

THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO
Proceedings of the Huron City Council
Regular Meeting Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order

The Mayor called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:30pm on February 8, 2022 in Council Chambers at Huron City Hall. The Mayor called for a moment of silence. After the moment of silence, the Mayor led in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll for regular meeting of Council. The following members of Council answered present: **William Biddlecombe, Mark Claus, Monty Tapp, Joe Dike, Matt Grieves, Joel Hagy**. Council member absent: **Sam Artino**

Motion by Mr. Claus to excuse Mr. Artino's absence from the Council meeting.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor of the motion, the motion passed and Mr. Artino's absence from the meeting was excused.

Staff participating in the meeting: City Manager Matt Lasko, Law Director Todd Schrader, Planning and Zoning Manager Erik Engle, City Engineer Russ Critelli and Clerk of Council Terri Welkener.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Dike to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of December 14, 2021, as written.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the matter. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority in favor, the motion was approved.

Audience Comments

The Mayor advised any audience members wishing to speak to approach the podium, state their name and address for the record, and they will have 3 minutes to address Council.

None.

Old Business

Ordinance No. 2022-5 (THIRD READING)

Motion by Mr. Claus that Ordinance 2022-5 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A “PERMITTED USES” TO CHAPTER 1127 “MIXED-USE DISTRICTS” OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HURON TO ADDRESS DWELLING UNITS IN COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS, TO PERMIT TRANSIENT RENTALS, TO CONDITIONALLY PERMIT OUTDOOR DISPLAYS OR SALES, AND TO PERMIT PLACES OF WORSHIP/CHURCHES IN MIXED-USE ZONING DISTRICTS) be placed upon its third and final reading.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor, Ordinance 2022-5 was placed on its third and final reading. The Law Director read the Ordinance by its title only.

Mr. Lasko summarized the four zoning amendments coming out of a Planning Commission meeting held in December as it relates to the process of rezoning the entirety of the entire ConAgra property. Those four recommendations include:

1. Restricting residential uses on ground floors of only commercial buildings.
2. Permits transient uses and rentals on the property, with the caveat that the City still have the ability to review and restrict that through the ultimate sale of the real estate;
3. Any outdoor displays or sales will be a conditional request through the conditional permit process; and
4. Allowing places of worship and churches, which is similar to other mixed-use districts throughout the City.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions or discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on final adoption. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe, (6)
NAYS: None (0)

With more than a majority in favor of the motion, Ordinance 2022-5 was adopted. The Ordinance as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect in 30 days.

Ordinance No. 2022-6 (THIRD READING)

Motion by Mr. Claus that Ordinance 2022-6 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF HURON TO REFLECT THE REZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 11.4 ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO, LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CLEVELAND ROAD, ERIE COUNTY, OHIO PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 42-61270.001, FROM THE CURRENT I-2 (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL) TO MU-GD (MULTI-USE GRANARY DISTRICT)) be placed upon its third and final reading.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grievess, Hagy, Biddlecombe (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor, Ordinance 2022-6 was placed on its third and final reading. The Law Director read the Ordinance by its title only.

Mr. Lasko reminded Council and the public that this was a recommendation of the Planning Commission at their December meeting. There were public hearing held, both at the Planning Commission level in December and also with the full Council in January. There was no public comment at either hearing against said rezoning.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions or discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on final adoption. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grievess, Hagy, Biddlecombe, (6)
NAYS: None (0)

With more than a majority in favor of the motion, Ordinance 2022-6 was adopted. The Ordinance as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect in 30 days.

Tabled Legislation

Resolution No. 19-2022 (Tabled at 1-28-22 meeting)

Motion by Mr. Grievess to remove Resolution No. 19-2022 from the table.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Grievess, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike (6)
NAYS: None (0)

With more than a majority in favor of the motion, Resolution No. 19-2022 was removed from the table.

Resolution No. 19-2022

Motion by Mr. Grievess that the three-reading rule be waived and Resolution 19-2022 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AND ENTER INTO A VENDOR AGREEMENT WITH MARK HAYNES CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR REVETMENT SERVICES AT THE EAST END OF HURON LAKE FRONT PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$49,000.00)) be placed upon its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Grievess, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being five votes or more in favor, the motion to suspend the three-reading rule passed and Resolution 19-2022 was placed upon its first reading. The Law Director read the Resolution by its title only.

Mr. Lasko provided a summary of what Mr. Steinwart provided to Council at the last meeting. This is the first of three likely revetment projects needed at Lake Front Park calling for approximately 150' of stone to be placed at the bend of Wall Street. The City received three proposals, and the recommendation of staff is to enter into a contract with Mark Haynes Construction for \$49,000, which was the lowest of the three proposals. Based on the conversation at the last Council meeting, the City has added a Vendor Agreement to this legislation, which is a document that will be used in the future as it relates to similar proposals for work or services throughout the City. The agreement provides that the company shall provide a certificate of insurance naming the City as an additional insured. In addition, contractors providing transportation will also have to have that insurance name the City as an additional insured. The company must return the site to its original condition pre-construction, and also, the City is indemnified against claims, damages and liabilities related to the project. Mr. Steinwart said he thought the agreement was a good idea. Mayor Claus said that it was needed, and Council felt uncomfortable not having the protections provided in that agreement.

Mayor Claus asked if the procedure used for this first part of the project would be the same for the next two parts of the project. Mr. Steinwart said that he anticipates that they will solicit multiple bids for both of those projects. He anticipates that this will be the most expensive of the three. The other two parts have a combined cost of approximately \$30,000. Mr. Lasko said that we would still go through the multiple bid process, but probably not the full bidding process based on the amounts.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions or discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 19-2022. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution 19-2022 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

New Business

Ordinance No. 2022-11

Motion by Mr. Hagy that the three-reading rule be suspended and Ordinance 2022-11 (AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. AS A DEPOSITORY FOR ACTIVE/INACTIVE AND/OR INTERIM FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF HURON FOR THE PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FROM FEBRUARY 19, 2022 AND ENDING ON FEBRUARY 18, 2027, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY) be placed upon its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor, the three-reading rule was suspended and Ordinance 2022-11 placed on its first reading. The Law Director read the Ordinance by its title only.

Motion by Mr. Hagy to place Ordinance 2022-11 as an emergency measure.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, he directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five votes or more in favor, Ordinance 2022-11 was placed as an emergency measure.

Mr. Swaisgood addressed both Ordinances 2022-11 and 2022-12. The Ohio Revised Code Section 135 requires the governing boards of city council to designate what is called a public depository agreements for the City every five years. The sole depository agreement in effect at that time is with Huntington National Bank, which the City uses for banking services – daily deposits, disbursements, credit card programs. The agreement with Huntington National Bank expires on February 18th of this year, so he is requesting approval to extend that another 5 years. Ordinance 2022-12 requests an additional depository agreement with JP Morgan Chase Bank for the reason that we currently use JP Morgan Chase Bank with the electric bond that was issued (payments are made through them). These depository agreements do not necessarily mean that we have to have banking services with these bank, there is no real limit on the number of depository agreements allowed – there could be 10 or 20. For the next 5 years, the City has the ability to use these banks, if desired.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions or discussion on the motion. There being none, he directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Ordinance 2022-11. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Ordinance 2022-11 was adopted. The Ordinance as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Ordinance No. 2022-12

Motion by Mr. Hagy that the three-reading rule be suspended and Ordinance 2022-12 (AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK AS A DEPOSITORY FOR ACTIVE/INACTIVE AND/OR INTERIM FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF HURON FOR THE PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FROM FEBRUARY 19, 2022 AND ENDING ON FEBRUARY 18, 2027, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY) be placed upon its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor, the three-reading rule was suspended and Ordinance 2022-12 placed on its first reading. The Law Director read the Ordinance by its title only.

Motion by Mr. Hagy to place Ordinance 2022-12 as an emergency measure.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, he directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being five votes or more in favor, Ordinance 2022-12 was placed as an emergency measure.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions or discussion on the motion. There being none, he directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Ordinance 2022-12. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Ordinance 2022-12 was adopted. The Ordinance as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 23-2022

Motion by Mr. Biddlecombe that the three-reading rule be waived and Resolution 23-2022 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT CONFIRMING THE JOINT ACQUISITION, OPERATION AND/OR MAINTENANCE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND AN AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SUCH FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED BY THE HURON JOINT RECREATION PROGRAM) be placed upon its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)
NAYS: None (0)

There being five votes or more in favor, the motion to suspend the three-reading rule passed and Resolution 23-2022 was placed upon its first reading. The Law Director read the Resolution by its title only.

Mr. Lasko thanked the Township and the School District for their continue engagement as relates to the Joint Recreation District. This agreement, if approved this evening, must go to those two legislative bodies, but the City has had great conversations with both entities and, hopefully, look forward to their continued support in 2022.

Mr. Swaisgood explained that the HJRD Agreement before Council is an agreement that has been brought before Council every year around this time (more than 20 years). The percentage split of 55% City/ 25% Township/ 10% Schools has been in place for at least the last 4-5 years, and the Township has contributed at least 25% since at least 2010. As included in the 2022 City Budget, and as also discussed with the Schools and the Township in late fall, the total contribution amount from all three entities is \$494,000. The legislation before Council approves the City's contribution. As has been done in the past, the City will then send this agreement with those contributions to the Township and Schools so both of them may take action for approval. Based on what happens with those two entities (the City's contribution is contingent on their approval), we may have to come back to Council for other considerations. The contribution for 2021 was \$460,000, and the increase is primarily due to the increases due to the additional Parks worker added to the budget, but whom has not yet been hired.

Mr. Steinwart said that the HJRD offers programs, facilities, arts and crafts classes, Safety Town, soccer program, and the tennis courts are used by the schools. Mr. Hagy asked if the \$490,000 represents the entire contribution, or just the City's contribution. Mr. Swaisgood answered that the \$490,000 represents the combined contributions of the City/Township/Schools. Mr. Hagy asked if HJRD takes care of any properties outside of the City proper, to which Mr. Steinwart answered, no. Mr. Claus confirmed that as long as the Township and Schools agree, this agreement will not come back to Council.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions or discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 23-2022. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: **Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)**
NAYS: **None (0)**

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution 23-2022 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

City Manager's Discussion

Mr. Lasko spoke on several topics:

- South Shore Marine – Staff has recently met with representatives from South Shore Marine regarding a potential upcoming expansion. They are looking at adding another large indoor storage facility to their camps. It is a pretty significant investment into the community, and we are hoping to present this project to the Planning Commission at an upcoming meeting. We are certainly grateful for the company's continued investment and expansion efforts in Huron.
- Ardagh Metal Beverage USA, Inc. – Ardagh's proposed investments have been well-documented over a series of articles through the Sandusky Register, in which it has been noted that they are going to invest up to \$411 Million and add 211 employees. In recent conversations with the folks at Ardagh, it is anticipated by the end of year that the investment will be \$580 Million into the facility, and they are anticipating 322 employees. We anticipated that their projections were a little bit on the low side, but this is very much positive news for the community in terms of additional employment opportunities from an income tax standpoint and what they are investing into that facility for all taxing districts, particularly the schools and EHOVE.
- Route 6 Streetlights – When the initial streetlights were installed, there were several lamp heads and bulbs that had issues. We received word last week that we should have everything delivered and installed in the next 2 weeks or so.
- Police Department – Through conversations with our bargaining units, particularly the Police Department, the IT Department and Police Department will begin an exploratory process looking for funding opportunities to acquire and begin to implement the use of body-worn cameras. These cameras are becoming prevalent in nearby police departments, and our officers and sergeants have expressed an interest in them, as well. In addition to exploring funding opportunities, we also need to get a sense of the cost to purchase and understand any additional IT upgrades to host and store the content from those cameras. We hope to start that process this year.
- Winter Storm Landon – Mr. Lasko put out a huge thank you to all the staff who worked around the clock since last Wednesday night clearing the roads and sidewalks of snow, including individuals from our Streets, Water Distribution and Parks & Recreation Department. It truly was an all-hands-on-deck effort, and they operated on little sleep and made several rounds throughout the City. A backhoe was necessary in several instances by the lake. They did a tremendous job, and the City received a lot of positive call and feedback.

- Website – The City budgeted \$50,000 for a revamp of the City’s website in 2022. The work may extend into 2023, but we will begin a process in the upcoming months to get that off the ground. We anticipate recommending issuance of a request for proposal to IT and web development firms right around April in hopes of presenting a preferred firm to Council for consideration shortly thereafter.
- Main Street Corridor Plan – Staff met with the team from OHM this week to review a draft of the work plan and scope for the Main Street visioning and community outreach process. We are planning a robust community outreach process facilitated by OHM that will include broad community meetings, stakeholder meetings and a steering committee as we move toward adoption of a plan that will enhance the corridor and create cohesion from Bogart Road to the pier. We anticipate the plan will be achievable, financeable and, most importantly, informed by the community. We hope to present a proposal to Council in the upcoming weeks to begin that process.
- Local Preference Ordinance – Staff is putting together a memorandum for Council’s review regarding the exploration of a local preference ordinance. A local preference, in essence, provides a legally permissible means to increase the likelihood of local suppliers and contractors to be selected to receive City contracts. The memorandum will provide details on how local preference works, and a cross-section of other communities to determine if they have local preference ordinances, and if they do, how they are structured. Once complete, this may be a good topic to review in an upcoming work session of Council.
- Fish Cleaning Station – The drawings are completed, and the project is officially out to bid. Those proposals are due to the City by February 25th. Assuming an acceptable proposal is received, we hope to present a contract to Council for consideration at a meeting in March. We still anticipate, based on that timeline, to have the project substantially completed by the end of June.
- Monthly Financial Report – The monthly financial report for December 2021 was distributed to Council at the end of January. The City’s general fund ended the year with a 32% reserve balance, which allowed us to move \$300,000 into local street resurfacing, upping the budget from \$200,000 to \$500,000 for 2022. The income tax revenue in 2021 was 18% higher than 2020. The January 2022 financial report will be sent to Council by mid-February.
- Personnel – The City is exploring development of a plan to enhance our Human Resources capacity, a dedicated function that has truly been needed for year. Currently, human resources is handled through Ms. Welkener and Mr. Swaisgood, primarily. However, neither of those departments or personnel really have this in their job description, but they have done a tremendous job filling in. We envision needing approximately 10-20 hours weekly, and certainly some on-call availability. We will keep Council up to date when a plan and recommendation is finalized, as we look forward to enhancing these services for our employees.
- Finance Director – As previously communicated, Mr. Swaisgood will be departing the City in either late March or very early April. He has accepted a great position with the State Auditor’s Office. There isn’t enough he can say about Mr. Swaisgood, so he will keep it short. He has done a tremendous job in improving the efficiency, effectiveness and transparency of the Finance Department. He is truly going to be missed. We have already commenced the search process over the weekend, in hopes of presenting a candidate to Council in enough time to be sure to overlap before Cory departs the City.
- Engineering – OHM recently hired a new engineer, who will be in part assigned to Huron, Larry Fridrich. He started with OHM on Monday, January 31st and will be stationed at Huron City Hall throughout the week. Russ Critelli will continue to serve as the City’s official Engineer. We are excited to have the additional capacity here at City Hall.
- Upcoming Meetings – Planning Commission (2/23 at 5:00pm in Council Chambers); Records Commission (February 25th at 9:00am in the Main Conference Room)

Mr. Biddlecombe thanked Mr. Lasko for taking quick action regarding the missing street sign. It was replaced within a couple of days. Over the weekend, he was in the vicinity of the Main Street/Cleveland Road intersection and witnessed a vehicle going the wrong way on the divided highway, and that is not the first time he has seen that. He thinks maybe that should be something discussed by the Safety Committee to determine if some improvements can be made to help motorists realize that it is a divided highway. Mr. Lasko thanked Mr. Biddlecombe for letting him know.

Mr. Hagy asked if the 322 employees estimated by Ardagh was incremental, or net. Mr. Lasko said the 322 is anticipated to be hired by the end of the year, and is not the number of additional jobs over the ones that left with IAC. At its highest, IAC employed 800, but was below 300 in the last few years.

Mr. Dike clarified that the \$580 Million investment by Ardagh is not the valuation of the real property. Mr. Lasko said that we have had those conversations in the past – using the initial investment of \$411 Million, of that amount, \$11 Million was land acquisition, and \$340 Million was equipment that has not valuation from a real estate tax standpoint. He does not know what the breakdown is at the \$580 Million, but said that the ultimate valuation is going to be drastically less because of how much of that number is in actual equipment, site improvements that generally don't have valuation, and acquisition costs.

Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Tapp thanked the Street Department for their efforts during the storm. It is always a battle getting it done, and they did a great job. They were out there a long time. As far as the Human Resources stuff goes, he has heard comments about that from the Fire Department and other people that need that.

Mayor Tapp said the selfish part of him would like to hit Mr. Swaisgood upside the head (laughter), but the City has evolved with him being here. He has never heard anything but positive comments from staff members since he has been here. He doesn't fault anybody for going out and bettering themselves, ever. He wished Mr. Swaisgood and his family the best, but he is a little upset because when you have something good, you want to keep it. Mr. Swaisgood has been great and has improved the City's function on the finance since dramatically, and it is going to continue. Thank you and you have been a great Finance Director.

For the Good of the Order

- **Mr. Biddlecombe** – Thanked all of the staff for their hard work. He is disappointed to hear the news, but congratulates Cory on the new position. He thanked everyone who was involved in the snow removal. He thanked the blue jackets and Bryan Edwards for the skate donation. He pointed out that there is a focus group put forth by the Huron School Board to get the public's opinion on what they would like to see in a new Superintendent. That was supposed to happen during the blizzard, but has been rescheduled to March 7th. The next School Board meeting is scheduled for February 15th at 6:00pm. He would like to give well wishes to Braxton Wicker, who is a student wrestler injured at the last wrestling meeting and is going to require surgery. He congratulated both the boys and girls basketball teams for qualifying for their tournaments this year. He also congratulated the cheerleaders for making States this year. Home games coming up: Boys Basketball (February 11th, 15th and 18th); Girls Basketball (February 10th). Go Tigers!
- **Mr. Claus** – Thanks for the snow removal, specifically the inter-departmental cooperation. He is sure the Streets Department appreciated all of the help from Parks & Rec and Water Distribution. To the citizens who stayed off the streets when we had the snow ban, it really helped the snow removal folks. He is reserving his comments about Mr. Swaisgood until later – he is hoping that maybe something will change in the next couple of months.

- **Mr. Dike** – Thank you, Cory, for everything, and also all of the departments for the snow removal. It was very nice to see all of the snow and see people out in the streets. The City has great things happening, and he hopes we can keep the momentum going with positives.
- **Mr. Grieves** – Nothing.
- **Mr. Hagy** – Nothing.

Executive Sessions

Motion by Mr. Claus to move into executive session to consult with legal counsel concerning disputes that involve the City and are the subject of pending court action, and secondly, to consider the purchase of real property for public purpose if disclosure of the information would give a competitive advantage to the other side by division (G)(2) of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code. Mr. Claus invited Mr. Lasko, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Swaisgood and Gary Ebert via phone.

Mr. Schrader noted for the record that Mr. Dike will not be participating in the executive session pertaining to consulting with legal counsel concerning pending litigation, but will be invited in for the second executive session.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor of the motion, Council moved into executive session at 7:06pm.

Return to Regular Session

Council returned to regular session at 8:07pm

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Biddlecombe to adjourn the meeting.

The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority voting in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the meeting of February 8, 2022 adjourned at 8:07pm.

Adopted: _____

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Terri S. Welkener, Clerk of Council

Upon approval by the City Council, the official written summary of the meeting minutes will become a permanent record, and the official minutes may also consist of a permanent video and/or audio recording, excluding executive sessions, in accordance with Section 121.01(III) of the Administrative Code.