

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 20, 2008

Council May Meet in Caucus beginning at 7:00 p.m.

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

Nancy R. McGregor, President

Thomas C. Evers, Vice President

Beryl D. Anderson

Shane Ewald

Thomas R. Kneeland

John R. McAlister

David L. Samuel

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC, Clerk of Council

A. CALL TO ORDER - Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call:

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, October 20, 2008, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Nancy R. McGregor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Council Vice President Evers delivered the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on October 17, 2008.

Members Present: Nancy R. McGregor, Thomas C. Evers, Thomas R. Kneeland, Shane W. Ewald, John McAlister, Beryl D. Anderson and David L. Samuel

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA: None.**C. HEARING OF VISITORS:**

Windy McKenna, Gahanna-Jefferson Board of Education, noted that Goshen Lane Elementary gave presentation at last meeting; will be an open house Dec. 4 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Eastland Fairfield Career Center; thank Evers for coming to board meeting; talked about school nutrition; schools received 13 proposals for property at Hamilton and Granville; will be meeting last week of October to whittle that down; moving right along with the project; damage from windstorm was more than \$75,000; insurance should cover most of it; Justin Sanford came and gave report on athletic facilities; was to be a 3- phase program and we are now up to 8th phase; currently working on baseball field at Blacklick to improve drainage and infield turf; on Friday Blacklick will be unveiling metal flower sculptures done by a Blacklick artist; metal flower sculpture is inspired by current students; most of agenda was hiring coaches and advisors; did receive a phone call this afternoon from lady about life in Gahanna; made sure I was eligible to answer questions; she struggled with pronunciation of Gahanna; survey was very thorough and well done; lots of choices of answers; just wanted you to know it is out there and moving along; compliment you and Chamber of Commerce on Taste of Gahanna; was well done; next board meeting is November 13. glad to answer any questions.

Mike Maurer, Buckeye Institute, 88 E. Broad St Suite 1120, Columbus, Ohio, stated he was here tonight to speak to Council and audience members about transparency; pledge for transparency and openness in government handed out to you was distributed to all candidates on all ballots in the state; distribution 1400+; asking candidates to consider in some detail what transparency means; worked previously at Daily Reporter and This Week; most people react positively; they say it sounds good but the first thing is what does that mean; pledge is an effort to detail that; folks in political life make a lot of pledges and words are said that may be vague; working to put a little specificity to that; to put things on the web; you do have a nice web site; is active and easy to find things; really like your open records policy; it is easy to generate a public records policy that gives too much detail; your records policy mounted on the wall says what it needs to; sure there is more detail behind it but it is a nice balance; hope you will take some time between now and next meeting to review the pledge; decide if it makes sense to you; one of the drivers of transparency is the Coburn Obama bill; his policies are not likely to be those of Tom Coburn who is of the political mind of John McAlister; but they agree on this.

With no opposition from Council members, President extended time for this speaker. Maurer continued that they along with Grover Norquist and Ralph Nader can agree on concept of transparency; it would include payroll, capital budgets, checkbook register, financial audits, all contracts, taxes, fees, and revenues collected; mostly financial information; putting it out there for people to see; in a format that would be easy for

them to understand; generate electronic data anyway; asking you to join us and a lot of other cities and make things a little more understandable for the general public; thank you.

McGregor asked how many of the candidates this was sent to have responded. Maurer stated they didn't ask for a specific response; suggested they go to wiki; will be spending next year going to every county and speaking to county commissioners, school boards, and councils and asking them to think about this; if they don't go to the wiki and put information there respond to us; was just sent 2 weeks ago and we have 30 to 40 postings at this time.

Kneeland stated he agreed and believed everything needs to be open; you work for Buckeye Institute; would your position be considered a lobbyist because you are a paid employee? what role are you playing? is this a personal commitment? Maurer stated that lobbying has more to do with legislation; the tax code is tricky regarding 501(c)(3); we don't lobby for the most part; we can be invited to testify and we do; HB 420 passed House of Representatives; is in Finance Committee in Senate now and will be testifying; serve some transparency needs; would like it to serve others; don't lobby but do have a mission of promoting transparency in government data; am here on behalf of the Buckeye Institute.

Verlin Horn, 625 Laurel Ridge Drive, stated he wished to address Council regarding the bike trail system that you are being asked to vote on tonight; was invited to a meeting in May; only one trail option was presented which took it through my backyard; found out tonight he is showing some additional options; still significantly concerned about using private property; plan continues to show this going through my property; way this is being designed that uses private property; if you look at survey actually 50% said there was some need and only 30% said there was a serious need for this trail system; some put it in the same category as needing additional restrooms and was equal to building a recreation center; needs to show those other options as well; last option proposed path in a secluded area which will promote greenway crimes; look at the e-mail I sent; am extremely concerned on the bike trail path.

Jamie McKenna, 755 Parkedge Drive, stated he was also one of 16 residents affected by the plan to bring through my back yard; just happened to notice tonight that report is dated July 2008; don't know if things were added; report talked about in our May meeting was supposed to be the final report; there is a need to communicate especially to the 16 residents most affected; am in favor of the bike path; have concerns with access where it will come through our yard; may be along the creek; may be 200' into my property; are properties affected that have pools, tennis courts, basketball courts, and trampolines; next door neighbor has bees; what is our liability with this; just wanted to state for the record have some concerns; been working with Collins but don't want you to forget there are people who have concerns.

Anderson asked Horn and McKenna if there is an alternative;. McKenna stated he had expressed one at the meeting; understand there are two other proposals; thought final report was done before the meeting. In response to question from Anderson, Horn and McKenna stated they had not seen the alternative proposals. Horn stated it had just been shared with him tonight that there were alternatives; my alternative plan was to look at Olde Ridenour Road; less expensive and more cost efficient. McKenna stated his suggestion was to come up Nob Hill and back to McKenna Creek Park and out of the way; Nob Hill would be the widest place to look for traffic.

Collins stated he had just spoken with them before the meeting; working on a response;

plan that the two gentlemen saw is not what is before you; was a lack of communication on our end; their input is the reason for you to see all 3 options; that's why the plan has all three options; they and their neighbors came out; is still unresolved; plan of action is to adopt as a planning document; build in north and south and then revisit with the neighbors; plan out on the board in the lobby has the three options.

McAlister stated was my understanding that in passing this concept plan that it was a concept and not design to build or even a designated path to build. Collins stated that was correct, it is a concept plan. McAlister asked if the path were to go along either option are we talking eminent domain. Collins replied no; at that point we would approach them and if they were interested we could move forward; if they weren't then no; acquisition of property would be a purchase not a taking; never been discussed on our end.

Anderson stated she wanted to understand the idea of the concept plan and what it means. McKenna stated the plan he saw stated concept but it had one concept on it and that was all; that was where my concerns came in; want to understand that you know that 16 residents have concerns, not just one and that these issues will need to be resolved.; Horn stated he was on the web site and hit a link that showed the three alternatives; not sure the legislation has the correct attachment. Stinchcomb stated it would be wise to postpone to verify legislation is correct; two weeks won't make a difference.

MOTION by Evers, seconded by Anderson, to move ORD-0208-2008 to Second Reading of Ordinances on the Regular Agenda. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Evers, Anderson, McAlister, McGregor, Samuel, Ewald, Kneeland. Motion carried.

Zoe Bennett, 725 Ronson Way, stated she wished to address two separate things; first is regarding the dog park; attended the Parks Board meeting where they recommended that dogs be allowed to be off leash specifically for the dog park; hope you would consider that not be allowed; have great concerns while people are coming and going, children running back and forth; huge safety concerns; hope you will consider that before you make that permanent even for the next year; any day that goes by that dogs are allowed off leash is a concern; can't always control but if it there is at least a law someone could be held accountable; secondly would like to thank Service Department employees; even if we have differences and residents don't understand, they take the time to listen; appreciate the Service Department listening on the Fleet Run concerns; both are willing to come together; appreciate that all departments are willing to do that; not always easy for us residents; sometimes personal; they are doing jobs they are passionate and care about; thank you for your time.

McGregor clarified that Pizzurro Park is currently off leash; what is before us is to allow us to extend that for one year; just wanted to make sure you understood it was currently off leash. Bennett stated that was what concerned her.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

Ordinances introduced, by title, by Evers.

ORD-0212-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AMENDED CONTRACT WITH TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION FOR SCOPE CHANGES FOR TECHCENTER DRIVE WEST, IMP. NO. ST762; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE FUNDS THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced**ORD-0214-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH JESS HOWARD ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE.

Introduced**ORD-0215-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GOLDEN TOUCH CAR AND VAN WASH, INC., FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS STARTING JANUARY 1, 2009 AND CONTINUING THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010, WITH AN OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR, FOR WASHING AND CLEANING OF OFFICIAL CITY VEHICLES

Introduced**ORD-0216-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR HEALTH SERVICES IN THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE 2009 FISCAL YEAR.

Introduced**ORD-0218-2008**

AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW AN EXTENSION OF WAIVER TO SECTION 563.19, PETS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA TO ALLOW PIZZURRO PARK TO BE USED FOR A POOCH PLAYGROUND.

Introduced, to Regular Agenda**ORD-0220-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CLASS ACTS COLUMBUS, INC., TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE 2009 GAHANNA FREEDOM FESTIVAL.

Introduced**ORD-0223-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH HAMBURG FIREWORKS DISPLAY, INC., FOR FIREWORKS FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA 2009 FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Introduced**ORD-0224-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH URS CORPORATION FOR MCKENNA CREEK STORMWATER STUDY PHASE II; AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$19,700.

Introduced**ORD-0225-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FUN DAY EVENTS, LLC, FOR INFLATABLE GAMES, ACTIVITIES, FOOD AND LABOR FOR THE CITY'S FREEDOM FESTIVAL FOR 2009

Introduced**ORD-0229-2008**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Lands & Buildings Capital Projects/Improvements

Introduced**ORD-0230-2008**

TO AMEND CODE SECTION 921.11, SEWER RENTAL RATES, OF CHAPTER 921, SANITARY SEWER CONNECTIONS AND RENTAL RATES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

Introduced, to Finance Committee**ORD-0231-2008**

TO ACCEPT EASEMENT FOR 2.731 ACRES FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 258 JAMES ROAD FROM GEORGE W. WEBER, JR.

Introduced**ORD-0232-2008**

TO ACCEPT WARRANTY DEED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 148 PARKLAND DRIVE; PURCHASED FROM THE JEFFERSON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RECREATION COUNCIL

Introduced**ORD-0233-2008**

TO AMEND CODE SECTION 927.17, CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY AND ERU ASSIGNMENT AND RATE, OF CHAPTER 927, STORM SEWERS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

Introduced, to Finance Committee**ORD-0235-2008**

TO AMEND CHAPTER 929, WATER CONNECTIONS AND RATES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, TO AMEND SECTION 929.08, METER SERVICE FEE; SECTION 929.12, WATER RATES; AND SECTION 929.17, SPECIAL CHARGES.

Introduced, to Finance Committee**ORD-0236-2008**

TO AMEND CODE SECTION 941.15 PICKUP AND DISPOSAL FEES, OF CHAPTER 941, GARBAGE AND RUBBISH COLLECTION.

Introduced, to Finance Committee**ORD-0237-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH B&C COMMUNICATIONS, FOR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM UPGRADE; AND TO WAIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced**ORD-0238-2008**

TRANSFER OF FUNDS - Sewer Fund

Introduced**ORD-0239-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH XYBIX SYSTEMS INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF 3 DISPATCHER WORKSTATIONS AND ALL REQUIRED COMPONENTS; AND TO WAIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced**ORD-0240-2008**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Information Technology Capital Equipment

Introduced**ORD-0241-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH SOUND COMMUNICATIONS, FOR THE PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE OF A DIGITAL RECORDING SYSTEM AS PART OF THE UPGRADE TO AN 800MHZ RADIO PLATFORM; AND TO WAIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced**ORD-0242-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH JESS HOWARD ELECTRIC CO., FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL ELECTRICAL POWER IN THE POLICE DIVISION BASEMENT UTILITY ROOM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0243-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH MOTOROLA INC., FOR PURCHASE OF THREE MCC-550 OPERATOR POSITION DISPATCH CONSOLES UNDER OHIO TERM SCHEDULE 573077-0-1; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$156,000; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0244-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO USE AGREEMENT WITH STATE OF OHIO'S OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, MULTI-AGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (MARCS) PROGRAM OFFICE FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING RADIO AIR TIME, INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE, PROGRAMMING ASSISTANCE AND CONTINUOUS CUSTOMER SUPPORT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0245-2008

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Police, Major Capital Equipment

Introduced

ORD-0246-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH CDW-G FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTOMATED VEHICLE LOCATORS FOR THE MARKED POLICE FLEET; TO WAIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES THEREFOR; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE FUNDS THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

E. CONSENT AGENDA:**Minutes - To Approve:****2008-0001**

- 1) October 20, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 2) October 27, 2008 Special Meeting Minutes

This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading , Adopt:**ORD-0219-2008**

TRANSFER OF FUNDS - Service, Capital Projects to CIC/Misc. Expenses

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted on the Consent Agenda

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading, Adopt as Emergency:**ORD-0211-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER, DBA COLUMBUS SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY, TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO HANNAH FARMS PARK; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0213-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO GRANT EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY TO AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER, DBA COLUMBUS SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY, FOR UTILITY EASEMENT AT HANNAH FARMS PARK; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0217-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE MEADOW GREEN CIRCLE SEWER LINING PROJECT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0221-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH 2K GENERAL COMPANY, FOR PHASE II GENERAL CONTRACTING, PLUMBING AND HVAC CONSTRUCTION OF HANNAH FARMS PARK; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0222-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH JESS HOWARD ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR PHASE II ELECTRICAL CONTRACT AT HANNAH FARMS PARK; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0226-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH AMERICA'S BODY COMPANY, FOR UPFIT OF NEW 2 1/2 TON DUMP TRUCK TO BE USED AS SNOW PLOW; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$8,619; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0227-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH BUCKEYE POWER SALES, FOR EQUIPMENT FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0228-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CONIE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE RICE AVENUE BASIN PROJECT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0234-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH PENGWYN, FOR BRINE EQUIPMENT; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$24,865; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinances on Second Reading:**ORD-0202-2008**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Garage, Gas & Oil

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0205-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL

PROTECTION AGENCY DIRECTOR'S FINDINGS AND ORDERS REGARDING
SANITARY SEWER EVALUATION AND MAINTENANCE.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0209-2008

TO ZONE 0.926 ACRES LOCATED AT 6010 TAYLOR ROAD; REQUESTED
ZONING SF-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL; BY KARL WETHERHOLT,
CITY OF GAHANNA, APPLICANT.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0210-2008

TO ZONE 5.615 ACRES LOCATED AT 6052 TAYLOR ROAD; REQUESTED
ZONING ER-1, ESTATE RESIDENTIAL; BY KARL WETHERHOLT, CITY OF
GAHANNA, APPLICANT.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading:

RES-0019-2008

RECOGNIZING WELCOME HOME DAY

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

RES-0020-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR CLEAN OHIO
CONSERVATION PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY
TO CREATE THE CENTRAL PARK GREENWAY.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolution:

MR-0049-2008

Motion Resolution to authorize purchase of housing and tracks for backup Sewer Truck
Camera at a cost of \$8,500; funding appropriated to Account No. 661.360.5512, Sewer
Capital Equipment; from Jack Doheny Supplies, Inc., P. O. Box 5500, Northville, MI,
48167.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0050-2008

Motion Resolution to allow the Street Department to keep truck #782 which was
scheduled to be sold in 2008 to be used to pre-treat main roads in the snow and ice
season.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0051-2008

Motion Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Service to go out for bids for the
replacement of the power line between City Hall and the Police Station.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0052-2008

Motion Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Service to go out for bids for
Cisco Switching Equipment to replace the aging network backbone of City Hall and the
Police Station.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0053-2008

Motion Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Service to go out for bids for
Compellent Storage Area Network (SAN) equipment.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0054-2008

Motion Resolution to authorize expenditure of funds appropriated to Police Minor
Capital, Account No. 101.211.5510 for mobile vehicle repeaters in the amount of

\$9,500; to be used instead for the purchase of computer forensic hardware and software.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0055-2008

Motion Resolution to authorize expenditure of funds appropriated to Police Minor Capital Account No. 101.211.5510, for the purchase of 11 portable radios in the amount of \$10,500; to be used instead for the purchase of 2 Motorola Astro XTL5000 800Mhz mobile radios for unmarked police vehicles; to be purchased from State Term Schedule Number 573077-0, Index Number STS073.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Evers, seconded by Ewald, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council McGregor, Vice President of Council Evers, Kneeland, Ewald, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Development & Parks Committee - Ewald: No Report.

Public Service & Safety Committee - McAlister No Report.

Committee of the Whole - Evers No Report.

Finance - Kneeland No Report.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - Legal:

Z-0015-2008

To consider an initial zoning of 27.9 acres located at 5847 Taylor Road (Central Park) and including additional adjacent parcels; recommended zoning of M-1(Manufacturing); pursuant to Section 1133.08 of the Codified Ordinances; by James Sisto, Value Recovery Group II, LLC, landowner. (Advertised in RFE 9/25 & 10/2/08)

Clerk stated Public Hearing will be held November 17, 2008.

Scheduled for Public Hearing

CC-0005-2008

To recommend to Council the approval of changes to Section 1163.07, Parking Spaces for People with Disabilities; of Chapter 1163, Parking Regulations, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Gahanna.

Clerk stated Public Hearing will be held November 17, 2008.

Scheduled for Public Hearing

Council:

Anderson stated the Annual Banquet for Franklin Soil & Water Conservation will be

held on October 23 at Confluence Park; also the Columbus Council on World Affairs will have an event at the Athletic Club on October 24; also will be holding a summit in Dublin in November.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

ORD-0208-2008

TO ADOPT THE BIG WALNUT TRAIL CONCEPT PLAN, DATED JULY, 2008, BY FLOYD BROWNE GROUP, FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO.

Clerk's Note: Item was postponed to November 3, 2008.

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Evers, seconded by Kneeland, that this matter be Postponed to Date Certain to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council McGregor, Vice President of Council Evers, Kneeland, Ewald, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.

L. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Ewald/Kneeland:

Kneeland stated next meeting is November 6; held visioning session at last meeting; got through items on agenda; on Nov. 6 will finalize that and have a plan to look forward to.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - McGregor/Anderson No Report.

Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Evers:

Evers thanked McKenna for her report; always good to visit school board; wanted to talk about two presentations made that involved the City and Police Department; presentation from health teacher at MSE about Project Alert; recognized that our officers work with the students on bullying, drugs, alcohol; students enjoy it and had one student talk about what it meant; another opportunity for our officers to interact with the students and foster positive relationships; also Dwight Carter from high school did recognition and resolution to our two school resource officers Joe Estep and Dean Blamer; another instance where the city and schools are collaborating; getting officers into school system to give positive reinforcement and be a presence; was very important to me to see there is great collaboration that both the schools and we recognize.

McKenna noted she had forgotten to mention a Superintendent's coffee to held on November 6 at 7:30 am at Tim Horton's at Agler and Stygler.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor:

Stinchcomb stated it has been a busy time here with fall activities; from the Taste of Gahanna to the Westie Walk and mention particularly the Creepside Festival; was a smashing success; ran out of armbands at 3,000 people; figure we had about 4,000 attendees; enjoyable to have the Creepside Festival back at Creekside Park; at 7:00 pm you couldn't move for the crowd; it is such a nice free festival with involvement of the business community; was very successful; thank Parks Department for active fall

calendar.

City Attorney:

Weber noted a recent case out of the 7th Circuit that talked about prayers at Council meetings again; the federal courts are now saying that you may invoke God in a general sense but not Christian God specifically; would like to see our invocation be more generic invocation; lot of cases coming out again and ACLU is watching.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT:

Samuel stated he wished to point out to the students that what you are seeing is a small part of what goes on in City government; lot of work gets done in committee; need to remember that; believe the highlight if you look at legislation is regarding radio system for the police; will be state of the art; able for us to communicate with other local departments; Hannah Farms Park is also an important item addressed; will be a premier park in Central Ohio; important because we did this park from scratch; third item is that we met tonight with the Fleet Run focus group; Bob Westwood mentioned that we are very fortunate to have City like Gahanna who listens to its citizens instead of acting without input; also McKenna Creek storm water issue; we are looking at ways to improve the northern part of our City and even north into Columbus to help alleviate some flooding issues; we have positive government in Gahanna; thank Emery, Wetherholt and Feltz for bringing that together and all their work on the Fleet Run issue; students need to bring all that back to your class; more to it than just what you see here.

Ewald thanked Parks, Service and Police for smooth Creepsides event; almost couldn't move; thank you for your hard work; excellent event; encourage you to go further than what Samuel said; everyone is happy when you are not hearing about economy tanking; turn off your TV; encourage you to spend time with your family; we'll get through these tough times.

McAlister stated he had an additional item for students; seems like there is nothing under the sun that federal government can't do; police radios are not only for the good but a necessity; question is where is the money coming from; is it coming from state - no; is it coming from city - no; it is coming from the federal government; under Article I Section 8 of US constitution which empowers Congress with what they may and may not do, you'll see it is not in there; took an oath to uphold the constitution; if anybody can uphold that oath and at the same time vote for \$300,000 of unconstitutional expenditures, I would like to know how they are doing it; also would like to know how they are addressing in school system.

Anderson noted she had also received an e-mail from organization called Gateway who works with children with physical disabilities; hosting an event on Oct. 26 at Creekside Conference Center; Kaya's Crusade is to benefit awareness about less publicized physical disabilities; wanted to share that; second, echo comments about Creepsides and congratulate all those who put it together; add to comments about focus group; that means people like you; individuals who took responsibility and initiative to voice their opinion, interest or desire to be engaged in that way; City does take that into consideration and we listen to our citizens; is your individual responsibility as part of our democracy; whichever your stance, if you are able to vote encourage you to do so; if not, encourage you when that time comes that you do that; encourage those you know to be active.

Evers thank Parks Department and everyone on Creepsides; goes to show what we have talked about all along; Creekside is a destination point and a gathering place for our

residents; we can get people down there; heard nothing but wonderful comments; parking garage was full; great venue down there; every time we do one of these events we are gathering more people; encourage you to spend time down there; also want to recognize the Council office for their yeoman efforts in preparing legislation this week; understand it was a record number.

McGregor thanked Parks for Creepside; was passing out candy continuously for 2-1/2 hours; kids had a great time; note that on the consent agenda was a resolution honoring Apartments at Stoneridge; this is for individuals with different kinds of disabilities; will be apartments for 10 residents near Stoneridge; will be within walking distance to restaurants, movies, and shopping; neat location for this home.

O. ADJOURNMENT: 8:23 p.m. - Motion by Evers.

Donna L. Jernigan, CMC
Senior Deputy Clerk of Council

APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2008.

Nancy R. McGregor
President of Council