

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 7, 1998

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

GAHANNA'S VISION is . . .

. . . to be an innovative model community that values its rich heritage, pursues high standards, and where citizens respect one another.

Members Absent: Sherie James-Arnold and Rebecca W. Stinchcomb

Members Present: Karen J. Angelou, Robert W. Kelley, L. Nicholas Hogan, Thomas R. Kneeland and Debra A. Payne

GAHANNA'S MISSION is . . .

. . . to ensure an exceptional quality of life by providing comprehensive services, financial stability, and well-planned development which preserves the natural environment, so that city government will continue to be responsive, accessible, and accountable to our diverse and growing community of citizens.

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

President of Council Karen J. Angelou called the meeting to order with an Invocation by Council Chaplain Robert W. Kelley, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Council member Thomas R. Kneeland.

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.**980515**

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AN INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO.

to Introductions, Item D

A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member Payne, that this matter be Referred. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	President of Council Angelou, Vice President Kelley, Council Member Hogan, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Payne
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Absent	2	Council Member James-Arnold and Council Member Stinchcomb
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980513

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION, Sewer Fund

to Introductions, Item D

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Vice President Kelley, that this matter be Referred. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent	2	Council Member James-Arnold and Council Member Stinchcomb
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Yes	5	President of Council Angelou, Vice President Kelley, Council Member Hogan, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Payne
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980514

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Miscellaneous Payroll

to Introductions, Item D

A motion was made by Vice President Kelley, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, that this matter be Referred. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	President of Council Angelou, Vice President Kelley, Council Member Hogan, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Payne
Absent	2	Council Member James-Arnold and Council Member Stinchcomb

C. HEARING OF VISITORS

School Board - Windy McKenna

Windy McKenna reported on their November meeting; said the Treasurer had received the State Auditor's Award; said the district will miss him, noting he leaves next summer; Cathy Brindley, MSE, was awarded the East Dwight Arnold Award by the Ohio School Counselor Association. In the 1999 Merit Scholarship Competition: Semi Finalists were: Doug P. Koppel, Anne C. Schinoskie, Daniel C. Subisak; Students Commended: Todd W. Burgin, Howard B. DeVennish, Clare M. Jellick, Jessica M. Wan, Shawn J. Woodruff; Achievement Competition: Barrielle P. Franklin; Hispanic Recognition: Daniel J. Rivera. Said Sherie James-Arnold shared enthusiasm of the Toys for Tots Program. Said the Board rescinded the contingency plan; also approved an architect for the addition and renovations. Said it is nice to have Mrs. Payne back; the State's loss is our gain McKenna thanked the City for support in levy; thanked City officials for hospitality to her; said it gave her an opportunity to get to know everyone a little better. President Angelou said partnering with the schools makes for a strong city.

White Glove Award - Kathy Rauchenstein

Director of Public Service Terry Jordan shared this award with the Chambers. Said Gahanna was privileged to receive. Jordan said he was pleased to receive. Said the Keep American Beautiful Awards are given to recognize individuals who actually promote beautification and responsible waste and litter control; said Gahanna won in the litter category for clean up of Big Walnut. Announced that many volunteers attended the conference in Washington D.C. Jordan said he was unaware of the magnitude of this organization, which is dedicated to empowering individuals such as spearheading for graffiti, etc. Was founded in 1953. Said he was very pleased to be a part of this. Said they do have some grants we can apply for; said with Council's help he will be doing applications for Gahanna, noting work accomplished in Newark through the grant program; will be pursuing. President congratulated Kathy Rauchenstein on this program.

YMCA Presentation - John Bickley

John Bickley, representing the Y.M.C.A., said for the last 6 months, a dedicated group has been formulated, in response to community requests for Y locations in their communities; has been meeting with community leaders and designated groups to conduct needs assessments, to conduct fund raising feasibility studies, to measure community support, and to conduct demographic studies with support from the Y.M.C.A. of the U.S.A. Feels they have put together an exciting package. Reminded that this is an international organization, is a family organization, is concerned with wellness, swimming; said they do a lot of non traditional programs; noted recent renovations; reminded that they care take and assist some people who have gone through a variety of circumstances--health and medical needs; provides a lot of services; said they collaborate with 8 different school systems; said they have a program which is specifically for middle school students, which is an area that is at risk; said they are the largest provider of child care in the United States. Said they recently took over operation of an Urbancrest center, noting this is one of the communities that struggles

with economics in Ohio; are working to make that a viable operation in that community. Bickley continued that their largest facility is the Central Branch in downtown Columbus. Said they are located in Circleville and in Bellfontaine, also a facility south of Columbus.

Bickley advised that in 1998 they will see 150,000 people go through their services; said as Columbus grows, they need to grow. Felt a lot of community interest in communities is the result of failed recreational levies in the communities; said communities have come to the table; assistance is needed on properties, roads, and utilities; sometimes needed additional collaborations. Bickley continued that each facility will put in a therapy pool. Said they have had conversations with Presbyterian homes; feels they have strong collaboration. Noted they need assessments; said some things they expected; found most very positive; looked at demographics; put together a prototype design, noting the 43,999 s.f. natatorium/basketball facility; repeated everything is family geared. Said a gift of 25% of the construction costs allows a naming opportunity. Said they will look for \$1.8M of funding from fund raising in the individual communities, with \$1.2M from major donors. Would like to kick off campaign in February in the various communities; are allowing 18-24 months for the fund raising; late in year 2000 will start construction in one of the communities. Said the most pressing issue in Gahanna is to locate a site; said they look at a minimum of 6 acres and a maximum of 13 acres.

President requested this be put on Council agenda the first of the year.

David Singh, 4227 Hertford Lane, Dublin, Ohio

David Singh, 4227 Hertford Lane, Dublin; is a resident there; owns and operates a communications business in Grandview. Is present to address public access to police information. Said while engaging in business there may, from time to time, be disagreements with vendors. Said the Gahanna Police Department, predating Chief Murphy, talking mainly about the administration of Chief Stumpf; said a Council member, namely Mrs. Sherie James-Arnold, was using her position on Council in obtaining a background report from the Bureau of Criminal Investigation on him; the reason for that investigation was for her own individual purpose, and said he would suspect for a relative of hers; said that is the purpose for him being present tonight. Said he has very good reason to believe that Mrs. James-Arnold had the former Chief conduct that, and said nothing was found--that he has a clean background, with exception of some speeding tickets, which he is certainly not ashamed of, and is coming to Council tonight to 1) confront her, and 2) to ask Council to authorize and initiate an investigation; said it his understanding that the Ohio State High Patrol would be the agency authorized by this; is very concerned that, perhaps, someone is using their office to intimidate citizens. Said he is not a resident of Gahanna, rarely comes to Gahanna, does do business with people here, and in the course of his day to day business felt he had been victimized.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

All items listed under introductions, Item D, Introduced, by title, by Kelley

980466

TO ZONE 5.01 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS SF-2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4679 SHULL ROAD; JOANN J HICKLE, APPLICANT

This matter was Assigned to the Development Committee

980474

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Animal Control

This matter was Assigned to the Safety Committee

980504

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PETITION THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, TO ANNEX CERTAIN 0.54+/- ACRES FROM MIFFLIN AND JEFFERSON TOWNSHIPS, SAID LAND LOCATED OFF HAMILTON ROAD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

980507

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR THE 1999 FISCAL YEAR WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION TO REPRESENT INDIGENT PERSONS BEFORE THE FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT CHARGED WITH VIOLATIONS UNDER GAHANNA ORDINANCES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This matter was Assigned to the Safety Committee

980508

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE 1999 FISCAL YEAR WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR HEALTH SERVICES IN THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE 1999 FISCAL YEAR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This matter was Assigned to the Safety Committee

980509

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH DENNIS MURPHY IN HIS POSITION OF CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This matter was Assigned to the Committee of the Whole

980510

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH WAYNE HOWARD; FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CONTRACT, TO RENAME HIS POSITION TO DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This matter was Assigned to the Committee of the Whole

980511

TO CREATE AND ENACT CHAPTER 1150 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF GAHANNA, TO DESIGNATE AN OLDE GAHANNA DOWNTOWN DISTRICT.

This matter was Assigned to the Committee of the Whole

980512

TO PAY THE SECRETARY TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR UNUSED VACATION TIME WHICH WILL EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, AND WHICH SHE WAS UNABLE TO TAKE DURING 1998 DUE TO EMERGENCIES IN THE GAHANNA POLICE DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This matter was Assigned to the Safety Committee

980513

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION, Sewer Fund

This matter was Assigned to the Service Committee

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SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Miscellaneous Payroll

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E. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, to Pass the Consent Agenda, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	President of Council Angelou, Vice President Kelley, Council Member Hogan, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Payne
Absent	2	Council Member James-Arnold and Council Member Stinchcomb

Minutes - To Approve - 11/16 Regular; 11/23 Special

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, to Approve

Ordinance - To Amend and To Adopt:

980452

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 161-91, ORDINANCE NO. 49.84, ORDINANCE NO. 23-86, ORDINANCE NO. 3-88, AND ORDINANCE NO. 151-95, BY APPOINTING NEW TRUSTEES TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF GAHANNA COMMUNITY URBAN REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; APPROVING TRUSTEES OF SUCH CORPORATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted, as Amended, as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinances - Second Reading:

980457

TO ACCEPT THE FINAL PLAT ENTITLED DEDICATION OF BEECHER ROAD AND EASEMENTS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

980459

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH SHAMROCK GRAPHICS, INC., FOR INCOME TAX FORMS.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

980460

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GENERAL TEMPERATURE CONTROL FOR POLICE BUILDING AIR CONDITIONER PROJECT.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

980461

TO ACCEPT A GENERAL WARRANTY DEED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 79 SOUTH HAMILTON ROAD; KNOWN AS THE LUSTRON HOUSE; FROM BETTY J. IRVIN.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

980462

TO ACCEPT 0.783 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, ON JOHNSTOWN ROAD (U.S. ROUTE NO. 62) FROM JOSEPH A. TROVATO AND MOLLY TROVATO.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance - To Postpone Indefinitely:

980458 TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT STILLION BROTHERS, FOR SOUTHEAST SANITARY EXTENSION; TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCEDURES THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolution

980469 MOTION THAT COUNCIL FINDS NO OBJECTION AND DOES NOT REQUEST A HEARING ON APPLICATION OF NEW LIQUOR PERMIT FOR CLASSES C1 AND C2 FOR RITE AID OF OHIO, INC., DBA RITE AID 2296, 20 STYGLER ROAD, GAHANNA, OHIO 43230

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

980470 MOTION THAT COUNCIL FINDS NO OBJECTION TO LIQUOR PERMIT TRANSFER OF C1, C2, AND D6 PERMITS FROM PETRO STAFF SERVICES, INC., 4733 MORSE ROAD & GAS PUMPS, TO EQUILON ENTERPRISES, LLC. 4733 MORSE ROAD & GAS PUMPS, AND DOES NOT REQUEST A HEARING.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

980471 MOTION THAT COUNCIL FINDS NO OBJECTION TO NEW LIQUOR PERMIT APPLICATION FOR RJS VENTURES, INC., VISTA PLAZA, UNIT 1, NORTHEAST CORNER HAMILTON ROAD & VISTA DRIVE, AND DOES NOT REQUEST A HEARING.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

980472 MOTION TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,011 FROM THE 1998 CHERRYBOTTOM/ACADEMY ENTRANCE PROJECT PORTION OF ACCOUNT NO. 101.145.5541, CAPITAL PROJECTS, STREETS, TO BE USED FOR THE SILVER LANE/BEECHER ROAD PROJECT

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

980503 MOTION TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,025 FROM THE 1998 CHERRYBOTTOM/ACADEMY ENTRANCE PROJECT PORTION OF ACCOUNT NO. 101.145.5541, CAPITAL PROJECTS, STREETS, TO BE USED FOR THE CLYDE WILLIAMS HAMILTON ROAD SIGNALIZATION PROJECT

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

President stated the rules that would prevail for the public hearings this evening: 7 minutes for proponents, 10 minutes for opponents, and 3 minutes for rebuttal.

1) Initial Zoning - Hickie, 4679 Shull Road, 5.01 acres, SF-2

President gave a brief recap that this is an initial zoning which was recommended for approval by Planning Commission, and opened the public hearing at 8:20 p.m., calling for proponents.

Jack Reynolds, Attorney, Smith & Hale, said he was present on behalf of Mrs. Hickie who is requesting this zoning; said the land is recently annexed for the purpose of

securing water and sewer; consists of 5 acres, divided into 2.6 acre parcel and 2.4-acre parcel. Reynolds said he had also applied for a Subdivision Without Plat; said it was heard by Planning Commission and both the plat and rezoning were approved and recommendations forwarded.

President called for opponents.

Mrs. Wilson, 1159 South Creekway Court, said they are directly behind this property; said there was some question of homeowners on what was happening to sewer easement that had been granted to this property; said the easement runs along their back yards--directly between their yards; and questioned if their yards were going to be dug. City Engineer Karl Wetherholt responded that the sewer is within an easement that was set up for access for the sewer and the developer, in putting that in, agreed that access would not be denied to adjacent properties; said the easement runs with the land, and is available for the property to the south with the provision that any disturbance to the property be restored. Angelou questioned vegetation. Reynolds said the sewer would have to go through it. Wetherholt said it is fairly new; just established 4-5 years ago. Angelou clarified then that this is within an easement already established, and questioned how many properties were affected. Reynolds said there will be two homes--will be two locations where they tap into the sewer, one lateral and another lateral to the east.

Angelou noted this will be discussed in committee next week. Hogan clarified that to tap in, they would bring in equipment on two new lots. Reynolds agreed they would come from their property; they would not get in through the other property. Angelou concluded there could be some kind of disruption. Angelou questioned also why not zoning to ER. Reynolds explained that it was because the width of the side yards was not large enough. Payne asked for this to be shown in committee next week. Kneeland expressed concern that future or further development be restricted. Reynolds felt you would have to bulldoze down the two houses. Angelou questioned a common driveway. Reynolds said the driveway would be on the one lot with easement to the other; enough frontage they could have separate driveways.

There being no further comment, President closed the public hearing at 8:35 p.m.

2) Create and Enact Chapter 1150, Olde Gahanna Downtown District

President said we set the goals before this process started. Thanked the Director of Development, the Clerk of Council and the Deputy Clerk for bringing this to the point of a hearing this evening. President clarified we would be working from the copy attached to the ordinance, and opened the public hearing at 8:37 p.m., calling for proponents.

Director of Development Sadicka White said this product comes from excellent public scrutiny; thanked people for looking at the document; said when you write something, you work on it, you are close to it, you just don't see it; changes suggested were very minor things; said one indicates a boundary line that needed to be included; an alley that does not have a name. Said what we are proposing is to change the downtown district to accomplish what we think the citizens of Gahanna have asked, and to foster the development and revitalization for downtown Gahanna. Said the district currently known as Olde Gahanna has and is commercial and would allow those permitted and conditional uses anywhere in that area. Said the citizens had concern for residential and recreation areas. Said there are primary residential homes; have been a part of the community for several years; they are well maintained and currently used as single family. One of our goals was to determine how we could preserve and protect those residents; said we have identified almost to the house the various single family homes

identified with the new zoning map in dark green. Said we looked at the rest of the area and follow the pattern that exists. The color blue on the map has a mix of multi-family and commercial. said the pink or salmon is commercial; follows Granville Street and also Mill Street up to east of High Street and the south side of Granville Street. want to allow for Permitted and Conditional Uses which we have identified as a 3rd category. Said the 4th, a new category, identified by Carpenter Road, Mill Street and Big Walnut Creek is identified in orange, and we are calling that Creekside. Said within the Creekside district, the City--along with existing businesses--want to carry out the theme of the Big Walnut restoration; we would be looking at a commercial mix that would allow for recreation, commercial, and retail venue. Said the 5th area is recreation; is important; public felt that it was pivotal; said we have the golf course to the north, we have the creek we want to embellish, then the parks in the southern area, including the veterans memorial, Discovery Park, along with the swimming pools. Said we felt that needed to be recreation for passive and active. Noted the George Parker property is shown as commercial--is privately owned. Said that gives us the basic tenant that we are asking. The Planning Commission believes this allows the categories in the ordinance; within those we have identified the permitted and conditional uses. White concluded she is recommended adopting Chapter 1150 along with the map received this evening.

President called for opponents.

Richard Peck, 122 Oklahoma Avenue, thanked Development Director White for working with them; said this has been a long time coming; is very pleased with the proposal the Development Department is bringing before Council this evening; said this is coming up with a crystalized version of what we want for our community. Said everyone knew what Olde Gahanna meant. Felt as the community evolves, things change; felt this is more specific of what we want to do; has been broken down and quantified; has given reassurances to the residents; and gives residents an idea of what they can expect in the future. Said when people approach the City they will know what the development plan is. Reminded that some of the initial plans have left residents pleased: the Granville Street opening, sidewalks and lighting; everyone is very pleased. Said he would like to attend the committee meeting; feels the suggestions are in keeping with the spirit of what Planning Commission has recommended. Thanked Council, Development Department, and the Mayor for cooperation. Appreciates clarification of the zoning.

Kneeland reminded this will be in Committee of the Whole. Angelou noted that a year ago we saw brought forth some exciting ideas; was a fairly awesome proposal and fairly intimidating, but very visionary and very large; people were a little frightened; said when the new year began, Mr. Kelley and she talked about this had 5 public hearings; had many people come forward; believes this is the end result; is a fine plan that she felt came out of citizen input; will be a vibrant change to that area. Angelou thanked the Development Department for running those meetings.

There being no further comments, President closed the public hearing at 8:50 p.m. Hogan said he appreciated working with White; felt differences were merely over sites and typographical errors and possibly difference of opinion in language regarding Planning Commission. City Attorney Weber said none of the changes need to involve Planning Commission. Kneeland suggested any questions for committee be submitted ahead of time.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES Reports were distributed on meetings of November 23, 1998

Finance - James-Arnold

1999 Appropriations meetings set:

12/14 - Immediately following Committee of the Whole, which is scheduled for 8:00 p.m.

12/15 - 6:00 p.m.

President asked for copy of flagged items from budget considerations.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS

Clerk - Legal

980506

SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER ZONING OF 0.876 ACRES LOCATED AT 810 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD FROM SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (SF-1) TO LIMITED OVERLAY SUBURBAN OFFICE (L-SO). This is recommended by Planning Commission for approval. Development Department, owner/applicant.

FIRST AVAILABLE HEARING DATE WILL BE JANUARY 19, 1999.

Hearing date set for January 19, 1999, 7:30 p.m.

Set Organizational Meeting/Planning/January 6, 1999, 6 p.m.

Set Organizational Meeting, City Council, January 2, 1999, 7:30 p.m.

Notice from Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Re: application for Permit for Sanitary Sewer Extension for Silver Lane

Council

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinances Reported Out of Committee

980437

TO ACCEPT 0.169+/- ACRES FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO, REQUESTED BY THE NEW ALBANY COMPANY.

A motion was made by Vice President Kelley, seconded by Council Member Hogan, that this matter be Postponed to Date Certain to the Regular Agenda (Duplicate). The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent	2	Council Member James-Arnold and Council Member Stinchcomb
Yes	5	President of Council Angelou, Vice President Kelley, Council Member Hogan, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Payne

K. REPRESENTATIVES - Hogan alerted to school board 12/10/98

L. OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mayor

Mayor said as a gatekeeper, asked the Chief of Police to investigate concerns expressed by Mr. Singh regarding citizen access to police information.

City Attorney**M. COUNCIL COMMENT**

Hogan noted doing all his Christmas shopping on the internet.

Payne said that at National League of Cities Al Groves did acknowledge the Gahanna project. Committee is making progress on the strategy plan for the National League of Cities; will have a platform. Congratulated our new C.U.R.C. Board member.

Kneeland welcomed Kelley back.

Kelley said he is glad to be back. Thanked everyone for cards and fruit basket.

Angelou said they have missed his insite on issues. Said on National League of Cities, the publication was passed out in the exhibition hall by Al Groves; went to several places in the Unites States. Felt National League has changed for face of Gahanna; did not believe this was the best one officials have attended, but said there is always something you can gain from such a conference; is rewarding to be around counterparts, giving feedback; also heard from major national figures--one who was announcing for the presidency the next day. Said Vice President Gore was there and did shake hands with him; felt honored to speak to him. Angelou said she fully expects to see Gahanna in 1999 in the category under 50,000 for recognition of Creekside. Noted on the last day went to something on the internet and talked to a gentleman from Valejo, California, which has a population of 120,000 population and he was delightful--young and exciting; said for \$40,000 had put together a GIS; takes about 15 minutes a day to update; great deal of information. Said a small city took the presidency. They also voted on the national prospective. Conference will be in Los Angeles next year.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member Hogan, to go into Executive Session under Sections 5.40A - To consider appointment, 5.40C - To confer with City Attorney concerning disputes with the City, and 5.40D - employee negotiations, of the Rules of Council.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	President of Council Angelou, Vice President Kelley, Council Member Hogan, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Payne
Absent	2	Council Member James-Arnold and Council Member Stinchcomb

9:10 p.m. - Council rose to Executive Session.

10:29 p.m. - Council rose to report from Executive Session.

O. ADJOURNMENT - 10:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Vice President Kelley, to Adjourn

End of Agenda

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC
Clerk of Council

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

Chair Signature