



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

November 5, 2018 Minutes

CITY COUNCIL

7:30 – 8:21 p.m.

Vice Mayor Yasinow presiding

Roll Call: Present: Dunbar, Stein, Stephens, Ungar, Yasinow
Excused: Roe, Seren

Staff present: Briley, Butler, Juliano, Mecklenburg, Niermann O'Neil, Wong

The minutes of the regular Council meeting held Monday, October 15, 2018 were approved with corrections submitted.

Personal communications from citizens

Mark Holtesker made a statement about the municipal broadband project he ran in a suburb of Minneapolis. He voiced concern about feasibility studies.

Gary Benjamin made a statement that they Key Bank is closing and requested Council look into it.

Michael Hohn, President of a synagogue on Lee Road for the last 35 years, made a statement about the shooting in a Pittsburgh synagogue. He stated there was a shooting near the Lee Road synagogue that same night and stated concern about a bar and lounge that opened nearby. Vice Mayor Yasinow responded with a statement of her own concern about the incident and referred him to Chief Mecklenburg. The City Manager said she and the Chief were aware of the situation and were engaged in the process of addressing the issue.

Joshua Mandel made a statement about the traffic and safety issues around the Queenston shopping area. Vice Mayor Yasinow referred him to speak with Chief Mecklenburg.

Dan Pentecost made a statement about Top of the Hill and requested more information regarding TIF funding. City Manager Tanisha Briley stated the TIF is being backed by the developer, not the City. Vice Mayor Yasinow suggested he speak with the City Manager, Vice City Manager or Tim Boland after the meeting.

Kevin Work made a statement regarding the bar that opened next to the synagogue. He said it has been a nuisance Friday and Saturday nights from 10:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. He was a witness to the shooting and administered first aid to the victim.

Joseph Conley made a statement about the shooting near the synagogue echoing the sentiments stated previously.

Bill Bruml made a statement of appreciation for Police presence at the synagogue.

Harvey Kugelman made a statement regarding how many children are present in the area of the synagogue. He stated they were not given prior notice of the bar opening with the opportunity to object to a liquor license. They have received notice after it was awarded and will be objecting to it.

Report of the City Manager

Nothing to report

Report of the Director of Finance/Clerk of Council

Nothing to report

Committee Reports

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Nothing to report

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Nothing to report

RECREATION, COMMUNITY AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Nothing to report

SAFETY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 122-2018 (SMS), First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the County of Cuyahoga to perform certain services to help maintain the City's sanitary and storm sewers

Introduced by Council Member Stephens

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 123-2018 (AS), First Reading. An Ordinance amending Section 137.11, "Appointments, Promotions and Probation," of Chapter 137, *Civil Service*, the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland Heights

Introduced by Council Member Stein

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Council Member Stephens stated that she is running for County Council during the election tomorrow. That will require a resignation from the City Council of Cleveland Heights. It will create a vacancy on Council and she asked that the Council and residents carefully consider her replacement until the next election. She thanked everyone for their support in this role and the next.

Vice Mayor's Report

Vice Mayor Yasinow encouraged everyone to vote tomorrow. Vice Mayor Yasinow made a statement about the shooting in Pittsburgh, where some of her family members have attended. She read the name and age of each victim.

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Yasinow, Vice Mayor

Susanna Niermann O'Neil, Acting Clerk of Council
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