



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

AGENDA (tentative) - CLEVELAND HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 20, 2023

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Start: 7:39pm

End: 8:09pm

President Hart Presiding

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

- Vice President Cobb made a motion to remove RESOLUTION NO. 039-2023(AS) from the agenda, seconded by Councilman Mattox

Voice Vote: Ayes:7
 Nays: 0

Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S): February 6, February 13, February 21, February 27

- ALL APPROVED

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR

- Notify Council that sealed bids were received on February 17th, for project #23-01 CUYAHOGA-Lee Road Rehabilitation-ODOT PID 112874 and VandraBrothers Construction of Oakwood Village's bid of \$757,988.00 has been found to be the lowest and best responsible bid.

Matter of Record

- Invited Administrator Joe Sinnott to the lectern to address Council in order to inform them that he will be leaving his position as City Administrator. He thanked the Mayor and Council for his time in the City of Cleveland Heights, but an opportunity was presented to him back in Pennsylvania that he could not pass up. The Mayor thanked him for his experience and partnership over the last year. President Hart, Councilman Mattox, Councilwoman Russell and Councilman Cuda all thanked Mr. Sinnott and wished him well.

LEGISLATION

a. First Reading Only

ORDINANCE NO. 037-2023(F): *First Reading.* An ordinance to amend certain subparagraphs of Ordinance No. 168-2022(F), relating to appropriations and other expenditures of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

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

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

Legislation Passed

ORDINANCE NO. 038-2023(F): *First Reading.* An Ordinance establishing salary schedules, position classifications and other compensation, and benefits for officers and employees of the City; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to Adopt by President Hart, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Discussion: Councilman Cuda is going to vote no because he does not have sufficient information on it today. Specifically, information on the salary raises that go above 2% that are not line itemed in this legislation

Roll Call: Ayes: Larson, Cobb, Hart, Russell, Boyd, Mattox
 Nays: Cuda

Legislation Passed

b. First Reading Only

ORDINANCE NO. 040-2023(F): First Reading. An Ordinance accepting and ratifying the material terms of the CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart Settlements pursuant to the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021, National Opioid Settlement Agreement.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Read into the Record

ORDINANCE NO. 041-2023(F): First Reading. An Ordinance accepting and ratifying the material terms of the Teva and Allergan Settlements pursuant to the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021, National Opioid Settlement Agreement.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Read into the Record

c. Second Readings

RESOLUTION NO. 033-2023(MSES): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Wade Trim, Inc. of Ohio, for professional design engineering services relating to control of sanitary sewer overflows CH-13 and CH-61 and illicit connections on Hampshire Road; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Boyd, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Voice Vote: Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 034-2023(MSES): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Cleveland Compaction for the acquisition and installation of a new Transfer Station Compactor for the Refuse and Recycling Division of the Department of Public Works; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Boyd, Seconded by Councilor Larson

Voice Vote: Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 035-2023(F): Second Reading. A Resolution acknowledging receipt from the Coventry Village Special Improvement District of a Plan for public services and improvements, and returning said Plan to the Board of Directors without comments or recommendations for changes; and an
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declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Motion to Adopt by President Hart, Seconded by Councilwoman Boyd

Voice Vote: Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

d. 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. 042-2023(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming April 2023 to be *National Poetry Month*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Council President Hart

RESOLUTION NO. 043-2023(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming April 23-29, 2023 to be *National Library Week*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Councilwoman Russell

RESOLUTION NO. 044-2023(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution joining with HUD and other communities throughout the nation in the observation of April 2023 as *Fair Housing Month*; reaffirming the City of Cleveland Heights'

commitment to open housing; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Councilman Cuda

RESOLUTION NO. 045-2023(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming April 2023 to be *Autism Awareness Month* and April 2, 2023 to be *World Autism Awareness Day*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

RESOLUTION NO. 046-2023(PD): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming April 10-14, 2023 to be *National Community Development Week*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Councilman Mattox

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

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

Motion Passed

Motion to Adopt by Councilwoman Russell, Seconded by Councilman Mattox

Voice Vote: Ayes: 7
 Nays: 0

Legislation Passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Public Safety and Health Committee:** Had a meeting this morning, Director Clinkscale was in attendance. She described Lyndhurst and Shaker Heights programs for sidewalk repair; Director Clinkscale advised that the CH Public Works Department does not have the capacity to run a program in house, and budgeting is a large concern. Another concern is that an assessment for sidewalk repairs might push a property owner into delinquency on their taxes. At this point, she is recommending not to proceed with the sidewalk repair program. Councilman Cuda suggested using ARPA funds to fund a pilot program. This committee will continue to discuss funded legislation to fix city sidewalks. Regarding sidewalk snow removal, FutureHeights has reported they do not have the staffing to coordinate this program. Councilman Cuda suggested reaching out to local

churches. Mayor and the Principal of Noble School have continued discussion regarding traffic during pick up/drop off.

- **Community Relations and Recreation Committee:** The Commission on Aging had their monthly meeting and minutes will be out for public review soon. Parks and Recs Advisory Board will meet tomorrow at 6:30pm at the Community Center. Women Out Walking registration starts April 7, 2023, first 125 women will get a t-shirt; program is from May 7—September 3. Kick off event is May 7 from 2pm-3pm.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Council President Hart appointed Councilwoman Janine Boyd to Chair of the Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability Committee, Vice Chair of the Community Relations and Recreation Committee, and member of the Planning and Development Committee
- Councilwoman Russell would like to bring to the mayor's attention that a lot of the Cleveland Heights and South Euclid residents/bus drivers reevaluate the school zone on Warrensville Center Rd. in front of the new Hebrew Academy. The Mayor would like to bring the Law Director into that discussion, as the City is generally required to provide school zone enforcement when requested.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Councilwoman Russell wanted residents to know she will be going to Washington, DC to the National League of Cities Conference. She will be there this coming Friday-Wednesday. Hopefully would like to add this to the budget next year.

COUNCIL PRESIDENTS REPORT

- Invites anybody to come to Stone Oven on Lee Rd. tomorrow between 11am-1pm to sign the petition for reproductive rights. The Cleveland Heights Dems website will list other events as well to sign the petition. A reminder that Women's Day is Thursday at 7pm at the Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: APRIL 3, 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melody Joy Hart". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, decorative flourish at the bottom.

Melody Joy Hart
President of Council

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Addie Balester". The signature is cursive and elegant, with a long, sweeping tail on the letter 'e'.

Addie Balester
Clerk of Council