

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 6, 2002

STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

Michael O'Brien, President of Council

Robert W. Kelley, Vice President of Council

Karen J. Angelou

L. Nicholas Hogan

John McAlister

Debra A. Payne

David B. Thom

Isobel L. Sherwood, CMC/AEE, Clerk of Council

Members Present: David B. Thom, Michael O'Brien, Karen J. Angelou, Debra A. Payne, L. Nicholas Hogan, Robert W. Kelley and John McAlister

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, May 6, 2002, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 S. Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Michael O'Brien called the meeting to order along with his Student Counterpart, Jenna Zinns at 7:32 p.m. The invocation was given by Robert W. Kelley, Vice President of Council, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kelley's counterpart, Matt Stein.

This being the Student Government Day Council Meeting, members introduced their counterparts and read their bios. Angelou's counterpart Shane Moran was present, along with O'Brien's, Jenna Zinns, and Kelley's, Matt Stein; Joran Booth counterpart for the Clerk of Council was also present.

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Vice President of Council Kelley, to move RES-0014-2002 to Hearing of Visitors. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
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C. HEARING OF VISITORS.

Windy McKenna, Board of Education, thanked everyone for the success of Student Government Day; will be starting a girls varsity golf program; working on compensation issues; working for several grants; next Board meeting is May 9th.

Ed Woolum, 570 Agler Road, said concerning ORD-0063-2002, Civic Sam is in favor of it. Civic Sam is made up of residents of the westside and 26 businesses; are active people with Holiday Lights and work closely with COPS; they want to see the west side and the east side of Gahanna tied together by this walking bridge; Creekside is an attraction that brings people in and they shop at our businesses and spend their money; this is good and needs to continue. It was stated that the low water bridge is part of Phase I but just has not been completed.

Dennis Vincent, 223 Moorfield, said he lives in ward 2; he loves Creekside thinks it should be continued; could be scaled down; not sure we need the tower; spent too much time on green things and not enough on east/west connector; need that connector; spend time on things that need to be done.

Bob Thurman, 223 Moorfield, said he is in favor of continued growth at Creekside; helped with the Veteran's memorial; this has brought veteran's into town to see our memorial and Creekside, and they have stayed at the Holiday Inn Express; bring money to the City; first class operation and want it to stay that way. When our founding City fathers wrote the first Charter of Gahanna it was to have non-partisan politics involved; and still is that way; need to continue with that; Council should be obligated to citizens and not parties; keep politics out of the things we do here in the City.

McAlister asked Thurman how he defines politics? Thurman said to serve and listen to your constituents and follow their wishes.

RES-0014-2002 was read by Jenna Zinns. Student Roll Call was called by Jaron Booth with Matt Stein, Shane Moran and Jenna Zinns voting yes to approve the Resolution.

RES-0014-2002

REAFFIRMING AND SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ANNUAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY

Adopted

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Vice President of Council Kelley, to adopt RES-0014-2002. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
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D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

Ordinances introduced, by title, by Kelley.

ORD-0085-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH HOCKADEN & ASSOCIATES FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF THE JAMES ROAD BRIDGE; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$4,600; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0086-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE PLACEMENT OF SIGNAGE WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR GAHANNA GRILL, 82 GRANVILLE STREET; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0087-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BENATEC ASSOCIATES INC., FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AS THE CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL AT THE RATE OF \$51 PER HOUR FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2002 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2003; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0088-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION, FOR THE 2002 STREET REPAIR PROGRAM, IMPROVEMENT NO. 807; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0089-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH STILSON CONSULTING GROUP FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2002 STREET REPAIR PROGRAM, IMPROVEMENT NO. 807; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0090-2002 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CARSON FENCE, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A FENCE AROUND THE CITY OF GAHANNA WATER TOWER; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$7,872; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0091-2002 TO ZONE 8.963 ACRES OF NEWLY ANNEXED PROPERTY LOCATED AT MORSE AND HAMILTON ROADS; REQUESTED ZONING OF CC2; GAHANNA PROPERTIES, L.L.C., BY BRET BOYD, APPLICANT.

Introduced

ORD-0092-2002 TO ADOPT THE OLDE GAHANNA DESIGN GUIDELINES DATED 02/27/2002, PREPARED BY THE CREEKSIDE DEVELOPMENT TEAM.

Introduced

ORD-0093-2002 TO AMEND SECTIONS 1150.09, NEW CONSTRUCTION; 1150.10, RESTRICTIONS; 1150.11, DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS; 1150.12, SIGNS, OF CHAPTER 1150, OLDE GAHANNA DOWNTOWN DISTRICT

Introduced

ORD-0094-2002 TO AMEND SECTIONS 1197.01, PURPOSE AND INTENT; 1197.02, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; 1197.07, STANDARDS FOR DESIGN REVIEW; 1197.09, DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT STANDARDS, OF CHAPTER 1197, DESIGN REVIEW

Introduced

ORD-0095-2002 TO AMEND SECTION 1150.04, DOWNTOWN MULTI-FAMILY OR DOWN SUBURBAN OFFICE, OF CHAPTER 1150, OLDE GAHANNA DOWNTOWN DISTRICT

Introduced

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

2002-0002 To approve minutes of the following meetings:
1) December 2, 2002 Regular Meeting.

Approved and Filed

Ordinances on Second Reading:

ORD-0077-2002 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Salaries Radio & Clerk

Adopted

ORD-0078-2002 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Part-Time Dispatchers

Adopted

ORD-0079-2002 TO RENAME THE MUNICIPAL HERB GARDENS AS GEROUX HERB GARDENS

Adopted

ORD-0080-2002 TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN PAVEMENTS, INC., FOR CRACK SEAL PROGRAM, 2002, IMPROVEMENT NO. 808; AND TO

DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Adopted as an Emergency

ORD-0081-2002

TO CREATE THE FULL-TIME UNCLASSIFIED POSITION OF GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEM MANAGER, (GIS); TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION THEREFORE; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$29,118; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Adopted as an Emergency

ORD-0082-2002

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Network Capital (GIS)

Adopted

ORD-0084-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CLASS ACTS COLUMBUS, INC., TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE GAHANNA JULY 4TH FREEDOM FESTIVAL; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Adopted as an Emergency

Motion Resolution:

MR-0025-2002

Motion Resolution that Council has no objection to the transfer of the D1, D2 and D3 Liquor Permits for Bru Pet Inc. DBA Jordan's Mart & Deli, 471 A Morrison Road, to Bru Pet Inc., DBA Jordan's Mart & Deli, 471 I Morrison Road, Gahanna, Ohio.

Approved

MR-0026-2002

Motion Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Service to go out for bids for cleaning of the air ducts in the municipal complex buildings.

Approved

End of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Hogan, seconded by Council Member Payne, to adopt the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
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E1. RESOLUTIONS:

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Z-0003-2002

To consider a zoning application on 8.963 acres of newly annexed property located at Morse and Hamilton Roads; requested zoning of CC2; Gahanna Properties, L.L.C., by Bret Boyd, applicant. (Public Hearing. Advertised in RFE on 2/28/02 and 3/07/02).

President O'Brien explained the rules of the public hearing and called to order at 8:06 p.m.

Glen Dugger, 37 W. Broad Street, said this request is to zone 8.963 acres recently annexed to the City located at Morse and Hamilton Roads; immediately behind Monro Muffler and in between there and Giant Eagle. CC-2 is consistent with the zoning in the area; consistent with the expectations of the Planning Commission; will be quality commercial development for the City.

O'Brien asked opponents. There were none.

O'Brien closed the public hearing at 8:08 p.m.

S-0001-2002

To consider the Olde Gahanna Design Guidelines dated 02/27/2002; to obtain public input for recommendation to Council for adoption of said plan.(Advertised in the RFE on 02/14/02 and 02/21/02). (Public Hearing held on 2/27/02, 3/13/02).

O'Brien called the public hearing to order at 8:10 p.m. and asked for proponents.

William Murdock, Development Department, said he is here to present the end product of the study for Olde Gahanna Design guidelines dated Feb 27, 2002. (Copy available in the office of the Clerk of Council.) The team has worked to help preserve the historic nature of the area; physical qualities necessary to maintain and enhance Olde Gahanna's economic vitality and its unique character in Central Ohio; encourage renovation of buildings with new compatible buildings and pedestrian movement and activity.

O'Brien asked for opponents. There were none.

O'Brien closed the public hearing at 8:15 p.m.

O'Brien placed the Olde Gahanna Design Guidelines in Committee of the Whole.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Communications & Technology Committee - McAlister

Development Committee - Thom

Service Committee - Hogan

Safety Committee - Angelou

Committee of the Whole - Kelley

Finance - Payne

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - Legal:

2002-0019

Senior Citizen Day Celebration to be held May 15 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. RSVP to Danise Hall.

Council

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinances Reported Out of Committee:

ORD-0063-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO MODIFIED SCOPE OF SERVICES WITH STILSON CONSULTING GROUP FOR CREEKSIDE DEVELOPMENT-PHASE II; ORIGINAL CONTRACT APPROVED BY

ORD-0116-2001; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Hogan said he is not opposed to Creekside; willing to spend one million; only seen one plan for 2 million; knows it would add expense but he wants to see another plan; can come up with something better for less; .8 of an acre; people love to have ownership, sell bricks like we did for Veteran's Memorial.

Stinchcomb said she wants to make it clear that this ordinance is only to approve a scope change with Stilson, so that we can create final engineering; don't know exactly how much that will be. Council will have another chance at accepting bid; may come in a lot lower. Council will be voting on the substitute version of the ordinance.

McAlister said he would like to set parameters on Creekside; needs to be an end; needs to be completely finished; complete this park. Kelley said he offered the compromise of one million dollars; appreciates remarks of the Mayor; wants to see compromise; listen to what constituents want and not play politics. There was discussion about the need for a tower and a water wheel. Angelou said that Creekside will pay for itself in the business it brings to the City; wonderful gem for Gahanna.

O'Brien said he would challenge the architects and engineers to come in with a plan that would bring cost down to 1.5 million or less for the people of Gahanna; want to do a first class project at the minimal cost to the citizens; can always take a part out without slowing the process down; reach a compromise.

Adopted

A motion was made by Council Member Hogan, seconded by McAlister, to amend ORD-0063-2002 to add the following language; "That this ordinance plus all cost for Creekside Phase II is set at not to exceed one million dollars.". The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes	3	Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
No	4	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou and Council Member Payne

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Council Member Thom, to adopt ORD-0063-2002. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	4	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou and Council Member Payne
No	3	Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister

[ORD-0073-2002](#)

TO AMEND SECTION 165.02, IMPOSITION OF TAX, OF CHAPTER 165, HOTEL MOTEL TAX; OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; TO BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002.

Hogan said during caucus he asked that this be postponed for two weeks for discussion in committee; not all parties have been heard from. The CVB is doing a fine job; but want to do comparisons with other cities; a lot of misinformation out there. Hogan quoted bed taxes from different cities; Franklin County has the highest bed taxes in the state; feels Council needs more time for discussion. He spoke with the hotels in Gahanna and the general managers were not contacted; some were not even aware of the

proposed tax; Holiday Inn Express and Candlewood oppose the increase; not adequate notification; not tax without even notifying; taxing visitors, not residents.

Payne said taxes are funds to cover the cost of doing business; require taxes to run a City.

McAlister said it takes taxes to run a City; to overpay for landlocked property appraised at three times its value; have to start to reduce taxes; reduce at the local level; where can we start.

There was discussion about an article in the Dispatch. Stinchcomb said that taxes have not been raised in Gahanna, by the City, since 1978.

Hogan continued that occupancy is down for our local hotels, especially on weekends which are traditionally lower because mostly non residents use our hotels. White said that the owner of the Holiday Inn Express thinks that the additional funding to the CVB will just help bring more people in with the advertisement and promotion of Gahanna; is planning on putting a fifth hotel in Gahanna.

Hogan said this is a tax that if imposed will be because of seven Council members only; no input from those most affected. Why couldn't we have contracted the people? Angelou said that our hotels are full most of the time; things happening in Gahanna that even some residents do not know about; with more advertisement more people will come to Gahanna; want to continue that. The members of the CVB are donating their time and doing a fine job; have expertise in these areas; keep Gahanna top notch.

Adopted

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Vice President of Council Kelley, to call the question. The motion carried by the following vote:

No	1	McAlister
Yes	6	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan and Vice President of Council Kelley

A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Vice President of Council Kelley, to amend by substitution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
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A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Vice President of Council Kelley, to adopt ORD-0073-2002 as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne and Vice President of Council Kelley
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No 2 Council Member Hogan and McAlister

ORD-0083-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATED LABOR AGREEMENT TITLED "AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF GAHANNA AND UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO, JANUARY 2, 2002 TO DECEMBER 2004; TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 990120; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Adopted as an Emergency

A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member Payne, to amend ORD-0083-2002 by substitution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Kelley, seconded by Council Member Payne, to adopt ORD-0083-2002 as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Kelley

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Payne

Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - McAlister

Gahanna/Jefferson Joint Committee - Hogan/Thom

L. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor

City Attorney

M. COUNCIL COMMENT

Thom congratulated Payne on her award.

Angelou also congratulated Payne. The article in the Dispatch was very offensive to me, both as a citizen and as a Council member. She thanked everyone for the outpouring of prayers and thoughts and cards in the passing of her mother-in-law; taken back with the number of well wishers; reached all the way down to Florida; thank you; proud to be a part of this government system; feels it is the finest in the State.

McAlister said partisan politics has never been brought up on the dais; when you are spending other people's money you don't just agree with people; always question why; that is why he was elected and why he is serving.

Hogan said his wife is getting better every day; things turned around for her shortly after the three prayer groups; thank everyone. He can still oppose the bed tax and support the CVB; was on Council in 1995 when that was enacted; not raise taxes on people with no say.

Kelley said he has worked with the City now for 38 years; under 7 or 8 mayors; said he votes what is in his heart; makes his own decisions; great City; great people; happy to be here.

Payne said she attended the National Day of Prayer breakfast; was a very moving event; first one she had been to.

O'Brien said he appreciates the efforts of the CVB and Development department; continue to market Gahanna; safe, clean, green, loving community. He had the privilege to present the Resolution to Ed Rarey for his 50 years of service to the Gahanna-Jefferson schools as a track coach; rare individual, superb educator; will certainly be in the Gahanna Hall of Fame.

N. ADJOURNMENT

End of Agenda

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC
Clerk of Council

*APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2012.*

Chair Signature