

SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021.

The Council of the City of Strongsville met in Council Chambers at the Mike Kalinich Sr. City Council Chamber, 18688 Royalton Road, on **Monday, November 15, 2021 at 7:15 p.m.**

Present: Council Members: Matthew A. Schonhut, James A. Kaminski, Gordon C. Short, Joseph C. DeMio, Annmarie P. Roff, Kelly A. Kosek and James E. Carbone. **Also Present:** Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak and Law Director Neal M. Jamison.

Absent:

Administration: Finance Director Joseph Dubovec, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Building Commissioner Mike Miller, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Service Director Joe Walker, Fire Chief Jack Draves, Police Chief Mark Fender, Communications and Technology Director David Sems and Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre.

Council President Schonhut called the caucus to order at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. Short made a motion to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters pertaining to the Council Office. It was seconded by Mr. DeMio to adjourn from open session into executive session [Article XI, Section 9, City Charter]. All members present voted aye and the motion carried. Council adjourned into executive session at 7:1 p.m. Also present from the Administration: Mayor Thomas Perciak and Law Director Neal Jamison. The executive session concluded at 7:46 p.m. and reconvened into open session.

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

Finance Committee: Councilman DeMio recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2021-148; an appropriations ordinance for the annual expenses and other expenditures of the city for the year 2021. Suspension and adoption was also recommended for Ordinance No. 2021-149; an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreements to purchase property-casualty insurance coverages. The contract is with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company through the Fedeli Group. Ms. Kosek will be abstaining from voting on this legislation due to her firm representing Fedeli Group. Ordinance Nos. 2021-139 through 2021-142 are TIF (tax increment financing) ordinances for Arby's, Freddy's, Sprague Road and Strickland respectively. All will be placed on second reading this evening. Mr. DeMio discussed a property on Royalton Road. It is going through the court process. Mr. DeMio is concerned about the open access of the residence. Mr. Jamison will follow up with the building commissioner to see what other avenues can be looked into to safely secure the building.

Motion made by Mr. DeMio, second by Mr. Short, to approve the Finance Committee meeting minutes of October 28, 2021. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Public Safety & Health Committee: Chairman Short recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance Nos. 2021-150 and 2021-151 which are pertaining to the agreements for public safety dispatch services for the cities of Brook Park and Olmsted Falls respectively. The recommendation was to suspend and adopt both of them. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2021-152; an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for emergency repairs to the HVAC system at the police department. The contract is with The K Company, Inc., without public bidding, in an amount not to exceed \$21,601.45. Ordinance No. 2021-153 is to approve the agreement with Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court in connection with the community diversion program for years 2022 and 2023. Suspension and adoption was recommended for this legislation.

Public Service & Conservation Committee: Chairman Kaminski recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2021-154; an ordinance authorizing the sale by internet auction of certain obsolete property no longer needed for any municipal service by the city's service department. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2021-155; an ordinance authorizing the sale at public auction certain surplus vehicles no longer needed for any municipal purpose.

Communications & Technology Committee: Chairwoman Roff recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2021-156; an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2020-084 to increase the dollar amount authorized for the purchase of cellular communications services and equipment for use by various departments of the city. The contract with Verizon will increase to \$193,500.00.

Recreation and Community Services Committee: Chairwoman Kosek recommended suspension and adoption for Resolution No. 2021-157; a resolution authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the purchase of youth sports wearing apparel for use by the recreation department during 2022. Resolution No. 2021-158 is to advertise for bids for nightly janitorial services at the recreation and senior center. Suspension and adoption was recommended for that legislation. Suspension and adoption was also recommended for Resolution No. 2021-159; a resolution accepting a donation of money to purchase park benches for The Commons area. The donation is from the Kiwanis Club. Resolution No. 2021-160 is to accept a donation from The City Club in order to purchase trash receptacles for The Commons area. Suspension and adoption was recommended for this legislation.

Committee of the Whole: Mr. Schonhut recommended suspension and adoption for Resolution No. 2021-161; a resolution pertaining to the OneOhio opioid settlement with The Ohio Janssen/Johnson & Johnson. Mr. Jamison advised this came in today, and has to be executed and submitted by this Friday. This particular settlement will give the city approximately \$30,000.00.

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NOVEMBER 15, 2021 IN THE MIKE KALINICH SR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Schonhut called the meeting to order at 8:00 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.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members: Matthew A. Schonhut, James A. Kaminski, Gordon C. Short, Joseph C. DeMio, Annmarie P. Roff, Kelly A. Kosek and James E. Carbone. Also Present: Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak and Law Director Neal M. Jamison.

Absent:

Administration: Finance Director Joseph Dubovec, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Building Commissioner Mike Miller, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Service Director Joe Walker, Fire Chief Jack Draves, Police Chief Mark Fender, Communications and Technology Director David Sems and Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre.

Motion made by Mr. Short, second by Mr. DeMio, to amend the agenda to add Resolution No. 2021-161. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

COMMENTS ON MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 1, 2021 were approved as submitted.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Mayor Perciak – None this evening Mr. President.

Mr. Schonhut – We do have one this evening Mr. Mayor and that is you. We'd like to recognize the Mayor for this past weekend being induced into the Benedictine Hall of Distinction. The Benedictine Hall of Distinction honors alumni who have excelled in their field, obtained the highest esteem from their peers in their discipline and have advanced society in the tradition of St. Benedict. Mayor, obviously you have done all those things. He's a 1966 graduate of Benedictine; which is 25-years before I was a thought.

(Laughter)

Mr. Schonhut – So, there you go and I think your granddaughter had a post that I think summed it up very well; she said, "...very proud of this guy tonight. Pops was induced into the Benedictine High School Hall of Distinction. He's accomplished so much in his life and yet still remains the most humble, kind, and God-fearing man I know. To me, he not just my Pops, he's my biggest supporter and mentor. Here's to many more memories together." Mayor, I'm sure that applies to more than just her. I'm sure we all up here have learned something from you, so, congratulations on being induced.

(Applause)

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

SCHOOL BOARD – Ms. Kosek: Yes, the school board had a work session on November 4th. The Treasurer presented his five-year forecast for the school budget; which showed the school was on solid financial footing. Thanks in part to passing the levy on November 2nd. There was also an extensive presentation by the school's Gifted Coordinator who has made quite a number of advances for the schools' gifted children. I think that it is important to note that in Strongsville we have a higher percentage of gifted students than the average district and so it is very important that we are supporting those students as well and I know that is something that the school board has made quite apparent that they support. With that I will end my report.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Ms. Kosek, any questions for Ms. Kosek?

SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM – Mr. Short: Thank you Mr. Schonhut, we did not have a board meeting since our last Council meeting; and I have not received any recent updates on the COVID numbers from the hospital; so, I have nothing to report tonight; but, I'll happily take any questions. Thank you.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. Short, any questions for Mr. Short?

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Mr. DeMio: Thank you so much. Other than the great work our Law Department and our Building Department are doing to help us with a piece of property on Royalton Road that's soon going to be in the courts, and securing that I have no additional items in the committee.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. DeMio, any questions for Mr. DeMio?

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Ms. Roff: I have one piece that is Ordinance No. 2021-156; and this is to approve an increase for our body cam. One issue was that we kind of underestimated a small portion of it. Second was we were on a flexible plan and like I said before, in laymen's terms, we are going to unlimited usage and communications back and forth; so, it will be fixed and look the same every month. The recommendation is to suspend and adopt, please.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Ms. Roff, any questions for Ms. Roff?

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Carbone: Yes, tomorrow at the rec center, 11:30, the Chamber of Commerce Business Luncheon will have Brent Painter, our Economic Development Director. He's going to be talking about...in depth about economic development in our community. If you have an opportunity, please support Brent and then that ends my report. Thank you.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. Carbone.

FINANCE – Mr. DeMio: Thank you so much. On the agenda tonight, we have Ordinance Nos. 2021-139, 2021-140, 2021-141, 2021-142, 2021-148 and 2021-149. Ordinance Nos. 2021-148 and 2021-149 are the two we will be voting on tonight. Both will be suspension and adoption. I know we need all of Council. I know that there is one issue that will make it six on that one; but the insurance coverage is Ordinance No. 2021-149; and Ordinance No. 2021-148 is our annual expenses ordinance. So, we'd like to suspend and adopt those and that's second reading on all of the remainder. As we go on, Mayor do we need any other meetings at this time for Finance or we're going to hang tight for a while?

Mayor Perciak – No, we're good for the balance of the year. Thank you.

Mr. DeMio – Okay, sounds good. If anything changes, we'll be glad to meet for you okay?

Mayor Perciak – Thank you very much Joe.

Mr. DeMio – Alright, you got it. That's it.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. DeMio. Any questions?

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Schonhut: For the second meeting in row; that's definitely a record we have nothing. Any questions out of Planning?

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH – Mr. Short: Thank you Mr. Schonhut, we have four ordinances tonight on the agenda. Ordinance Nos. 2021-150 and 2021-151; these are for the amendments to the contracts that we have with the City of Brook Park and the City of Olmsted Falls for the services we provide at the Southwest Dispatch Center. For those public safety forces for those cities. This will be an increase in fees for the 2022 year; so, the recommendation there is to suspend and adopt both of those. We have Ordinance No. 2021-152; this is for emergency repair to the heat exchange and the HVAC system here in this building that needs to be done A.S.A.P. This will be done without public bidding, with the K-Companies; which is the contractor the City uses for both this and the rec center. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt that as well. And then finally, Ordinance No. 2021-153; this is with the Cuyahoga County and the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court. This is the agreement we enter into every couple of years for their community diversion program with juvenile misdemeanor and usually, first-time offenders in the City to place them in that program. That will be for the years 2022 and 2023. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH – Mr. Short (cont'd): Also, I don't know if you follow the Strongsville Police online and on social media; but, they happen to been having a big push recently to make sure if you leave your cars out at night in your driveway, please lock your doors. Do not leave your keys in your car. Make sure they are locked and windows are up to prevent unnecessary thefts in the City; so, please lock your doors at night. The Police Department and you will appreciate that as well. That will conclude my report, but I'll happily take any questions.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. Short.

Ms. Kosek – Do you have a favorite meme that they've posted?

(Multiple conversations)

Mr. Short – There's a lot of good ones out there.

Ms. Kosek – Yeah, it's really good. Everyone should look at the...

Mr. Schonhut – Facebook, it's Strongsville Police Department Facebook page...

Mr. Short – Facebook or Instagram...or on Instagram, actually, as well...

Ms. Kosek – Yes...

Mr. Short – They've been posting a lot on that...

Ms. Kosek – Very, very clever...

Mr. Short – Yes. Very clever; so...

Mr. Schonhut – Good. Any questions for Mr. Short? Other than his favorite meme?

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Mr. Kaminski: Yes, two ordinances this evening. Ordinance No. 2021-154; authorizing sale of internet auction of obsolete property that's no longer needed and Ordinance No. 2021-155; which is also authorizing the sale of public auction of certain surplus vehicles that are no longer needed. Both of those are suspend and adopt and that concludes my report. I'll be happy to take any questions.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. Kaminski, any questions for Mr. Kaminski.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ms. Kosek: Yes, we have resolutions tonight. The first is Resolution No. 2021-157; that is to allow for the advertising of bids for youth sports clothing for our recreation league. Resolution No. 2021-158; is to allow the rec center to do bidding for nightly janitorial staff. As we are all aware, there has been workforce issues throughout the country and our rec center is also experiencing those problems; so, this is solution to that for cleaning at night. For big things, like cleaning the floors, and cleaning the locker rooms and things like that. Resolution No. 2021-159; is to accept a donation from the Kiwanis Club for park benches for our commons. They are donating \$4,864.00 and Resolution No. 2021-160 is to accept donations from the City Club for the purchase of trash receptacles for the commons as well and they are looking to donate \$941.00. I would ask that we suspend and adopt all of those and send our thanks to the Kiwanis Club and to the City Club for both of those donations. Beyond the resolutions we have a couple other things that I wanted to raise with folks.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ms. Kosek (cont'd): The first is going to the workforce issue; we still have a lack of lifeguards at the rec center and we are looking for anyone who is qualified to be a lifeguard and who would like to earn some extra money. They have advertised, I talked to Bryan today, they have advertised with all the HOA's, with the colleges, with the high school, with Polaris; they have offered classes to folks that would like to serve as lifeguards. They also have an Aquatics Manager and Assistant Manager as well as one of the other recreation managers working as lifeguards to keep the pool open; so, they're doing all they can to keep the pool open and we're still coming up a little short; so, if anyone knows anyone who would like to be a lifeguard, please call over to the rec center because they really could use you. I've gotten a lot of questions about renew active. Bryan is the Rec Director; is still working on that and we'll hopefully have an update coming. Hopefully by the end of the year, if we can. So, stay tuned on that. And then, lastly, on December 4th, at the rec center; this is kind of a little bit rec center, and a little bit...just a public event that I want to highlight. We have a member of our community who less than two who has a severe blood cancer and needs a bone marrow transplant and she's looking for a match. So, we are going to, Council and school board, are hosting a Swab-a-thon event on December 4th at the rec center from 10 am to 2 pm. We are looking for folks who are between 18 and 40 to come to the rec center, fill out information and be swabbed to determine if you're a match for Paisley, who is this young girl who lives in our community. I can only imagine how her parent's must feel as she is struggling to find that match that she needs so much. So, if you are over 40, like I am, please go ahead and send the information out to people you know in your life who could be a donor and I think, say a prayer for Paisley and her family as well. So, December 4th at the rec center, if you are able to participate, we would love to see you there. And with that I will end my report.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Ms. Kosek, any questions for Ms. Kosek?

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Mr. Schonhut: Tonight, we have an add on; Ordinance No. 2021-161, authorizing the Mayor to agree to an opioid settlement with Janssen/Johnson & Johnson for which we hopefully will get around \$30,000.00. Any questions on that? The recommendation is to suspend and adopt.

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

MAYOR PERCIAK: Thank you Mr. President. Just briefly, the Christmas lighting is Sunday at 5:30 p.m. We're going to light the commons. Santa Claus is going to come in on a fire engine; because it's supposed to be 50° and so; when he spoke to us this morning, he said that there is no way a sleigh can bring him in. So, he spoke to Chief Draves and Chief Draves said he'd be happy to bring him in on the fire engine. As...we're are going to keep the same practice we did last year. Santa Claus will come, will wave, will be on the gazebo; but, will not have children sitting on his lap and Mrs. Claus will be there with him. It's just not the appropriate thing to do this year. We will have fireworks. The fireworks will be shot off from the side parking lot instead of in front of our Council Chambers here. Again, simply because of safety reasons. So, it will be very visible, of course, most of the leaves are down and so, we will have fireworks and that will pretty much conclude our night. The commons will be lit up, take your pictures, visit, do whatever you want, how you want; at the end of the day, I urge all the parents to follow our school protocols as far as COVID is concerned and whatever you feel comfortable with. We are not going to walk around and tell people to put a mask on; but, whatever our schools are doing, I ask you to follow the same protocol so there is consistency between what we do in our schools and what we're going to do on the commons. And we wish everyone a good time there that night, and I want to thank our business community about 50,000 times for all their donations that make that event possible that night.

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

MAYOR PERCIAK (cont'd): Without their help and without their donations, we could not do this and you will see, at what we've managed to accumulate over the years; 100's and 100's of 1,000's of dollars of Christmas displays and so, thank you to all of them. Thank you for everybody who contributes and we'll see you Sunday night at 5:30. End of my report.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. Mayor.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dubovec:

Mr. Jamison – Thanks Mr. Chairman, “Based upon careful review of the November 15, 2021 Council meeting agenda, I hereby certify that funds will be made available for all ordinances and resolutions on such agenda requiring certification of funding.” So signed by Mr. Dubovec.

A copy of that memo is attached to the back of these minutes.

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison: Thanks Mr. Chairman, a couple of things. One, just to let you know on the property we acquired on the corner of West 130th and Royalton Road and the property, we had to go back and recertify on the south end of Foltz Parkway; we received a tax exemption status from the State of Ohio. This is a good thing; so, we don't get taxed on those two parcels. Just to let Council know that. Also, Mr. Chairman, been working closely with the Mayor, Police Department, our Economic Development Director and Councilwoman Kosek about an issue over on Elizabeth Circle and with the neighboring business Plido and it's come to my attention, as well as the Mayor's and others that there's been an issue about noise over in that location. So, based on the complaints that have come in and in talking to the appropriate parties, last Tuesday, I went out there with a member of our Police Department, Officer Greg Driik and walked the neighborhood and also went over to the Plido side myself to examine and listen to what was going on. Based on that and in terms of what I observed, I then directed, through the Mayor, the Police Department to go out Wednesday of last week, up through Sunday, yesterday, during the midnight hour, no the third shift, to do two different readings each night. The Police did that and the reading all came out around 41 decibels, 45, 42, 43, 43, and 43. There was one this morning, I think around 50.4; so, that's one part of the puzzle. Looking towards this in terms of trying to figure out what we can do to address the concerns of the residents over in that area and also, to allow the business to continue operating going forward. So, the Economic Development Director, Brent Painter, from the Mayor's office, spoke to the President of Plido on Friday and she is going to have a meeting with the Mayor, as their schedules allow in the next week or two to go over what they can do to try and remediate or address the issues. In the interim, Ms. Smith, who is the President has indicated that during the evening hours, that they are going to start shutting the doors as part of their policy. They've also adjusted the schedule use of the oven; which appears to be part of the issue in this case that part of the operation that they have there, they have to operate this high heat oven to work with certain materials there and that this apparatus basically runs most of the day. The venting for the heat from that is what's causing, potentially, the noise that is being heard by the neighbors to the west of this business. So, they're going to adjust the hours of operation so that it's not necessarily being heard during... particularly during the morning or late-night hours. Which is a common complaint that has been registered with the Police Department and with Councilwoman Kosek. The other thing is, at some point this fall, they put a deflector device on the roof near the venting system for this oven. It appears, and I say appear, because again, I don't have the data or the evidence that this deflector might have been making it worse. That deflector has been removed and that was removed, in my understanding, last week and that might be reflective of the lower decibel readings that were registered by the Police for the last four or five days. In addition, the President of Plido is looking towards installing potentially a muffler on the roof vent system to further dissipate the noise coming from the system in question.

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

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison (cont'd): So, we will continue to work with the company to try and address this situation and mitigate the noise the best we can so that the folks over there can enjoy their homes. Particularly during the morning hours or evening hours when they're sleeping or attempting to sleep. So, we've taken it seriously, like I said, I spent a good amount of time out there last Tuesday morning, walked the neighborhood, experienced personally, reported back to the Mayor afterwards and we're taking it seriously. We're going to continue to do so and we're going to work with the company to try and get this resolved. Other than that Mr. Chairman, I have nothing else.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Mr. Jamison. Anybody that wants to comment on that at this point at all?

Ms. Kosek – I feel like I need to comment. Thank you, Neal. Thank you, Greg Drlik and Mayor Perciak. I know that our Ward 3 residents that live on Elizabeth Circle, this has been a big problem for them. A big headache and it has been a number of months; but, my understanding is that it has been better the last several days. I'm hoping, I'm seeing nodding, so I'm hoping that is true. I'm hoping I would have heard if it were not. I have also been in contact with Ms. Smith, the President of Plido. She has indicated that she is very interested in being a good neighbor and trying to solve this problem; so, I'm hopefully that what Mr. Jamison has just described today will continue to help solve this problem and certainly, all of the residents who are here, there is going to be public comment; so if you feel the need to speak, you can; but, you can also reach out to me if you have any other issues that come up or if things are good, I'd like to hear that too. So, please, just say in contact with me and that's all I have.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Ms. Kosek.

Mr. Schonhut – Brings us to the portion of our meeting for audience participation...sorry...

(Unidentified voice)

Mr. Schonhut – Everything is in good legal order Mr. Jamison?

Mr. Jamison – Oh yeah... (microphone was not on)

Mr. Schonhut – Good catch and that's the first time in 10-years that that's ever...

(Multiple conversation)

Ms. Kosek – I feel like...

Mr. Schonhut – It's alright. You talked a lot tonight.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Schonhut – Alright, now we'll move on to audience participation. Anybody is able to address Council this evening. If you do wish to address Council, we please ask that you state and spell your name and also give us the address for the record. If you do choose to address Council, we kindly ask you keep your comments to within five minutes. I know a lot of you are here to maybe hear or talk about what was just discussed. If you have anything that you wish to add or if anybody else wants to discuss anything in the audience, your time is now. And again, if you could, your name and address for the record please.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Darla Wickline, 11568 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville, OH: My name is Darla Wickline, I live at 11568 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville. I've been a resident for 24-years, I've had four kids go through the school system, from little tiny to now, they're in college. Also, a member of the United Church of Christ for 10-years; which, Mayor, you've been coming to all the events, especially when we have the fireworks and the lighting and everything with our live nativity, so, I've been around the City for a long time. Well, maybe not as long as some people...

Mr. Schonhut – Everybody's throwing you under the bus tonight, you know?

(Laughter)

Ms. Wickline – So, I live on Elizabeth Circle with the rest of these people here. Great group. Okay? Great neighbors. Unfortunately, we do have one that decided to move out because of the noise. Okay? Which is really a shame because we're afraid with our property values and everything, because we...they have to disclose why they're moving. I've never contacted Council men or women for anything living in the City of Strongsville. It's been a great City. Never had a problem. Even with all my kids going through everything and sports and stuff. Nothing. Until the noise. So, I just want to thank Kelly for taking the time out to come and talk to all of us and try to come up with a resolution because we all work, we have families and everything and let me tell, getting a good night's sleep, really means a lot. To all of us. So, I just want to thank all of you. I want to thank you for looking into this and not dragging your feet and, you know, trying to help us out. That's my time.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you Darla. Is there anybody else that wishes to address Council this evening?

Carolyn Wakaba, 11663 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville, OH: My name is Carolyn Wakaba and I live in 11663 Elizabeth Circle. So...

(Unidentified voice)

Mr. Schonhut – I'm sorry...

Mr. Jamison – She has to speak louder...

Ms. Wakaba – Oh, sorry...

Mr. Schonhut – Just step up...step closer to the mic if you could. And if you could just repeat it; so, she can have it.

Ms. Wakaba – My name is Carolyn Wakaba and I live in 11663 Elizabeth Circle. And, I just want to say thank you for everything. Actually, sometimes, when you are far away and you're not in meeting like this, sometimes we don't know what is going on and all the efforts you are putting in; but, we just want to say thank you. Since Thursday, we have seen so much improvement, I will say that. And I think it's because you guys took an effort to actually address it, thank you Kelly for being so quick to answer and just being there for us. We really appreciate that and I know some of the neighbors were not able to make it today, only because this thing has already improved and I'm hoping it will be like that and I'm hoping that they change will be like that for the longest because we want, you know, I've been in the place for three years now; very close to three years and I appreciate that neighbor...even before I moved to Strongsville, everybody talked really well about Strongsville and that's why we wanted to move here, in Strongsville. And we just want to keep it that way. We want to keep it that way. And, with the noise, I know they've gone there this week, last week actually, last week and took the reading, and I appreciate that. Very much.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Ms. Wakaba (cont'd) – I know we've called the Police so many times, they actually know my name now, it's like every time I call, they know...oh, that's the lady that lives in this address. Like they know me and unfortunately, I've never called so many times like that before. I mean, even before, I never call the Police. I mean, this is my first time to call because it was just, like I work in the healthcare, I need to be able to be awake and be able to take care of my patients the next day without being frustrated. I need to be a good mother without being frustrated and that doesn't come when you don't have enough sleep. And, that noise, let me just describe, so you guys can get it because it is not, we have a train that passes behind our house. It is loud, like a loud noise. It is not (inaudible); it sounds like a big truck just passing by; which is different. This sound is very, it sounds like a vacuum. It's very high pitched. You don't need it to read like high, like 50, to make you just disturbed enough. It gets in your brain. Pretty much gets in your brain, like the moment that I sleep, it just wakes you up and it rings in your ear and even once it's stops, the ringing continues. It just rings, and rings, and rings, and rings. Even the time that it's not even on, I remember asking my husband, can you hear it? I feel like something is...like it's ringing; but, there was nothing because of the trauma that it already caused; but, I will say, since the (inaudible) has improved and really, really appreciate for everything that you guys do and with the 40's, I wish you guys, do your walk and you want to sleep in one of our bedrooms and just try to sleep through it. Just to experience it. It's very different. Like if you've never...if you never experience it before, it really different and thank you, thank you. To believe, not something crazy, it's something you've already taken care of and appreciate it. Thank you.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you. Anybody else that wishes to address, go ahead.

Yi Hsin Liu, 11620 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville, OH: Good evening ladies and gentlemen. My name is Yi Hsin Liu, for (inaudible) benefit, I will be easier to pronounce it, then the legal term is spelled Y-I-H-S-I-N L-I-U. I live in 11620 Elizabeth Circle. I've been...moved into the City, since 2004. This will be my first home, so I am very happy that I live in Strongsville. Never intend to move and never thought about this. So, this noise coming; now, like Carol there, right back to the manufacturer, I am a bit away from that, so there will be a manufacturer and Carol's house and (inaudible) and our house. So, imagine, I'm a little bit further from that. If I can hear that it's pretty bad. Thank you, everybody addressed good enough that it is important, we want the, the City (inaudible) value of the residency the property; but, we also want to look at growth and economic. I think this needs to be balanced; so, I appreciate everybody's effort on that. I was very surprised you personally do the, like a first-hand data collecting experience...

Mr. Schonhut – We were surprised he went out there in a suit and tie too. You know...

Ms. Liu – I was just surprised like I didn't get a chance to meet him, you know. If I knew you were come, I would stay come out; but, I appreciate everybody taking this very seriously and I know when things working, coming towards meet an agreement, they'll be back and forth, you know. Business will only have their view; we will...residents will have their view. I just wish the progress of this project could be...coming back...coming back to the resident; so, as we can know what's going on. I mean the intention, the initiation is good; but, I think, at least from me, I wish everybody will, I think everybody will agree with me, we'd like to see the result as well. Understand that could be somewhat in the ground that we try to balance; but, again, everybody is very happy to call this home and we would like to continue to do so. So, thanks for everybody's effort and my really focus point that we would like to hear how things come out. So, thank you.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you. Is there anybody else that wishes to address Council this evening?

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Joshua Otiso, 11663 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville, OH: My name is Joshua Otiso and I live on 11663 Elizabeth Circle. Mr. Mayor, all the Councilmen, Councilwomen, the Police; such a pleasure to have to see your faces and also to get to see the business of the Council. So, my wife Carolyn spoke before Anna and so, I am the one that would call the Police when she felt like maybe, she called the Police several times. So, she would tell me to call the Police on her behalf; but, I would say that maybe, from...maybe Friday or Thursday of last week, we really slept. In an hour that we haven't slept in a very long time. So, I want to say that maybe, the problem begins somewhere in October, maybe September or October of this year; and it's been going on for quite some time; but, we are happy and whatever happened from last week, we hope that it continues. And thank you Mr. Mayor and everybody that has been involved in this. Kelly Kosek, thank you for watching with us, to bring our dissolution to all these. There's a lot of families in our neighborhood. Like we have a little sign over here and I think my worry has always been the impact the noise present to...close to him; especially during a young, growing child...but now that this is...it seems to be (inaudible)...on a path to solving it I feel like it's really helping and I'm probably...I'm not that worried, you know, as much as I am, as I was I should say. All I can say that maybe what we have gone through, we hope the...no resident of this wonderful City of Strongsville has to go through. I know that there is, you know, the City has to develop economically, I hope that maybe more input will be put into...especially the factories that are close to neighborhoods. I hope that more input will be put into what the operations that they will be doing. You know, how much noise is likely to come from that and what the factory is likely to be and the people living next to the factories. But, I will say, thank you so much for all that has been done.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you. Is there anybody else that wishes to address Council?

Unidentified voice – I think I'm the last one...

Mr. Schonhut – That's okay.

Jennifer Morgan, 11542 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville, OH: Jennifer Morgan, 11542...oops...Jennifer Morgan, 11542. I'll be quick. Just to echo what everyone said. Thank you so much for everything that you guys have done for this and I just want to echo, I really like the fact that there's business here in Strongsville. We want to make sure they are successful just as much as we can sleep; so we really do appreciate any of that...and if there is anything we do to partner or help make anything better, like please, reach out we're...we're definitely...want to make this a partnership and solve the issue. Thank you.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you very much. Is there anybody else that wishes to address Council this evening? Hearing...nope, I'm sorry. I apologize. I didn't see you standing up.

Regina Morgan, 11542 Elizabeth Circle, Strongsville, OH: I'm Regina Morgan, I'm also at 11542 Elizabeth Circle. I live with my daughter there and I also want to thank you, Kelly and everyone else and I just want you all to understand about the noise. I cannot tell you how many nights I have laid in my bed and not slept all night long. Many, many, many nights. And I want...imagine if you laid in your bed and someone was this close to your ear, humming in your ear all night long. For days, and days, and days and that's what that noise was and still is sometimes and like Carolyn said, I mean, it gets in your head; but, not so much that it stays in there afterwards, it's in there because that noise is going on and you can't escape that noise. There's no way. We live across the cul-de-sac and I go to the bathroom in the back of the house and that noise is still going on. I can still hear that. All night long and if it's not going on that night, it starts about four o'clock in the morning the next day and that's how bad that is. And I, also like the fact that there is industry in Strongsville because it keeps the tax base lower.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Ms. Morgan – I understand the importance of it; but, we pay taxes too and gosh darn it we deserve to be able to sleep and you know, as for the rest of the noises, the trucks coming in and out, okay, so, that's fine; but, we need to sleep and when that humming is going on and you can't escape it. That's just not right. That's not right for anyone. We have a beautiful neighborhood and everybody keeps it beautiful; but, everybody deserves to sleep. We do and you do and the Mayor does and everyone does. So, there has to be a compromise and so, I think that...Kelly, thank you for helping us and hopefully we're all working on a compromise and hopefully this is not going to be a temporary compromise. It's going to be something; hopefully, that's going to be there all the time and six months down the line we're not going to be in the same place that we have been in. I guess that's all I have to say. I'm not going to ramble anymore; but, thank you very much. I just wanted you to understand what that's like when you're laying in your bed and you can't get rid of that noise. Thank you very much.

Mr. Schonhut – Thank you. Is there anybody else that wishes to address Council? I don't want to hit it too early this time.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Schonhut – We're going to move on to Ordinances and Resolutions. Everybody's welcome to stay for this portion of our meeting. It's probably going to be about 45 minutes tonight...

(Laughter)

Mr. DeMio – Yeah, I'd go...

Mr. Schonhut – All it is going over everything that we already discussed and then voting on it. Again, you're welcome to stay but you are also welcome to leave at this time should you so choose to do so.

Ordinance No. 2021-139 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING AN ARBY'S MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on second reading and referred back to the committee.

Ordinance No. 2021-140 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING A FREDDY'S MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on second reading and referred back to the committee.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2021-141 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING A SPRAGUE ROAD MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on second reading and referred back to the committee.

Ordinance No. 2021-142 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING A STRICKLAND MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on second reading and referred back to the committee.

Ordinance No. 2021-148 by Mayor Perciak. AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2021 AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2021-137.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-148 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2021-149 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT(S) TO PURCHASE PROPERTY-CASUALTY AND RELATED INSURANCE COVERAGES, WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING, 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 the vote. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: Ayes: Kaminski, DeMio, Carbone, Roff, Schonhut, Short.

Abstained: Kosek Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2021-149 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2021-150 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE AND THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, IN CONNECTION WITH AN ADJUSTMENT OF FEES COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2022, 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-150 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2021-151 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE AND THE CITY OF OLMSTED FALLS, IN CONNECTION WITH AN ADJUSTMENT OF FEES COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2022, 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-151 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2021-152 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO THE HVAC SYSTEM AT THE CITY'S POLICE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS BUILDING ON ROYALTON ROAD, WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING, 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-152 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2021-153 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY AND THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUVENILE COURT IN CONNECTION WITH A COMMUNITY DIVERSION PROGRAM TO ADDRESS JUVENILE MISDEMEANOR AND STATUS OFFENDERS IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE FOR THE YEARS 2022 AND 2023, 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-153 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2021-154 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE BY INTERNET AUCTION, OF CERTAIN OBSOLETE PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE BY THE CITY'S SERVICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. [GovDeals]

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-154 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2021-155 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. [Greater Cleve. Auto Auction]

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-155 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2021-156 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2020-084 TO INCREASE THE DOLLAR AMOUNT AUTHORIZED FOR THE PURCHASE OF CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY; 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2021-156 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2021-157 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF YOUTH SPORTS WEARING APPAREL FOR USE BY THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE DURING 2022, 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Resolution No. 2021-157 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Resolution No. 2021-158 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR NIGHTLY JANITORIAL SERVICES AT THE WALTER F. EHRNFELT RECREATION & SENIOR CENTER FACILITY 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Resolution No. 2021-158 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2021-159 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF MONEY FROM THE KIWANIS CLUB OF STRONGSVILLE IN ORDER FOR THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE TO PURCHASE PARK BENCHES FOR THE COMMONS AREA IN THE STRONGSVILLE TOWN CENTER.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Resolution No. 2021-159 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2021-160 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF MONEY FROM THE STRONGSVILLE CITY CLUB IN ORDER FOR THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE TO PURCHASE TRASH RECEPTACLES FOR THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE COMMONS AREA.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Resolution No. 2021-160 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2021-161 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONEOHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE OHIO JANSSEN/JOHNSON & JOHNSON SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION FORM, ALL IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC LITIGATION, 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. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Resolution No. 2021-161 ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

Application for Permit: NEW D5I: To: Seafood Shake Boil Strongsville Inc. dba: Seafood Shake Boil, 16532 Royalton Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136 (Responses must be postmarked no later than 11/22/21).

Motion by Mr. Short, second by Mr. DeMio to file a conditional objection to the application for permit based upon the applicant's lack of compliance with the City's Building, Health and/or Safety Codes; provided that when and if compliance is confirmed by the Building Department, the Clerk will withdraw the objection in Columbus. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Application for Permit: TRFO C1-C2: To: Jayom LLC dba: Mobil Beverage, 8952 Pearl Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136 (Responses must be postmarked no later than 11/29/21).

Motion by Mr. Short, second by Mr. DeMio to file a conditional objection to the application for permit based upon the applicant's lack of compliance with the City's Building, Health and/or Safety Codes; provided that when and if compliance is confirmed by the Building Department, the Clerk will withdraw the objection in Columbus. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Application for Permit: NEW D3: To: Khouri Enterprises Inc. dba: Gourmet Family Restaurant, 15313 Pearl Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136 (Responses must be postmarked no later than 11/29/21).

There was no objection to this permit.

Application for Permit: NEW D3A: To: Barrio Bros LLC 13169 Prospect Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44149 (Responses must be postmarked no later than 11/29/21).

There was no objection to this permit.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Mr. Schonhut – Is there any miscellaneous business this evening?

Mr. Short – Do I have to do it? Are you saying anything at first or no?

Mr. Carbone – You want to make the motion first, and then I'll...

Mr. Short – Alright, I thought you were going to talk first.

Motion by Mr. Short, seconded by Mr. DeMio to accept the written and formal resignation of Council-at-Large James E. Carbone for the term ending December 31, 2021, to be effective at the close of business on November 15, 2021. Ayes: Short, Kaminski, DeMio, Kosek, Roff, Schonhut. Abstained: Carbone. The motion carried.

Mr. Carbone – Before you vote, can I make statement.

Mr. Schonhut – Yep.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (cont'd):

Mr. Carbone – I have submitted my letter of resignation for the remaining of my 46 days of my Council term until I am sworn back into office on January 1, 2022. Due to a technicality, I have had some complications transferring service time earned from 1994-1998 when I was a Deputy Sheriff for Cuyahoga County. In order to complete this transfer, I must have a break in service from paying into the Ohio Public Employee Retirement System (OPERS) to transfer this earned time to my current Police and Fire Pension. Without this time being transferred, I would not be securing what is best for the future of my family. I am not retiring or leaving my current full-time employment. After seeking advice from professionals my only option is to resign in order to transfer time earned from my former law enforcement pension (OPERS Law Enforcement) to my current pension (Ohio Police and Fire). I have served our community with great pride, honor, hard work and vision. I will continue over the next 46 days to be visible, active and up to date on all City Council matters by continuing to attend Council meetings and I will be honored to be working back with you in less than two months. Thank you.

Mr. Kaminski – Yeah, so anybody who has dealt with a pension process were public or private, you definitely realize that the polices and procedures, you know, can be very cumbersome; so, I went through this recently, Jim; so, you know, we're supporting you; so, we realize, you know, that it is a technicality that we have...you have to get through, so, you have our support.

Mr. DeMio – You know what's funny, I think the term technicality is the point here. So...

Mr. Short – The government bureaucracy at its finest.

(Multiple conversations)

Mr. DeMio – Right, right...

Mr. Short – They have to do this...

Mr. DeMio – You know, sometimes down in Columbus, they make it so cumbersome and...and...difficult for you to make the right decision and you did and you're a great Councilman. You're a great Ward 3 Councilman, you're a great at-large Councilman, you are and still are a mentor to many of us in different ways. Your experience is Law Enforcement is second to none. You bring a vision of a beat Officer and a worker with children, in the high school and the middle school that none of us have. I remember the days when you were in the courthouse. That's how I first met you. People think it's here. It was on the 17th floor in those day, so, I think both of us had a little bit more hair and we might have run around a little bit more, you know, without kids at the football games and the baseball games; but, Jimmy, I think your great and I think your doing the right thing.

Mr. Schonhut – And while you will be back up here January 1, I will not be. So it's been fun being with you brother and I know I'll still get phone calls 100 times a day from you; but, me and you...I remember we talked about this technicality for forever and we never thought that we'd actually have to do this today and it sucks that you do and I know you tried every other avenue to avoid it; but, it is what it is and you're making the right decision for you and your future and you family and that's the right thing; so, I know you'll still be in the crowd for the rest of our meeting and probably come up to the microphone to have something to say, I would imagine. God can't keep you away from the microphone.

Mayor Perciak – Mr. President, if I may. As a husband, as a father and as a grandfather, it's wonderful to hear you have the best interest of your wife and children at heart. So, thank you for taking care of them.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (cont'd):

Ms. Kosek – I just want to echo. I know this is a hard thing for you to do and your concerned about how people in the community might feel and I think that everyone will understand that you have to take care of Allison and your children and this is the right thing and that you will be doing everything you can to continue to represent the citizens of Strongsville. That I know what your heart is and can't wait to serve with you again starting on January 1.

Ms. Roff – If I could just say, I know that there is not anything that you would chose over your City and representing your City except for your family. So, I find it very honorable that you are willing to take a seat back for a little bit to make sure that they have everything they can that there was very a possibility that you weren't there to be there with them and take care of them; so, I think that's an awesome thing Jim and I know, like I said, it's not easy and you're family would be the only thing that you would chose over this City, ever. That's a...and maybe me, but...

(Laughter)

(Multiple conversations)

Mr. Carbone – I appreciate all the comments...

Ms. Roff – I appreciate your loyalty.

Mr. Carbone – Obviously, I won't go to this extent; but, I do need to secure some things for my family and my future. So, I appreciate all the comments and I do look forward to getting back and...the first of year and being back up here and working with y'all. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, President Schonhut adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.



Aimee Pientka, MMC
Clerk of Council

12-6-21
Date

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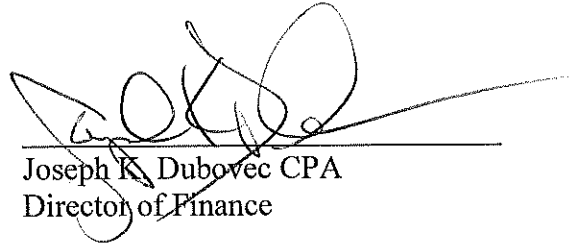
FINANCE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

Date: November 15, 2021
To: President and Members of Council
From: Joseph K. Dubovec CPA, Director of Finance
CC: Mayor Thomas P. Perciak
Neal M. Jamison, Law Director
Subject: Certification of Funding for November 15, 2021 Council Meeting

Since I will not be present at the November 15, 2021 Council meeting, I respectfully request that the "Certification of Funding" listed below be read at the meeting in my absence in order to confirm and document the funding in accordance with law.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDING

Based upon careful review of the November 15, 2021 Council Meeting Agenda, I hereby certify that Funds will be made available for all Ordinances and Resolutions on such Agenda requiring certification of funding.



Joseph K. Dubovec CPA
Director of Finance

Date: November 15, 2021