



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Workshop

David A. Basil, Mayor

William D. Wooldredge, President of Council (At-Large)

Beth A. Bigham, Council Member (Ward 4)

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

Dennis N. Hanink, Council Member (Ward 1)

Alex D. Kelemen, Council Member (Ward 3)

Casey M. Weinstein, Council Member (Ward 2)

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

Jane Howington, City Manager

R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor

Elizabeth A. Slagle, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

7:30 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

President of Council Wooldredge called to order the workshop of Hudson City Council at 7:30 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

Present 6 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

Absent 1 - Mr. DeSaussure

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Howington, City Manager; Ms. Andrus, Production Assistant; Mr. Ersing, Network Systems Administrator; Mr. Griffith, Management/Budget Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; Mr. Leedham, Information Systems Director; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mr. Powell, Assistant Public Works Director; Ms. Reich, Office Manager; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; and Mr. Stifler, Economic Development Director.

2. Correspondence and Council Comments

None.

3. Discussion Items

A. [18-0034](#) Community-Wide Fiber Exploration

Executive Summary: Uptown Services will share a comprehensive Phase I Analysis of the economic viability of constructing and operating a community-wide fiber network in Hudson.

Attachments: [Presentation 4-10-2018](#)

[Client Fiber Project Outcomes](#)

Mr. Wooldredge stated that this item will just be discussed, with no recommendations or decisions being made, and that further discussion will be held at the workshop on April 24, 2018. Ms. Howington further stated that the purpose of the meeting is to provide Council with education and insight on how the City could move forward with Community Wide Fiber and the associated costs. She turned the meeting over to Neil Shaw and Dave Stockton from Uptown Services, who provided a summary of the Phase I Financial Analysis of the fiber expansion. Discussion followed that included, size of the neighborhood cabinets, impact on property taxes, build-out in denser areas, support of referendum by other communities, cost savings to customers, benefit of wifi vs. fiber, cost impact on businesses that are already connected, tax increase based on property size, future of wireless and satellite, take rate comparables in Hudson, and marketing and selling strategy.

Council requested Uptown Services supply a report that shows the support for such levies in other communities.

This matter was discussed.

4. Items to be Added to Future Agendas

None.

5. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Mr. Wooldredge adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 8:58 p.m.

William D. Wooldredge, President of Council

Jane Howington, City Manager, Clerk of Council Pro Tempore

Workshop Minutes prepared by Melissa Raber, Office Manager.

Upon approval by City Council, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording in accordance with Codified Ordinances, Section 220.031 (a), Rules for Workshop Meetings.