

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

At 1600 Fernwood Ave.

January 20, 2020

The Council of the Village of Marble Cliff held its regular, scheduled meeting on Monday, January 20, 2020 in the Village Hall at 1600 Fernwood Ave. at 6:00 pm. Those in attendance were Council Members: Marnie Hoag, Matthew R. Jolson, Jeffery Smith, Joanne Taylor, 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.

ORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL

Ms. Hoag nominated Dow T. Voelker to serve as President Pro Tem of Council for 2020. Mr. Jolson seconded the nomination. Roll Call: Ms. Hoag, yes; Mr. Jolson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Ms. Taylor, yes; Mr. Voelker, yes. Mr. Voelker was elected President Pro Tem of Council with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Receive - Mayor's Court Report, December, 2019
- 2) Receive – Police Report, December, 2019
- 3) Receive – Fire Department Report, December, 2019
- 4) Receive – Building Permits Issued, December 2019
- 5) Approval - Minutes of the regular, scheduled meeting of December 18, 2019 and special meeting of January 1, 2020
- 6) Approval - Financial Statements for December, 2019
- 7) Receive – Income Tax Reports for November and December 2019
- 8) Receive – Thank you note
- 9) Receive – Notice of New Council Member Training

Mr. Voelker noted Ms. Hoag should be removed from the “those in attendance” in the January 1, 2020 special meeting minutes.

Mr. Jolson moved approval of the Consent Agenda as corrected. Ms. Taylor seconded. Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORC Section 121.22(G)(1), Certain Personnel Matters.

Mr. Voelker moved that Council move into Executive Session as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). Ms. Hoag seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Voelker, yes; Ms. Hoag, yes; Mr. Jolson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Ms. Taylor, yes. The motion passed unanimously.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Cincione opened the public hearing and introduced the first reading of O-2623-20, An Ordinance rezoning Parcel # 143-000254 (Unit C) and 143-000255 (Unit D) located at 2109 West Fifth Avenue from B-1 Central Business District to R-1 Residential.

Ms. McKay reported no communications were received at Village Hall in favor of or opposition to the request.

Mayor Cincione recognized Thomas Miller, owner of units C and D. Mr. Miller stated that he had an appraisal of the property performed. The appraisal determined the best use of the property would be residential on the upper levels. The lowest level would remain commercial.

Council asked a variety of questions about future use. Mr. Miller answered all questions satisfactorily for Council. Council discussed the impact of the requested change in zoning relative to the Village's W. Fifth Ave. long-term plan.

Mayor Cincione explained the three-reading process. He stated the ordinance will be held over for a second reading.

Mayor Cincione closed the public hearing.

VISITORS

Mayor Cincione recognized Lynne Brown, owner of 2125 W. Fifth Ave. Ms. Brown introduced Samantha Veit as a potential tenant for the front space in the building at 2125 W. Fifth Ave.

Ms. Veit explained her desire to have a location in the area for her beauty and hairdressing services. She explained that most of their work is off site with particular clients, but there will be one stylist at the W. Fifth Ave. location. She stated there will be some retail. She explained they do not see walk-in clients. Everything is by appointment. She stated that the bulk of their business is weddings and special occasion services including hair and make-up.

Ms. Veit explained they are a destination business and do not anticipate the need for signage in the immediate future.

Mr. Voelker stated he has no concerns about the request. Staff will take care of the required processes and procedures.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cincione reported he attended a Chamber of Commerce event where he shared information on the Village. He also attended the ground breaking for the construction at the Grandview Heights Schools.

Mayor Cincione has established office hours for the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Mayor Cincione shared information regarding the Tri-Village Economic Development Planning group through the Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Cincione suggested a Council Member might be interested in participating. The meetings are scheduled for the last Friday of each month at 8:00 AM.

Mayor Cincione stated his desire to remove the traffic signal at the intersection of Cambridge Blvd. and West Third Ave. He stated he would like to investigate options for improving the landscaping and aesthetics along Cambridge Blvd. as well as addressing traffic calming options after the removal of the traffic signal. He suggested Matt Jolson and Mr. Smith might work with Mr. Ford to examine options.

Mayor Cincione shared two speeches from Mayor Falco's files that offer a detailed history of the Village of Marble Cliff.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Ford reported he is preparing the bid specs for the 2020 Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project.

Mayor Cincione introduced the first reading of O-2625-20, An Ordinance to codify the 2020 fees for construction permits issued for work in Village rights of way.

Mr. Ford explained the calculation for determining the construction permit fees and annual Registration Maintenance Fee.

Ms. Taylor moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Voelker moved the adoption of O-2625-20. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Cincione introduced the first reading of O-2626-20, An Ordinance to codify new annual Registration Maintenance Fee for Occupancy of Village rights of way.

Mr. Voelker moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Voelker moved the adoption of O-2626-20. Mr. Jolson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ford left the meeting at this point.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Ashrawi had no report for Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORC Section 121.22(G)(1), Certain Personnel Matters.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Voelker moved Kendy A. Troiano be appointed to the vacant Council seat. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT REPORT

Ms. Ciccone presented a proposal from Environmental Management to provide landscaping services for the 2020 season.

Mr. Jolson moved approval of the 2020 landscaping proposal submitted by Environmental Management Incorporated. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Mr. Voelker moved approval of the January 2020 bills totaling \$75,677.67. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Voelker moved approval of the amended December 2019 bills totaling \$115,380.24. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Smith agreed to serve as chairman of the Financial Investment Board.

Ms. McKay reported all the necessary year-end financial processing is complete and the public notification of the year-end financials has been published as required.

Ms. McKay reported W-2's will be ready by the end of the week.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Cincione introduced the fourth reading of O-2615-19, An Ordinance adding section 154.065 – Solar Panels – to the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Marble Cliff, Ohio.

Mr. Voelker moved amendment of O-2615-19 to reflect the following changes: 1) change “architectural review” to “Council review”, 2) add “notification of surrounding property owners”, and add “Council approval.” Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Jolson moved the adoption of O-2615-19 as amended. Mr. Voelker seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Cincione introduced the third reading of O-2620-19, An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into a contract for professional legal services with Frost Brown & Todd, LLC for a one-year period from February 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021.

Ms. Hoag moved the adoption of O-2620-19. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. McKay reported Northstar Realty has asked to have Ordinance O-2622-19 removed from consideration.

NEW BUSINESS – Cont.

Mayor Cincione introduced the first reading of O-2624-20, An Ordinance providing for additional legal counsel for the Village of Marble Cliff, Ohio, authorizing the employment of Public Defenders in connection with the defense of indigent defendants

charged in criminal and traffic cases in the Municipal Court of Franklin County, Ohio, setting compensation of said assistants, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Franklin County Public Defender Commission to accomplish such purposes.

Ms. Hoag moved to suspend the rules. Mr. Jolson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Jolson moved the adoption of O-2625-20. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORC Section 121.22(G)(3), Pending or Imminent Court Action

Mr. Jolson moved that Council move into Executive Session as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), 121.22(G)(2) and 121.22(G)(3). Mr. Voelker seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Voelker, yes; Ms. Hoag, yes; Mr. Jolson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Ms. Taylor, yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Hoag moved Council adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene in the public meeting. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Mr. Voelker moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Hoag seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Cincione adjourned the meeting at 10:15 P.M.

Approved by:

Submitted by:

Dow T. Voelker
Council President Pro Tem

Cynthia A. McKay
Fiscal Officer