# SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023.

The Council of the City of Strongsville met in the Caucus Room at the Mike Kalinich Sr. City Council Chamber, 18688 Royalton Road, on **Monday**, **May 15**, **2023**, **at 7:30 p.m**.

Present: Council Members: James E. Carbone, James A. Kaminski, Joseph C. DeMio, Gordon C. Short, Kelly A. Kosek, and Annmarie P. Roff. Also Present: Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. Administration: Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Finance Director Eric Dean, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo and Law Director Neal Jamison.

Absent: Thomas M. Clark

Council President, James Carbone, called the caucus to order at 7:34 p.m.

The following Council Committees met to review legislation on the agenda:

Planning, Zoning & Engineering Committee: Chairman Kaminski advised Ordinance No. 2023-071 is an ordinance to rezone vacant property located on Marks Road, in the City of Strongsville, from GI-A (General Industrial-A) classification to RT-C (Townhouse–Cluster) classification (Portion of PPN 394-07-001). Mr. Kaminski advised the developer is Pride One Construction. They have developed this same model in Brunswick located on W. 130<sup>th</sup> Street, just past State Route 303. This was placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission for their recommendation. Resolution No. 2023-072 is a resolution authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the City of Strongsville Town Center Project. Suspension and adoption was recommended for this legislation. Mr. Carbone asked if the city has received the final plans for the project. Mr. Jamison advised we have and Mayor Perciak added as soon as possible, administration will electronically distribute them to Council. Suspension and adoption was also recommended for Ordinance No. 2023-073; an ordinance accepting for recording purposes only the plat of Camden Woods subdivision. Resolution No. 2023-074 is to accept for dedication certain streets within the Camden Woods subdivision. Suspension and adoption was recommended for this legislation.

<u>Public Service & Conservation Committee</u>: Chairman DeMio advised Ordinance No. 2023-075 is an ordinance authorizing the sale at public auction of certain obsolete and surplus vehicles no longer needed for any municipal purpose. Suspension and adoption was recommended for this legislation.

### Other Business:

Topics discussed within the Charter Review Committee meetings:

Councilman Carbone advised he attended the last meeting of the Charter Review Committee. There were a number of topics the committee was working on; and Mr. Carbone wanted to review those topics with Council to get their input.

Article III (The Council), Section 12 (Procedure) – Mr. Jamison advised 5 years ago, the committee proposed to amend this section as it relates to the posting requirement. At the time, it did not pass with the voters. This committee wants to amend this section by inserting language that mandates all postings will be located on the city's website, as well as not less than 3 of the most public places located throughout the city. There was some discussion regarding posting on social media; but after speaking to Debbie Palmer in the IT department, it was determined to be too broad of a category.

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Article IV (Administrative Offices), Section 7 (Civil Service) – Mr. Jamison advised the committee has proposed to increase the number of members from 3 to 5. The reason for that is there have been occasions when 2 of the members are unable to attend; therefore, the commission does not have a quorum to hold the meeting. This allows the commission to still be able to conduct a meeting in the absence of some of their members.

<u>Article V (Finance)</u>, <u>Section 5 (Public Bidding)</u> — Mr. Jamison advised 5 years ago, the previous committee attempted to amend this section which failed at the election. This committee has proposed to amend this section by changing council's vote from unanimous to 5 council votes, as well as include the language, "...for the efficient operation of the city."

Article IV (Administrative Offices), Section 6 (Board of Zoning Appeals) – Mr. Jamison advised right now, Council has the ability to review any variance that is granted by the BZA. This ability means there is a 20-day wait period for the variance to go into effect. In discussions, it was felt this delays many projects; in particular, residential projects. In doing research, Mr. Jamison advised no other city operates in this manner. The committee unanimously recommended that this section be deleted in its entirety. The rationale to do this is because this section can delay the variance process for our residents and potentially, new businesses coming into the city. Also, there was a legal concern such that if the commission grants a variance and then Council rejects it, which decision (Council or BZA) is the city supposed to defend?

Ms. Kosek advised she would be more favorable to limiting the timeframe, as opposed to eliminating this section in its entirety. Mr. Jamison advised that was discussed during the committee meetings, and he will advise the committee of her suggestion. Ms. Kosek also wants clarification if the timeframe is then limited, what time would that be...the wait period, the hearing process, etc.? Mr. Jamison advised it would be the 20-day wait period timeframe that gives Council the opportunity to request a review. If they shorten it, to say 10 days, that may require Council to have a special meeting in order to keep within that timeframe.

Mr. Kaminski asked if there was a way for Council to be able to request review for only commercial property and not residential; because to hold up all residential projects when Council doesn't exercise this option, hinders the residents from being able to move forward with their variance. Ms. Kosek advised she understands Mr. Kaminski's point, but to remove this process can also hinder residents who contact Council to complain about the variance granted, and now Council has no recourse to review because it is automatically granted. Mr. Kaminski then asked if there was a way for Council to request a review during the actual BZA meeting? Mr. Jamison advised if a resident is requesting a variance, the neighbor(s) is notified and they have the right to attend the BZA meeting to voice their opinion and/or concerns. In one instance, BZA rejected a variance due to the neighbors coming up in protest. Mr. Jamison advised in his tenure with the city, this process has only been exercised twice by Council. Mr. Kaminski feels that because this is already an open process for residents to attend a BZA meeting and give input, the section can be removed. Ms. Kosek is in disagreement, and believes there should still be an appeal process for residents in protest of a variance; however, she is open to limiting the timeframe. When limiting the timeframe, Ms. Kosek also brought up the concern that Council needs to be able to view the BZA meeting minutes within the timeframe to assist in making a determination whether to review. Mr. Jamison suggested if a controversial variance was brought to their attention by a resident, then a Councilmember could attend the BZA meeting to voice the concern. In terms of minutes, Mr. Jamison advised drafting minutes takes time; and maybe, Council could be provided a copy of the video showing what transpired.

Mr. Short likes the idea of shortening to 10 business days for commercial variances; however, he feels residential should even be shorter, within 5 business days to review. Ms. Kosek agrees that the timeframe for residential variances could be reduced. Mr. Kaminski also agrees the timeframe for residential variances should be reduced.

Article X (Charter Review Committee). Section 1 (Review) — Mr. Jamison advised the committee unanimously questioned Council's right to determine whether the committee's recommendations are or are not submitted to the ballot. At the committee's request, Mr. Jamison researched 19 other Cuyahoga communities to determine their procedure for this. In 10 communities, (Berea, Middleburg Heights, Rocky River, North Royalton, Olmsted Falls, Parma Heights, Broadview Heights, Bay Village, Brecksville and Brooklyn) any committee recommendation automatically goes to the ballot for the voters to determine. Council still has to pass a resolution to do this, but they do submit what the committee puts forth. The rationale is that if Council disagrees with an issue, they have the ability to consecutively submit their own amendment to the ballot. If both passed, the one that would go into effect would be the one that got the most votes. In the other 9 communities, (Brook Park, Westlake, Solon, Fairview Park, North Olmsted, Lakewood, Seven Hills, Independence and Strongsville) the procedure is filtered. In Brook Park, their Charter Review Committee is elected and neither Council nor the administration had any input as to who would serve as a member. The committee feels with the time and effort they put into doing this, it is only right to allow their recommendations to be submitted to the ballot for residents to vote on.

Mr. Kaminski advised he is in agreement with the committee to submit their recommendations directly to the ballot, bypassing Council, since residents already have the ability through the initiative petition process to bypass Council. Ms. Kosek advised because of a resident's right for an initiative petition, that is primary reason why Council's review process should not be eliminated. Ms. Kosek feels one of her duties as an elected official is to review these matters on behalf of all residents. Mr. Kaminski advised it becomes a problem when one of the recommendations is to limit or terminate the number of Councilmembers, or how elections are conducted when there is a vacancy in the Council office. That potentially creates bias where Council would be unwilling to submit such matters to the ballot. Ms. Roff advised those types of issues still can be submitted to the ballot through the initiative petition process. Ms. Kosek advised one such issue was brought forth to Council through the initiative process; and after the law department's review, it was determined to not be in proper legal form. Mr. Jamison advised the committee feels this is different than the initiative petition process, due to the fact that they have been individually asked to come and be a part of this process. They are expending a lot of their time in doing so; and therefore, their recommendations should be submitted to the ballot.

Mr. Jamison advised he will take Council's feedback to the committee. Mr. Carbone advised it was great to be able to attend the committee's meeting. He witnessed a lot of time, thought and collaboration involved in the process. Ms. Kosek asked Mr. Jamison to convey to the committee Council's gratefulness for their service and that Council appreciates the open dialogue to hear what the committee is discussing.

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## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Council President James E. Carbone called the meeting to order at 8:06 p.m. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **CERTIFICATION OF POSTING:**

The Clerk of Council certified that the meeting had been posted in accordance with Ordinance No. 2004-273.

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## **ROLL CALL**:

**Present: Council Members:** James E. Carbone, James A. Kaminski, Joseph C. DeMio, Gordon C. Short, Kelly A. Kosek, Annmarie P. Roff and Thomas M. Clark. Also Present: Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Finance Director Eric Dean, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo and Law Director Neal Jamison.

Absent: Thomas M. Clark

Motion made by Councilwoman Kosek, second by Mr. DeMio, to excuse Councilman Thomas M. Clark for just cause. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

#### **COMMENTS ON MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 1, 2023, were approved as submitted.

## **PUBLIC HEARING:**

On the matter of the possible re-appointment and re-employment of Stephen F. Kilo, who will be retired effective May 31, 2023 and seeking re-employment to his former and same position as Human Resource Director for the City of Strongsville to be effective June 1, 2023.

Mr. Carbone invited anyone wishing to speak on this matter, to approach the podium and address Council.

James Ottobre, 22891 Westwood Dr., Strongsville Ohio 44149: James Ottobre, 22891 Westwood Drive, Strongsville, Ohio. On that matter that you just spoke about, I have a quick question. When Strongsville has somebody retire; and then they rehire them, do they rehire them at a new rate like a new employee or do they hire them at the current rate?

Mayor Perciak - May I answer?

Mr. Carbone - Yes Mayor, please.

Mayor Percial – The rate remains the same, but the benefits go back to day one. Their vacation, their sick time, and everything they do has to start all over.

Mr. Ottobre - Thank you.

Mr. Carbone - Would anybody else like to come to the podium and speak on this matter?

(No comments)

Hearing no further comments in regard to this matter, Council President Carbone closed the Public Hearing on said matter.

### APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Motion to confirm the Mayor's reappointment of Stephen F. Kilo as Human Resource Director for the City of Strongsville to be effective June 1, 2023 in compliance with Section 145.381 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Motion made by Ms. Kosek, second by Mr. DeMio to confirm the Mayor's reappointment of Stephen F. Kilo as Human Resource Director to be effective June 1, 2023 in compliance with Section 145.381 of the Ohio Revised Code. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Mr. Kilo – I just want to say thank you for your support. I greatly appreciate it, and I'm grateful that you have the confidence in me to continue. I have been here with the City of Strongsville since December of 1997, and I have come to be very involved in a number of different ways. I look forward to the coming years of continuing on; and supporting the city and doing everything I can as a public servant to help Strongsville succeed and move forward. Thank you very much.

Mr. Carbone - Thank you for your continued and dedicated service to the City of Strongsville.

Mr. Kilo - Thank you.

## REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

### SCHOOL BOARD - Mr. Clark:

Mr. Carbone – In the absence of Mr. Clark, he did want me to point out a couple of things. Mr. Clark did attend the last school board meeting on Thursday, May 11, 2023. During that meeting, the board did approve Mr. Lou Marconi as the newest elementary principal in the district. He will be at Kinsner Elementary. Also, George Anagnostou, our treasurer, shared his most recent 5-year forecast which shows the district is expected to end the fiscal year 2023 with a positive cash flow. All very positive things. We also want to congratulate the class of 2023 and the commencement will be Sunday, May 21, 2023. The last day of school is Friday, May 26, 2023, which will be an early release. Please, everybody on the road be careful; especially, over the summertime when they have a lot of kids playing hopefully outside and not on their devices... running around on their bikes and scooters and all that good stuff. Just be aware of a lot more play outside.

### **BUILDING AND UTILITIES - Mr. Clark:**

(No report)

### SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM - Mr. Short:

(No report)

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Short:** I do not have a meeting set up for this month; but most likely we will have one in June after I speak with Mr. Painter, our Economic Development Director. I will close my committees, but I will happily take any questions.

**PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Mr. DeMio:** Thank you, we have Ordinance No. 2023-075 which is basically auctioning off three vehicles that are no longer needed in Strongsville by Manheim Marketing Inc., Auto Auction group for the lack of a better term. We would like to do that auction as soon as possible. Mayor, any additions for public service?

### REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

Mayor Perciak - None, sir.

**FINANCE – Ms. Kosek:** We have nothing on the agenda tonight for finance; but I feel like we should say happy Mother's Day, belated; to all the moms out there. Hopefully, everybody had a great celebration with their families yesterday. It was very relaxing at my house which was nice; but with that, I will close the committee.

Mr. Carbone – Absolutely, happy Mother's Day. I have to give a shout out to my son Michael because today, he turned into a big cool teenager. Michael, I love you and Happy Birthday. We will bring home some ice cream for you later.

Mayor Perciak - Welcome to the...

(laughter)

Mr. Carbone - Right...so it begins.

Mayor Perciak - Yes, and so it begins.

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Kaminski: We have two ordinances and two resolutions this evening. We have Ordinance No. 2023-071 which is a change in the zoning classification of property located on Marks Road from GI-A (General Industrial-A) classification to RT-C (Townhouse Cluster) classification. This will be placed on first reading this evening and referred to Planning Commission. Resolution No. 2023-072 which is authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the Strongsville Town Center project. We have all been waiting for this and are very excited to get started. The recommendation is suspension and adoption so we can proceed with those bids. Ordinance No. 2023-073 is accepting for recording purposes, the plat of Camden Woods subdivision; that is suspension and adoption. Finally, Resolution No. 2023-074 is a resolution declaring the intent to accept for dedication certain streets within Camden Woods subdivision. The recommendation is suspension and adoption; but I will be happy to take any questions this evening. Hearing none, that concludes my report.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH - Mr. Kaminski:

(No report)

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES - Ms. Roff:

(No report)

**COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Mr. Carbone:** 

(No report)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Mr. Carbone:** 

(No report)

## REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS:

MAYOR PERCIAK: Thank you Mr. President, just a quick note. We will be closing Howe Road from Route 82 to Drake Road effective Wednesday, May 17, 2023, for resurfacing. You will have to find some alternate routes. We spoke again to the contractor today. He is finishing and trying to get the first coat down on Prospect Road. He will then start on Howe Road, Ann, in case anybody calls you. They are going to go ahead and do everything they need to do; the in-depth repairs and everything else. Once they are done with that, getting the first coat on Howe Road, they are going to go back to Prospect Road and finish. Then, come back to Howe Road so they don't have to keep re-mobilizing everything back and forth. Wednesday, May 17, 2023, Howe Road will be closed at Route 82, and will remain closed until that project is done.

Ms. Roff - Thank you Mayor for having them minimize the two roads closed at once. I appreciate that.

Mayor Perciak – That is what's going on here. Of course, as you know, there's a lot of other roads being poured and torn out in the City of Strongsville in Ward 1, Ward 2, and Ward 3 right now. We are getting all the way around and trying to get it all done. There is such a short window to get things done here in the summertime. Secondly, I had a preliminary meeting with Euthenics who's preparing the draft and the study for the possible interchange at Boston Road. We hope that we will have something finally in writing in about 3 weeks; and then that report will be submitted for ODOT to make a decision. That's where we are at on the whole report and the whole interchange. Of course, there are a couple of firms working on that; and as soon as I get something that I can share with you, I will gladly do so. That ends my report.

Ms. Kosek - Mayor, can I ask a question?

Mayor Perciak - Sure.

Ms. Kosek – I think probably with some of the major roads that are under construction, I'm starting to get calls from folks who are concerned about the lights at Westwood Drive and Pearl Road. Also, Pearl Road and Royalton Road. I'm just wondering if we might have....

Mayor Perciak – We tried to do something with them; but in the end, the engineering company and our engineers determined they have to leave it alone simply because of what's happening at Prospect Road and Route 82. As soon as that is done, everything will be...I don't want to use a term I'm not familiar with, but they'll be readjusted to make certain that we try to get rid of the bottlenecks at Westwood Road and Pearl Road. We know we have them there, but the problem we have there is people don't watch the signs. They...truthfully, what's going to happen there if people don't start paying attention to safety rules there, they are going to start getting tickets. We have to keep those intersections open.

Ms. Kosek - I absolutely agree. I just feel, especially with Westwood Drive, this issue comes up around this time of year... every year.

Mayor Perciak - I agree.

Ms. Kosek – Then when the kids go back to school, it comes back up again. I just wanted to raise it with you. I appreciate that the engineers have looked at it and tried to address it.

Mayor Perciak – If you want a more in-depth answer, either call Lori Daley tomorrow or call Ken Mikula. We talked about that at the staff meeting today.

## REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS (cont'd):

Ms. Kosek - Thank you so much.

Mayor Perciak - Okay.

Mr. Carbone – I just want to remind the community again that we are blessed to be able to do the number of streets and spend the amount of money that we do on the roadways. I know Howe Road and Prospect Road for instance, we talked about this for years. To be able to do projects like this at this level is pretty exciting. We will all benefit from it, but just the next couple of weeks everybody has to be patient.

Mayor Perciak – Not only that...because we are doing that, we are able to obtain the finance because we are a Aaa rated municipality. Our notes will be going out Thursday, May 18, 2023. We are hoping that those interest rates on those notes...because of our fiscal management here, and Eric has a few things to say too, that rate will be under 4% with the primes of Gate & Poor. There's a lot to be said about fiscal management and balance sheet management here; so, thank you.

Mr. Carbone – Very good.

Mr. Kaminski – Speaking of the roads, folks on Blazey Trail, Janette Avenue and Ruth Drive are very thankful as well. That project went extremely smooth; and it's amazing how fast they were able to finish that, great work.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dean: Thank you Council President, we are working on our 2022 financial report which is due to the state at the end of May, 2023. I did get a notice today that our 2021 report, that we submitted to the Government Finance Officers Association, received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. We have received this award annually since 2012. Per the GFOA, the certificate of achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting. Its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. Our financial reports are available through the Ohio Auditors of State, and if you ever have an interest in any city's financials, you can pull it up and search for an audit. It's kind of a nice repository.

Mayor Percial — This is the reason when you continually receive these types of awards, from the Government Financial Officers Association, that we are able to borrow money at what we are at. We maintain our Aaa bond rating. Thank you Eric; and thank your staff because, without a strong balance sheet, this would never happen.

Mr. Dean – I hereby certify that the funds will be made available for all ordinances and resolutions on tonight's agenda which require certification of funding, thank you.

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I would like to talk about our favorite road... Howe Road. It seems to be the subject, or at least the interest, by a lot of people. I know some of you, particularly Ms. Roff, have received phone calls about some activity going on over at one of the residential properties. We are aware of it as a city, and we actually filed litigation about two months ago to address the multiple issues over there in terms of what's being done with that property. We have a hearing on June 6, 2023, in Common Pleas Court, in the courtroom of Judge Brian Mooney in the afternoon to address those recent activities that are taking place at that address. We are getting prepared for that hearing as we speak. I strongly recommend that if any resident is aware of what is going on over there; and wants to get involved, to contact the law department. That help will certainly be welcomed and we are going to address it.

# REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS (cont'd):

**LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison (cont'd) -** We know what's going on, but we need to follow the legal process. As frustrating as that might be sometimes, we have to work through that. We knew it was a problem; and it's been a problem more exasperated in the last couple of weeks. We're on top of it, and we'll address it like I said, in about two or three weeks. All ordinances and resolutions are in proper legal form, thank you.

Ms. Roff – Neal, thank you too for working with me and taking all my phone calls non-stop...day and night....

Mr. Jamison - No problem.

Ms. Roff – .... regarding this issue.

Mr. Jamison – As you know, you can call me anytime.

Ms. Roff – Yes, I have. Thank you, I appreciate it.

Mr. Jamison – You're welcome.

Mr. Carbone - Thank you, Mr. Jamison.

## **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

Buckley Wilford, 18583 Benbow Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: My name is Buckley Wilford, and I live at 18583 Benbow Road and I came here to talk about the I-71 interchange that's coming up. I really don't want to see that interchange at all. My family has lived at that address since 1962; and I have lived there every bit of that time, except for the 20 years that I served in the military. We have a very small road and it's narrow; it's 9/10ths of a mile...it's not even a mile; it's 25 mph. There are potholes all over the place all the time...they patch them, but it's crumbling apart. I'm a vocal person, I'm a pastor, I'm a doctor, I'm a champlain and I'm involved with the community. I have spoken to a lot of people on Deerfield Drive, Chandler Commons, on my street, Howe Road, and Brunswick folks. It's something we are all very much opposed to. I remember some years ago when it was going to be put on Howe Road, how opposed all the neighbors there were; and how they all were so upset. It went to a vote and somehow it didn't go to a vote because it went through an Ohio law or something. It's something that I hope we can address and we can stop. I know there's only one avenue that would possibly close off Benbow Road; but still, there are roads that go off through Chandler Commons. Nobody wants people zipping through their residential 25 mph roads. My mom just... I don't know, maybe 15 years ago...maybe a little bit more, she was backing out of our street and somebody hit her flying down our road so fast, she flipped over in a little car upside down. Thank God she is still alive. There have been some other major accidents as well, and we already have a major problem with speeders as it is on that road. We also don't see a need for it. There is only a heavy flux of traffic in the morning and in the evening. The rest of the day is not so bad. I imagine that it's not going to change because I myself go to Costco all the time... I go to the same areas over there. I don't think that this interchange is going to do anything except to upset our city; and if anything, bring it downward. I think about Garfield Hts. and I think of the interchanges there that go off into residential neighborhoods, and it kind of makes it look dumpy. It brings the city downwards...it doesn't bring it upwards. I know some people really would like to have this; but I guarantee people in Ward 2, would not want to have this. These are the people that live there and I think it should be given some consideration. There are no sidewalks either on Benbow Road. Before they were going to shut it down, one of the reasons, was Shurmer Road.

Mr. Wilford (cont'd) - That was a 25 mph road and at least it has sidewalks and it's wider. We don't even have sidewalks on our street whatsoever; we are already in danger. There's an old lady that's like 87 years old and walks our road 3 times a day named Ruth. She's almost getting killed constantly. I'm surprised she is still alive after all these years of walking that road. I can't imagine what this would be if we get an interchange exit right there in that area. That's what I wanted to say; thank you for your time.

## (Applause)

Tracy Graham, 19211 Timber Creek Circle, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: Tracy Graham, 19211 Timber Creek Circle, Ward 2. I have talked to Tom Patton many times and I like him... I actually do like him. I think what he did was dirty and cheap...we're better than that. Sneaking this in like that was wrong. He didn't like it when they wanted to do it on Howe Road. I agreed with him; I thought it was a terrible idea. I didn't even like that roundabout; I thought it was a terrible idea. I'm really not sure what the difference is from Howe Road to Boston Road because it's still affecting all these people. It's still dumping the traffic right into residential areas. I have a problem with that and I have a problem with anyone who is for this. No one here should be happy with this. We are going to be taking residents from Strongsville, and taking them out of their homes with eminent domain. How can anybody be happy? It's appalling...it's appalling. I read your excitement on there, there's nothing exciting about it. We're Ward 2 and it's going to affect us. I have talked to Tom Patton, he said they are not going to widen Boston Road, they are not going to allow trucks on Boston Road, and they are not going to have the ... what is it... the business community added to that, which would be Marks Road too. Who's going to protect us? Are you guys going to protect us? Do we need to have Mr. Patton slip something else in a bill to make sure that it never happens? This is very upsetting to me. I hear noises on my street already. I'm right there on Boston Road; the first side street off. Tom Patton was actually surprised that it would affect us. "You're upset about this?" Yeah, how can it not affect us? Look at the traffic Howe Road has. Can you imagine all the people wanting to get on the freeway on Boston Road? I also have a problem with the study that's going to be done or has been done. Could we have at least made it not a Strongsville company that did it? It just seems like it's going to be biased. Was the first draft given? On May 1, 2023, you mentioned the first draft...

Mayor Perciak – We don't have it. When I...I just told the Council that earlier. As soon as we get anything, we are going to share it with the Council; and then, we will wait for ODOT to give us instructions as to how to proceed.

Ms. Graham – I just hope you fight as hard as you did for the Howe Road residents. I hope you fight for Boston Road as well; we don't want it. Mr. Patton also said to me, he had to take into consideration North Royalton and Hinckley. You guys drive Boston Road... or um... Howe Road. At Drake Road, everyone is turning left... that's not Brunswick people. I'm tired of everyone saying it's Brunswick... it's everything. We are going to have a problem. We are going to have a serious traffic issue and I agree with you on that. You have what... 500 Townhouses going in between Drake Road and Boston Road? The land is all cleared out for it. That's what we were told. Prospect and... it's not Prospect Rd...

Mayor Perciak - It's Route 82.

Ms. Graham – No, no, no, there's another whole area that's cleared out. It's Drake Road and Boston Road; between those two there's a ton of land cleared out. We were told that there would be townhouses that would be going there. Very expensive townhouses, actually. There were going to be 4 different phases that these were going to go in at. If that's true...if it's true, that's going to be a major problem with traffic. That is what I was told, and that's what I read in the papers. I saw the land being cleared out. You have no idea what I'm talking about...I'll take a picture for you.

Mayor Perciak – I have been here 40 years and I don't know where you're at.

Ms. Graham — I just want to be clear; we don't want it. I don't think the traffic is needed. Right now, it's not needed because people are at home doing their work from home, and online shopping has increased. Out of curiosity, why wasn't Howe Road turned into three lanes? Wasn't that in the master plan? You guys were going to look at that to try to alleviate some congestion and problems over there. Why wasn't that done? Why are we paving it? Did you do a study on that to see if it would help the situation over there? I'm done. Thank you very much; and if I forgot anything, I'll be back in two weeks.

## (Applause)

Jim Hlavaty, 14339 Settler's Way, Strongsville, Ohio 44149: Jim Hlavaty, I live at 14339 Settler's Way in Settler's Village. I'm just a retired...an old retiree that looks at things with common sense. I go to Route 42 and Route 82 quite often, and that's always backed up. Recently, I have been going through two different cycles to get through the intersection. Many, many of the backups are semitrucks coming from Foltz Parkway and from that brand-new big building just by the railroad tracks. That massive building...I don't even know if it's a warehouse or something. That is adding to our traffic. Now, someone...and I was told that it was private property and you can't do anything about it, but someone cleared out a whole bunch of trees at Prospect Road and Route 82 right by the nursery. They are supposedly putting in 80-something townhouses or rental properties. Now, Prospect Road has two lanes going north and south. Route 82 is two lanes going west past Prospect Road; so, where are they going to go? They are going to go all the way down to Interstate 71. That is going to make that intersection, which is right now really hard to handle, it's going to make it a lot worse. I just can't imagine stuffing 81 apartments, or whatever they are, into that section, and it's okay. The people that are doing that...the people that are building that...I guarantee you that they don't live there. They don't live in that area. They don't care about the people who pay taxes. I pay all my taxes and everything, and I deserve a halfway decent surrounding. This is going to really make it hard in the future. You have always heard, "Well, don't get close to Southpark Mall at Christmas time because you can't get near it...it's jammed." That's just my feeling. Again, I'm just a retiree trying to make the point that maybe money shouldn't be everything; that's all it is. People are making money, and we are going to get taxed and all that; the city will. Maybe, people living a decent life are trying to get out of my street, which sometimes both...see, my street is a horseshoe. There are no through streets in Settler's Village; both of those roads are backed up. Traffic is backed up, and I can't get in either one. Again, it's just going to make it a lot worse, and I can't imagine somebody saying, "Hey, that makes sense to put in 81 more units in there." Anyway. my last comment...and this is just me, I put down on paper, "Let your conscience be your guide." That's just how I feel. Whatever happens... happens, and I guess I'll live with it.

Mr. Short – Mr. Hlavaty, I did speak to engineering about the traffic light at Route 82 and Route 42 and the timing, and what you said was right. You said it backs up through both of your intersections at the horseshoe. They are looking into that with a consultant to see about the timing of the light. I can also maybe talk with the Chief of Police to look at ensuring police presence to see why it's backing up or if there's a legal car there to keep traffic flow moving better. Mr. Mayor, I may talk to you and Chief Fender about when that backup is pretty bad there.

Mayor Perciak – He is aware of it. We discussed that at the staff meeting this morning. So, if you want to give him a call, go right ahead, but he is aware.

Mr. Short - Alright, thank you, Mayor.

Mr. Hlavaty – Thank you for listening.

Mr. Jamison – Mr. Chairman, If I can say one thing to the gentleman. As far as the project on Route 82 and Prospect Road, it's being developed within the law. They have the right under the zoning code to put in what they are putting. We can't stop someone from following the law and developing their own property. You might not like the project, but we don't control it. As long as they are within our ordinances and laws, they have the right to do what they are doing. I just want to make it clear to you that they are not doing something that is not permitted. They are allowed to develop it like anyone else who owns property. You have the right to use your property as long as it's within the conformity of the law. I just wanted to point that out to you.

Mr. Hlavaty — I appreciate that and I know that; but those people that are doing that are not living in that area. I have to live with it day in and day out. They are not going to live with it, I have to. Hundreds and hundreds of people in my development, on Route 82, and Prospect Road are all going to have to live with the thing you can't do anything about like you said, thank you.

Mr. Jamison - Thank you.

Mr. Carbone - Thank you, sir.

(Applause)

James Evanoff, 3649 Ascot Drive, Brunswick, Ohio 44212: James Evanoff, 3649 Ascot Drive and I have been here several weeks in a row now. I'm still waiting to hear some of the answers I have put forward and if that would be something the city would even consider doing. I have proposed a lot of different common sense solutions that would solve a lot of the problems on Howe Road, which is the whole reason for justifying Mr. Patton's freeway exit that he wants to build. Do we have an answer for those? How about that garbage contract? Did you think about doing anything with that? No. How about writing the postmaster? Did anybody write the postmaster? Mayor Perciak, have you written the postmaster yet?

Mayor Perciak – I'm not going to. I'm going to wait for the study just like we were instructed to do.

Mr. Evanoff – Yeah, and let's speak about the study. The study that is being conducted by a firm that's in Strongsville's Foltz Industrial Parkway; way to get one for the home team there. I just kind of think that is a little bit of a conflict of interest to hire a company that's in the same industrial parkway that the city does nothing but tout about wanting to expand. There's just a little bit of a conflict of interest there; since obviously, we don't have an answer and they won't even...the city doesn't even appear to want to do it. That's okay, we'll move on. Let's talk about another big elephant in the room. What happened to North Olmsted? Big human trafficking sting in the freeways right off of Stearns Road, the freeway exit in North Olmsted. That's what you're inviting to the Strongsville and Brunswick communities by pursuing and not objecting to the freeway exit. It's known that having freeway exits in highly residential areas in close proximity to other interchanges and other freeways leads to higher amounts of human trafficking and drug dealing. Real simple...you hop on the freeway and hop off the freeway at Boston Road, make a drug deal in Chandler Commons, pop out on Route 82, and be gone and on the turnpike before the police even knew you were there. Are you guys going to increase your police patrols on that? Increase public safety because those are some of the things you invite when you have freeway exits in highly residential areas. It's known...the statistics are there. That's what people do...it's an easy in and out because no one is paying attention because it's a residential neighborhood. One last thing I want to touch on is if anybody has been paying attention, when I come and speak, I actually do my homework on certain things.

Mr. Evanoff (cont'd) - To the Council member who will not be named at this moment, who proceeded to talk to me and another person in the audience after the last meeting, if you are going to speak about something; especially about the position of another city, do your homework first. To say that Brunswick was in favor of it and it was actually part of their 2020 plan...do your homework first because that was an outright lie. When you got called out on it, you have been nothing but nasty in emails to that person that you were responding to in the responses that you were given. If you're going to actually speak about something, do your homework first.

(Applause)

Mr. Jamison - Mr. Chairman, can I respond to that as well?

Mr. Carbone – Yes.

Mr. Jamison - In terms of Euthenics, they are a firm that is a reputable firm in the Northeast Ohio area. We have followed the legal procedures and interviewed multiple engineering firms, and they are not located in Foltz Parkway, they are located in the north end of town. They are doing a job that was requested by the State of Ohio to be done for the study. The Mayor said earlier that this process is ongoing; they have not completed their study. Their study will then get forwarded to ODOT; but to besmirch their character and reputation is inappropriate. There's nothing untoward about using them. They work on multiple projects throughout Northeast Ohio for a lot of different communities. I don't think it's fair for people to get up there and besmirch their character and reputation when everything was followed according to law. Thank you.

Mr. Carbone - Thank you for clarifying that.

Scott Graham, 19211 Timber Creek Circle, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: Scott Graham, 19211 Timber Creek Circle. Actually, I want to make a comment on the variances discussion I heard earlier. Excuse me if I misunderstood anything; but I'm on our HOA board, and residents are supposed to send us an architectural review for any plans or anything like that. Sometimes they don't do that, and then the city will send us...mail us a letter in the mail with a 10-day type of requirement. We may not get that letter for seven, eight, or nine days. That's depending...I pick up the mail from our P.O. Box. Those 10 days, cutting that shorter...again, there's not a whole lot of things we are going to protest probably. It doesn't give us time to do anything as an HOA board if you shorten the time too much; just because of the time it takes us to get the correspondence. That's the only comment I wanted to make, thank you.

Mr. Jamison – If I can respond to that real quick. That seven or ten days is on the back end, and it's after it's potentially granted. The process before that would still stay the same. The notice that goes out to surrounding neighbors and HOA's; that is not being changed. It's only if the BZA (Board of Building Code and Zoning Appeals) decides to grant the variance; the review process by Council would be at that point. The notification process for you or the HOA won't change.

Mr. Graham - Okay.

Mr. Jamison – Okay, thank you.

Cindy Meadows, 3896 Boston Road, Brunswick, Ohio 44212: Hello, my name is Cindy Meadows and I live at 3896 Boston Road. Obviously, I am here in opposition to the I-71 Interchange. I don't want it as many of the folks behind me do not. I don't think that any of you would want it in your front yard either. It seems to me from what I have seen and heard in your Council meetings, that you just don't care. This Council has made that very clear to the residents of Strongsville and Brunswick. The residential area on Boston Road is pretty much residential from one end to the other. They don't cause the congestion that is at Howe Road and Route 82...that entire area. Do we contribute to some of it? Yes, absolutely; but the over-building in the City of Strongsville, and I know this has been said many times before, but the over-building is the problem. The safety issues that I have heard about, I have heard repeatedly. This is a matter of safety and not convenience. Here are some key safety issues; moving a jet fuel line from people's front yards closer to their homes, higher crime rates, and human trafficking; that's a real thing. I have a friend who works in D.C. and I'm actually waiting on statistics from her. It's going to make it so much easier, as Jim shared, for human traffickers to steal our family, our friends, our children, and our grandchildren. I don't think that's been considered enough for any of your residents, let alone the people across the street. These safety issues far outweigh the negatives that come with a crowded road that I feel there are other alternatives for. Then there is the matter of the Strongsville and Brunswick families that will be forced from their homes who have made their lives... I'm sorry, I'm very nervous, as you can see I'm shaking. They will be forced from their homes. They have worked hard to make those homes what they want them to be. For some of them, that's their forever home and that's where they are going to retire to. I don't think any of you would feel at home and content with that happening to you or your family. Do your residents know the impact that this is going to have on them on the southern end as well as the northern end of Brunswick? Also, if you put in an interchange on Boston Road, you're just going to make more traffic coming off of that interchange onto Howe Road. They want to bypass Route 82 from the north, and they are going to go to Boston Road to come up the other side of Howe Road. Then you're just kind of making it worse for the residents of Howe Road. To re-cap more safety issues; forcing families from their homes, and adding more traffic to Howe Road. Thank you for your time, I appreciate it.

Mr. Carbone - Thank you.

(Applause)

<u>James Ottobre</u>, 22891 Westwood Drive, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: My name is James Ottobre and I live at 22891 Westwood Drive in Strongsville, Ohio. I have a couple of quick things to go over within my five minutes. Number one, last June you passed a law on shipping containers and railroad cars. I read the law this morning...I have read the law a number of times and shipping containers are not grandfathered in; is that correct?

Mr. Jamison – My mind is a blank Mr. Ottobre, I don't remember what we did with that. I know we considered it, but I don't know if it ever passed.

Mr. Ottobre - Well, it was signed off by everybody except Ann.

Mr. Jamison - Okay.

Ms. Roff - Yes, it passed.

Mr. Ottobre – Okay, I don't know how grandfathering works, but it didn't say anything in there; so, I will have to assume it doesn't. My Councilman says, and I know he helped write it, that it's not grandfathered in. If you call the building department they say that they are grandfathered in. Can somebody correct them or if I'm wrong, let me know?

Mr. Jamison – Yes, we will get back to you on that one.

Mr. Ottobre – Okay, second, from Cleveland to Columbus, Interstate 71 has all been remodeled with L.E.D lighting except in one city...that's right, any reason why?

Mr. Jamison – Sir, that is typically controlled by ODOT. We don't control the lighting on the highway.

Mr. Ottobre - Okay, I'll get a hold of ODOT.

Mr. Jamison – Okay.

Mr. Ottobre - I just want to make sure we weren't holding it up here.

Mr. Jamison - We don't control the lighting on the highway.

Mr. Ottobre – I have one important thing to say about safety; but before that, I just want to know how many...one of you are in recreation, right? Okay, how many full basketball courts do we have in the city?

Ms. Roff – Are you asking for inside or outside?

Mr. Ottobre – Outside.

Ms. Roff - Zero.

Mr. Ottobre - Alright, we did have four lit ones until the library was built, and then we just had two indoor. We also had a basketball team who ruled the Pioneer Conference and now we have a basketball team lucky to win a game. It goes back to that; and I can go back to the sixties when I was at Warrensville Heights High School. I can go back to the seventies when I played basketball on those four courts that were lit. They were great basketball games; and I was 70 pounds lighter, enough said. Maybe you'll want to think about that in your new program instead of a one-round one. Last but not least, on Clarke road...going into Strongsville from Clarke Road. As you all know, the real traffic issue is people coming in from all the new housing being built in Columbia Station. They are also coming in on Albion Road. The difference is, most of my neighbors, because I live right by the bend, three houses from Lorain County...and you live close by, have passed away. Young families have moved in and there's a young family with two young kids that get off buses separately at 22895 Westwood Drive which is right at the 90-degree bend. You have a 40 mph speed limit in Lorain County and then you have to make that turn. My neighbor and I have been doing our work in the front, and we noticed buses beeping their horns because people aren't stopping for the flashing lights. All the police presence, and they have done a good job of radar, only does one area. I won't say what the area is...I won't say who the builder is, but you know it. I'm really afraid for those young kids. We have them there, we have them across the street, and we have them two doors down. We have all these buses now; we haven't had these buses since my kids were young. Please take a look at that and compare Albion Road when you're coming in from Snell Road. Look at all the signage and look if you drop it to 25 mph, then look at nothing at Clarke Road to Westwood Drive, thank you.

(Applause)

Jeff Moulden, 3218 Hartwick Circle, Brunswick, Ohio 44212: Thank you, Jeff Moulden, 3218 Hartwick Circle, Brunswick, Ohio. I wasn't going to speak tonight. I wanted to let everyone who came from Strongsville talk. I appreciate everyone showing up and voicing their opinions. I spoke two weeks ago and I had a couple of follow-up questions; a lot of them from the meeting. I'll ask Mayor Perciak, you seem to be the most in-tuned with this study; and I agree with you. We should not bad mouth the company just because they are from Strongsville. I will say, if there were several companies that were interviewed, it is a little bit of a bad look to hire a Strongsville company to do a feasibility study. That doesn't mean that they are corrupt or anything like that, so we should lay off of that. I understand that, but what I would like to ask you is with this feasibility study, when did it start; and what is the scope of it? Is it just Boston Road? Is it Drake Road? Is Howe Road still included in that?

Mayor Perciak – That is the purpose of the study. It's going to measure...as I understand it, the amount of traffic on I-71, the traffic getting off of I-71 and from I-71 going south. The study should indicate or give us a guide as to what would be best to alleviate that traffic, and that's what we are waiting for. Now, I know what's in the House Bill 23; but at the end of the day, that doesn't necessarily mean that's what's going to happen. The Governor was clear on that. He says, "Strongsville and Brunswick need to get together on this." We can't get together and have a meaningful discussion until we have the study. That's what it's all about.

Mr. Moulden – That was my question because I know we asked Mr. Kaminski two weeks ago if the other...if it was just Boston Road, looking at Boston Road, or if it was looking at all of the potential options on that. If they are just looking at Boston Road, or saying that area in between...

Mayor Perciak — They are looking at Boston Road but they are also going to be searching for alternatives as the Governor has instructed. Once that gets to ODOT, we have no idea what they are going to do with that. I understand why everybody is getting upset, but we are way ahead of ourselves...way ahead of our skis. To defend each and every Council person up there, if I could share with them what's in that study, I will as soon as I get it. Even I don't have it. Everybody has to buckle up and wait. Let's see what the study says and what they recommend. Believe me, we are one peg in a big wheel as far as ODOT is concerned.

Mr. Moulden – I understand, but I come from a medical and technology background and I know when you create a study, you create a scope before you create the study. When it comes back to us in three weeks, I just want to make sure that all options are listed in that feasibility study and not just Boston Road.

Mayor Perciak - If it isn't listed when ODOT gets it, they will tell us what they think...

Mr. Moulden - Okay.

Mayor Perciak - ... just so that we are clear.

Mr. Moulden – I appreciate your honesty on that. I talked about that...the other thing that I wanted to know, is someone mentioned Howe Road and the back flux of traffic coming down. Not to get personal but I know someone here who lives on Howe Road and fought against it. Obviously, we kind of identified that earlier. I would ask you, do you not see that as a problem? You've fought so hard to not have a slip ramp and not have some of those things happen. Now, it could potentially be doing the same thing for your area. I guess what I would say, and I think a lot of these people are, I would assume that you would be on our side. I know most of the other people live on the northern end of town, and you live right in our area. Why are you not fighting or your Howe Road neighbors fighting as hard as we are fighting on Boston Road?

Mr. Moulden (cont'd) - Is it just because it's a little bit further away; and we think okay, we can get away with not having that? I don't understand that portion of it. I know if I lived where you lived, or anywhere on Howe Road, I would be fighting like heck too. The human trafficking thing, I was the one that brought that up. I was the one watching the report; and it was very clearly stated in the Fox 8 News report that the director, I can't remember the title...I should have written it down, of the human trafficking task force mentioned the hot-button areas or areas that had easy accessibility and easy get off. I know people talk about the exit off of I-77 in Independence... or is it Brecksville where it's residential right there? That's the only other exit. I travel on the highways all the time, and that's the only other exit where I can think of the congestion that is just residential by a major intersection. That's the only other one; so, for anyone to think that that's not a huge concern of ours, I think would be naïve. Again, there are a lot of younger families moving in with younger kids. I have a 14-year-old, a 12-year-old, and a 6-year-old, and that's a huge concern of mine. Thank you very much and you guys have a great night.

## (Applause)

Ken Smith, 18319 Benbow Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: Hello, my name is Ken Smith and I live at 18319 Benbow Road. I moved here with my family in 2021 from Lakewood. I lived on Lincoln Ave. for 17 years and I have three children who moved here with us. My son works down in Brunswick and my children go to school in the Strongsville City Schools. I am a taxpayer and all of that funny business...it's great and I love it here. I moved here to get away from human trafficking and to get away from my neighbor's wheels getting stolen from their cars. It was ridiculous over the pandemic; it pushed us out. The crime and the ridiculousness of people getting assaulted on the streets. I lived minutes from that and wanted to move away from that. I grew up in east Tennessee and grew up where it was beautiful; we had a lot of trees. I chose here, and the spot that I am at, because I am surrounded by large natural trees, low traffic, and great neighbors that I don't know well; but they are wonderful people. They are here fighting for the same thing I'm fighting for and they are here on my side. Now, I am like, what am I going to do if this goes through; I'll have an exit in my backyard...like, quite literally. I'm going to leave and I'm going to take my...quite honestly, substantial amount of tax dollars that I am paying you. I am a software engineer and I have been doing it as my career for 20 years. You are going to lose me. You're going to lose these folks that are adjacent to your area that have children that are growing up in the area that want to live here and have the same privileges that we've had in this area. The peace and quiet...it's awesome. Why would you want to mess that up? I understand the traffic issue, but there are other ways to get around this. Live in Lakewood for a minute and then talk to me about traffic. Really...honestly, it's a bit silly. I drive it every day. I do work from home but I drive it every day when I take my children to school and I take my children to work. I deal with it just like everybody else and it sucks. There has to be an option that doesn't displace people's livelihood. Widening roads, I understand, is also displacing livelihoods; but you're not literally tearing houses down for that. I just don't understand how we went from a traffic issue to let's build an exit and create...like basically this is an extreme reaction is how I see it. I'm trying to be rational and think about this from your perspective. Also, you're quite literally messing with my livelihood, my family's livelihood and this neighborhood. It's just incomprehensible to me that this is what you want to go to. You want to build an exit in an area where the law doesn't even technically allow for it. You have these crazy under-the-table deals with this guy. I don't even know...I'm not a politician. I don't understand it, and I don't pretend to, but it's still shady. It doesn't feel like you are taking on anybody's livelihood into consideration in that area at all. You're focusing on where your money is. Well, I have some money down there and I'll throw it around if I have to. Honestly, you all are being really shortsighted here and using an extreme thing to get, very honestly and potentially, a short gain. You are going to create more traffic and it's going to amplify it. The people are going to get off the roads there and create more traffic in those neighborhoods which is eventually going to expand from there. It doesn't make any sense. You all are fools if you go through with this, honestly. Have a good day.

Mr. Carbone – Would anybody else like to come up to the podium? We have to respect the process. When you are up in these positions, it's not fair when we don't even have a study. Whether you live on Howe Road, Boston Road, or wherever we live in the city, we have to take everything into perspective. We can't even take step one until we have something back. As the Mayor alluded to, even when we receive something, hopefully in 3 weeks, it still has to go to ODOT. There's still a process. What we get in 3 weeks may look different after ODOT gives it to us. For us to make any comments or take sides would be irresponsible of us to do; and would not be professional of us to do. It would not be the right thing to do for all of our residents. I think I speak on behalf of all of Council here that we are going to do our due diligence, but that process cannot start yet. We cannot start without having those plans. We are taking into account...you guys have been very clear because we are hearing the same things about what your concerns are. All those things will be taken into account.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

Ordinance No. 2023-071 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE ADOPTED BY SECTION 1250.03 OF TITLE SIX, PART TWELVE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF STRONGSVILLE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN VACANT PROPERTY LOCATED ON MARKS ROAD, IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, FROM GI-A (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL-A) CLASSIFICATION TO RT-C (TOWNHOUSE-CLUSTER) CLASSIFICATION (PORTION OF PPN 394-07-001), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission for their recommendation.

Resolution No. 2023-072 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE STRONGSVILLE TOWN CENTER PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Ms. Kosek to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. DeMio. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Ms. Kosek second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2023-072 ADOPTED.

<u>Ordinance No. 2023-073</u> by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING FOR RECORDING PURPOSES ONLY THE PLAT OF CAMDEN WOODS SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Ms. Kosek to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. DeMio. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Ms. Kosek second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2023-073 ADOPTED.

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## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Resolution No. 2023-074 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE TO ACCEPT FOR DEDICATION CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN CAMDEN WOODS SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Ms. Kosek to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. DeMio. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Ms. Kosek second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Resolution No. 2023-074 ADOPTED.

<u>Ordinance No. 2023-075</u> by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION OF CERTAIN OBSOLETE AND SURPLUS VEHICLES NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Ms. Kosek to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. DeMio. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Ms. Kosek second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2023-075 ADOPTED.

## **COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:**

(None)

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

(None)

### ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, President Carbone adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Marialena Beach Council Secretary <u>06-05-23</u> Date