

To: Melody Joy Hart, Cleveland Heights City Council President and Craig Cobb, Council Vice-President
From: Janus Small, President, Janus Small Associates
Date: June 24, 2022

Please accept this memo as a report on Janus Small Associates' recent consultation with the Cleveland Heights City Council. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to let me know. It was an honor and a pleasure to work with you in March and April. I wish you all the best with your exciting plans for the future and commend you on your deep commitment to your community!

Background: Janus Small Associates was retained to shape and facilitate a retreat with the City Council members in early March of 2022. In preparation for the April retreat, Janus Small:

- **reviewed the following materials:** sample codes of conduct, minutes from council meetings, recordings of council meetings, and the Cleveland Heights Master Plan.
- following the material review, **Janus held two telephone meetings** on March 17, and March 22, with Council President, Melody Hart to further prepare for the retreat and discuss upcoming small group meetings with City Council members and with Bill Hanna, CH Law Director, to discuss the retreat agenda and goals for the retreat.
- **scheduled and facilitated multiple small group meetings**, via Zoom, on March 30 and March 31.
- following the small group meetings, Janus met on April 1, via Zoom, with **Council President Hart and with Council Vice President Craig Cobb**, to debrief on the small group meetings and to discuss her thoughts on the agenda for the Council Board retreat.

Overview: The retreat agenda had several key components: (a) visioning for the future of Cleveland Heights (What do we want our city to be like in 2 - 4 years?), (b) thinking about goals and objectives to make that vision reality, and (c) council rules. After opening the retreat Council President Hart turned the meeting over to facilitator Janus Small who began with an overview of the small group meetings she facilitated during the prior weeks and introductions by asking each Councilperson why he/she/they want to be a councilperson. Law Director Bill Hanna also participated in the retreat. The first key agenda item

was visioning for the future of Cleveland Heights. The facilitator framed the question as "*It is the year 2025 - three years from now. A family you know or a business owner you know is moving to the area from a faraway state. How would you describe Cleveland Heights as a very desirable place to live and/or to open a business to them?*" This was followed by an initial discussion on Board rules. A decision was made to not cut short on the visioning and Board rules dialogue and that the third component of the retreat would take place at a follow-up session. The follow up session would focus on developing SMART goals and objectives (Smart, Measurable, Accountability, Results-oriented, Timely) to make the determined vision reality including but not limited to addressing ordinances, marketing, staffing and more. (the session was scheduled during the initial retreat, but Council subsequently postponed the follow up session).

Visioning for the Future of Cleveland Heights: In response to the following question, Council members thoughtfully developed many concepts:

It is the year 2025 - three years from now. A family you know or a business owner you know is moving to the area from a faraway state. How would you describe Cleveland Heights as a very desirable place to live and/or to open a business to them?

Visioning Notes by Category* (as written by Councilpersons)

Housing

- Housing a priority (blight, infill, renters needs all attended to)
- Your realtor will show you housing in all zip codes
- Affordable, quality, beautiful housing for everyone's varied needs
- Housing stock and preservation
- Great opportunities for fair and affordable housing
- Many in community development think of infill housing as new houses constructed on vacant, underused lots interspersed among older, existing properties in established urban neighborhoods. However, others broaden the definition to include major refurbishing or reuse of existing homes or buildings
- New construction (affordable, 1st floor masters, senior - residential and commercial)
- Infill housing, affordable housing, affordable rents, local landlords
- Beautiful, good well maintained upgraded housing with a mix of SFH and rental; clean, well kept
- Great website
- Ombudsman
- Diversity maintained in population, housing, etc.; housing solutions first floor for seniors; completion of infill housing
- When you buy, the POS inspection and reinspection will occur very quickly
- If the landlord next door is not reporting the rental, call to city hall -> results
- The homes you see are new or well-maintained older homes
- No distressed areas of the city such as the Noble, Taylor, and North of Coventry area

**Council members brainstormed at the session. JSA organized all Council input following the session for most efficient use for further discussion afterwards into the broad categories shown here.*

Business and Economic Development

- Bustling business districts
- Noble Road is full of vibrant businesses/restaurants
- Thriving small business community – full, dynamic business districts including Severance, providing just about everything residents need
- Marketing Severance
- Thriving business districts including Taylor and Noble as well as CIDS
- Economic development has poured itself into the Noble Taylor area
- Economic development - Severance
- A thriving Severance with development, jobs, green space, a center of activity
- Great opportunities to create and develop entrepreneurship
- Public/private partnerships, strong income base
- Vibrant retail districts – Cedar Lee, Fairmount, Taylor, Noble, N & S, family
- Business districts

Schools

- Partnership between city and schools
- Strong schools that embrace all, inclusive diversity, and respond to kids needs compassionately and proactively
- Good schools and collaboration
- Great schools
- Good equitable schools
- Healthy thriving school system that partners with the city and is well funded

Government

- A truly cooperative, collaborative, consensus-building government
- A government that is responsive to its citizenship and each other
- A revamped charter
- Full transparency
- Responsive/engaged government, transparent, town hall, community events
- Enhanced and diverse ways to communicate with residence
- Responsive, robust, transparent, accessible government enables and supports citizen action and engagement
- City Hall welcomes you any time and Council meetings are well attended by citizens

Safety

- Safe communities where responders are equipped and trained; neighborhood groups walk the streets
- Public and community safety
- Safe, well-maintained neighborhoods
- Safe streets with beat cops and bicycle cops in areas who talk to people
- Streets by your child's school have traffic calming

Green Space, Recreation and Community Events

- Parks in better shape/families enjoying
- Diverse recreation and green space offerings – something for everyone and accessible to everyone
- Enhanced parks and playgrounds with additional amenities and Denison
- Events- like winter and summer events; Metroparks at FH
- Great parks including FH at Metroparks; indoor pool at the Community Center
- A kid friendly city with internship programs , recreation, and community events all year round
- Community Center has one ice rink and one roller rink
- The tree canopy is full and healthy
- Bike lanes allow your family to move easily and safely through the City
- We have a comprehensive climate action plan and a team of people in charge of implementing it – economic, social, environmental, sustainable, resilient and equitable
- Walkability and bikeability - true, safe access - for all forms of transportation - including access for disabled
- Walkable communities with an equal amount of greenspace, tree line streets
- Walkable and bikeable winter and summer – become a silver rating; viewed as the coolest place to live

Arts

- Vibrant Arts Community
- Promotion of proximity to arts, culture
- Promotion of proximity to healthcare

Activating Equity

- Diverse neighborhoods, Boards and commissions, small business, schools
- All residents have been lifted up to a basic standard of living
- Programs to lift people from poverty to jobs to homeownership
- Diversity and inclusion throughout the city
- Equity across the board
- Diversity and equity in city services/projects

Community Culture/"Feel"

- Futuristic
- A true community feel
- The model of its welcome is truly realized
- When you move in you will receive a welcome packet
- Engaged neighbors and groups that work together, communicate, know each other
- Cohesive, supportive neighborhood
- Communities that support each other, work together, lots of community events

City Services/Amenities

- When it snows, level sidewalks will be plowed
- City services, amenities, and infrastructure
- Top notch services- some regionalized for efficiency
- Good city amenities with good service and quick responsiveness
- Services that equal our tax base

The following is a draft three-year vision for Cleveland Heights based on the input of the Council. When developing SMART goals and objectives to turn this vision into reality, the details on the previous three pages will serve as a critically important reference.

Cleveland Heights is a great place to live, work, and play – for everyone and anyone!

Cleveland Heights certainly deserves its reputation as a **creative and forward-thinking city**. Along with that, Cleveland Heights is a **model of a warm and welcoming community** with a growing population approaching 50,000.

Cleveland Heights offers a **wide array of affordable, quality, beautiful housing for everyone's varied needs and price points** – both rental and purchase options. From new housing options for individuals, young families, and seniors to well-maintained and well-loved historic options, all are abundant in Cleveland Heights where your realtor will show you housing in all of our zip codes.

Our bustling business districts from Noble and Taylor to Severance, Cedar Lee, Coventry, and more are full of distinctive, vibrant businesses and restaurants. Small business owners appreciate the dedication to economic development and support of entrepreneurship displayed by our City. You can find practically anything you might need to purchase without leaving the city!

In Cleveland Heights, **we pride ourselves on being a truly cooperative, collaborative, and consensus building government** that operates with full transparency. Being highly responsive to our citizenship is our top priority. The city provides its residents and businesses with top notch city services, some regionalized for efficiency. This includes **ensuring our residents safety** with well-equipped and well trained first responders who really know the community, along with active neighborhood groups committed to citizen involvement.

Along with a full and healthy tree canopy, our great and active parks, and our climate action plan, **we are a city committed to the environment** with a multi-faceted array of walkable and bikeable neighborhoods, programming to encourage both indoor and outdoor recreation, and fitness opportunities for our community members of all ages. And we are **proud of our vibrant Cleveland Heights based arts and culture community** and our proximity to world class museums and performing arts organizations.

We enjoy a **strong partnership with our great schools**, schools that embrace diversity, equity, and inclusion and respond to students' needs compassionately and proactively and the highest level of educational excellence.

Cleveland Heights is about **equity across the board**. We live our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion throughout the city and strive to lift up our residents to live their best lives.

Council Working Procedures and Rules Discussion: City Council members and the facilitator all thanked Bill Hanna for the comprehensive materials he provided in advance of the meeting including sample codes of conduct and more. Overall, they found the examples from Evansville and from Oberlin to be especially helpful. Key questions regarding rules to be further discussed at the next retreat session with related notes follow (listed by broad topic).

Working with Directors

- How should the flow of communications back and forth between Directors and Council work?
- We cannot legislate in a vacuum. When we craft legislation, how do we get the input we need from the department(s) the legislation will impact?
- What timing should be followed when we have questions we need to ask directors? How far in advance of needing the information, etc.?
- What are best practices and what guidelines should we follow in order to have respectful, open communication between Council and directors

Council Meetings and Committee Meetings

- For Committee of the Whole, rethink how we work to be most effective and efficient including receiving materials far enough in advance and making the materials as concise as possible
- For all meetings, what can we do so that we are able to receive packets earlier?

Guides for How Council Members Work Together – Decorum and Respect and Education

- All Council members agreed to a “re-set”, a fresh start, in how members communicate and work together including:
 - Prioritize having positive, productive, and respectful working relationships amongst Council Members
 - Develop guidelines for settling differences and maintaining a respectful working relationship amongst Council Members
 - Don’t assume, ask questions; don’t jump to conclusions
 - No confrontational, adversarial behavior towards fellow Council members
 - All committed to broadly sharing information
- Council will review these guidelines/commitments as to how members communicate with one another on a regular basis throughout the year.

- Council will also clarify and regularly review the role and responsibilities of the President and of the Vice president

Need to be discussed at next session as there was not sufficient time for through discussion:

- Events (When Public/When Private?)
- What are the guidelines regarding the use of City proprietary property (logos, etc.)?

In Closing: We commend the Cleveland Heights City Council for proactively addressing and exploring all ways to continue building and strengthening its work for the benefit of the great city of Cleveland Heights and all of its citizens. Please let us know if you have any questions about this report. Again, thank you for the opportunity to support you in this important initiative.

111.08 PRESIDENT.

The President shall preside at all meetings of Council and shall have a voice and vote in its proceedings but no veto. He shall preserve order and decorum, prevent personal reflection and confine members in debate to the question. He may, in common with any other member, call any member to order who violates any of the rules, and when in the chair, shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to Council on demand of two (2) members. On such appeal there shall be no debate but each member making the appeal may briefly state his reason for the same and the presiding officer shall have the same right to a similar brief statement.

(Ord. 2400. Passed 1-3-22.)



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

AGENDA (tentative) - CLEVELAND HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 6, 2023

Regular Meeting

7:30 p.m.

**Cleveland Heights City Hall
Council Chambers
40 Severance Cir
Cleveland Heights, Ohio**

- 1) Meeting called to order by Council President**
- 2) Roll Call of Council Members**
- 3) Excuse absent members**
- 4) Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)**
- 5) Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s):** January 3, 2023, January 17, 2023, January 23, 2023
- 6) Proclamation(s):** Record Revolution
- 7) Communications from the Mayor**
- 8) Report of the Clerk of Council**

Notify Council that two notices have been received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control advising that applications have been made by the following:

- 1318 Warrensville LLC dba Blitz Bar and Grill, 1318-22 Warrensville Center Rd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44121 for the transfer of a D5/D6 liquor permit from Christophers Pub LLC dba Christophers Pub, 1318-22 Warrensville Center Rd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44121.
- Wizbang Theatre LLC dba Wizbang Theatre, 2134 Lee Rd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44118 for a new D1 liquor permit.

9) Public Comment - Agenda Items only

(Note: Persons wishing to speak must register in advance. A 3-minute time limit applies. Council President reserves the right to reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda. Comments unrelated to the agenda may be made after Committee Reports)

10) LEGISLATION

Note: The title for each piece of legislation contains a parenthetical reference to the Council Committee within which the subject matter of the legislation falls. Council Committees are abbreviated as follows: (AS)-Administrative Services; (COTW)-Committee of the Whole; (CRR)-Community Relations and Recreation; (F)-Finance; (HB)-Housing and Building; (MSES)-Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability; (PD)-Planning and Development; (PSH)-Public Safety and Health. See Resolution 97-2022 for a list of Council Committee subject matter areas.

a. First Reading Only—Consideration of Adoption Requested

RESOLUTION NO. 010-2023(MSES): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Ohio CAT for the acquisition of a 430 Caterpillar Backhoe for the Street Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to Adopt/Second: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____ No. Reading _____

RESOLUTION NO. 011-2023(MSES): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Ohio CAT for the acquisition of a 430 Caterpillar Backhoe for the Utilities Division of the Department of Public Works; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to Adopt/Second: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____ No. Reading _____

RESOLUTION NO. 012-2023(MSES): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Classic Ford of Madison for the purchase of an F-350 Ford Pickup Truck upfitted with a 6 Door Steel Service Body for the Vehicle Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to Adopt/Second: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____ No. Reading _____

RESOLUTION NO. 013-2023(MSES): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Valley Freightliner, Inc. for the acquisition of a Freightliner 114SD Plus Semi Tractor for the Street Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to Adopt/Second: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____ No. Reading _____

b. Second Readings

RESOLUTION NO. 006-2023(MSES): *Second Reading*. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a fifth amendment to the agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for professional engineering services relating to the City's Sanitary Sewer Overflow Control project and the EPA partial consent

decree; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt/Second: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____ No. Reading _____

c. Consent Agenda

Note: Individual Consent Agenda items are not discussed separately during the Council meeting, unless removed from the Consent Agenda on the request of a member of Council. Once an item is removed from the Consent Agenda it will be placed on the Regular Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 014-2023(AS): *First Reading*. A Resolution appointing Bonnie Paul as a member of the Commission on Aging of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Vice President Cobb

RESOLUTION NO. 015-2023(AS): *First Reading*. A Resolution reappointing Joseph Strauss as a member of the Architectural Board of Review of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Vice President Cobb

RESOLUTION NO. 016-2023(AS): *First Reading*. A Resolution reappointing Jessica Cohen and Michael Gaynier as members of the Planning Commission of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Vice President Cobb

RESOLUTION NO. 017-2023(CRR): *First Reading*. A Resolution proclaiming February 14, 2023 as National Donor Day; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Council Member Russell

Motion to suspend rules: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____

Motion to Adopt/Second: _____ / _____

Vote: _____
For _____ Against _____

10) Committee Reports

11) Public Comment - General

(Note: Persons wishing to speak must register in advance. A 3-minute time limit applies. Council President reserves the right to reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda.)

12) Old Business

13) New Business

14) Council Member Comments

(Note: Council comments should directly relate to the business of the City of Cleveland Heights, rather than personal reflection or commentary. A maximum 3-minute time limit applies, but the Council President may reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda, the time of evening, or other similar factors.)

15) Council President's Report

16) Adjournment

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

January 3, 2023

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Start: 7:30pm

End: 8:38pm

President Hart Presiding

Roll Call: Present: Mattox, Russell, Hart, Cobb, Cuda, Larson

Also Present: Mayor Seren, Assistant Law Director Laure Wagner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- December 16, 2022—APPROVED
- December 27, 2022—APPROVED

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- Reminder that the City will be accepting submissions to the MLK Jr. day essay, artwork, and poetry competition(s); the celebration is back after a few years hiatus. Submissions will be received January 11, and the celebration will be January 19th at 7pm at the Community Center.
- If any Council members would like to schedule a ride along with the police department, please do that soon; he will be opening up to RJTF soon and after that to the public.

REPORT FROM THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

Notify Council that a notice has been received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control advising that an application has been made by the following:

- Race Fuel 12404 Inc., 12404 Cedar Rd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44106 for a new C1/C2 permit.

Matter of Record

Referred to: The Mayor, Chief of Police, and the Director of Law

PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Elana Bacon

- Snow removal is inadequate and roads are dangerous. This is her second time here.

Wes Shaub

- Here to support Councilwoman Russell and thank her for everything she does for the community.

Erick Poston

- Spoke about the postal office in Cleveland Heights and outlined the staffing issues that have plagued not only our office, but all of the postal service in the US.

Regina Williams

- Also spoke about the postal office issues, as a former postal carrier.

Miriam Frankel

- Also spoke about her concerns regarding the snow removal and the conditions of the streets during the last snow storm.

Odies Grant

- Doesn't think public comments heard or anything is done when citizens come into complain about issues; has been asking about getting new curbs in his neighborhood for a while but nothing has been done.

Diane Hallum

- Not happy with how Council and the Administration have been operating, particularly council. Encourages them to work together.

SWEARING IN

- Gail Larson sworn in to City Council

LEGISLATION

a. *First Readings—Consideration of Adoption Requested*

RESOLUTION NO. 001-2023(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming January 11, 2023 as National Human Trafficking Awareness Day; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Councilwoman Russell

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Russell, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

b. *First Readings Only*

RESOLUTION NO. 002-2023(F): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Schonhardt & Associates for the provision of assistance to the City's Finance Department in the preparation of the 2022-2024 Annual Comprehensive Finance Reports; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a.) Administrative Services Committee**
 - Next meeting will be the 4th Monday of this month (January)
 - There will likely be some open positions on several boards/commissions and applications will be posted to the website
 - Residents who are applying for the Council seat may also apply for the Charter Review Commission as well.
- b.) Community Relations and Recreation Committee**
 - Community Center sprinkler system broke on Christmas morning, hopefully the Community Center will reopen soon; picnic shelter reservations for 2023 will open January 9.
 - 9 open vacancies for charter review, 1 open seat for council; deadline for applications is January 6.
 - Reminder of new speed limits
 - Update on upcoming events throughout Cleveland Heights
- c.) Finance Committee**
 - Finance Director will be coming in to discuss some legislation at the next COTW meeting.
- d.) Housing and Building Committee**
 - Apologized for cancelling today's meeting; next meeting will be February 6, at 4:30pm
 - Still looking into addressing the issues surrounding vacant/abandoned properties in Cleveland Heights
- e.) Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability Committee**
 - Nothing to report
- f.) Planning and Development Committee**
 - January 17, during COTW there will be a special portion to discuss the Park Synagogue project
 - Committee Meeting to discuss GAP Financing is also upcoming

- g.) Public Safety and Health Committee
 - Next meeting is January 17, at 10am; will include a work session on sidewalk repair program, and further research for a sidewalk snow removal program.
- h.) Committee of the Whole
 - Applications for Charter Review and vacant Council seat are still open.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilor Larson: Consider donating blood at one of the blood drives at heights libraries. If you want to serve your community as a public servant, please apply for Charter Review, vacant Council seat, or any of the many boards/commissions. Gave thanks to her daughter and campaign treasurer and all her supporters who voted for her in November.

Councilman Cuda: Read a reflective piece regarding the current state of this City Council particularly with regard to the past year as the first year with a new form of government.

Vice President Cobb: If there is any resident who ever wants to discuss any of the issues or comments made tonight or at the end of last year, please call him directly at 216-630-8934.

Councilwoman Russell: Read a statement of reflection of the past year and expressed her eagerness to move forward into the new year with renewed commitment to the people of Cleveland Heights by addressing pressing issues at this pivotal time for the city. If you would like to talk to her about anything you have heard today, please call 216-333-3137.

Councilman Mattox: Expressed looking forward to having open and honest conversations with his colleagues moving forward this year. Gave his concerns with Council's conduct during 2022. Wants to see more communication between Council members this year so that we can see positive results for this community. You can call him if you have any questions.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Stated that if she were sitting in the audience, she would be embarrassed by what she saw tonight, between Council people going back and forth arguing with each other in an open meeting, and taking more time to speak than the allotted amount. Wants to see Council as a whole be more honorable this year. Call her at 248-214-2375 if you would like to speak with her.

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

January 17, 2023

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Start: 7:38pm

End: 8:33pm

President Hart Presiding

Roll Call: Present: Mattox, Russell, Hart, Cobb, Cuda, Larson

Also Present: Mayor Seren, Director Hanna

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- Request permission to bid project 2301 Cuyahoga-Lee Rd resurfacing, ODOT PID 112874.

Matter of Record

- Inform Council and the Public that starting January 20, first energy has contracted with a company to perform inspections of specific transmission lines, which will use helicopters; so, if you see helicopters around the city, that is likely what is happening.
- Reminder that MLK essay/poetry/art contest and celebration is Thursday at 7pm at the Community Center; special thanks to President and Vice President who joined city staff in selecting the award winners.
- During the last snow storm, he received no complaints in his office, which he will take as a win. Wants to thank the Department of Public Works and Parks and Recs Staff for their hard work.
- A selection has been made for a new Parks and Recs Director; she will likely start in the first half of February.
- Gave an update on the ice rinks situation at the Rec Center; particularly about whether the North Rink can be opened back up since it has been shut down due to the sprinkler leak.

REPORT FROM THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

Notify Council that a notice has been received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control advising that an application has been made by the following:

- Daves Supermarket Inc. dba Daves Market, 1940 Lee Rd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44106 for a liquor agency contract, and for the transfer of a C2/C2X/D6/D8 liquor permit from York Lee Inc. dba Zagaras Marketplace, 1940 Lee Rd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44118 to Daves Supermarket Inc. dba Daves Market, 1940 Lee Rd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44118.

Matter of Record

Referred to: The Mayor, Chief of Police, and the Director of Law

LEGISLATION

a. **First Readings—Consideration of Adoption Requested**

RESOLUTION NO. 003-2023(CRR): *First Reading*. A Resolution expressing the concern of the residents and City Council for delays in the United States Postal Service (“USPS”) mail delivery in several Cleveland Heights neighborhoods over the past several months and further expressing the appreciation of the residents and City Council to our USPS postal carriers who are working long hours due to significant staffing shortages.

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Russell, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 004-2023(PD): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Friends of Mendlesohn, a non-profit corporation, for payment of funding to Naylor Wellman, LLC for historic preservation services related to the placement of Park Synagogue, 3300 Mayfield Road, Cleveland Heights on the national registry of Historic Places and designation of such building as a National Landmark; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by Councilman Mattox, Seconded by Councilwoman Russell

Roll Call: Ayes: Mattox, Russell, Hart, Cobb, Cuda, Larson
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 005-2023(MSES): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Classic Ford of Madison for the purchase of four pick-up trucks with plows, three (3) for the Parks and Recreation Department and one (1) for the Department of Public Works; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Russell, Seconded by Councilman Cuda

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

b. *First Readings Only*

RESOLUTION NO. 006-2023(MSES): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a fifth amendment to the agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for professional engineering services relating to the City's Sanitary Sewer Overflow Control project and the EPA partial consent decree; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Referred to Committee (MSES)

c. *Second Readings*

RESOLUTION NO. 002-2023(F): *Second Reading*. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Schondhardt & Associates for the provision of assistance to the City's Finance Department in the preparation of the 2022-2024 Annual Comprehensive Finance Reports; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by President Hart, Seconded by Vice President Cobb

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

d. *Consent Agenda*

RESOLUTION NO. 007-2023(CRR): *First Reading*. A Resolution proclaiming February, 2023 to be *American Heart Month*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

RESOLUTION NO. 008-2023(CRR): *First Reading*. A Resolution recognizing February 2023 as *Black History Month*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to suspend rules by Vice President Cobb, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Motion to adopt by Councilman Mattox, Seconded by Vice President Cobb

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a.)** Public Safety and Health Committee
 - Committee met today and started work on legislation that will potentially set up a sidewalk repair program.
 - Determined more research is needed for a potential sidewalk snow removal program.
 - Mayor Seren and Nobel Elementary Principal will hold a community meeting on January 26 to discuss the traffic pattern during drop off.
 - Next meeting is February 21, at 10am
- b.)** Community Relations and Recreation Committee
 - Community Center is reopened for regular hours.
 - Refuse collection is delayed by one due to the holiday.
 - Update on community events happening throughout Cleveland Heights
 - Reminder regarding speed limit changes
- c.)** Planning and Development Committee
 - Met today at 5pm and discussed Appraisal GAP program; a lot to flesh out still; will continue to be discussed during February meeting.
 - Planning Commission recommendations have been sent over; will be discussed during February meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Brian Hare

- Spoke in favor of a turf field replacing the South Rink.

David Lavelle

- Wants the south rink reopened; brought up the bond issue regarding the rec center having two rinks.

Mike Watson

- Wants an update on the ice rink situation; had multiple questions about what the specific issues are concerning the rink and what the city is doing about the situation.

Joe Tekus

- Concerned about the maintenance of the entire community center, not just the rinks.

Jay Tekus

- Brought up concerns regarding the lack of a single ice rink (since the sprinkler system freezing over the holidays); multiple hockey teams are having to cancel games and find ice time elsewhere which is expensive.

Theo Tekus

- Wants to be able to skate and play with his friends and he won't be able to do that if the rink doesn't reopen; wants there to be two rinks so they can have tournaments.

Chris Lacey

- Concerned with the status of the recreation center and the ice rinks.

Scott Hindulak

- Concerned with how the recreation center is being utilized and maintained.

Lisa West

- Concerned about the status of the ice rinks.

Jennifer Bartlett

- Concerned with how the lack of ice rink/the availability of ice time has been limiting ice time for Heights Hockey programs.

Max, Vinnie, Zeke

- Heights's hockey players; they want their rink back because it is inconvenient to travel to other rinks far away from their home ice.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilwoman Russell: Wanted to thank the children that came today and made public comments. Congratulated the winners that will be announced at the MLK Celebration happening later this week.

Councilman Cuda: He is moved by all the hockey enthusiasts that have continued to come out and appreciates their passion. It was an honor to grow up listening to MLK and being captivated

whenever he spoke. It is great to be in Cleveland Heights, where it seems his message has really resonated.

Councilor Larson: Thanked everybody for coming this evening. She attended the grand opening of the Heights Wellness Center at Heights High; the partnership between CHUH School District and Metro Health is going to be a blessing to our community. Students, their families, and staff members can receive routine healthcare at the Wellness Center inside Cleveland Heights High School.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thanked everybody for coming today and wants everybody to know their concerns are being taken seriously. She learned a lot about Martin Luther King by reviewing the essays and poems that came in through the essay contest, that she didn't know before. Also learned more about poetry that she didn't know. The event is Thursday night at the Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

January 23, 2023

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Start: 9:51am

End: 10:03am

President Hart Presiding

Roll Call: Present: Mattox, Russell, Hart, Cobb, Cuda, Larson

Also Present: Mayor Seren, Director Hanna

LEGISLATION

a. *First Readings—Consideration of Adoption Requested*

RESOLUTION NO. 009-2023(MSES): *First Reading*. A Resolution authorizing an agreement with VanDevere Chevrolet for the purchase of six Chevy Bolt EV's; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Russell, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023

Proposed: 2/06/23

RESOLUTION NO. 010-2023(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Ohio CAT for the acquisition of a 430 Caterpillar Backhoe for the Utilities Division of the Department of Public Works; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, in order to meet operational needs, it is necessary to purchase a 430 Caterpillar Backhoe for the Utilities Division of the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Section 171.12 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances authorizes the purchase of machinery, materials, supplies, and other articles through the cooperative purchasing program formerly known as the National Joint Powers Alliance, now known as the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program, without obtaining competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined that the selected vehicle and equipment may be purchased through this Cooperative Purchasing Program at a lower price than could be obtained through bidding, and that it would be in the City's best interests to purchase said vehicle and equipment by this means.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary for the purchase of a Caterpillar 430 Backhoe, through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program, pursuant to Section 171.12 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances. The purchase price for said vehicle and equipment shall not exceed the sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Thirty and 50/100 Dollars (\$170,430.50). All contracts hereunder shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to minimize long lead times and price fluctuations. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

RESOLUTION NO. 010-2023(MSES)

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 2/06/23

RESOLUTION NO. 011-2023(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Ohio CAT for the acquisition of a 430 Caterpillar Backhoe for the Street Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, in order to meet operational needs, it is necessary to purchase a 430 Caterpillar Backhoe for the Street Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Section 171.12 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances authorizes the purchase of machinery, materials, supplies, and other articles through the cooperative purchasing program formerly known as the National Joint Powers Alliance, now known as the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program, without obtaining competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined that the selected vehicle and equipment may be purchased through this Cooperative Purchasing Program at a lower price than could be obtained through bidding, and that it would be in the City's best interests to purchase said vehicle and equipment by this means.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary for the purchase of a Caterpillar 430 Backhoe, through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program, pursuant to Section 171.12 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances. The purchase price for said vehicle and equipment shall not exceed the sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Thirty and 50/100 Dollars (\$170,430.50). All contracts hereunder shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

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RESOLUTION NO. 011-2023(MSES)

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 2/06/23

RESOLUTION NO. 012-2023(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Classic Ford of Madison for the purchase of an F-350 Ford Pickup Truck upfitted with a 6 Door Steel Service Body for the Vehicle Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to purchase a new Ford F-350 Pickup trucks upfitted with a 6 Door Steel Service Body for the Vehicle Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the selected vehicle is available through Classic Ford of Madison for a cost below the price available through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services Cooperative Purchasing Program price; and

WHEREAS, Section 171.02(bb) of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances authorizes the purchase or lease of goods and services without obtaining competitive bids where the price for such goods or services is less than the price that would be obtained through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services Cooperative Purchasing Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary for the purchase of an F-350 Ford Pickup Truck upfitted with a 6 Door Steel Service Body for the Vehicle Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works, in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 171.02(bb) of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances. The purchase price for the selected vehicle and equipment shall not exceed the total sum of Sixty-nine Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-four Dollars (\$69,224.00).

SECTION 2. All agreements and related documents hereunder shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

RESOLUTION NO.012-2023(MSES)

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to keep the streets of the City safe for vehicular travel. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of the Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 2/06/23

RESOLUTION NO.013-2023(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Valley Freightliner, Inc. for the acquisition of a Freightliner 114SD Plus Semi Tractor for the Street Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, in order to meet operational needs, it is necessary to purchase a Freightliner 114SD Plus Semi Tractor for the Street Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Section 171.10 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances authorizes the purchase of machinery, materials, supplies, and other articles through the cooperative purchasing program known as the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) Purchasing Program without obtaining competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined that the selected vehicle may be purchased through the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program at a lower price than could be obtained through bidding, and that it would be in the City’s best interests to purchase said vehicle and equipment by this means.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary for the purchase of a Freightliner 114SD Plus Semi Tractor through the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program, pursuant to Section 171.10 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances. The purchase price for said vehicle shall not exceed the sum of One Hundred Forty-two Thousand Four Hundred Forty-five Dollars (\$142,445.00). All contracts hereunder shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to minimize long lead times and price fluctuations. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

RESOLUTION NO. 013-2023(MSES)

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 1/17/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 006-2023(MSES), *Second
Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a fifth amendment to the agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for professional engineering services relating to the City's Sanitary Sewer Overflow Control project and the EPA partial consent decree; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City required professional services of an engineering consultant concerning the City's Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Control project, and by Resolution No. 92-2015, authorized an agreement ("Agreement") with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio ("Wade Trim"), to provide professional engineering services relating to said project; and

WHEREAS, this Council, by Resolution No. 92-2016, authorized a first amendment to the Agreement to assist in the City's negotiations with the U.S. and Ohio Environmental Protection Agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into a partial consent decree with the U.S. and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency that requires professional services of an engineering consultant on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this Council, by Resolutions No. 39-2018, 14-2019, and 112-2020 authorized second, third and fourth amendments to the Agreement for further professional engineering services related to the project and to support implementation of the EPA partial consent decree; and

WHEREAS, the City's ongoing work to implement the partial consent decree with the EPA requires further professional engineering services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined that the services of Wade Trim have well served the City's needs for professional engineering services in connection with the City's SSO Control project and the partial consent decree; and

WHEREAS, such professional engineering services are professional services for which no bidding is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor shall be and is hereby authorized to execute a fifth amendment to the Agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio to provide professional engineering services relating to the City's SSO Control project and for the implementation of and compliance with the

RESOLUTION NO. 006-2023(MSES)

City's partial consent decree with the U.S. and Ohio Environmental Protection Agencies, and necessary related documents. The terms of the fifth amendment to the Agreement shall be substantially in accordance with the proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference. Compensation for the services detailed therein shall be paid for work actually

performed at the rates described therein and in no event shall exceed Two Million, Two Hundred Sixty-two Thousand, Four Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$2,262,460.00). All agreements and documents hereunder shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to timely meet partial consent decree requirements. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 2/6/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 014-2023(AS), *First Reading*

By Vice President Cobb

A Resolution appointing Bonnie Paul as a member of the Commission on Aging of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, Chapter 145 of the Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights provides for the establishment of the Commission on Aging, consisting of thirteen (13) members, of which ten (10) shall be voting members appointed by Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby appoints Bonnie Paul as a member of the Commission on Aging for a term ending December 31, 2024.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions and deliberations of Council and its committees relating to the passage of this legislation that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need for the efficient operation of the City. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

RESOLUTION NO. 014-2023(AS)

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 02/06/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 015-2023(AS), *First Reading*

By Vice President Cobb

A Resolution reappointing Joseph Strauss as a member of the Architectural Board of Review of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, Chapter 1313 of the Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights provides for the establishment of the Architectural Board of Review, consisting of three (3) members having the qualifications set forth in Section 1313.02 and two (2) alternate members having the qualifications set forth in Section 1313.02.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby reappoints Joseph Strauss as a member of the Architectural Board of Review for a term ending December 31, 2025.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions and deliberations of Council and its committees relating to the passage of this legislation that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need for the efficient operation of the City. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

RESOLUTION NO. 015-2023(AS)

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 02/06/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 016-2023(AS), *First Reading*

By Vice President Cobb

A Resolution reappointing Jessica Cohen and Michael Gaynier as members of the Planning Commission of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, Chapter 1111 of the Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights provides for the establishment of the Planning Commission, in accordance with Article XI of the City Charter, which shall consist of seven (7) voting members, all of whom shall be residents of the City of Cleveland Heights, appointed by the Council, and not employed by the City of Cleveland Heights

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby reappoints Jessica Cohen and Michael Gaynier as members of the Planning Commission for terms ending December 31, 2028.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions and deliberations of Council and its committees relating to the passage of this legislation that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need for the efficient operation of the City. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of Council

RESOLUTION NO. 016-2023(AS)

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: _____

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

Proposed: 02/06/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 017-2023(CRR), *First Reading*

By Councilwoman Russell

A Resolution proclaiming February 14, 2023 as National Donor Day; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, since 1998 February 14 has been recognized as National Donor Day in order to raise awareness and education about the critical importance of organ, eye, tissue, marrow, and blood product donation; and

WHEREAS, nearly 120,000 individuals are on the national organ transplant waiting list—and on average 20 people die per day while waiting for an organ transplant, with 6,000 people in the U.S. having died in 2021 while on the transplant list; and

WHEREAS, the need for blood products is no less critical, as one in seven people entering a hospital require a blood transfusion—approximately every two seconds, there is someone in need of a blood transfusion, which translates to the need of over 41,000 daily donations; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, nearly 20,400 donors brought new life to recipients and their families; and

WHEREAS, just one organ donor can save as many as eight lives, one tissue and eye donor can help restore the sight of two people; and

WHEREAS, Donate Life America encourages everybody who can to register to be a donor today and share the #DonateLife message.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby proclaims February 14, 2023 as National Donor Day and urges all of its residents to educate themselves on the gift of life and to encourage and support those affected within, and outside of, our community.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its content, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

RESOLUTION NO. 017-2023(CRR)

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to recognize National Donor Day on a timely basis. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of the Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor