



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

Monday, June 7, 2021 Minutes

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

6:56 – 7:43 p.m.

Vice President of Council Seren presiding

Roll Call: Present: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Excused: Stein

Staff present: Anderson, Boland, Clinkscale, Freeman, Hanna, Himmelein, McRae, Mecklenburg, Niermann O'Neil, Smith, Trupo, Zamft

Topics discussed: Legislation, Zoning Changes

Executive Session

7:32 – 7:43 p.m.

Council Member Dunbar made a motion to begin Executive Session 1. To consider the sale or lease of City-owned real property. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hart.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Ungar made a motion to end Executive Session which was seconded by Council Member Cobb.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

CITY COUNCIL

7:47 – 9:00 p.m.

Vice President of Council Seren presiding

Roll Call: Present: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Excused: Stein

Staff present: Boland, Butler, Clinkscale, Freeman, Hanna, Himmelein, Lambdin, McRae, Niermann O'Neil, Smith, Trupo, Zamft

Minutes from the City Council meeting held Monday, May 19, 2021 were approved with submitted edits.

Personal Communications Received from Citizens (via electronic mail)

The following comments were read by Amy Himmelein.

Name DeBorah Hamilton

Public

Hi

Comment

We have some rental homes on our street, and I know for a fact that two are Section 8 rentals.

The children of these rentals run up and down the street, all day long, dropping trash along the street, and in our yards. My neighbors and I are constantly picking up trash in our yards, on the sidewalk, and in the street.

There seems to be no parental guidance at all. These children are loud, and I've heard them cussing, and fussing right in the middle of the street. They ride their bikes in the middle of the street, and don't readily move for cars driving by.

I moved here in August 2012, and it was a quiet street. Now, for the past few summers, it has changed. There are times that these renters put out tons of trash and garbage, and it does not all get picked up. There it sits until the next week, or even longer.

I've seen trash piled up outside of the garbage cans in the backyard of one of these houses. My neighbors that live next to the rentals see trash strewn up and down the driveways and in the backyards of them.

Two of the section 8 rentals are owned by the same homeowner that live on the street! The other two rentals are owned by out of town landlords.

Is there something that can be done about this? I am considering selling my house and moving. I've talked with other homeowners on the street, and some feel the same way that I do. A few feel that with the street looking the way it does, no one would want to buy, and that is sad.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Name Linda Copeland

Public Comment To City of Cleve. Hts. I'm hoping someone will address my concerns. I live on Allston Rd. My street has become, loud music, very dirty, trash all on lawns and in the street. The children all playing in the middle of the street, running, playing ball, riding their bikes, doing wheelies in the streets, sometimes as many as 15 together. What's worse the profanity. There are at least 4 rental families responsible, at least three are section 8. There are absent landlords, for a fact, one out of state, one is out of the country, permanently. Their dogs are loose and poop on others' lawns. There are at least two families in a home. One house has moved a mobile home on stilts in the back yard. Neighbors are counting, 18 bags of untied bags of garbage on one tree lawn, the day before pick up, quite often not picked up because untied. The families will not clean up the tree lawns. What a mess. The home owners have met, with so many concerns, and weary of the situation. We have tried, to speak to the families in concern, and get a very negative response. We the home owners, are always out picking up trash, garbage on our lawns, neighbors and in the street. I pay County and City taxes, it not fair for others not to pay, but reap the benefits and not to appreciate the quiet beautiful street they move on.

We have tried to reach Councilmen to discuss our concerns. They do not response back. WHAT DO COUNCILMEN DO?

We do love the neighborhood. The home owners on Allston Rd. want to meet with someone in the city, who might help guide us to some peace, and restore the beauty of our neighborhood. Thank you

Name Lahoucine izem

Public Comment Our street is littered with all sorts of trash (empty bottles, soda cans, candy wraps, food left over, plastic bags, etc.). Small kids running up and down the street screaming, cussing with no regard to their safety or the neighbor tranquility. On multiple occasions, rocks were taken from my wall and thrown in the street in multiple occasion. One day I was backing up from my drive and heard a loud noise coming from under my car, just to find out that someone has placed two big rocks in the middle of my driveway. This situation is worsening and the few families responsible for this chaos do not seem to care. Most of the

neighbors feel that our street is deteriorating by the day. We are asking for help to solve this issue. Thank you.

Name Derek Snyder

Public Comment Hello. We [my wife and I] are concerned about things we've been noticing on our street. There have been groups of children roaming around on the street in bikes not paying any attention to traffic. Recently I was backing out of our driveway and backed into a bike that was a part of a group of four or five children that were just sitting on bikes in the street. No one was injured but they did not seem concerned about moving.

I also came home another day and had to ask them to move so that I could get into our driveway. They were polite when asked to move but it is concerning I had to even ask - it is a safety issue.

I also have been finding a lot of trash - candy and food wrappers, drink bottles scattered in the street and on yards. Maybe some messaging and redirection?

Name Craig Alderson

Public Comment The Cedar Fairmount district would really benefit from outside seating for bars, restaurants etc. The sidewalks in front of amazing establishments like Parnells, Zhug and Vero are begging to be made into seating that would not only be visually appealing for the neighborhood but will cater to customers preferring open air seats. There is a huge demand for outdoor seating especially after the pandemic. This will be the trend going forward. It will bring more people into the city and create an amazing flow that continues to the top of the hill project. Please allow outdoor seating in the Cedar Fairmount district!!
Regards. Craig Alderson

Name Eric Silverman

**Public
Comment**

When will Council return to public meetings? If I can go to a restaurant, the movies or shop, surely you can find a big enough room to social distance. You could use two spaces at the rec center or the auditorium at Heights. With a stage the size of a basketball court and 1200 seats, there is more than enough room. (Side note: come January of 2022, your current chambers will no longer work, so you might want to start thinking about a better space now.) The longer you phone it in (literally) the more it looks like you are avoiding the public. Plus public meetings might make members of Council dress more like they are elected officials and less like they are going to an amusement park...something you can now do again.

Name Jessica Cohen

**Public
Comment**

Dear Council Members,
It is my understanding that the Council is planning to consider referring zoning code changes to the Planning Commission at this, the June 7th meeting. While I cannot, nor will not comment, on the substance of the proposed changes that may be referred, as we may be considering them in a future meeting of the Planning Commission, I wanted to express my view that the City is well served by proactively considering changes to the zoning code that will benefit our residents' standard of living and respond to the changing needs of our community.
As Chair of the Cleveland Heights Planning Commission I am pleased to share that, in partnership with our excellent planning staff, the Commission will be embarking on an effort in 2021 and 2022 to proactively learn about ways we can improve and modernize our zoning code. We have already discussed evaluating our zoning code using a racial equity lens and understanding how we can be more responsive to the changing needs of our neighborhoods and residents. I look forward to working collaboratively with our Planning Director Eric Zamft, Assistant Planning Director Karen Knittel and my fellow commissioners to undertake this important initiative.
Thank you,

Name Joanne Siegel

**Public
Comment**

Please take this "almost post-pandemic" time to move quickly with the development at this crucial hole in the Cedar-Lee Business District! Many residents met virtually & gave you our opinions when you had the two developers present their requisitions. Let's move forward, and not wait for the next economic downturn. Too much talk and no action will scare off these developers. They will go to more business-friendly locations, like Shaker Heights or Lakewood. Then happens too often.

The current businesses will greatly benefit from either one of these developers' plans. We need to get some market-value apartments into our struggling business district, as soon as possible. This will also benefit the immediate neighborhood, as more jobs will be created that residents can take, without needing a car.

Name Krista Hawthorne

**Public
Comment**

Since a large portion of our property taxes go to public school funding, the contribution to school funding by the State of Ohio is a critical issue for the City of Cleveland Heights. Local author and former director of Reaching Heights, Susie Kaeser, wrote an article published in last Sunday's Plain Dealer on this topic and said,

"On June 1, state Sen. Matt Dolan and Ohio Senate President Matt Huffman unveiled their education funding proposal, giving the Ohio Senate just nine days to vet the plan before voting on its version of the state budget. It is a stark contrast to the Fair School Funding Plan that underwent three years of review and revision before winning overwhelming bipartisan support as part of the House budget bill.

If allowed to become law, the Senate education budget will weaken our system of public education. It will underfund the public system and make equal access to high-quality education impossible, while simultaneously increasing state spending on private, unaccountable, and unregulated education opportunities."

This has been an intense year for all of us but specifically our public school educators. Please join Reaching Heights in thanking them for their devotion to our children, for risking their health and safety, and providing extraordinary outreach to offer food, technology, educational materials, enrichment, and reassurances to students, their parents, and co-workers throughout the pandemic.

Please visit the district website to see who was named Educator and Administrator of the year and to see photos of the Cleveland Heights High School Graduation Ceremony at CHUH.org.

Name Walter T

Public Comment Re: Development at Meadowbrook & Lee:
The City, once again, has the opportunity to replace the missing tooth in The Cedar-Lee Business District. Please don't heed the naysayers who believe this parcel would serve better as a park. These are, no doubt, sincere beliefs but, I believe, misguided. Cleveland Heights has plenty of parks and just a handful of business districts. Filling this gap and the addition of housing will work synergistically to benefit the existing businesses. While I think that it's great that development is envisioned for the area North of the parking garage, I believe that this parcel is the linchpin and must be developed in order to make this district whole. Please get this done. I would hate to see this opportunity slip away.

Name Herman Scott

Public Comment This is the third home I have been the live in/owner in Cleveland Heights. Things that concern me include the following: Not enforcing or unfairly enforcing codes/ordinances; landlords not maintaining properties; the number of "family" members living under one roof; nuisances households-police visiting the residence repeatedly; parking or storing work related vehicles on street during restricted hours; speeding on street; kids playing in streets . Hate to hear long time say they're moving

Report from the City Manager

Susanna Niermann O'Neil stated we will follow up on the neighborhood issues that were brought up. Secondly, we are working with Cedar-Fairmount regarding the parklets that would extend the restaurant seating into the curb lane.

Sealed bids were received on May 28th, for project #21-05 – for the Purchase of Fully Automated Universal Roll-out Containers (Carts). There were four bids received and Cascade Engineering, Inc. of Grand Rapids, Michigan’s bid of \$1,528,407.00 has been found to be the lowest and best responsive and responsible bid.

Matter of Record

Report of the Clerk of Council

Notify Council that a notice has been received from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control advising that an application has been made by JZ Restaurant Group Inc., dba Coventry Paninis & Patio, 1819-1823 Coventry Rd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44118 for the transfer of D5 and D6 permits from DFR Coventry Restaurants Inc., dba Coventry Paninis & Patio, 1819-1823 Coventry Rd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44118

Matter of Record

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 62-2021 (AS), *Second Reading.* A Resolution authorizing the City of Cleveland Heights to become a Power a Clean Future Ohio Community and to adopt a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the city

Introduced by Vice President of Council Seren, Seconded by Council Member Hart

Vice President of Council Seren stated the Power a Clean Future Ohio is a program that partners with communities to provide technical assistance and access to resources that will help us achieve the goals of reducing our energy use and carbon emissions. He stated that Council Member Dunbar had introduced Resolution 138-2020 which encouraged Cleveland Heights to create effective plans to address climate change. The committee watched a presentation and the committee unanimously recommended that Council pass this legislation on second reading.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 66-2021 (CRR). A Resolution in support of H.R. 1280 - George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021; urging its passage by the U.S. Senate

Introduced by Council Member Russell, Seconded by Council Member Hart

Council Member Dunbar stated that it sounded like what the legislation requires are things that our Police Department is doing already voluntarily and are planning to do based on the CSU report. She looked to see if it received bipartisan support in the House and one Republican voted for it.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Council Member Russell stated that the fitness center is now open Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The pool opened on Saturday and was full of people. The Senior Center will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and be closed on Sunday.

Council Member Russell stated she has partnered with the Governor's Office, the National Guard, and MetroHealth to give COVID-19 vaccinations as Monticello Middle School with the first dose on Wednesday, June 9, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. starting with age 12. She encouraged people to get vaccinated.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 67-2021 (F), First Reading. An Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$1,018,000 for the purpose of paying costs of (i) reconstructing, resurfacing and otherwise improving City streets, together with necessary appurtenances thereto, (ii) rebuilding Monticello Boulevard and Taylor Road, including engineering and planning costs with respect thereto, (iii) acquiring motorized equipment and appurtenances thereto, (iv) acquiring motor vehicles and equipment used in performing the functions of the City's Department of Public Works, Sewer Utilities Division, (v) acquiring motor vehicles and equipment used in performing the functions of the City's Department of Public Works, Forestry Division and (vi) acquiring mobile radios for use by the City's Police Department, together with the necessary related equipment

Introduced by Council Member Hart

Legislation Introduced

RESOLUTION NO. 68-2021 (F), First Reading. A Resolution approving the adoption of the 2022 Tax Budget

Introduced by Council Member Hart

Legislation Introduced

Amy Himmelein stated there is a forecast of our operating funds in the packet along with a memo which will be covered in the public hearing on June 14 at 6:00 p.m.

ORDINANCE NO. 69-2021 (F). An ordinance to amend certain subparagraphs of Ordinance No. 127-2020 (F) and subsequent amending ordinances, relating to appropriations and other expenditures of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021

Amy Himmelein stated the Police Academy is not operating at the moment, so the Chief has decided to move the appropriations from that to the regular department in order to repair some of the older vehicles and to purchase a new vehicle. There will also be some emergency repairs at the transfer stations, so appropriations for that will be increased. Also, a grant was received from Department of Aging related to COVID.

Introduced by Council Member Hart, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Council Member Dunbar stated that the committee will be meeting on June 30. One of the topics will be Noble Road.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 70-2021 (PD). An Ordinance introducing amendments to various Sections of Part Eleven, Zoning Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights to update the City's regulations regarding private parking garages and other ancillary changes, and transmitting the same to the Planning Commission.

Introduced by Council Member Ungar, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 71-2021 (PD). A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Tucker Ellis LLP to serve as special counsel to the City of Cleveland Heights in connection with the Cedar-Lee-Meadowbrook project

Introduced by Council Member Ungar, Seconded by Council Member Dunbar

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

Council Member Ungar stated he decided not to seek re-election for another four-year term. He stated that with this, he will not have a position with the City come January; the first time in 30 years. He served on the Citizens Advisory Committee, Planning Commission, and City Council. He stated he'll miss his colleagues that serve on Council and meeting people. He thanked residents for submitting public comments and being engaged with meetings. He will miss working with the professional staff. He stated he's confident that he left it all on the table and gave this job all that he had. He stated some of his highlights were leading the fight to shut down the dump on the other side of the border; chairing multiple committees; serving as Council liaison for Top of the Hill; and creating the Racial Justice Task Force.

Council Member Ungar stated that as elections come up, he is confident some good people will be continuing on Council and good people are running. This will be the most important election in the city's recent history because there will be the first elected Mayor. He urged everyone to remember that the position of Mayor is actually about good leadership and managerial skills, verifiable track records of accomplishments, great work ethics, a bias for action, and a vision for the future of the City.

Vice President of Council Seren thanked Council Member Ungar for giving so much and said he has made a legacy on this Council. He stated he always did things with the best interest of the city.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

Council Member Cobb stated he knew Council Member Ungar since the 1980s and had the pleasure of working with him at the law firm and serving with him on the Planning Commission. Now, he has the pleasure of working with him on City Council for the second time.

Council Member Ungar moved for the appointments to the Racial Justice Task Force.

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Sherylynn Allen-Harris to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Ungar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Gary Benjamin to the Racial Justice Task Force.

Council Member Hart asked to recuse herself because that is her husband. The Law Director confirmed she could recuse herself. Vice President of Council Seren stated that regardless of qualifications, it is a bit too far in the appearance of impropriety for him to feel comfortable supporting the nomination.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Russell, Ungar
Nays: Seren
Recused: Hart

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Nate Berkey to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Kasia Bufford to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Hart.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Demetrius Cheeks to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Russell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Laura Collins to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Russell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Mandy Colvin to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar

Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Reginald Evans to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Angelique Gates to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Lisa Hunt to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Russell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Taylor Jones to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Rosa Kovacevich to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Russell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Robert Lampley to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Hart.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Ron Register to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Hart.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Akshai Singh to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Hart.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Lisa Smith to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Randall Walker to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Russell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Michael Windom to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Dunbar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb moved to appoint Kalia Johnson to the Racial Justice Task Force which was seconded by Council Member Russell.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Council Member Cobb stated that they will hopefully have a meeting before the end of the month and they can begin the hard work Council has charged them with doing. Council Member Russell stated that Susanna Niermann O'Neil will be contacting those appointed to let them know.

Vice President of Council Seren stated that Ordinance No. 106-2017 (PSH), *Second Reading*, has been pulled from this agenda. Council Member Cobb stated that President of Council Stein asked him to hold a committee meeting on that.

ORDINANCE NO. 72-2021 (PSH). An Ordinance repealing certain provisions of Chapter 531, "Minors' Curfew," of Part Five, General Offenses Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights.

Vice President of Council Seren thanked Nancy Levin at the library and the Library Board for bringing this issue before Council and for their advocacy. He thanked Council Member Cobb for his support and for holding a meeting regarding the policy change. There have been multiple discussions and a committee meeting about this policy change.

Vice President of Council Seren moved to make this legislation passed on first reading which was seconded by Council Member Cobb.

Introduced by Vice President of Council Seren, Seconded by Council Member Hart

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Legislation Passed

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. 73-2021 (CRR). A Resolution proclaiming June 4, 2021 to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City of Cleveland Heights

RESOLUTION NO. 74-2021 (CRR). A Resolution declaring June 2021 to be LGBTQ Pride Month

RESOLUTION NO. 75-2021 (PD). A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Lake Erie Ink, a non-profit corporation, for the use of Community Development Block Grant CV funds to provide additional assistance to their Ink Spot Program needed as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic; providing compensation therefor

Motion to suspend rules by Vice President of Council Seren, Seconded by Council Member Hart

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

Motion to adopt by Vice President of Council Sere, Seconded by Council Member Ungar

Roll Call: Ayes: Cobb, Dunbar, Hart, Russell, Seren, Ungar
Nays: None

Motion Passed

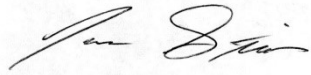
Council Member Ungar encouraged resident to review the whereas statements in Resolution No. 73-2021 because the statistics are staggering and upsetting. Every day 96 Americans are killed by gun violence and on average there's nearly 13,000 gun homicides every year. Americans are 25 times more likely to be murdered with guns than people in other developed countries.

Vice President of Council's Report

Vice President of Council Seren stated that June is Pride Month. He grew up with the lesson that being unapologetically yourself even in the face of disdain can not only help you live a life that is honest and unburdened, but also inspire other people to feel free to be themselves as well. He stated that the first Pride was a reaction to state sanctioned and state enforced persecution on LGBTQ people. He encouraged everyone to take the loud, vigorous, insistent, persistent spirit on and live in that spirit in June and beyond.

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2021

Respectfully submitted,



Jason S. Stein, Mayor



Amy Himmelein, Clerk of Council

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