The Council of the City of Kettering, Ohio met in a workshop session on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 in the Kettering Conference Room, 3600 Shroyer Road, Kettering Government Center. The meeting came to order at 6:04 p.m.

Council Members Present included Mayor Patterson, Vice Mayor Scott, Mrs. Schrimpf, Mr. Wanamaker, Mr. Duke, Mr. Lautar and Mr. Klepacz.

Staff Members Present: City Manager Mark Schwieterman, Assistant City Manager Steve Bergstresser, Law Director Ted Hamr, Community Information Manager Stacy Schweikart and Economic Development Manager Gregg Gorsuch.

Mr. Sterling Abernathy was also present.

Representative Jim Butler – Mr. Schwieterman turned the meeting over to Representative Jim Butler. Representative Butler began by discussing the micro cell tower Bill and asked if the City of Kettering was joining other jurisdictions in a law suit against the Bill. Mr. Schwieterman said yes. Mr. Schwieterman and Mr. Butler discussed the Bill and the fact that the Ohio Municipal League came out with a neutral stance on the proposal. Mr. Schwieterman’s opinion was the Bill as proposed was bad; the Bill got better but is still not good. Representative Butler noted the micro cell tower Bill was passed during the lame duck session. Representative Butler also discussed the centralized income tax collection proposal. He stated the proposal is unpopular in the State Senate and House of Representatives. Mr. Schwieterman said the jurisdiction’s stance is just “leave us alone”, the City of Kettering does an excellent job of collecting the income tax and we would prefer to keep collection as it is. Mr. Duke asked if Representative Butler needs specific examples from us so he can argue Kettering’s point of view. Mr. Butler said he already has those numbers and they are not in dispute. Representative Butler discussed other proposals at the Statehouse including proposals regarding tobacco, alcohol and casino taxes, he also discussed the heroin epidemic, property tax simplification ideas, health care reform and Wright State University. The Council members thanked Representative Butler for his time.

City Council Meeting Agenda Review – Mr. Schwieterman reviewed the Council meeting agenda with the City Council members.

Medical Marijuana – Mr. Schwieterman stated he gave an interview to the media today regarding Council taking action to extend the Medical Marijuana moratorium. He explained to the media how Council is waiting for the State to announce what the rules and regulations will be for Medical Marijuana before making a decision.

Youth and Family Resource Coordinator Position – Mr. Lautar stated the School Board and the City are looking at creating a Youth and Family Resource Coordinator position. The funding for the position would be split 50/50 between the School Board and the City. He also mentioned the School Board would provide the administrative assistance work for the position. The person would be hired and work for the Shared Resource Center and then be under contract by the School Board and City. Mr. Lautar noted any family that has a child in a school (public, private or the STEM School) in the City would have access to the Youth and Family Resource Coordinator. Mr. Duke asked who the Coordinator would report to. Mr. Lautar said the person would report to the Director of Student Services. Mr. Klepacz asked where the person would be located. Mr. Lautar said their office would be in the Barnes building.

Community Leader Fly In – Mr. Schwieterman stated he and the Mayor will not be at the April 25th Council meeting as they will be attending the Dayton Development Coalition Community Leader Fly In to Washington D.C. on behalf of the City. Mrs. Schrimpf
noted she will be attending the Fly In as well as part of her duties with the Dayton Development Coalition.

**Ice Arena** – Mr. Schwieterman noted the recently completed Ice Arena Study suggested the City increase fees associated with using the arena, those increases have been implemented and are currently in place. Staff is currently in the process of changing the refund policy, which was also recommended by the Study. The old policy was if an association booked the arena and then canceled at least 60 days prior to the event they received a refund. The new policy will state there are no refunds, if an association books the arena there will be no refund if that association cancels the booking.

**TreeFest** – Mr. Schwieterman reported the TreeFest event is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 15th. A presentation will be held at 11:30 a.m. The event will be held at the Habitat Environmental Center.

**Capital Improvement Program (CIP)** – Mr. Bergstresser distributed a post card regarding street improvement projects that may occur in 2018 in the areas of the Valleywood and Oakcreek neighborhoods. The post card informs residents a street improvement project is scheduled for their neighborhood and the City will have staff out in the area in the near future measuring and marking the projects areas. The post card also informs residents City Council will decide later this year whether to include this proposed project in the City’s 2018 CIP, and if the project moves forward, the residents will receive more information and options for making the necessary repairs early next year.

**Lead and Drinking Water** – Mr. Schwieterman handed out a document prepared by the City of Dayton, the City of Oakwood and Montgomery County in cooperation with other communities throughout the Miami Valley. The purpose of the document is to explain a new EPA (OEPA) requirement that all Public Water Systems prepare mapping information about the water piping infrastructure within their jurisdictions and to provide information about lead and drinking water, and to address other questions that relate to water quality and safe drinking water.

**Health Insurance** – Mr. Schwieterman noted there are currently contractual issues between UHC and Premier Health. Hopefully, the issue will be settled before a disruption of service occurs, however staff is in the process of preparing for a disruption in case it does occur.

**Crime Mapping** – Mr. Schwieterman stated the TCSU, Gov Tech and the MVCC are working on a crime mapping process. TCSU is recommending purchasing software from ESRI. There would be a licensing fee and a one-time set up fee. Gov Tech has approved the recommendation and the groups will move forward to develop a crime mapping system.

The workshop meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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