



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

March 5, 2018 Minutes

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

6:19 – 7:12 p.m.

Mayor Roe presiding

Roll Call: Present: Dunbar, Roe, Seren, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow
Excused: None

Staff present: Boland, Briley, Butler, Freeman, Juliano, Lambdin, McRae, Mecklenburg, Niermann O’Neil, Sabin, Smith, Trupo, Wong

Topics discussed: Report of City Council Members, Legislation Overview, Joint City Council/School Board Meeting, Council Priorities Discussion Pt. III, Discussion of Staff Reports

Executive Session

7:12 – 7:23 p.m.

Vice Mayor Yasinow made a motion to begin Executive Session, which was seconded by Councilwoman Dunbar, to discuss, with an attorney for the Public body, claims or disputes involving the public body that, in the judgment of such attorney, appear likely to be the subject of a future claim; and to consider the terms of a lease of City-owned real property.

Roll Call: Ayes: Dunbar, Roe, Seren, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow
Nays: None

Vice Mayor Yasinow made a motion to end Executive Session which was seconded by Councilwoman Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Dunbar, Roe, Seren, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow
Nays: None

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

7:38 – 8:07 p.m.

Mayor Roe presiding

Roll Call: Present: Dunbar, Roe, Seren, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow
Excused: None

Staff present: Boland, Briley, Butler, Freeman, Juliano, Lambdin, McRae, Mecklenburg, Niermann O’Neil, Sabin, Smith, Trupo, Wong

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held Tuesday, February 20, 2018 were approved with changes submitted.

Personal communications from citizens

James Williams made a statement about Ohio Right to Life and requested that Cleveland Heights pass a bill to negate and stop all euthanasia laws.

Mark Harris, President of Kiwanis of the Heights, reported that the Key Club with the High School and the Builders Club at the two middle schools will be chartered by the end of the semester. The kindergartens will be chartered by the end of the year. They are working on an Earth Day Program. Vice Mayor Yasinow suggested he work with Noble Neighbors on an upcoming fair.

Report of the City Manager

Report of the Director of Finance/Clerk of Council

Committee Reports

Mayor Roe reviewed the new committee composition.

Committee	Chair	Vice Chair	Committee Member
Finance	Stephens	Dunbar	Seren
Administrative Services	Stein	Ungar	Yasinow
Housing and Transportation (newly comprised committee)	Dunbar	Seren	Stephens
Planning and Development	Yasinow	Stein	Dunbar
Safety and Municipal Services (reconfiguration)	Ungar	Stephens	Stein
Recreation, Community and External Relations (renamed committee)	Seren	Yasinow	Ungar

Finance Committee

Resolution No. 9-2018 (F), *Second Reading*. A Resolution acknowledging receipt from the Cedar Lee Special Improvement District of a Plan for public services and improvements, and returning said Plan to the Board of Directors without comments or recommendations for changes; and declaring an emergency.

Introduced by Councilwoman Stephens, Seconded by Councilwoman Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Roe, Seren, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow, Dunbar
 Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Housing and Transportation Committee

Recreation, Community and External Relations Committee

Councilman Seren made a statement about the importance of external relations.

Safety and Municipal Services Committee

Ordinance No. 11-2018 (SMS), *Second Reading*. An Ordinance approving the Plan of Operation and Governance for the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (“NOPEC”) Electricity Aggregation Program for the purpose of jointly establishing and implementing an electricity aggregation program; and declaring an emergency.

Introduced by Councilman Ungar, Seconded by Councilman Stein

Roll Call: Ayes: Seren, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow, Dunbar, Roe
 Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Ordinance No. 14-2018 (SMS). An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to convey an easement to the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District for the installation of the Dugway Regulators and Relief Sewers project on Superior Road at the border of Cleveland Heights; and declaring an emergency.

Introduced by Councilman Ungar, Seconded by Councilwoman Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow, Dunbar, Roe, Seren
 Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Councilman Ungar stated that 12,265 Cleveland Heights residents are in the NOPEC gas aggregation program. Only 590 residents opted out. No residents that applied for the Dominion SCO rate have been denied.

Administrative Services Committee

Ordinance No. 15-2018 (AS), *First Reading*. An Ordinance establishing salary schedules, position classifications and other compensation, and benefits for officers and employees of the City.

Introduced by Councilman Stein

Planning and Development Committee

Vice Mayor Yasinow commended the Police Chief on a community meeting where safety issues were discussed. The presentation is available at clevelandheights.com. The Reaching Heights Spelling Bee will be taking place on April 18.

Councilwoman Dunbar made a statement about a planning meeting for the Mayfield Corridor Multi-Modal Plan. Cleveland Heights will now be engaging in that study which will accommodate bicyclists, pedestrians and buses.

Councilman Seren announced that he will be introducing legislation relating to the executive session provisions. This will be discussed at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Roe stated that the Charter Review Commission meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The meetings are open to the public. Information about the commission, including their agendas, is available online.

There will be a joint meeting with City Council and the Cleveland Heights-University Heights School Board on March 12 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Council priorities will be presented in upcoming legislation.

There will be a presentation about the Community Development Corporation on March 26.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Roe, Mayor

Laurie Sabin, Clerk of Council

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