

The Regular, Scheduled Meeting of the Council of The Village of Marble Cliff

At 1600 Fernwood Ave.

February 17, 2020

The Council of the Village of Marble Cliff held its regular, scheduled meeting on Monday, February 17, 2020 in the Village Hall at 1600 Fernwood Ave. at 7:00 pm. Those in attendance were Council Members: Marnie Hoag, Matthew R. Jolson, Jeffery Smith, Joanne Taylor, Kendy A. Troiano, and Dow T. Voelker; Mayor, Matthew P. Cincione; Village Solicitor, Yazan Ashrawi; Village Engineer, Joshua Ford; Administrative Assistant, Judith A. Ciccone; and Fiscal Officer, Cynthia A. McKay. Visitors were present.

VARIANCES AND PERMITS

Mayor Cincione introduced the second reading of O-2623-20, An Ordinance rezoning Parcel # 143-000252 (Unit C) and 143-000253 (Unit D) located at 2109 West Fifth Avenue from B-1 Central Business District to R-1 Residential.

Ms. McKay confirmed no comments in favor of or opposition to the rezoning have been received at Village Hall. Mr. Miller was available to answer questions. No questions were asked by Council or those present.

Ms. Troiano moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Jolson moved the adoption of O-2623-20. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashrawi asked all in attendance who intended to offer testimony on the variance request and or the demolition permit before Council to stand and be sworn in. Mr. Ashrawi asked, **“Do you swear or affirm that the testimony that you will give before the Marble Cliff Council in this hearing will be the truth and the whole truth and nothing but the truth?”** Those standing responded **“Yes.”**

Mayor Cincione introduce a request for a use variance for 2125 W. Fifth Ave. to permit hairdressing, beauty salon and retail services.

Mayor Cincione recognized Lynne Brown, owner of 2125 W. Fifth Ave., and Samantha Veit, the tenant for the front portion of 2125 W. Fifth Ave. Ms. Veit confirmed that she plans to have one stylist at the location, but most of her business' work occurs off location. She also confirmed that there will be some limited retail sales of beauty and salon related products.

Mr. Voelker moved approval of the use variance request for 2125 W. Fifth Ave. Ms. Troiano seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Cincione introduced a request for a demolition permit for 2015 W. Fifth Ave. and introduced Ted Foster to address any questions regarding the request.

Mr. Ashrawi reviewed the standard application for demolition submitted by Mr. Foster for demolishing the 1960's addition on the rear of 2015 W. Fifth Ave. The addition is a two-story addition in the style of a 1960's school building and can be removed without alteration to the existing historical structure.

Mr. Ashrawi reviewed the Section 154.062 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Marble Cliff and the requirements necessary for review prior to the issuance of a demolition permit by the Village Council.

Mr. Ashrawi confirmed the requirements of 154.062(C) “Contents of the demolition permit application” have been met through a combination of the permit application and the information received by Council as part of the Preliminary Plan portion of the PDD rezoning previously approved by Council.

Mr. Ashrawi confirmed the requirements of 154.062 (D) “Council action” have been met through the Planned District Development process completed by the applicant and confirmed by Council action of approval of the rezoning of 2015 W. Fifth Ave.

Village Council reviewed the application as required by 154.062(E) “Council review criteria.”

Mr. Voelker moved approval of the demolition permit request for 2015 W. Fifth Ave. Ms. Troiano seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VISITORS

Mayor Cincione introduced Thea Walsh, Transportation Director for Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). Ms. Walsh explained that she is attending the Village Council meeting to present the 2020 Metropolitan Transportation Plan that MORPC is required to update every 4 years.

Ms. Walsh explained the process for developing plans and program that, when adopted, allow MORPC to apply for federal grants and funds to be used in central Ohio. Ms. Walsh stated the information regarding the 2020 MTP is available on line. Additionally, there

will be an Open House on February 26, 2020 with an open comment period through April 3, 2020. Following the review and comment period, the plan must be adopted by MORPC and will be in effect on July 1, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Receive - Mayor's Court Report, January, 2020
- 2) Receive – Police Report, January, 2020
- 3) Receive – Fire Department Report, January, 2020
- 4) Receive – Building Permits Issued, January 2020
- 5) Approval - Minutes of the regular, scheduled meeting of January 20, 2020
- 6) Approval - Financial Statements for January, 2020

Mr. Voelker moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Ms. Hoag seconded. Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

VISITORS – Cont.

Mayor Cincione introduced the first reading of R-2628-20, A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to make application for designating the Village of Marble Cliff a Certified Local Government.

Mr. Foster explained his request that the Village make application to the state of Ohio Historical Connection to designate the Village a Certified Local Government. The Certified Local Government allows properties in the Village to be designated as historical and make those properties eligible for state and federal grants and credits. Only properties with owners which request to be designated as “historical” can be designated; the Village does not choose properties for historical designation.

Mr. Foster stated there are minimum requirements for the Village to establish and maintain a Historical Commission. At this time only the property at 2015 W. Fifth Ave. would be designated as historical.

Ms. McKay reviewed the language provided by the historical office at the Ohio Historical Connection.

Ms. Hoag moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Hoag moved the adoption of R-2628-20. Ms. Troiano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Voelker moved the resolution be passed as an emergency in order to comply with state of Ohio deadlines for submission. Mr. Jolson seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Voelker, yes; Ms. Hoag, yes; Mr. Jolson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Ms. Taylor, yes; Ms. Troiano, yes. The motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cincione reported he attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting and provided an update of recent activities and issues in the Village including AEP's plans for the intersection of Dublin Rd. and W. Fifth Ave.

Council had a brief discussion about the upcoming AEP Open House. Ms. McKay confirmed the postcards have been sent to residents. A blast email is scheduled and a notice has been posted on the Village's web site.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Ford reported the bid opening for the 2020 Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements project is scheduled for March 6, 2020. The engineer's estimate is \$246,000.

Mr. Ford reviewed the process for removing the traffic light at the corner of W. Third Ave. and Cambridge Blvd.

Mr. Ford left the meeting at this point.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Ashrawi reported the Ohio Supreme Court will hear oral arguments on the tax challenge case on May 13, 2020.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT REPORT

Ms. Ciccone reported the neighbors of the resident with the dangerous dog on Village Court brought to staff's attention that the dog did significant damage to the front window of the dog owner's house while agitated by a delivery. The dog's owner has been cooperative, made restitution, and is in compliance with the probation placed on the dog owner by Mayor's Court. No action was identified as needed at this time.

Ms. Ciccone reported Environmental Management Inc. Has offered the Village an opportunity to extend the 2020 landscape agreement to 2021 at an increase for 2021 of 1.5%.

Mr. Jolson moved approval of a one-year extension to the 2020 Landscape Agreement approved by Council at the January 20, 2020 regular Council meeting. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ciccone reported to Council that the major climbing equipment in Falco Park is in need of replacement. Council had a brief discussion of options for replacement and asked Ms. Ciccone to prepare a proposal for Council consideration.

Mayor Cincione introduced the first reading of R-2627-20, A Resolution authorizing political subdivision participation in the State of Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program.

Ms. Ciccone explained the annual fee for participating in the CPP is \$100. The service can be used for many things from playground equipment to signage.

Mr. Voelker moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Voelker moved the adoption of R-2627-20. Ms. Troiano seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Ms. Troiano moved approval of the February 2020 bills totaling \$53,847.00. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Troiano moved approval of the amended January 2020 bills totaling \$83,472.79. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. McKay stated the AEP Open House will be Wednesday, February 19, 2020 from 5 to 8 pm.

Ms. McKay reported the electric vehicle chargers and the solar panels on Village Hall are all up and running.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Ms. Troiano presented information on planned improvements to McKinley Park. She shared drawings for additions to the concession building, adding restrooms and expanding the shelter building. The additions includes equipment storage. The materials will match the materials used in Wyman Woods.

Ms. Troiano reported there will be new management for the public pool. There will be minor repairs and painting at the pool facility before the summer season.

Ms. Troiano reported that an irrigation system will be installed in Memorial Park.

Ms. Troiano reported a furnace has been added to the shelter house at Wyman Woods. The shelter house at Wyman Woods will become available for rental seven days a week.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Troiano's term on the Park Advisory Board has ended. Ms. Taylor agreed to serve on the board with Mr. Jolson as back up.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Jolson agreed to serve as the Council representative to the Falco Scholarship Committee at the Columbus Foundation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORC Section 121.22(G)(2), Purchase or Sale of Property and ORC Section 121.22(G)(3), Pending or Imminent Court Action

Mr. Voelker moved that Council move into Executive Session as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(2) and 121.22(G)(3). Ms. Taylor seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Voelker, yes; Ms. Hoag, yes; Mr. Jolson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Ms. Taylor, yes; Ms. Troiano, yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Voelker moved Council adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene in the public meeting. Ms. Troiano seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Ms. Troiano moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Cincione adjourned the meeting at 9:55 P.M.

Approved by:

Submitted by:

Dow T. Voelker
Council President Pro Tem

Cynthia A. McKay
Fiscal Officer