



CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, JULY 19, 2010

Council Committee of the Whole of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, met on the above date at 7:23 p.m.

Edward Kelley, presiding

Council Members present: Caplan, Evans, Kelley, Montlack, Stephens, Tumeo, Wilcox

Council Members absent: None

Staff present: Carter, Downey, Malone, Mannarino, Niermann O'Neil, L. Wagner, R. Wagner, Wong

Council Member Tumeo, Chair of the Finance Committee, called the Public Hearing to order and asked if City Manager Robert C. Downey had any comments.

Mr. Downey stated, "Yes, I do, your Honor. Thank you very much, Councilman Tumeo. This evening we have a Public Hearing on Resolution No. 85-2010(F), which refers in that Resolution to the 2011 Tax Budget. Each year the budget is filed with the Cuyahoga County Budget Commission and includes the rates and millages for property tax billings in 2011.

As you know, the economy on a national level, state level and local level has required all communities to re-look their spending appropriations. In fact, last year this City Council reduced the budget by in excess of eight percent (8%) and saved the City nearly 3.5 million dollars. Many of those cuts, in spending, made in 2009 have carried on into 2010 and will continue on in 2011. At this time, the tax budget revenue is estimated at \$41,013,120.00 and the expenditures will be \$40,975,620.00. We will need to monitor these estimates very closely for the remainder of 2010 and of course, we will continue to monitor both the national and state budget policies as it effects the City of Cleveland Heights.

Again, City Council has spent many long hours, with staff, in their review of this tax budget and we are very appreciative of their time and their energy in this regard. Council has also reviewed the City's debt service schedule for 2011, as well as the breakdown of the estimated property tax rates for collection in 2011. I would be happy to answer any questions that you, Councilman Tumeo, or you, Council, may have."

Council Member Tumeo asked, "Any questions or comments from the Members of Council?"

Seeing none, Council Member Tumeo continued, "This is a public meeting on Resolution No. 85-2010(F), the Tax Budget for the coming year. As a public meeting, if there are any individuals here that want to comment on the Tax Budget, the City Council meeting will start afterwards, please raise your hand, come forward and be recognized. Is there anyone who would like to comment on the Tax

Budget? Seeing no comments, any one here? I would entertain a motion to adjourn.”

So moved by Mayor Kelley.

Second by Council Member Wilcox.

Roll Call: Ayes: Evans, Kelley, Montlack, Stephens, Tumeo, Wilcox, Caplan

Nays: None _____ **Motion passed**

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Tumeo, Council Member
Chair, Finance Committee of Council

Thomas K. Malone
Clerk of Council

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