

# **City of Gahanna**

*200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, September 10, 2001**

**Immediately following previous committees or**

**7:30 PM**

**Council Committee Rooms**

## **Development Committee**

*Debra A. Payne, Chairman*

*Karen J. Angelou*

*Thomas R. Kneeland*

*Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, ex officio*

*Sadicka White, ex officio*

**Members Absent:** Thomas R. Kneeland

**Members Present:** Debra A. Payne and Karen J. Angelou

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**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:**

Press; Mayor; Sadicka White; Raleigh Mitchell;

**PENDING LEGISLATION**

**ORD-0188-2001**

AN ORDINANCE TO SET FORTH A STATEMENT OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE AREA CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF 2.7+/- ACRES FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA; REQUESTED BY FRANKLIN E. ECK, JR., AGENT FOR PETITIONERS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Recommended for Adoption, Consent**

**ISSUES - From Council Office:**

**2001-0049**

Request from Zoning Administrator for Park Land recommendation for ZC-0005-2001, Olde Ridenour Road, proposed development to be known as Rivers Edge; recommendation to be made to Planning Commission by 9/20/01.

White stated that it seems like the process is backwards in terms of parkland dedication; it comes to Council then Council sends it back to Planning Commission; then we do the assessment. Mitchell added that we get the information at the same time Council does. White stated that we do an assessment then Parks; if there is a difference then we work out then it goes to Planning Commission; then back to council. Angelou stated that this is our only say on it; it would be after the fact; after Planning Commission has made a decision. Payne asked if there were any comments. There were none. White stated that we will look into this as long as Council has final say.

RECOMMENDATION: Motion Resolution

**ISSUES - From Director of Development:**

**Six Month Accomplishments**

White handed out copies of Developments six month accomplishments and briefly went over them; taking great strides with the TIDE program and the industrial district; having retention and expansion meetings with executives of the industrial parkway; we have tried to concentrate on the industrial area; we want to know if anyone is thinking about expanding or leaving.

**Upcoming Meetings**

White went over the upcoming meetings and events; CIC will meet tomorrow; Friday, October 19 MODE will have their 6th annual meeting at Easton Town Center; Kenneth Blackwell will be speaking; we will have COTA at our industrial roundtable; trying to get that link established. Payne asked what happens in the TIDE meetings. White answered that it is a meeting of the partnerships; this coming meeting we will be discussing the emergency center; how to incorporate that into TIDE; hoping to have a promotional event as a way of target marketing; we will have a tour of our industrial

sites; working with Pizutti; they are hoping to sponsor a sports event; it has not been scheduled; we are waiting on Pizutti; trying to have it scheduled for fall; TIDE meets every 10 weeks.

**Referendum for Annexation**

White stated that part of our members of MOPC have asked that cities will consider giving \$20,000 to \$25,000 in order to get petitions passed out; this is considered legal by the Secretary of State; they need about 300,000 signatures to meet the criteria; Weber did say he urged Council to consider a contribution; other communities are looking at that amount. Mayor stated that he wished we would have waited; think this law is going to cause trouble; think it will cave in under its own weight; support whatever Council decides. Angelou stated that this was from a strong township lobby; that lobby is always going to be there; we need to do something now; don't like the idea of putting up \$20,000, but if we can't make the deadline. Payne stated that we would have to waive second reading to get this going; this is not just a Gahanna problem; this is a statewide problem. White agreed; central Ohio is going to be a huge growth area. Stinchcomb stated that she feel the referendum is important; would like to see if other communities have actually passed legislation to donate the money. White stated she would check into it and get back with Council.

**MODE**

No discussion.

**OPC**

No discussion.

**Interns**

White stated that we would like a transfer from capital improvements; when we took the full time code enforcement officer we didn't have enough money to cover the interns; already have a contract with OSU that we have to honor.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; No Need to Come back to Committee; 2nd Reading, Consent

**Stacey Bashore, Recording**