



City of Hudson, Ohio

Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council Workshop

William A. Currin, Mayor

David A. Basil, City Council President (Ward 2)

Hamilton DeSaussure, Jr., City Council Member (At-Large)

Dennis N. Hanink, City Council Member (Ward 1)

Alex D. Kelemen City Council Member (Ward 3)

Keith W. Smith, City Council Member (Ward 4)

J. Daniel Williams, City Council Member (At-Large)

William D. Wooldredge, City Council Member (At-Large)

Anthony J. Bales, City Manager

R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, March 26, 2013

7:30 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Mayor Currin called to order the workshop meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:30 p.m. and turned the meeting over to President of Council Basil.

Present 6 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, and Dr. Williams

Absent 1 - Mr. Wooldredge

Staff in Attendance: Mr. Schroyer, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Carter, Fire Chief; Mr. Richardson, Community Development Director; Mr. Robbins, Police Chief; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council; Mr. Wiedie, Economic Development Director.

2. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mr. Basil said that the City has representatives on the Community Learning Center Committee which addresses use of CLC funds. He said that the Schools have requested a meeting to discuss a proposed project, and he asked Dr. Williams to join him in representing City Council on the CLC Committee.

Mr. Basil said that City Council will conduct a special workshop meeting on Saturday, April 6, 2013 for a road tour at 9:00 a.m., with public discussion following at 10:45 a.m.

Mr. Basil announced that there are three vacancies on the Cable TV Advisory Committee, and the Clerk of Council will accept applications from interested citizens through the close of business on Friday, April 26, 2013.

3. Proposed Consent Agenda Items

- A. 13-47 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR A FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE POLICE**

VEHICLE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The 2013 City of Hudson Budget provides for the replacement of one marked police cruiser at a cost of \$30,000. As previously discussed during budget meetings, the Police Department would like to purchase a four wheel drive vehicle to replace the supervisors' cruiser. This purchase would give the police department an emergency response with four wheel drive that it presently does not have, in a platform that will allow for the carrying of more equipment and passengers, something the present cruiser configuration lacks.

Attachments: [Police Dept. Memo with Quotes for New Vehicle](#)
[Res. No. 13-47](#)

Based on the proposals received, staff recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase agreement for a new four wheel drive police package-equipped vehicle in the amount of \$29,766.00 through Byers Chevrolet, 555 Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 (State of Ohio Contract: RS901213), and declaring an emergency to meet the purchasing deadline of April 4, 2013.

Council members supported staff's recommendation, and legislation will appear on the April 3, 2013 meeting agenda.

B. 13-48

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REPLACEMENT OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE THROUGH THE U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The 2013 City of Hudson approved budget provides for the replacement of Car 5 at a cost of \$35,000. The 2003 Explorer is due for replacement (79,000 miles and significant mechanical issues). This request is to purchase a replacement vehicle through the General Services Administration (GSA).

Attachments: [Hudson Fire Dept. Vehicle Info and GSA 1122](#)
[Res. No. 13-48](#)

Based on proposals received, staff recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase agreement with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to purchase a new all-wheel drive vehicle in the amount of \$26,289.29 and declaring an emergency to place an order for the vehicle prior to the purchasing deadline of April 5, 2013.

Council members supported staff's recommendation, and legislation will appear on the April 3, 2013 meeting agenda.

C. 13-49

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE LABOR AND MATERIALS NECESSARY FOR THE 2013 SANITARY SEWER LINING PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The scope of this project involves the lining of sanitary sewers along S. Main Street, E. Streetsboro Street, York Drive, Simon Drive, Boston Mills Road and on the trunk sewer along Brandywine Creek.

Attachments: [Res. No. 13-49](#)

Staff recommended that Council approve the authorization for the City Manager to advertise and receive bids for the construction of the 2013 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project.

Council members supported staff's recommendation, and legislation will appear on the April 3, 2013 meeting agenda.

D. 13-50 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS FOR THE 2012 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (“SRTS”) PROGRAM (PID93606); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The project will include the installation of sidewalk on Glen Echo Drive from Hudson-Aurora Road to Victoria Parkway, and on Middleton Road from Winterberry Drive intersection to the end of the existing walk at Ellsworth School with work including ADA ramps, grading, striping as needed, plus a crosswalk at Middleton Road; also installation of electronic school crossing signals along N. Hayden Parkway and purchase of 8 bike racks to be located on school properties.

Attachments: [Res. No. 13-50](#)

Staff recommended that City Council approve this authorization for the City Manager to advertise and receive bids for the SRTS Project and to pass legislation with an emergency clause in order to protect the public welfare and safety.

Council members supported staff’s recommendation, and legislation will appear on the April 3, 2013 meeting agenda.

E. 13-51 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 206.01, 206.03, 206.05, 206.06 AND 206.07, OF CHAPTER 206, “PUBLIC MEETINGS,” OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: In light of the recent move of City offices from the Town Hall to the Municipal Services Center, along with technological advances since the last update, staff has reviewed existing language in Chapter 206 regarding meeting notifications and has proposed amendments for Council’s consideration.

Attachments: [City of Hudson Website](#)

[Proposed Amendments 3-26-13 Council Workshop](#)

[Revised Proposed Amendments 3-26-13 Council Workshop](#)

[Ord. No. 13-51](#)

Staff recommended that City Council approve this Ordinance, thus providing reasonable notification of public meetings as required by Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. DeSaussure felt that provisions are necessary to allow the public to make written requests for meeting information, in addition to online requests. He expressed concern that some residents do not have access to a computer. He asked that language in Section 206.05 pertaining to written requests be retained, and others concurred. Mr. Schroyer explained that staff’s intent was to streamline the process and not to exclude anyone.

Council members supported staff’s recommendation as amended, and legislation will appear on the April 3, 2013 meeting agenda.

4. Legislation and Other Discussion Items

A. TMP-0329 Atlas Advertising Presentation to City Council Regarding the Marketing Initiative
Executive Summary: City Council has requested periodic updates from Atlas Advertising on the progress of the marketing initiative.

Attachments: [Presentation: Hudson Marketing Plan](#)

Mr. Wiedie, Ms. Roberts, and Mr. Ben Wright, of Atlas Advertising, discussed how the economic

development marketing plan goals can be applied to four key campaigns that can drive results for the City of Hudson around economic diversification, jobs, and awareness of the community. Mr. Basil said that Council members can expect another update in approximately six weeks, which will include information regarding messaging content, the tactical calendar, and the analyses underlying the proposed strategies and tactics.

This presentation was considered by Council.

B. 13-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1205, "ZONING DISTRICTS" AND CHAPTER 1207, "ZONING DEVELOPMENT AND SITE PLAN STANDARDS," OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO PROVIDE FOR FUNDS-IN-LIEU OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PEDESTRIAN AND NON-VEHICULAR CIRCULATION SYSTEMS.

Executive Summary: This legislation would create a Pedestrian Linkages Fund as recommended by the Connect Hudson Plan that came out of the Safe Routes Hudson initiative.

Attachments: [Ord. No. 13-22](#)
[Staff Report for March 11 Planning Commission Mtg.](#)
[Planning Commission Decision 3-11-2013](#)

Staff reviewed the Planning Commission's March 11, 2013, recommendation that Council disapprove of this legislation and suggesting that Council discuss the following issues: 1.) Whether or not sidewalks should be required City-wide or only in certain areas or districts; 2.) Should funds-in-lieu of sidewalks be permitted at all?; 3.) If funds-in-lieu are permitted, where and in what districts should they be permitted?; and 4.) What is the method by which the amount of funds-in-lieu would be calculated? Mr. Richardson provided information regarding public comments in opposition expressed at the March 11, 2013, Planning Commission meeting. He also discussed issues raised, including a blanket sidewalk requirement, fairness, affects on businesses, fund calculation, and tracking. Council members expressed concerns and asked that staff work with the City Solicitor's office to modify the proposed legislation. Parliamentary procedures were discussed for delaying Council's action.

Legislation will appear on the April 3, 2013 meeting agenda.

5. Other Items Added to Agenda

Mr. Kelemen inquired of the status of Resolution No. 13-21, entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR A FENCE AT 188 HUDSON STREET." Mr. Richardson explained that this Resolution will be on the April 3, 2013, meeting agenda for a third reading.

6. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Mr. Basil adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 9:39 p.m.

David A. Basil, President of Council

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council