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

1600 Fernwood Ave.

June 17, 2024

The Council of the Village of Marble Cliff held its regular, scheduled meeting on Monday, June 17, 2024, at 7:00 pm. in Village Hall, 1600 Fernwood Ave., in the Village of Marble Cliff. Those in attendance were Mayor, Matthew Cincione; Council Members: President, Dow T. Voelker; Matthew R. Jolson, Bridget B. Sarna, Joanne C. Taylor, Kendy A. Troiano, and Marcia A. Thomas; Anthony Severyn, on behalf of Yazan Ashrawi, Village Solicitor; Joshua Ford, Village Engineer; Stephanie Evans, Fiscal Officer; and Peggy Shanahan, Assistant Fiscal Officer. No representatives of the press were present. Visitors were present.

Mayor Cincione called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor opened the Budget Hearing and presented O-2713-24, An Ordinance Adopting a budget for the year 2025 for the Village of Marble Cliff, for its third reading.

With no public comment, Mayor Cincione adjourned the public hearing.

Mr. Voelker moved to approve Ordinance O-2713-24; Ms. Troiano seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

VARIANCES, PERMITS AND VISITORS

Mayor Cincione introduced the Cambridge Boulevard presentation and reminded Council about the process that brought us to this point. Mr. Carmine Russo and his team from REALM then presented the final concept plan for improvements to Cambridge Boulevard. The team reviewed the feedback from the community meeting and shared details about how this plan addresses the concerns of council and residents, and shared cost estimates and a potential timeline. Mr. Ford added to the conversation, explaining the thought process and necessity of specific parts of the plan, including a new water line. Costs were broken down between infrastructure and beautification, to show that the bulk of the costs lie in infrastructure. It was noted that additional beautification, such as landscaping and tree planting, could be phased in over time. There was discussion about the costs, and the desire to have a basis for comparison if there was no re-design of the street. There was also some discussion about the width of the sidewalks, with a suggestion from Mr. Jolson to consider making them ten feet wide on one side. Given the time that will be necessary to complete the planning process, Mr. Ford suggested waiting until next fall to apply to OPWC, at which time we will have a more comprehensive package and fare better with the application. The next step will be construction drawings, should Council approve the final concept plan.

Ms. Troiano moved to approve the final concept plan for improvements to Cambridge Boulevard. Ms. Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Approval Minutes of the regular, scheduled meeting, May 20, 2024
- 2) Received Fire Report, May 2024
- 3) Received -- Police Report, May 2024
- 4) Received Permit Report, May 2024

Mayor Cincione introduced the Consent Agenda and asked if any items need pulled out for discussion. No items were pulled out for discussion.

Mr. Voelker moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Ms. Troiano seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cincione shared that Mr. Jamie Gentry has finished an Economic Development Incentive program for the Village. The program description and application will be used in discussions with businesses interested in locating their offices in Marble Cliff.

The Mayor also stated that the AEP project is delayed for another year, but that they are preparing to put the 2200 W. Fifth building on the market this year.

Mayor Cincione shared that Charter Communications has notified the Village that they are closing a portion of their offices on Dublin Road, and that as a result, they will be laying off approximately 175 employees.

He also reported that he and the Village staff are working on the contract renewal with Grandview and that it will be brought to Council soon.

Finally, the Mayor shared that he attended the Arlington #10 SID meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Ford shared that because he is spending a lot of time on his new responsibilities at Burgess & Niple, he brought along Mr. Caleb Smith to introduce him to Council. Mr. Smith already does a lot of work for Marble Cliff behind the scenes and will now be filling in for Mr. Ford as needed in the future.

Mr. Ford reported that he has been working with EP Ferris regarding the storm sewer improvements at Arlington #10 and keeping an eye on the work at 2015 W. Fifth Avenue. He also stated that the GIS work is moving along.

Mr. Ford and Mr. Smith left the meeting at this time.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None.

STAFF REPORT

Ms. Evans shared that the financial report for May 2024 is not complete but will have it for Council's review at the next meeting.

The mayor brought forth O-2714-24, An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to execute an agreement to renew the policy with Ohio Government Risk Management Plan for property, liability, wrongful acts, automobile, bond, crime, inland marine, and electronic data processing insurance, for its second reading.

Ms. Shanahan shared the summary report for the Memorial Day parade coffee stand and council members offered feedback. Overall, it was very successful.

Ms. Shanahan also shared that the Village website is undergoing updates, and that around 30 residents have signed up for the composting pilot program.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning Overlay District – Mr. Voelker suggested that Council should take another month to think about it and wait for Mr. Ashrawi's return to discuss it further.

The Mayor introduced R-2669-24, A Resolution imposing a seventeen-month moratorium on the cultivation, processing, and retail dispensing of adult-use and medical marijuana in the Village of Marble Cliff, for its second reading.

There was discussion around this topic, and whether to act on it now to be sure it is decided by the time the state issues its guidance. Mr. Severyn confirmed that this legislation, should it pass, may be altered at any time.

Mr. Jolson moved to suspend the rules; Ms. Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Troiano moved to approve R-2669-24; Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor introduced O-2716-24, An Ordinance to authorize the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into an Agreement with The Compost Exchange to establish a Village-sponsored community-wide Curbside Compost Collection program for its second reading.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURN

Ms. Troiano moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Jolson seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Cincione adjourned the meeting at 9:10 pm.

Approved by:

Submitted by:

Dow T. Voelker Council President Stephanie A. Evans Fiscal Officer

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