

CITY OF KETTERING
CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
January 23, 2018

The Council of the City of Kettering, Ohio met in a workshop session on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 in the Council Chambers, 3600 Shroyer Road, Kettering Government Center. The meeting came to order at 6:02 p.m.

Council Members Present included Mayor Patterson, Mrs. Fisher, Mr. Wanamaker, Mr. Klepacz, Mr. Duke and Mr. Scott. Vice Mayor Lautar had an excused absence.

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

Mr. Sterling Abernathy was also in attendance.

Agenda Review – Mr. Schwieterman reviewed the agenda for this evening’s meeting with the Council members.

Kettering Health Network (KHN) – Mr. Schwieterman noted he, Mr. Bergstresser and Mr. Gorsuch are meeting with the KHN officials on January 30th to discuss Stonebridge Road and a few other topics. Staff will report back to Council after that meeting.

Prugh Woods/Recreation Complex Entry Way – Mr. Schwieterman noted staff will present a new color scheme for identification signs to Council at the next Workshop Meeting or in an upcoming Friday packet.

Kettering Business Park (KBP) Master Plan – Mr. Schwieterman stated staff will present the KBP Master Plan to the Council members at a Workshop Meeting in March.

Brigid’s Path Update – Mr. Schwieterman said the Brigid’s Path sewer repair work is slated for next week. North bound South Dixie Drive will be closed for approximately three days during the repair. The City Engineering Department is designing the traffic detour routes. Mr. Schwieterman also noted it appears Brigid’s Path has raised enough funds to complete the project without the City’s CDBG involvement.

Citizen’s Satisfaction Survey (The Survey) – Mr. Schwieterman introduced Catherine Sulecki and stated she is an intern from the University of Dayton working in the City Manager’s office. Mrs. Schweikhart gave a brief update of The Survey results. She noted The Survey was once again completed by Wright State University. Mrs. Schweikhart stated that overall 97% of residents responded that they were satisfied or very satisfied with Kettering as a place to live. She also noted 91% of residents rated services provided by the City as good or excellent. Mrs. Schweikhart also mentioned The Survey was conducted off of the Waste Management email list, so it does not include apartment complexes of greater than three units. A complete report of The Survey will be shared with Council members at a future Workshop Meeting and/or a Friday packet.

Waste Management Meeting – Mr. Schwieterman reported he, Mr. Bergstresser and Mrs. Csizma had a meeting recently with the new Waste Management regional representative. He also noted staff will be working to develop a recycling education program. The City is currently at about an 18% recycling rate and the Solid Waste District goal is 25%. The emphasis of the program will be on education rather than a Pay as you Throw type of program.

Acronym List – Mr. Schwieterman distributed the current list of acronyms used in City Government. He noted staff will continue to update the list as necessary.

Emergency Operations and Management Plan – Mr. Schwieterman gave each Council member a copy of the Emergency Operation and Management Plan as revised in December of 2017.

Theresa Kyriakidis – Mr. Schwieterman noted Friday, January 26th is Mrs. Kyriakidis' last day with the organization. He invited everyone to stop by and say good bye.

Kettering Development Corporation (KDC) Update – Mr. Schwieterman said the KDC held a meeting yesterday and they have agreed to help market the land for sale in the Miami Valley Research Park. This will require City Council to pass a Resolution to allow the City Manager to enter into a contract with the KDC for purposes of marketing the land. The goal is to have a real estate firm in place by late Spring or early Summer.

Local Preference Policy – Mr. Schwieterman described the proposed Local Preference Policy to the City Council members. City Council approved moving forward with the program. Staff will prepare an Ordinance to be voted on by City Council in February. Council members encouraged staff to work on marketing the program and meet directly with a few key vendors to share the proposal with them.

Vacation Schedule – Mr. Schwieterman informed Council members he will be on vacation from February 1st through February 5th and again from March 2nd through March 12th. Mr. Bergstresser will be the acting City Manager during these times.

Code Red – Mr. Schwieterman discussed the recent Code Red call that went out regarding an endangered missing adult. After the discussion City Council did not mandate staff stop using Code Red during the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. City Council did state staff should refrain from sending the “we found the person” call until the next morning. Mr. Schwieterman said he will inform Chief Protsman of the Council's comments and decision.

Miami Valley Housing Opportunities (MVHO) – Mr. Schwieterman said it appears Montgomery County Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) has purchased the properties at 1540 and 1532 Glenbeck Avenue (8 units) and MVHO will manage the properties for them. MVHO already owns and operates the properties at 1436, 1424 and 1412 Glenbeck Avenue (12 units). City Council members instructed Mr. Schwieterman and Mr. Robillard to meet with ADAMHS and MVHO to discuss the plans for the properties. Council members would also like staff to keep Ms. Cavanaugh (neighborhood watch leader) updated so that she has the current and correct information for her neighborhood network. Staff made it very clear that the City has no role in this transaction and that we cannot impede the project.

Service Line Warranty Program – Mr. Schwieterman stated the National League of Cities (NLC) has a sewer service line warranty program. He described the program to the Council members. After the discussion Council instructed staff to conduct further research on the program and gather data on other vendors in the area that offer this type of insurance. Mr. Schwieterman noted staff will continue researching the opportunities and report back to Council at a future date.

The workshop meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

ATTEST:

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