

# **City of Gahanna**

*200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, October 15, 2001**

**MAYORAL RECEPTION - Committee Rooms - 6:45 p.m.**

**7:30 PM**

**City Hall**

## **City Council**

*Michael O'Brien, President of Council  
Donald R. Shepherd, Vice President of Council  
Karen J. Angelou, Council Member  
L. Nicholas Hogan, Council Member  
Thomas R. Kneeland, Council Member  
Debra A. Payne, Council Member  
David B. Thom, Council Member  
Isobel L. Sherwood, CMC/AE, Clerk of Council*

**MAYORAL RECEPTION - 6:45 P.M.****A. CALL TO ORDER - Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call**

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, October 15, 2001 in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 S. Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. Vice President of Council Michael O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Pastor Rod Dempsey, New Life Community Baptist Church gave the invocation and General James Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on October 12, 2001.

ROLL CALL: Present: Angelou, Hogan, Kneeland, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd.

**1a. RECOGNITION OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE JAMES F. McGREGOR:**

Vice President of Council Michael O'Brien introduced State Representative James F. McGregor and read a resolution honoring his service to the City of Gahanna. O'Brien presented the resolution to McGregor.

**1b. SWEARING IN OF MAYOR REBECCA W. STINCHCOMB:**

City Attorney Thomas L. Weber gave the oath of office to Mayor Rebecca W. Stinchcomb. State Representative McGregor presented badge of office as Chief Conservator of the Peace. O'Brien read resolution honoring Stinchcomb for her Council service and presented it to her.

**1c. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

MOTION by Angelou, seconded by Payne, to go into Executive Session under Authority of Section 5.40(a) of Council Rules of Procedure. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Angelou, Payne, Hogan, Kneeland, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd.

Council rose to Executive Session at 7:44 p.m. Council rose to report from Executive Session at 7:54 p.m.

**1d. POSSIBLE APPOINTMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

MOTION by Angelou, seconded by Kneeland, to appoint David B. Thom to the Ward 3 Council seat for the balance of the unexpired term, said term expiring January 2, 2002. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Angelou, Kneeland, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd, Hogan. Motion carried.

City Attorney Thomas L. Weber gave the oath of office to newly appointed Council Member David B. Thom.

**Members Present:** David B. Thom, Michael O'Brien, Donald R. Shepherd, Karen J. Angelou, Debra A. Payne, L. Nicholas Hogan and Thomas R. Kneeland

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**A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, to appoint Michael O'Brien as President of Council for the balance of the year 2001. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, to appoint Donald R. Shepherd as Vice President of Council for the balance of the year 2001. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## **B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

MOTION by Angelou, seconded by Kneeland, to move ORD-0202-2001 from the Consent Agenda to Second Reading of Ordinances, Regular Agenda. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Angelou, Kneeland, Shepherd, Thom, Hogan, O'Brien, Payne. Motion carried.

MOTION by Angelou, seconded by Kneeland, to move ORD-0204-2001 from the Consent Agenda to Second Reading of Ordinances, Regular Agenda. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Angelou, Kneeland, Thom, Hogan, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd. Motion carried.

MOTION by Hogan, seconded by Kneeland, to delete ORD-0210-2001 from Item D, Introductions. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Hogan, Kneeland, Angelou, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd, Thom. Motion carried.

## **C. HEARING OF VISITORS:**

### **Promotion to Sergeant - Jim Graham:**

Chief of Police Dennis Murphy thanked Council for allowing the promotion ceremony for Jim Graham to Sergeant to take place during this meeting; Safety Director Keyes is with us as well as Sgt. Graham's wife, Patty and their children, Ashley, Brittany and Courtney. Murphy continued that Graham was an MP in the Army and worked as a Franklin County Deputy Sheriff for 3 years; has been with Gahanna since 1989; has worked patrol and most recently has been a community oriented policing officer.

Mayor Stinchcomb gave the oath of office to Sergeant Graham.

Windy McKenna, Gahanna Jefferson School Board stated she was honored to be here this evening; congratulations to all new appointees; bring our best wishes to all of you from School Board; at the last meeting, Mark White, principal, introduced band officers; also present with us were our merit and commended scholars; also like to let Kneeland know since he was concerned we let grant writer go, that we have a contract with Lee & Assoc. who will be doing legwork for us as well as providing technical assistance; is working well for us; have employed 3 new swim coaches - Amanda Adkins will be our Head Coach; assistants will be Christy Sloan and Erica Zielke; can see all these girls are still supporting Gahanna; will be wonderful role models. Kneeland thanked schools for allowing us to hold TIDE meeting in the technology center at high school last month; community needs to see that; is an awesome facility; will add to the benefits of the student body being able to use that facility. McKenna stated there was a community

open house last Tuesday; weren't a lot of people; may have to do that again; are opening up classes now. Kneeland reiterated that facility is amazing; cheap price to pay to get that teaching environment.

In response to question from O'Brien, Stinchcomb stated she had met with General Williams regarding the emergency management plan; few annexes need to be done; would like to offer to Council the opportunity to bring forward the basic plan for consideration at committees; important for committee to know; seems very brilliant of McGregor and Council last year to be thinking so far ahead; offer that for your consideration. Williams stated the basic plan is completed; several annexes need finished but law enforcement and fire service support that are key are done enough that the plan is sufficient; if it pleases Council will deliver to you and can make presentation at some point on what plan requires. O'Brien agreed that this is timely; gets direction to you and Police Chief and allows for coordination with schools and Fire Department. In response to question, Angelou stated Finance currently has scheduled a presentation by CVB; should be sufficient time for this discussion. O'Brien stated this will be a living document and will change as our needs require.

Rick Hensley, 375 Sycamore Ridge Way in Sycamore Woods Civic Association; almost hate to present this tonight after all the positive things that have gone on; but do have something we would like to bring forward for your attention; would like to introduce a resolution and petition signed by quite a majority of our association members in Sycamore Woods; read from resolution they had prepared which is attached to these minutes as EXHIBIT A; have 91 units and 94 signatures; represents over 90% of our unit owners; also got quite a few more signatures this evening from others in this area who are interested in seeing Hamilton Road not widened to 5 lanes; will get further petitions; the Crossings Association has given us their support; also contacting other subdivisions in this area of our community; believe the current plans do not preserve residential character; will remove mature trees and remove land between the edge of the property; will possibly require noise abatement in some areas; believe it will decrease property values; believe it will promote increased traffic; will promote urban sprawl and increased speed through residential neighborhoods and school zones.

MOTION by Kneeland, seconded to Hogan, to extend time for this visitor to speak for 1 minute. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Kneeland, Hogan, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd, Thom, Angelou. Motion carried.

Hensley continued that other communities have maintained their residential character; Bexley and Worthington have done that; ask that you change your decision and cancel your plans; use the money currently being set aside for plans to develop the three lane plan; aware you are setting aside \$40,000 per year; we deem this 5 lane plan to be unacceptable; hope you would take this into consideration; thank you for your time and attention.

Payne stated she did speak with the Condo Association; did walk along the perimeter; most mature trees on front side would be gone and one residence specifically would be very close; did know they would be bringing this petition forward at some point. Angelou stated that her recollection of the approval of Sycamore Woods was that the people at the Crossings did not want an exit onto 62; reconfigured the layout and approved to meet those requests and now we have an ingress and egress issue; interesting they are supporting this effort.

## **D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:**

**Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:**

Introduced, by title, as amended, by Payne.

**ORD-0211-2001**

TO ACCEPT WATERLINE, STREET, AND STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENT NO. 731, AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT NO. 732; AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, IN HARRISON POND, "THE VILLAGES AT ROCKY FORK", SECTION 11, PHASE 1; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced, to Service Committee**

**ORD-0212-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PETITION THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, TO ANNEX CERTAIN 1.13+/- ACRE TRACT OF LAND FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA, SAID LAND BEING COMPRISED OF ROAD RIGHT OF WAY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0213-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION- Railroad Maintenance

**Introduced**

**ORD-0214-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH M.E COMPANIES, FOR THE RESTORATION AND RECOVERY OF BEDFORD LANDFILLS I & II, TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$121,100 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced, to Service Committee**

**ORD-0215-2001**

TO REVISE AGREEMENT WITH THE STONEHENGE COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TRIANGLE WEST SANITARY SEWER PUMP STATION, IMPROVEMENT #740; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$16,461 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0216-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH TRICAR LTD FOR FINAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE WEST GAHANNA BIKEWAY CONNECTOR PROJECT, IMPROVEMENT NO. 786; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0217-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH GENERAL INNOVATIONS & GOODS, INC., TO INSTALL THE CREON 2000 AIR DISINFECTION SYSTEM AT THE POLICE STATION; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$9,412; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0218-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Parks Capital Projects

**Introduced**

**ORD-0219-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CARGILL, INC., FOR PURCHASE OF ROCK SALT FOR THE 2001-2002 SEASON.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0220-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE COLUMBUS & OHIO RIVER RAIL ROAD COMPANY FOR MAINTENANCE AND

INSPECTION OF THE GAHANNA OWNED INDUSTRIAL RAILROAD TRACKS.

Introduced

**E. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Minutes - To Approve**

**2001-0006** To approve minutes of the following meetings:  
1) December 3, 2001 Regular Meeting

**This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.**

**Ordinances on Second Reading**

**ORD-0203-2001** SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Council, Legal Requirements

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0205-2001** SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Health Care Assessment/Various Accounts

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0206-2001** TO AMEND SECTION 161.01, DEFINITIONS; OF CHAPTER 161, INCOME TAX, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0207-2001** SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Police, Part Time Officers

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0208-2001** TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH RAYMOND J. MULARSKI FOR PROSECUTION OF CERTAIN CASES RESULTING FROM GAHANNA MAYOR'S COURT AND MAYOR'S DOWNTOWN CASES

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0209-2001** TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH NICKOLAS SAVKO & SONS, INC., FOR REPLACEMENT OF TWO 16" WATERLINE VALVES WITH BOX FOR AGLER AND STYGLER ROADS AND S. STYGLER AND W. JOHNSTOWN ROADS; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$25,400; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0210-2001** TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH MS CONSULTANTS, INC., FOR DESIGN, BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE GAHANNA WOODS PARK WATER STORAGE TANK; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$48,500; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**Ordinance - To Postpone Indefinitely**

**ORD-0143-2001** TO AMEND CHAPTER 1135, DISTRICTS AND ZONING MAP, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0144-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1136.04, CONDITIONAL USES, OF CHAPTER 226, ER-1 ESTATE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0145-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1137.04, CONDITIONAL USES, OF CHAPTER 1137, ER-2 ESTATE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0146-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1139.04, CONDITIONAL USES OF CHAPTER 1139, SF-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0147-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1141.04, CONDITIONAL USES OF CHAPTER 1141, SF-2 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0148-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1143.04, CONDITIONAL USES OF CHAPTER 1143, SF-3 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0149-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1145.02, CONDITIONAL USES OF CHAPTER 1145, R-4 RESIDENCE DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0150-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1147.04, CONDITIONAL USES OF CHAPTER 1147, MR-1 RESIDENCE DISTRICT OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0151-2001**

TO AMEND SECTIONS 1150.03, DOWNTOWN SINGLE FAMILY 1150.04, DOWNTOWN MULTI-FAMILY OR DOWNTOWN SUBURBAN OFFICE; 1150/05, GENERAL DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL; 1150.06, DOWNTOWN CREEKSIDE OF CHAPTER 1150, OLDE GAHANNA DOWNTOWN DISTRICT OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0152-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1151.03, CONDITIONAL USES OF CHAPTER 1151, PLANNED DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0153-2001**

TO AMEND SECTION 1153.01, SO SUBURBAN OFFICE AND INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT OF CHAPTER 1153, GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0154-2001**

TO ENACT CHAPTER 1154, RESTRICTED INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading****RES-0028-2001**

TO HONOR AND COMMEND KENDRA LEANNE STEWART AND LAURA ELIZABETH ANDERSON ON ACHIEVEMENT OF THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**RES-0029-2001**

TO HONOR JAMES F. MCGREGOR, MAYOR, FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF CONTINUOUS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**RES-0030-2001**

TO HONOR REBECCA W. STINCHCOMB, COUNCIL MEMBER FOR HER MANY YEARS OF CONTINUOUS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**Passed The Consent Agenda**

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

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| Yes | 7 | Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Vice President of Council Shepherd, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan and Council Member Kneeland |
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**End of the Consent Agenda**

Kneeland stated that Stewart and Anderson had participated with the Veterans' Memorial Committee to capture all the brick data; was a very long task and was very tedious; had to go through process of coming up with a plan, attaching the plan, implementation of the plan and then presentation to the City; note that Lisa Dillon in P&R uses this on a daily basis to place new bricks; if you have visited memorial recently, will see the markings that are like a map and has a grid marking; easier for residents to find bricks based on a look up in a glass enclosure; sorry that the girls could not be here tonight to receive this but needed to do this tonight in order to meet the deadline for the gold award; read resolution and presented to Kendra's mother, Mrs. Stewart on the girls' behalf.

**F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.**

**G. STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Communications & Technology Committee - Kneeland: No Report.**

**Development Committee - Payne: No Report.**

**Service Committee - Hogan: No Report.**

**Safety Committee - Shepherd: No Report.**



**Committee of the Whole - O'Brien: No Report.**

**Finance - Angelou: No Report.**

## **H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:**

**Clerk - Legal:**

**Z-0005-2001**

To consider a zoning change application to rezone 13+/- acres currently zoned SF-3; for properties located on the west side of Olde Ridenour Road; requested zoning of ROD/SF-3; Canini & Pellecchia, Inc. by Larry Canini, applicant.

Chair set Public Hearing for November 19, 2001.

**Scheduled for Public Hearing**

**2001-0057**

Recommendation from Planning Commission for the acceptance of Reserve A & B as the parkland dedication requirement for Rivers Edge, Olde Ridenour Road; Larry Canini, applicant.

Clerk noted no action is needed at this time.

**Received and Filed**

**2001-0058**

Recommendation from Planning Commission for the acceptance of at least 2.2 acres of parkland for property located at 4443-4469 East Johnstown Road as the parkland dedication requirement; Contemporary Construction Service Inc., by Donald T. Plank, applicant.

Clerk noted no action is needed at this time.

**Received and Filed**

**Council:**

Kneeland noted that Harold Davis is retiring from AEP; would hope that someone from the administration could attend on the 25th; hope to be there to pass along my thanks to him; used to have horrendous power outages on west side; attributable to some activity on Stelzer Road and airport; because of his efforts the realizability of the power source on the west side was greatly improved.

Shepherd noted an E-mail message from Gary Martin; ask Gen. Williams to follow up with him. Williams stated he did have a copy and is researching at this time. Angelou noted she had passed the message along to Police Chief Murphy and believe he has contacted him.

O'Brien asked a question about E-mail through City Hall server. Clerk noted she did not receive the E-mail from Martin. Kneeland stated that the message from Martin was sent individually to Council members not to the global address; use of the global address includes the Clerk; if there are concerns forward the E-mail to the Clerk and she can keep one copy if she receives multiple.

## **I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:**

**ORD-0202-2001**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY BY THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO OF A MODIFICATION AGREEMENT, WHICH AMENDS AND SUPPLEMENTS THE TRUST INDENTURE AND LEASE AGREEMENT, SECURING THE OUTSTANDING \$4,360,000 ADJUSTABLE RATE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1995 (GAHANNA CARE

CENTER, INC. PROJECT) OF THE CITY, AND OF A SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT RELATED THERETO, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

In response to question from Angelou, Isler stated that the change is to the exhibits not to the legislation itself; change better defines the rate of interest and payment; for someone who owns the bonds they can more easily find the rate of interest.

MOTION by Angelou, seconded by Kneeland, to amend ORD-0202-2001 by substitution. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Angelou, Kneeland, O'Brien, Payne, Shepherd, Thom, Hogan. Motion carried.

**Amended**

**A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member Payne, that this matter be Adopted, as Amended, as an Emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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| Yes | 7 | Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Vice President of Council Shepherd, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan and Council Member Kneeland |
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**ORD-0204-2001**

APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FRANCHISE AUTHORITY CONSENT TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE FROM AMERITECH NEW MEDIA, INC. DBA AMERICAST TO WIDOPENWEST OHIO, LLC, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Angelou stated she just wanted to make a couple of comments; last week during committees had asked through Davies that Ameritech New Media be present; they did not come; thought it was possibly a misunderstanding on my part but in checking with Davies they were to be there; instead they sent WOW to incur my wrath; had to do with service in that franchise of which I am a customer; could hope that WOW will give better service and at least less arrogance; would like to have said don't vote but if we don't vote to do this may be stuck with them forever; would also stop reimbursement of attorney's fees; do need to do this to get a better service provided; is about time that the people of this city take a good look at these organizations; not a good representation of what we want in this City.

**A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, that this matter be Adopted as an Emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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| Yes | 7 | Council Member Thom, President of Council O'Brien, Vice President of Council Shepherd, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan and Council Member Kneeland |
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**J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.**

**K. REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Kneeland:**

Kneeland stated meeting is tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. at Heartland Bank.

**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Payne:**

Payne stated that MORPC has decided to take on issue of EMA as a region; one thing I brought out is that suburbs all have our plans; need a sharing of those plans around the region; one thing to look at was regionalization; General Williams has been notified to be a part of that program.

**Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Shepherd: No Report.****Gahanna/Jefferson Joint Committee - O'Brien:**

O'Brien stated this meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, October 29th; Col. Hall felt he had asked the visitor from Hamilton to be here on the 31st; asked Clerk's office to notify members of the committee; will go with 29th as planned if that is correct..

**L. OFFICIAL REPORTS:****Mayor:**

Stinchcomb stated it has been a very intense 5 days; very excited about this opportunity; have already learned a lot and have a lot more to learn; am full time here as of last Friday; had first staff meeting this morning; did want to take a moment to say some thank yous; President normally gives gifts from City at end of year; that will be Mike's job now; congratulate O'Brien and Shepherd and welcome Thom to Council; Ward 3 will be in good hands; thank each and every one of you; it's been a wonderful experience for the last 10 years; hopefully we all will continue to serve, mine is just in a different capacity.

**City Attorney:**

Weber noted that the drive for signatures for referendum is going relatively well; was at football game on Saturday and they were passing petitions; did attend last week a press conference of the circulators and those sponsoring the effort; several newspapers from around the State were present and asked about our motives and our use of public funds; press conference was held in response to the Township Association news conference which was basically character assassination; felt we had to respond; felt we had positive response from press; will keep you advised.

**M. COUNCIL COMMENT:**

Angelou stated last Thursday was a busy day; started out with Marlene Eader and a meeting regarding Building Cities of Character' business partnerships with the schools; did pass this on to McGregor and he wrote for information; found through Eader that schools have begun dealing with this issue; is not a school situation but it is a community project; was excited about it; Tony Collins was there representing P&R; he has a lot of experience in this area; lot of knowledge and represented City well at that meeting; Thursday evening was the Chamber's Taste of Gahanna; was a truly gourmet experience; exciting to have a new restaurant represented; had wonderful food; congratulations to Chamber for a great event.

Thom stated it was certainly an honor to be here tonight; privilege to work with residents of Ward 3; congratulate McGregor on his appointment and Stinchcomb on hers; looking forward to your support in Ward 3; also thanks to wife Patty; to each and every one of you, thank you for your vote of confidence; here not as an individual but as a team; serve this city better yet; one sad moment from tonight is that I have served on Planning Commission for 10 years and have long referred to it as my Wednesday night family; take a little time to look over your shoulder to see where you came from; having grown up here in a little village of less than 1000 people and we are now at 36,000; we have come a long way; this is a great city with great people; if we work together as a team we will have a greater City yet; thank you all very much; proud to be a part of this Council.

Hogan welcomed Thom; experience on Planning Commission will be invaluable;

Mayor's last meeting as President took 14 minutes; right now we're at 1 hour 23 minutes; hope O'Brien speeds up a little.

Shepherd stated he attended P&R awards ceremony; was wonderful picnic in the park; was pretty well attended; congratulate the young ladies for working on their Gold Award; welcome Thom and look forward to his advice on zoning issues; noted an old face at Kristino's last week; Donna Newsman is working there; now have her in the city; was good to see her.

Payne congratulated Mayor Stinchcomb; waited a long time to be President; know she had difficult time in her private job to take away to do public service; will do an excellent job and looking forward to working with you; congratulate Thom; he had the foresight to put his name on the ballot; Taste of Gahanna was spread out more this year; was a lot of fun; also attended the awards picnic; great turnout for first time event; Jasmine and I went and had a great time.

Kneeland congratulate Mayor Stinchcomb and Dave Thom on appointments; always said it would be easier if we could get away from job; it doesn't get easier when you retire; looking forward to working with you.

O'Brien extended congratulations to Stinchcomb again; worked hard to get elected first time; the much needed experience that you brought in helping with the dialogue back then with cable was wonderful; Angelou's committee was working with such a difficult issue; brought with you to your membership on Council a way for parties who were so far apart to come closer together; with your help, and leadership already on Council, we got a good cable contract for Gahanna; your ability to bring together will be a great asset as Mayor of Gahanna; know you will do a good job; congratulations to you; have known Thom since 6th grade; remember when we washed the only police cruiser in the creek; believe we have a good team; not in the normal concept of the team; all working with similar ideas and in that the process of debate and presenting our opinions gets us through these issues and the things that are best for Gahanna; there is something unique about the team we have here; this team will do some great things in the future; appreciate confidence of Council in electing me President for the next couple of months; can't promise short meetings.

**N. ADJOURNMENT: 8:56 p.m. - Motion by Payne.**

**End of Agenda**

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**Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC**  
**Clerk of Council**

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

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**Chair Signature**