

SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022.

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, October 17, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.**

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

Council President, James Carbone, called the caucus to order at 7:32 p.m.

Planning, Zoning & Engineering Committee: Chairman Kaminski recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2022-150. Ordinance No. 2022-150 is a change order between the City of Strongsville and Fabrizi Trucking & Paving Company in connection with the pavement reconstruction program. The change order is to grant an extension of time to complete the project. Chairman Kaminski advised there will be no change to the cost of the project. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2022-151. This is authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Fabrizi Trucking & Paving Co., in the amount of \$3,097,303.00, for the Albion Road and Webster Road sanitary sewer project. Ordinance No. 2022-152 is 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 real estate located at 21930 Royalton Road, in the City of Strongsville from GI (General Industrial) classification to R1-75, (One Family 75) classification (PPN 392-14-006). Chairman Kaminski's advised this is to be placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission for their recommendation. President Carbone asked if there was anything else provided along with the zoning application and Mr. Jamison stated that this piece of real estate was occupied by someone who recently passed away and the family is trying to sell it. Chairman Kaminski also wanted to remind the Council to touch base with Mr. Jamison concerning any questions or recommended amendments they had for Ordinance No. 2022-073; which is the ordinance concerning the use of shipping and/or storage containers in residential districts.

Finance Committee: Chairwoman Kosek recommended to suspend and adopt Ordinance No. 2022-153; which is an ordinance making appropriations for the annual expenses and other expenditures of the City of Strongsville, Ohio for the year 2022 and repealing Ordinance No. 2022-145. Mr. Dean stated that the total amendments have been decreased by \$5.4 million. This was due to the anticipated sanitary sewer project that will be put off until next year. Also, there have been transfers to the Town Center project and an advance to the fiscal recovery fund, which was \$500,000.00. There has been a delay in payments; therefore, funds need to be in the recovery fund so there isn't a negative balance in the future. Next, there has been a slight increase in wages for overtime for the dispatch center and correction officer employees. There were some other smaller items for parks and the Mayor's office. Also, the cost of fuel has gone up unexpectedly which caused an increase of \$57,000.00 in fuel cost. In addition, we are allocating grants that we received in the amount of \$38,000.00 for the Tree Fund Grant and \$8,480.00 for the Opioid Grant; which is to be used for the rest of the year, as well as the OhioOne Opioid Grant. Mr. Dean also advised there has been another decrease for the Southwest General Hospital Fund. Due to not receiving all of the property tax that was anticipated, the city had to lower the budget for balancing purposes causing a decrease to that fund. Mr. Dean also stated that the finance department has been working on the budget for next year. All of the departments have responded back to the finance department; so we are looking to have a Finance Committee meeting preferably around the next meeting in November. President Carbone asked if the rest of the \$120,000.00 for the overtime that was partially reimbursed by the State Emergency Grant Fund divvied up amongst the other communities. Mr. Dean stated it was part of the shared costs that was built into

the pricing model and is paid for by the other communities. Mr. DeMio asked the Mayor, if we whole with the number of employees that we need in dispatch. Mayor Perciak stated that it isn't so much about where he wants to be, it is more so the issues that are dealt with on a daily basis. People coming and going, people not feeling well, people having to stay home to take care of family. The Mayor stated that when someone part-time becomes available, they are immediately staffed due to the volume of calls coming in through the dispatch center. They do what is needed to make sure that dispatch is properly staffed. The Mayor also stated that a meeting was held last Thursday, October 13, 2022, and at that meeting, the cities were advised that their share for dispatch center costs will increase 6% next year. Mayor Perciak also stated that without the safety grant from the governor for 1.6 million dollars, the increase would have been 12% instead of 6%. That grant was for 2 years for 5 positions in the dispatch center and 3 positions in the police department. With all of the projections going forward, we would still be at a breakeven point next year; however, unknown variables can still come into play.

Public Service & Conservation Committee: Chairman DeMio recommended suspension and adoption for Resolution No. 2022-154; a resolution authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the purchase of a 32-passenger bus to be used by various City of Strongsville departments. Ordinance No. 2022-155 is an ordinance ratifying and approving the filing of an application for financial assistance, in the amount of \$11,250.00, with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry under the Urban Canopy Restoration Grant Program. Suspension and adoption was recommended for this legislation. Mayor Perciak mentioned that trick-or-treating will on October 31, 2022 city wide; however, within certain subdivisions, trick-or-treating will vary on when it will take place.

Committee of the Whole: Chairman Carbone recommended to suspend and adopt Ordinance No. 2022-156. This is an ordinance approving and adopting mid-year replacement pages to the Codified Ordinances of the city.

Other Business:

Recreation & Senior Center discussion:

Mr. Bogre provided an analysis regarding the financials for the recreation department dating all the way back to 2018 and going into 2022 (*a copy of which is attached to the back of these minutes*). He also gave a summary of memberships from 2014 to current and discussed how many individual members we have and each of those different membership options. Ms. Kosek inquired where the biggest membership changes or drop offs occurred. Mr. Bogre stated that the total memberships in 2014 were at 15,161; and at the end of last year, we had 9,627 which a big part of that drop was due to Covid-19. He also stated that prior to Covid-19, the numbers were already starting to drop due to the aging population according to the 2010-2020 census and the number of students dropping in the Strongsville City Schools. Mayor Perciak stated that since 2014, the recreation rates have not gone up. Our rates are the 3rd highest in Ohio; Middleburg, which is at our back door, is at \$265.00, Broadview Hts. is at \$385.00, Brecksville is at \$400.00 and Strongsville is at \$435.00. He stated with those numbers, there is very little wiggle room to increase fees. Mr. Short asked if there are any tax levies in Strongsville or in any other cities for their recreation centers. Mayor Perciak stated that there are no tax levies in place currently for Strongsville. Mr. Bogre did state that Middleburg historically has always been much lower than any other city due to how they look at their memberships. Mr. Bogre did not put Brunswick's numbers in the breakdown, because they do their 50% off membership sale in February and August every year and it would not be an apple to apples comparison. Ninety percent of Brunswick's memberships come in during those two 50% off sales. President Carbone asked with a loss of 5,000 members a day if our rec center ever broke even financially. Mr. Bogre stated if you look through the state of Ohio, you will not see a city recreation center break even. Mr. Clark asked if they have anything similar to the annual numbers analysis that was done in terms of membership numbers, to see if our peer group and similar rec groups have seen a decline in members as well.

President Carbone questioned that since membership has been at a decline for some time, at what point as a Council, do they look and support the administration in appropriating funds for a possible outside group to look at the rec center, who are experts in the field, to advise how the rec center can better utilize their space and bring membership back. Mayor Perciak stated that financially speaking, most financial institutions will not provide loans to a rec center of any kind without personal guarantees. There is no guarantee that the individuals will continue to attend these facilities. There are also delays with the supply chains not delivering supplies on time and having to wait months for them which also causes a problem. Mr. Carbone stated that the rec center is a big facility and that it is losing a lot of money, along with a lot of memberships, and that has just been status quo. He again brought up the idea of possibly bringing an outside group to give the Strongsville Recreation Center ideas on how to better utilize other opportunities to gain membership back. Mr. Bogre mentioned that the memberships are ticking back up since Covid-19; however, he believes that the memberships will not get back to where they were pre-Covid-19. He also stated that places like LA Fitness, which is a 24-hour rec facility, do not have employees working at night, so they are cutting overhead cost by doing so. As far as the Strongsville Recreation Center, they run everything in house; meaning, that a lot of the programs that are run through the rec center, are done so by parent run organizations. Mayor Perciak stated that the risk is too great to run a 24-hour facility without security or employees. Mr. Carbone asked Mr. Bogre if he can possibly give him any suggestions on companies that can provide some insight on other opportunities that the rec center can utilize to become a more efficient facility. Mr. Kilo stated that there are obstacles with the rec center in terms of needs and demands opposed to other facilities. He stated that in the past, the public was guaranteed an income tax hike and the incentive with that, was building a rec center. The public was being told that the swimming facility in the rec center would be the homesite for the Strongsville Highschool and because of that, it would limit Mr. Bogre on a membership stand point due to usage, swim lanes, programs, etc. He also stated that the rec center is limited also to the fact of having three different gyms constructed. People that are working out on cardio machines didn't want to work out with someone that was lifting heavy weights. This has caused three different areas that workers needed to be supplied for, which raised staffing cost. Mr. Clark stated that for the last 25 years, the Strongsville Recreation Center has been a gem in the community. He suggested bringing in potential subject matter experts to optimize the financial situation of the recreation center, by using a swot analysis to identify the rec center's strengths and weaknesses concerning the decline in membership. Mayor Perciak stated that 25 years ago, the Strongsville Recreation Center was the only rec center in the municipality; and as other municipalities started to build their rec centers, people started to go to the rec centers in their own municipalities. Mr. Carbone stated that within the last 25 years, things have changed and in order to keep the Strongsville Recreation Center sustainable, we have to know how to sustain it. Mr. Bogre agreed and will look into companies that are out there for suggestions. Ms. Roff mentioned that she understands that some surveys were already sent out to members concerning the rec center being opened on Sundays; however and in the meantime, if there was a possibility of sending out an additional survey to individuals who have not renewed their memberships. This survey would be to see what the rec center can do to bring members back and how it can improve. Mr. Bogre stated that the surveys that were sent out recently already asked those types of questions and that the surveys were sent out to everyone that had an email address on file, which consisted of over 10,000 email addresses. Ms. Kosek asked if the surveys went out to individuals who had not renewed their memberships and if the rec center had a historical email database. Mr. Bogre stated that if the individuals are in the rec center system, then they have their email address and they have been sent out the surveys; however, if the individual had not renewed, there is no way in knowing if that email address on file is valid or not. Ms. Kosek agreed with Mr. Clark concerning the usage of swot analysis and using potential consultants to help identify the rec center's strengths and weaknesses. In the meantime, she would like to know if there are things that can be done for families immediately, while the decision of having outside consultants is decided upon. This would include looking at possible benefits that Strongsville Recreation Center can offer families to entice them to come back or join altogether. Ms. Roff stated that they are still looking at the financial aspect of things as far as the rec center is concerned and the cost of keeping the facility open on Sundays. Ms. Kosek understands that there will be a financial

aspect, but was referring to making the rec center more enticing to residents to try to raise interest in memberships; expanding hours and offerings. Mayor Perciak stated that they have to make sure they continue to be loyal to the people that have been members for years. There are over 9,600 family members that have already paid their memberships. Ms. Kosek was referring to the possibilities of membership costs in terms of lowering the price of swimming packages etc. for members versus non-members and offer benefits to all of the members regardless of when they join. Mr. Bogre stated that they do have some programs that are beneficial by becoming a member and will look into doing the same thing for other programs as well.

MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY OCTOBER 17, 2022 IN THE MIKE KALINICH SR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 18688 ROYALTON ROAD, STRONGSVILLE.

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President, James Carbone, called the meeting to order at 8:09 p.m.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

Also present: Bill DeMarco, member, Rotary Club of Strongsville.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 3, 2022 were approved as submitted.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Mayor's appointment and Council confirmation of John E. Hurst as Building Commissioner to fill the upcoming vacancy (due to retirement) effective February 3, 2023.

Mayor Perciak - Thank you Mr. President, this evening it's a pleasure and an honor to introduce to you, John E. Hurst, also known as Ted, who has spent his entire career either in the building department, as an assistant building commissioner or as a building commissioner. He has spent approximately 30 years in his field. He has all the necessary licenses from chief building official to building & mechanical inspector, building official, plans examiner and the list goes on and on. The reason I list all of these is because in order to have your own building department, you have to have proper licensure or the state will not allow us to operate independently...correct, Ted? That is why I place his name in nomination for you to fill the upcoming vacancy due to the retirement of Mr. Mike Miller. His vacancy will be open on February 3, 2022, but we would like to bring Ted in earlier so that there will be a good transition. Ted understands that he doesn't become commissioner until February 3, 2022.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS (cont'd):

Motion by Ms. Kosek, second by Mr. DeMio to confirm John E. Hurst as Building Commissioner to fill the upcoming vacancy (due to retirement) effective February 3, 2023. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Mr. Kilo – Mr. Hurst's background fits very well with the city. The Mayor and I were looking for somebody to succeed Mike; that we wanted to make sure they had a good grasp of what goes on in Strongsville. A lot of times, you have building departments that aren't as robust, who don't have the buildings and the opportunities and all the projects that go on here; and I feel very confident that Ted will be able to fulfill that role.

Mr. Carbone – Thank you, again, congratulations. You're coming into a great city. We're a great team. We all bleed green and white here, so you're coming into a really good situation.

Mayor Perciak – Thank you.

Mr. Carbone – Do you have anything else for us?

Mayor Perciak – Yes, I do. Mr. Bill DeMarco is here from the Rotary Club of Strongsville and I think he has a presentation for us.

Mr. DeMarco – Good Evening Council and Mr. Mayor. My name is Bill DeMarco and I am with the Rotary Club of Strongsville and I'm also a committee member of our StrongFest; which was a fundraiser event that we had back in August. So, we are proud to say, and we came here to offer some funds...a large portion of our proceeds. We want to give you \$15,000.00 for the Town Center initiative. Thank you for allowing me to bring this up to you guys. Also, we're hoping that we can continue to do this and maybe next year we can actually give you more than this. This is our inaugural event, and it turned out better than we thought it would for the first time. We are hoping that it gets even better next year. Hopefully, we can continue to support the city with that Town Center. Thank you.

(multiple inaudible conversations due to mic issues)

Mr. Carbone – Thank you Mr. DeMarco and please thank the Strongsville Rotary Club on behalf of all of Council and Administration.

Mayor Perciak - There's is one thing that I need to mention though is that after our presentation on Friday, the Strongsville Rotary Club had another meeting and they indicated that they would be willing to increase that \$15,000.00 or match some other civic groups up to \$50,000.00 if all goes well. We thank you for stepping up...we thank you for helping us with this Worthwhile project. To everybody in the Rotary, extend our sincere thanks.

Mr. DeMarco – I will do that.

Mr. Carbone – Thank you very much.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

SCHOOL BOARD – Mr. Clark: Thank you Council President Carbone, there was a Strongsville City School Board meeting on October 13, 2022, this past Thursday. During the treasurer's report, we heard from Assistant Treasurer, Nick Mancini, as he presented the financial report for the month ending September 30, 2022. The five-year forecast for the Fall of 2023 will be officially adopted in November. I want to jump ahead and talk about the superintendent's report when we heard from the Director of Curriculum, Erin Green and Superintendent, Dr. Cameron Ryba on Strongsville City School's results. They went into great detail. I will give you a quick summary tonight. Again, I think I mentioned this last meeting they moved...they changed grading systems and our own Dr. Ryba was part of the State Report Card Committee and they changed from a letter grade to stars; specifically, one to five stars being the rating system. There are six components, five of which are reported on achievement. Strongsville City Schools received five stars, progress five stars, early literacy four stars, gap closing five stars and graduation four stars. The college career workforce and military readiness was not rated. I believe my understanding is that it's because they're developing the new baseline measurement shifting to looking more at readiness for other things opposed to solely just being focused on college readiness. They also shared a building breakdown and all of our buildings received at least four stars...four or five stars with one exemption, and that exemption being the virtual academy. You may recall me reporting a couple months back that we would be, as a school, phasing out of the primary education portion of the virtual academy; and to me, this would appear to support that it was a good decision. That was the only building...virtual building, that did not receive four or five stars. In summary, top five percent in the state and I think a lot to be proud of, but a lot of progress on continuous improvement. The next regularly scheduled board meeting is October 27, 2022. Tomorrow at The Chamber Luncheon, opportunity to get state of the schools or additional information from Dr. Ryba with be there. One solicitation if you will, the Facilities Committee is looking for additional citizens. Their next meeting is 6:30 p.m. at Chapman. They encourage anyone to reach out if they're interested in joining that committee. They are always looking for new members. That concludes my school report pending any questions.

Mr. Short – Mr. Clark, if I could add, there is one...

Mr. Clark – I left it out so that you could share on Thursday, it was the same time as the meeting I believe, but that was the middle school even; go ahead and share the news on our middle school.

Mr. Short – The Strongsville Middle School's eighth grade girls' volleyball team won the Regional Championship for the conference; so, congratulations to those girls on an outstanding volleyball season.

Mr. DeMio – Was there anyone in particular on that team?

Mr. Short – They are just all very good volleyball players.

Mr. DeMio – Excellent political response.

(multiple conversations)

Mayor Perciak – Good job Mallory. Daddy is bragging about you as he should.

Mr. Short – She would just say I'm just embarrassing her.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

BUILDING AND UTILITIES - Mr. Clark: I have no legislation, but it's appropriate to share an announcement my colleague shared with me and many of our residents may have received similar letters. There's been a lot of information in the news lately about NOPEC. Certainly, many of us have received calls about it and different things; letters have gone out. I'm looking at a letter that has gone out to a resident recently and I won't read the whole thing. NOPEC was formed to protect the interest in the energy market price, and this particular letter goes on to say that beginning with your next meter read, which may take one to two billing cycles and no action required by you; that as a resident, you will be brought back to the standard program price. NOPEC plans to resume its regular aggregation program in the Spring of 2023. It doesn't specify a certain date, but be on the lookout for individuals who haven't opted out to be on the lookout for this letter. It's an individual decision, but this is something that NOPEC did as a response to the current situation.

Mr. Carbone – Thank you, I know that was on the minds of many in our community and others.

SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM – Mr. Short: Thank you Mr. Carbone, we did have a board meeting last Wednesday for the health system. I will just highlight a couple of areas as we covered a lot of review of 2022 and into the 2023 budget planning season. A review of the 2022 organizational goals were noted as favorable. Highlights included growth and volume, especially in the outpatient areas as we know with COVID-19, both inpatient and outpatient volumes were drastically down in 2020 and in 2021. Those have rebounded nicely. Southwest Foundation exceeded their fundraising goals this year. Congratulations to the foundation there. I think the Tiera Ball was a very successful one this year and the golf outing as well. They did a very good job this year. In terms of the medical staff of Dr. Deucher, who is a Strongsville resident here as well, gave an update on the medical staff. Especially, thanking in the confidence that they have with their nursing staff. Chief Nursing Officer, Marti Bauschka, and the nursing team were thanked for the high quality and safe patient care they provide on a daily basis in the system. Dr. Deucher also highlighted the growth of the Southwest General Medical Group and continued to look forward to future success there as they grow that practice. He did note that, while healthcare was a challenging space, he was excited for the expected future growth for Southwest General. Last, we did talk a lot about budgeting in numbers. As can be anticipated, expenses were higher; most of that due to the cost of labor. As the Mayor indicated earlier, not only are healthcare costs going up, but also the cost of hiring and maintaining good healthcare workers are going up. The system is budgeting for next year and anticipating those needs. Looking at...again, with an increase in expenses with their projected revenue growth and looking at how to ensure that there isn't a negative operating income margin for 2023. That concludes my report on Southwest General, but I will happily take any questions.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Short: We did not have a meeting, but I want to highlight...I know some of my Council colleagues were there, but if you attended the Business Expo last Wednesday, it was very well attended. I think a smashing success. Both the Senior Center and the back rooms there and the lobby of the rec center were full with not only businesses but a lot of patrons as well. I think people were able to see the quality of businesses that are not only in Strongsville, want to operate in Strongsville and do business in Strongsville. I think if you toured the whole place, you probably snacked very well as well.

Hats off to Brent Painter and the economic development department for a successful event there. I think it would be even better next year, as people were excited about this one this year. Mayor, do you have anything to add about the Expo.

Mayor Perciak – Yes, thank you if I may, Mr. President.

Mr. Carbone – Yes.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Short (cont'd):

Mayor Perciak – What was really amazing on the social media aspect of it, our Facebook boost reached 41,400 individuals and 5,870 individuals clicked to the link for more information on it. What was significant about the whole evening is we had, as Gordon will tell you... Jimmy was there, Joe was there, Jimmy you came later, I saw you there Tom... at the end of the day, the people who had the table tops well in the excess of 100, all had an opportunity to network, exchange ideas, exchange business cards, and just get to meet each other. You have no idea what that means for our business community when businessmen meet businessmen and women and they get a chance to actually talk and exchange ideas. That is what was important about that night. Where you brought all these people together under one roof, and they all have something in common; they had a business in Strongsville. We here demonstrating to them, that we do care about them, and we wish them success. How can we help you and at the same time, how can you help our residents? The next important thing, that I viewed as important is, the residents that were there, and the other businessmen and other communities that came here to visit us, even asked Bill Wills, "How does Strongsville do this?" It gave our residents the chance to interact with everybody who had a table top there. Our residents had the ability to talk with them, they listened, and the businessman responded, so this was just a successful night. Thank you to everybody who participated and thank you to everyone who helped in any which way, we appreciate it.

Mr. Gordon – Last but not least, I was unable to attend your Rotary economic update, I'm going to need highlights from that because I was travelling from work as well on that Thursday morning but... Friday morning was it... Friday. How was the economic update for the Strongsville Rotary Club?

Mayor Perciak – Let Jimmy give it to you, okay? I have said enough.

Mr. Kaminski – As always, the Mayor did an outstanding job giving us an update. We typically would end those meetings a little before 8:30 p.m., and we were going on 8:45 p.m. and the questions were still flying. People would have stayed honestly another 15/20 minutes just with all the questions and the interest that we had during the updates. Outstanding job, and you'll have to come back probably in another couple of months just to continue the conversations.

Mayor Perciak – Again, I would be remiss if I didn't mention Brent Painter and all the hard work he does to make this Economic Development Committee and department go. Truly, the guy does a magnificent job.

Mr. Kaminski – We also had a rotary table at that event and we were looking at new members who approached us. What amazed me, as you mentioned Mayor, is all the businesses that you said... "Can you help find me this individual or this company?". Just making those connections was really incredible; that's where I spent a lot of my time, was just helping them find those introductions. It's a great event.

Mr. Short - Lastly, as Councilman Clark mentioned, tomorrow for the Chambers is the state of the schools. Also highlight on November 15, 2022, the Chamber will be having in coordination with the economic development department, the President of Fifth Third Bank, Tom Partridge will be here to speak about the current economic situation in Northeast Ohio and the country. It was another wild day on Wallstreet today; the rollercoaster continues but

Mayor Perciak – For once in our favor.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Short (cont'd):

Mr. Short – For once in our favor, yes. It's very rare. Again, pencil it in for November 15, 2022. I will have another reminder about that as we get closer. That concludes my report and I will happily take any questions.

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Mr. DeMio: Thank you so much, we have two pieces on the agenda tonight; Resolution No. 2022-154 and Ordinance No. 2022-155. Resolution No. 2022-154 is advertising for a 32-passenger bus. Ordinance No. 2022-155; basically, is accepting a grant for the trees we do for our community. I want to make it short because it's getting a little long here so we are going to suspend and adopt those. In other words, we are going to pass them tonight and go forward from there.

FINANCE - Ms. Kosek: Yes, we have one. Ordinance No. 2022-153 is an ordinance to update our annual expenses and expenditures based on changes, and it would repeal Ordinance No. 2022-145. We all received a memo from the finance department that went over those changes which we did discuss in caucus. I am hopeful that everyone had their questions answered then and for the sake of brevity, we can move on. Does anyone have any additional questions that they would like to raise?

(No comments)

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Kaminski: Planning, Zoning & Engineering, we have three items on the agenda this evening. Ordinance No. 2022-150; which is a change order without the change in price but more looking at the timing between the City of Strongsville and Fabrizi Trucking and Paving Co. This is in connection with the reconstruction program...pavement reconstruction program. Recommendation is suspension and adoption. Ordinance No. 2022-151 is authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the Albion Rd. and Webster Rd. sanitary sewer project which is very exciting to see that we're going to get that started. Hopefully yet this year, and that project will definitely roll into 2023 as well. Recommendation is suspension and adoption on that. Ordinance No. 2022-152; which is a change of zoning classification on 21930 Royalton Road in the City of Strongsville from general industrial to R1-75. That is a first reading and referred to the Planning Commission. That concludes my report on Planning, Zoning & Engineering if there are any questions.

Ms. Kosek – I just want to let everybody know that because Ordinance Nos. 2022-150 and 2022-151 are related to Fabrizi Trucking, that I will be abstaining on those.

Mr. Kaminski – Okay, thank you Kelly.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH – Mr. Kaminski:

(No report)

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ms. Roff: I don't have anything at this time but Brian, what would be a good timeframe to look at to have a rec meeting before a Council meeting for you...a timeframe to get that stuff together?

Mr. Bogre – Tell me when you want to have it, I'll be here.

Ms. Roff – To get some of the things together that we talked about before.

Mr. Bogre – Second one in November.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ms. Roff (cont'd):

Ms. Roff – Ok, that works; so, we'll look to the second meeting in November and then Brian will have some of that other stuff for us.

Mr. Carbone – Okay, thank you much.

Ms. Roff - Thank you...thank you Brian.

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY - Mr. Carbone:

(No report)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Mr. Carbone: Ordinance No. 2022-156 is a routine approval of our Codified Ordinances, just some house cleaning we do every...a couple times a year. Recommendation here is to suspend and adopt and then before I end my committee, I just want to make it clear; I know that Mayor you had mentioned it at caucus about the City of Strongsville will be observing Halloween on Monday, October 31, 2022. I know a lot of us have been getting a lot of calls and emails, but we typically...as long as I can remember back from 1978, have always done it on Halloween. I think that is how we are going to continue that at least for this year.

Mr. DeMio – Can you make it crystal clear, because this is the follow-up I'm getting from our Law Director, Mr. Jamison and some others. Even though subdivisions may be doing their own thing, we are not providing extra services for that.

Mayor Perciak – We are going to make every attempt to provide some extra service to those subdivisions but we cannot guarantee it, just like you said Mr. DeMio. We do have everybody scheduled for Halloween throughout the entire city, both police and fire, in the event, we have a situation of any kind. We've had safe Halloweens because our police have been in all the subdivisions during the Halloween observance, so we would encourage everybody to stay between the 6 pm and 8 pm hour on October 31, 2022.

Mr. DeMio – Yes, because I want to make this crystal clear again, the administration and Council approved our Halloween on the October 29, 2022.

Mayor Perciak – It's on October 31, 2022.

Mr. DeMio - I just want to make sure; I don't mind if people have their own neighborhood thing, I think it's a great idea, but I don't want them to think that we're out there with full force police like we always do.

Mayor Perciak – We just can't...it's just not possible.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much.

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

MAYOR PERCIAK:

(No report)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dean: Thank you, Mr. President. I certify that the funds are available for all ordinances requiring certification of funds on tonight's agenda. Thank you.

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison: All ordinances and resolutions are in proper legal form. That concludes my report.

Mr. Carbone – Thank you.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

(None)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance No. 2022-150 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ISSUE AND APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE, WITHOUT CHANGE IN PRICE, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE AND FABRIZI TRUCKING & PAVING CO., INC., IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2021 PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM, IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Short, second by Mr. DeMio.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Short, DeMio, Roff, Clark, Carbone, Kaminski.
Abstained: Kosek. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2022-150 ADOPTED.**

Ordinance No. 2022-151 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE ALBION ROAD AND WEBSTER ROAD SANITARY SEWER PROJECT IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Short, second by Mr. DeMio.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Short, DeMio, Roff, Clark, Carbone, Kaminski.
Abstained: Kosek. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2022-151 ADOPTED.**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2022-152 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 REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 21930 ROYALTON ROAD, IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE FROM GI (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL) CLASSIFICATION TO R1-75 (ONE FAMILY 75) CLASSIFICATION (PPN 392-14-006), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading and referred to the Planning Commission.

Ordinance No. 2022-153 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2022 AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-145.

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 as amended by Ms. Kosek, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2022-153 ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2022-154 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 32-PASSENGER BUS TO BE USED BY VARIOUS CITY OF STRONGSVILLE DEPARTMENTS, 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 other 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. 2022-154 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2022-155 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF FORESTRY UNDER THE URBAN CANOPY RESTORATION GRANT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS, 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. 2022-155 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2022-156 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING MID-YEAR REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY, REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, 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. 2022-156 ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

(None)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

(None)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council President James Carbone adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.



Marialena Beach
Council office Secretary

11-7-22

Date

THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE

Recreation Department Analysis

2022 Estimate

	Actuals					Budget	
	2018	2019	2020	2021	September 30th 2022	2022 Estimate	2022 Estimate with extended weekend hours
REVENUES:							
Grants- County & Federal	\$ 150,000	\$ 190,000	\$ 37,880	\$ 191,641	\$ 90,863	\$ 121,151	\$ 121,151
State COVID Unemployment Grant	-	-	92,653	9,992	-	-	-
COVID Senior Grant	-	-	25,000	-	-	-	-
One Time Workers' Comp Refund	-	-	26,000	-	-	-	-
Membership Fees	3,045,986	3,135,741	1,303,620	1,812,054	1,692,862	2,257,149	2,257,149
Member COVID Refund Requests	-	-	(261,057)	(11,158)	-	-	-
Total Revenues	3,195,986	3,325,741	1,224,097	2,002,529	1,783,725	2,378,300	2,378,300
EXPENSES:							
Wages & Benefits	3,019,831	3,151,746	2,315,559	2,403,522	1,665,245	2,220,326	2,370,326
All Other Expenses	2,006,816	1,859,447	1,164,077	1,374,891	1,438,924	1,918,566	1,918,566
Total Expenses	5,026,647	5,011,193	3,479,635	3,778,413	3,104,169	4,138,892	4,288,892
Deficit before Transfer	(1,830,661)	(1,685,452)	(2,255,539)	(1,775,884)	(1,320,444)	(1,760,591)	(1,910,591)

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:

Transfers from General Fund	1,600,000	1,950,000	2,400,000	1,950,000	1,300,000	1,950,000	1,950,000
Annual Profit/(Loss)	\$ (230,661)	\$ 264,548	\$ 144,461	\$ 174,116	\$ (20,444)	\$ 189,409	\$ 39,409
Days in year	365	365	365	365	273	365	365
Cost per Day prior to transfer	\$ (5,016)	\$ (4,618)	\$ (6,733)	\$ (4,865)	\$ (4,837)	\$ (4,824)	\$ (5,234)

Recreation Center - Operating cost per day

