

City of Montgomery
City Council Business Session
March 6, 2019

Present

Brian Riblet, City Manager
Terry Donnellon, Law Director
John Crowell, Police Chief
Gary Heitkamp, Public Works Director
Tracy Roblero, Community Development Director
Katie Smiddy, Finance Director
Matthew Vanderhorst, Community Information Service Director
Paul Wright, Fire Chief
Faith Lynch, Communications and Engagement Coordinator
Connie Gaylor, Clerk of Council

City Council Members

Chris Dobrozsi, Mayor
Lynda Roesch, Vice Mayor
Lee Ann Bissmeyer
Mike Cappel
Gerri Harbison
Craig Margolis
Ken Suer

City Council convened in Council Chambers at 7: 00 p.m. for the Business Session with Mayor Dobrozsi presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Dobrozsi asked for a motion to dispense with the roll call since everyone was in attendance.

Mr. Margolis moved to dispense with the roll call. Mr. Cappel seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

GUESTS AND RESIDENTS

Steve Silverman, 7504 Golf Green Drive-Mr. Silverman asked permission to display items in reference to a comment Council Member Margolis made at a previous council meeting in which Mr. Margolis disclosed he had never purchased any of the City Landmark Ornaments because he did not have a Christmas tree. Mr. Silverman stated that he thought Mr. Margolis's lack of religious diversity needed to be addressed. He displayed a stuffed animal, a dog, that played a Hanukkah song and in observance of the Passover holiday, he displayed a stuffed bunny. Mr. Silverman attempted to be humorous and stated the stuffed bunny was supposed to be an Easter hamster.

LEGISLATION FOR CONSIDERATION TONIGHT

PENDING LEGISLATION

NEW LEGISLATION

A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with Greve Chrysler Jeep Dodge for the Purchase of Three (3) 2019 Dodge Charger Sedans

Mrs. Bissmeyer moved to read the Resolution by title only. Mr. Margolis seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

Mrs. Bissmeyer read the title and moved for passage. Mrs. Harbison seconded.

Mrs. Bissmeyer explained that information has been previously supplied on this Resolution that, if approved, would authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Greve Chrysler Jeep Dodge for the purchase of three (3) 2019 Dodge Charger Sedans. She stated the purchase of these police vehicles is part of a scheduled rotation program to replace older police vehicles in the Police Department's fleet. She stated that funding for the vehicles is appropriated in the City's 2019 Police Department Operating and Capital Budget.

Mrs. Bissmeyer asked if there were any updates.

Chief Crowell replied there were none.

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Mr. Cappel asked if there were hybrid cruisers available.

Chief Crowell responded that there were cruisers in production, but they were substantially more in price and the production time is approximately a year.

Mr. Margolis asked if we would keep a hybrid cruiser long enough to account for the increase in cost.

Chief Crowell stated that we typically keep cruisers three to five years depending on the wear. He stated that we do use a substantial amount of fuel, so if the price of the cruisers were to come down, we could justify the cost due to the fuel savings.

Mr. Riblet added that a followup to the facility studies conducted by American Structurepoint is a fleet study. He stated the results of the study would render recommendations that would be shared with City Council at a future date and may influence how we are purchasing city vehicles.

The roll was called and showed the following vote:

AYE: Cappel, Bissmeyer, Harbison, Dobrozi, Roesch, Suer, Margolis	(7)
NAY:	(0)
ABSENT:	(0)

An Ordinance Accepting Dedicated Right-of-Way Along Kennedy Lane

Mr. Cappel moved to read the Ordinance by title only. Mrs. Harbison seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

Mr. Cappel read the title and moved for passage of the first reading. Mr. Margolis seconded.

Mr. Cappel explained that information has been previously supplied on this Ordinance that, if adopted, would accept a strip of land on the north edge of Kennedy Lane which was dedicated at the time the subdivision was platted many years ago, but was never accepted by the City. He stated that acceptance of this property will allow the City to proceed with the sidewalk construction project along Kennedy Lane in cooperation with Sycamore Township.

Mr. Cappel asked Mr. Heitkamp if there were any updates.

Mr. Heitkamp replied that there were none and that it is anticipated that the project may bid by the end of March or early April.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Mr. Riblet gave the following report:

- City Council Work Session is scheduled for March 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
A special presentation will be made at this meeting introducing the newest addition to our Police Department "Ricky" the K-9. Also attending will be representatives from the Haverkamp Foundation and TriHealth.
- The Parks and Recreation and Public Works Committees of Council have cancelled their meetings for the month of March.
- The Government Affairs Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 13 at 4:30 p.m.

- 111 • The Planning Commission met on Monday evening to discuss the expansion of a conditional use and Final
112 Development Plan from the Church of the Saviour to allow the building at 8003 Pfeiffer Road to be used
114 as a Ministry Center. After considering the testimony and discussion, the Planning Commission voted to
115 recommend approval of the expansion of the conditional use with conditions. Staff would like to request
116 a public hearing on Wednesday, April 3 at 6:30 p.m. to consider the recommendation from the Planning
117 Commission. If Council is so inclined a motion could be made to go straight into the normal Council
118 meeting at the conclusion of the public hearing.

119 Mr. Margolis made a motion to commence with the March 20, 2019 Work Session at the conclusion of the
120 Public Hearing. Mrs. Bissmeyer seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

- 121 • The Health Care Benefit Committee will conduct its' first meeting on Friday, March 8 to begin the RFP
122 process for the upcoming benefit year.
- 123 • On March 14, Mr. Riblet will be providing a presentation to the OKI Executive Committee relative to our
124 Roundabout and Development projects. This will also be a great opportunity to thank OKI for their support.
- 125 • In addition to several hiring processes currently in progress:
126 Finance Specialist (deadline for applications is March 29)
127 Part-time Summer Recreation Specialist (deadline for applications is March 29)
128 Seasonal Public Works positions (deadline for applications is March 29).
- 129 • MCLA meets this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. at Universalist Church. This session, "History and Development,
130 the Art of Co-existence," is normally held at the Fellowship Baptist Church, but the church is unavailable
131 this year. This session will include a brief presentation from Tracy Roblero and former Mayor Gary
132 Blomberg and a walking tour of downtown Montgomery.
- 133 • As a reminder, the BAMSO Spring Concert will be held on Sunday at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church,
134 beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- 135 • A reminder that this Sunday Daylight saving time begins. Remember to set your clocks an hour ahead.
- 136 • Mr. Riblet reported that he attended the Sycamore School Master Facility public involvement meeting last
137 Wednesday evening at Terwilliger Lodge and learned that Montgomery Elementary School was ranked #1
138 for 2017-2018 by the ODE Achievement Rankings. "Great Schools make Great Communities".

147 **Minutes**

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149 Mr. Cappel moved to approve the February 20, 2019 Work Session minutes as written. Mr. Margolis seconded.
150 City Council unanimously agreed.

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152 **Mayor's Court Report**

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154 Mayor Dobrozsi reported that the total Mayor's Court collection for the month of February is \$8,990.

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156 Mr. Cappel moved to accept the Mayor's Court Report for the month of February. Mrs. Bissmeyer seconded. City
157 Council unanimously agreed.

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159 **Other Business**

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161 Vice Mayor Roesch made a motion to appoint Ben Linser to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term
162 expiring January 31, 2022. She stated that she would need a second as by City Council as it was not a Parks and
163 Recreation Committee recommendation. Mr. Cappel seconded the appointment of Mr. Linser. City Council
164 unanimously agreed.

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Mrs. Harbison explained that she spoke with Jerry Newfarmer of Management Partners at which time he reported that he is not available to attend the March 20, Work Session. She asked if City Council would be available for a Special Session on Wednesday, March 27. Mr. Cappel made a motion to hold a Special Session of City Council on Wednesday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Bissmeyer seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

Mrs. Harbison reported that she met with a local hybrid Girl Scout/Boy Scout Troop at which time some of the mothers in attendance made positive remarks about the City regarding the City's stewardship of their finances, safety services and public works departments.

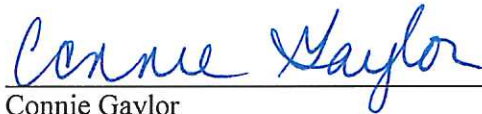
Mrs. Bissmeyer reported that at the Law and Safety meeting held on March 4, the Committee made a motion to transition from EMS SignPost to Alert Hamilton County and Smart911 offered by the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency.

Mayor Dobrozi reported that Liz Koszuta, Southwest Ohio Chapter, Executive Director of a Kid Again is leaving and there will be a new executive director appointed to her position. A Kid Again is a non-profit organization located in Montgomery that provides families with children that have life threatening illnesses the opportunities to have fun and make memories while dealing with the burden of their illnesses.

Mayor Dobrozi asked if there was any further business to discuss in Public Session. There being none he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Margolis moved to adjourn. Mr. Cappel seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

City Council adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



Connie Gaylor
Clerk of Council