting the Final Plat for The Corners Subdivision.

Mr. Reiner introduced the Resolution.

Ms. Husak stated that this is a request for final plat approval for The Corners – a subdivision of 24 acres. The zoning for the eastern portion of the site was approved by Council in December, and the western portion of the site retains the current zoning of Office/Laboratory/Research (OLR). She noted that Lot 1 on this 24-acre plat is a Smart parking lot used by Cardinal Health and the parking lot will continue to be owned by the City. Lots 2 and 3 are both part of The Corners development and are zoned PUD. Lot 2 will be a future public park and accommodates two existing retention ponds. Lot 3 will be the commercial development known as The Corners. The applicant has requested to move forward with the first two phases potentially of final development plans on those two parcels. She shared a view of the plat.

Staff is continuing to work on a condition related to a previous retention pond and existing easements. Staff is working with the owners of those easements to vacate the easements, and that vacation will be done under a separate action.

Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval at their March 5, 2020 meeting with the following conditions:

1. That the applicant ensures that any minor technical adjustments to the plat are made prior to City Council submittal, and;
2. That the City coordinate the vacation of the retention easement in the southeast portion of the site.

Mr. Reiner asked about the vacation of the retention basin – are we keeping the basin, or just vacating the easements.

Ms. Husak stated that the retention basin actually does not exist at this time. When the smart parking lot was constructed, the basins were relocated. That specific retention basin was removed, but the easements were not vacated at that time.

Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that the retention basins are now located on the City property portion, correct?

Ms. Husak responded that is correct.

Ms. Fox stated the plat is fine. However, she wants to ensure moving forward that the two entities involved in the design and construction work closely together to create the park space that will incorporate well with the development.

Ms. Husak responded that bi-weekly meetings are held with the Daimler team and the City Parks and Engineering departments to work through all of the details.

Ms. Fox stated that she is aware that the adjacent residents are very excited about this park. She is hopeful there is opportunity for public input.

Ms. Husak responded that there will be such opportunity provided.

There was no public testimony received via e-mail or via the website.

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

Resolution 24-20

Approving and Accepting the Final Plat for University Boulevard Phase 2 Right-of-Way Dedication and Subdivision.

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.

Ms. Husak stated that this was reviewed and recommended for approval by Planning and Zoning Commission on March 5. This site consists of 101 acres. The zoning for the site includes primarily ID-1 in the West Innovation District. In November, Council approved the rezoning for the OSU Wexner Medical Center as a PUD. The plat is primarily for the right-of-way for University Boulevard. It is the piece that ends at Eiterman Road and goes down to Shier-Rings Road. It is to accommodate development within this area. This piece ties into the regional roadway network as outlined partially and primarily in the Thoroughfare Plan for the West Innovation District. Another

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graphic shows an overview of the plat. All lots meet all Zoning Code requirements except Lot 5. This lot is a residual of land based on the geometric layout of University Boulevard and the City-owned property boundaries. City Council approved a variance for this lot through the platting process on November 4, 2019. Lot 2 is the largest parcel in the plat, which will be conveyed to OSU upon approval of this plat. On March 5, 2020, the Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed and recommended approval to City Council of the final plat with the below condition:

- 1) That the applicant ensures that any minor technical adjustments to the plat are made prior to City Council submittal.

The applicant has met the condition for the plat.

Ms. Fox asked about the easement between Lots 1 and 2. Is that easement to accommodate the Council and PZC desire to have more public paths?

Ms. Husak explained that OSU has accommodated that request by having a path on both sides of their site – to the east and west – and they meander on and off their site. In discussions with the City, it was determined the paths would be publicly accessible and would therefore not need to be entirely accommodated on the OSU site. The easements take care of the location of those paths, and there will be landscaping as well.

Ms. Fox stated that, knowing it is an easement and it is public use, there will not therefore be a future issue for the public using the paths on private property. That was the issue raised by PZC.

Ms. Husak responded it is City-owned property on either side. The applicant has also provided declarations that will be recorded with the plat that clarifies the intended use as public purpose.

There was no public testimony received via e-mail or via the website.

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

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. McDaniel reported the following:

- Thanked Council for their leadership and support during this time!
- Thanked residents for abiding by the Governor's stay at home order.
- Noted that residents have shown great support to our employees and first responders, which is very much appreciated.
- Dublin staff remains on the job and necessary city services remain in place. Thankfully, everyone is very healthy. He is proud of staff's commitment to serve.
- Thanked Washington Township and noted that Mr. Richter and Chief O'Connell are involved in the daily virtual meetings taking place throughout the pandemic.
- Our community partners have provided great support throughout this pandemic situation. The City is most appreciative of their ongoing support.
- Noted that we are committed to meeting whatever needs may arise and adjusting as necessary.
- Appreciates the cooperation of City businesses during this challenging time.
- Thanked the Dublin Chamber for their partnership and support to the businesses.
- In terms of economic impact, we are working to estimate what we believe the impact might be. He plans to brief Council on April 27 about what we know to date. It is an evolving situation and will be changing, but we will keep people informed and continue to deliver services.
- Commented that if residents have any questions or comments, please let him know.

Mayor Amorose Groomes echoed the appreciation for all of the community partners.

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COTA: Vice Mayor De Rosa thanked the COTA staff who continue to offer their service throughout this time. The public also appreciates their efforts to keep everyone healthy and safe. A new requirement for riders on Wednesday will be to wear a face mask or scarf to protect everyone's health. This is an additional step to keep everyone healthy.

MORPC: Mayor Amorose Groomes stated that updates have been shared on a daily basis through email and on the web.

US 33 Corridor: Vice Mayor De Rosa stated that it is fantastic to be able to continue meeting virtually with this group and hearing all of the offers of help and support. Even with the current situation, work on many projects is still moving ahead. The developers and property owners are looking to the future, even with some given delays. Ms. Fox added that the people who live in the area along the corridor would be interested in viewing details of some of the roadway improvements planned. Perhaps there will be an opportunity to share some illustrations of these improvements.

Dublin Arts Council: Mr. Reiner reported that the DAC thanked people for creating positive messages with chalk on the sidewalks in the community. He complimented Mr. Guion on his proactive approach regarding budgetary cuts in view of the hotel-motel tax revenue reductions.

Dublin City Schools: Mr. Peterson reported that the Dublin City Schools and the Dublin Food Pantry are conducting a food drive on April 14, 16, 21, and 23. Non-perishable food items and other items listed on the website can be dropped off at the Eli Pinney vestibule on each of these days between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Washington Township: Ms. Fox reported she spoke with the Chief today who noted that all is well. Emergency runs are down, likely because people are staying at home. Any PPEs are welcome to be donated to the Township. The Fire Department is very appreciative of all of the public support they have received!

Dublin Bridges: Ms. Fox reported they have been very busy. Anyone interested in helping the community can go to the website www.neighborhoodbridges.org where they can find many opportunities outlined for willing volunteers. Dublin Bridges is working in conjunction with a number of entities and everyone is working collaboratively to meet the needs of the community.

Veterans Committee: Mr. Reiner noted that Committee meetings are on hold at this time as well as lectures at the DCRC.

Complete Count Committee: Ms. Alutto reported that the census response rate nationally is 47.9%, Ohio is 51.6% and Dublin is 65.1%. The lowest response rate in the City is in the southwestern portion. She encouraged everyone to complete their census questionnaire online, by mail or phone. The census is very important for Ohio and the region.

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

Mr. Keeler noted:

1. He has a question for Vice Mayor De Rosa regarding COTA There has been extensive news coverage about public transportation struggling nationwide. Is it too early to know where COTA stands financially now and where they might stand in a month or two?

Vice Mayor De Rosa responded that as everyone is aware, the vast majority of COTA's funding comes from a sales tax. About 10 percent of their funding comes from ridership. As of two weeks ago, COTA announced that fares are free for essential travel, so COTA's revenue stream will be affected. Sales continue to be healthy along essential services, while tourism and other areas have declined. They are actively working to address that. Everyone will need some financial support and help to continue. COTA has been responsive to the areas that need it most.

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2. Mr. Keeler encouraged everyone to consider patronizing local restaurants through carryout. Their revenues have decreased about 80 percent, so they are strongly in need of our support.

Ms. Fox commented:

1. Thanks to Mr. McDaniel for working what she understands have been 12-hour plus days. His communication and leadership have been excellent.
2. Congratulated Mayor Amorose Grooms for being elected to Secretary of the Executive Board for MORPC.
3. Noted she is seeking volunteers to cut and sew face masks and encouraged anyone interested to contact her.

Mr. Peterson thanked Mr. McDaniel and staff, particularly the IT staff for their support of virtual meetings. Staff provides a tremendous amount of information each day to keep our government moving forward. He greatly appreciates all of the support!

Ms. Alutto:

1. Echoed the appreciation for the City Manager and staff and all they are doing. She loves the videos on the website, which have been well received by the community. They help people to be connected.
2. Expressed kudos to the Dublin Schools for all they are doing to keep the students engaged. Thanks, also, to the parents who are being patient with their kids who are trying their best to get through this school year.
3. Noted that her heart goes out to the high school and middle school graduates who are missing these milestones this school year.
4. Encouraged everyone to reach out to their neighbors and to the elderly, making a phone call to check on them. Human connections are very important during a time like this when people feel isolated.
5. Thanked Mayor Amorose Grooms and her Council colleagues for all of their support of this virtual meeting, which has gone well.

Mr. Reiner:

1. Echoed thanks to Mr. McDaniel and staff.
2. Agreed with Mr. Keeler about the importance of supporting local businesses to keep people employed.
3. Noted a special thanks to the Order of Malta. Out of Dublin came 4,000 sandwiches distributed to the needy of our area.

Vice Mayor De Rosa:

1. Thanked Mr. McDaniel and the staff team for their continued support to carry out this meeting and for supporting the entire community throughout this pandemic.
2. Thanks also to the health care heroes who are doing amazing things around the country.
3. Noted her appreciation to Dr. Ben Bring who has been providing wonderful information on the Dublin website from the local Ohio Health facility.
4. Commented she is appreciative of the positive people working in the grocery stores to fill the needs of the community during this time.
5. Added that she is impressed with the overall kindness of everyone she has encountered in the community. Thanks to the residents for being there for each other throughout this pandemic!

Mayor Amorose Grooms:

1. Echoed the Council comments of appreciation to staff.
2. Added that Ms. Nardecchia is helping to organize a blood drive to benefit a resident who is battling COVID-19 at Children's Hospital. It will be held on April 25 at Dublin United Methodist Church. She encouraged everyone to donate blood.

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3. She has been checking in with Dublin Methodist Hospital and they stand at the ready for our community. Other communities around the country are very seriously impacted by COVID-19, but Dublin has been fortunate to date, and we are very grateful for that.

In response to Mayor Amorose Groomes, staff reported that no further comments have been submitted tonight via e-mail or via the website.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Mayor – Presiding Officer



Clerk of Council