



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

Monday, February 4, 2019 Minutes

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

6:20 – 7:20 p.m.

Mayor Roe presiding

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

Staff present: Briley, Clinkscale, Freeman, Juliano, Lambdin, Mecklenburg, Niermann O'Neil, Trupo

Topics discussed: Report of City Council Members, Scheduling for Council Vacancy Interviews, Legislation Overview, Staff Reports, Reporting Preferences, Joint City/School Board Meeting Planning and Recognizing Election Day as a Holiday

Executive Session

8:05 – 9:00 p.m.

Council Member Dunbar made a motion to begin Executive Session, which was seconded by Council Member Stein, to discuss the appointment of a public official.

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

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

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

CITY COUNCIL

7:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Roe presiding

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

Staff present: Briley, Clinkscale, Freeman, Juliano, Lambdin, Mecklenburg, Niermann O'Neil, Trupo

The minutes of the regular Council meeting held Tuesday, January 22, 2019 were approved with corrections submitted.

ReadyCertify Designation Presentation

Mark Christie and Macklin Flinn from the Cuyahoga County Office of Emergency Management presented a plaque to the City of Cleveland Heights for completion of the ReadyCertify program. They gave an overview of the program. Lindy Burt thanked Chief Freeman for his participation in the program. Chief Freeman thanked Department Heads for their help in attaining the certification. Council members extended their thanks.

Personal communications from citizens

None.

Report of the City Manager

Request Permission to go to bid for the Meadowbrook Boulevard Reconstruction Project.

Matter of Record

Refer to: Safety and Municipal Services Committee

Vice Mayor Yasinow moved to grant permission to go to bid for the Meadowbrook Boulevard Reconstruction Project which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

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

Motion Passed

Report of the Director of Finance/Clerk of Council

Nothing to report.

Committee Reports

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ABR will be meeting Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers regarding Top of the Hill. In addition, questions and comments can be directed to Richard Wong at rwong@clvhts.com. Updated information for the project is available at <https://www.clevelandheights.com/988/Top-of-the-Hill>.

RECREATION, COMMUNITY AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2019 (RCER). A Resolution recognizing February, 2019 as National African American History Month

Council Member Seren made a statement about the importance of recognizing the contributions of African Americans.

Introduced by Council Member Seren, Seconded by Council Member Stein

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

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2019 (RCER). A Resolution proclaiming February, 2019, *American Heart Month*

Introduced by Council Member Seren, Seconded by Council Member Stein

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

Legislation Passed

SAFETY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 8-2019 (SMS), *Second Reading*. An Ordinance repealing Part Seventeen, *Health Code*, of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland Heights and renumbering Section 1715.10 to Section 737.06, Chapter 1753 to Chapter 763, Chapter 1779 to Chapter 555; amending Subsection 1553.01(a)(3)

Introduced by Vice Mayor Yasinow, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

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

Legislation Passed

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2019 (AS), *Second Reading*. An Ordinance amending Section 1341.15, “Family,” of Title Five, *Housing Code*, of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland Heights

Introduced by Council Member Stein, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

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

Legislation Passed

ORDINANCE NO. 4-2019 (AS), *Second Reading*. An Ordinance amending Chapter 749, “Fair Practices,” of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland Heights to add “age” as a protected class within the City

Introduced by Council Member Stein, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

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

Legislation Passed

Council Member Stein moved to appoint Martin Johansson to the Architectural Board of Review for a three-year term expiring in December of 2021. Vice Mayor Yasinow seconded the motion.

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

Motion Passed

Vice Mayor Yasinow stated that Council requested staff to look into whether a grant program that helps with student debt would help with attraction and retention of residents. Council requested staff to research universal paid family leave policy for the birth or adoption of a child. Council requested staff research the recognition of Election Day as a holiday in place of another currently recognized holiday.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Roe stated that the Refuse and Recycling Task Force is still accepting applications until this Friday. There are currently 22 applicants.

Mayor Roe attended the Heights Community Congress on Saturday regarding diversity and white privilege. Several Council members attended the Martin Luther King, Jr. ceremony at the Community Center earlier this month.

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ann Roe, Mayor

Susanna Niermann O'Neil, Acting Clerk of Council
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