

CITY OF KETTERING
CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
December 11, 2018

The Council of the City of Kettering, Ohio met in a workshop session on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 in the Kettering Meeting Room, 3600 Shroyer Road, Kettering Government Center. The meeting came to order at 6:33 p.m.

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

Staff Members Present: City Manager Mark Schwieterman, Assistant City Manager Steve Bergstresser, Law Director Ted Hamer, PRCA Director MaryBeth O'Dell 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.

Leaf and Storm Debris Pick Up – Mr. Schwieterman gave the Council members a leaf pick up and storm debris update. He noted the leaf pick up program should be completed a week from this Friday. The storm debris pick up is finished with Districts 1 through 5. The yard debris center will remain open until December 22nd. The Public Service Department has rented a tub grinder (the City's tub grinder is under repair) for 7 days, we have the option to rent it longer if needed.

Moody's – Mr. Schwieterman said he and the Finance Department had a conference call with Moody's this morning. The Moody's rating committee affirmed Kettering's current rating. The City's will hold a meeting on December 6th and determine if the City's bond rating will change or remain the same. The City's bond rating will remain at the AA1 rating.

Vectren – Mr. Schwieterman discussed the Vectren/CenterPoint Energy (CNP) pending merger with the Council members. He noted Ms. Colleen Ryan has elected not to stay on with the company after the merger. He also mentioned the City's contact with Vectren, Mr. Walt Hibner is not sure if he will be remaining with the company after the merger is complete. Mr. Schwieterman will keep the Council members informed on the situation as it progresses.

Miami Valley Regional Crime Lab – Mr. Schwieterman noted he recently met with Montgomery County Administrator Michael Colbert regarding the Miami Valley Regional Crime Lab. The City currently uses the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) for crime lab services. Mr. Colbert noted he could reduce the City's rate if the City went back to using the Miami Valley Crime Lab. Mr. Schwieterman noted is still less expensive for the City to use the BCI and we are receiving good service. Mr. Schwieterman said his recommendation is to stay with BCI, it is less expensive and we are receiving good service, the Council members concurred.

Bicycle & Shared Use Facility Maintenance Responsibilities – Mr. Bergstresser displayed a draft matrix of different type of paths (on street bike paths, off street shared use paths, shared use side paths in public ROW) and what maintenance activity needs to take place on those paths and the party that is responsible for the maintenance. He noted Kettering currently does not remove snow and ice from off street paths. Mr. Bergstresser also noted when the shared use paths in public ROW (8' to 10' sidewalks) need to be replaced the recommendation is the adjacent property owners will be assessed for one half of the width multiplied by the length. This way the property owner will not be "penalized" for have a shared use path in front of their property. Mr. Klepacz asked if the property owners were assessed when these type of paths were constructed. Mr.

Bergstresser said they were not, we used federal funds and when federal funds are used jurisdictions cannot assess the property owners. Mayor Patterson asked if staff was going to present the draft proposal to the Bike Committee. Mr. Bergstresser said yes, we would be glad to present it to the Bike Committee and get their opinion. Mr. Klepacz asked if we have an estimated cost to remove snow and ice from the shared use paths. Mr. Schwieterman said he does not have an estimated cost, but currently we do not have the equipment or manpower, so we would need to contract out for such a service. Staff will present the plan to the Bike Committee and report back to Council at a future workshop meeting.

Fraze Data Distribution Project – Mr. Schwieterman reviewed a memo he had send to the Council members regarding a potential Fraze capital improvement project. The current wireless solution for credit card readers has been unreliable and sometimes requires staff to type in credit card numbers thus creating long lines and below standard service for the concession operations. He noted ticket scanners would also be included in this improvement project. Staff is recommending hardwiring all of the credit card readers. The project would require the City to bore and install cable to the 24 various credit card points in the Park. Also the project would add additional units west of the concession area. The estimated project cost would be around \$97,000, the project could use the Fraze Founder fund to pay for the project. Mr. Klepacz said so this project would address two problems, credit card issues at the concession stands and scanning tickets when folks are entering the Fraze. Mr. Schwieterman said that is correct. The Council members gave approval to proceed and keep them updated.

The workshop meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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