



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

David A. Basil, Mayor

Hamilton DeSaussure, Jr., President of Council (At-Large)

Beth A. Bigham, Council Member (Ward 4)

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)

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

Jane Howington, City Manager

R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor

Elizabeth A. Slagle, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

6:45 PM

Town Hall

Special Meeting and Regular Council Workshop

Special Meeting:

1. Call to Order

In the absence of President of Council DeSaussure, Dr. Williams, called to order the Special Meeting of Hudson City Council at 6:45 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

2. Roll Call

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

Absent: 1 - Mr. DeSaussure

Mrs. Bigham entered the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Others and Staff in Attendance: Mayor Basil; Ms. Howington, City Manager; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Ersing, Network Systems Administrator; Mr. Griffith, Assistant Finance Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Finance Director; Mr. Leedham, GIS Manager/Database Administrator; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mr. Robbins, Police Chief; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; Mr. Sheridan, Assistant City Manager - City Engineer; Mr. Stifler, Economic Development Director; Mr. Varnes, Fire/EMS Chief.

3. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Kelemen, seconded by Mr. Hanink, to enter into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G) to consider a personnel matter concerning appointments to the Environmental Awareness Committee. Dr. Williams recessed the meeting at 6:45 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

Excused: 1 - Mrs. Bigham

Dr. Williams reconvened the Special Council meeting at 7:30 p.m.

4. Appointment

Dr. Williams announced that appointments to the Environmental Awareness Committee will be made at the November 14, 2017 Council meeting.

Regular Workshop:

5. Correspondence and Council Comments

See items to be added to future agendas.

6. Discussion Items

A. [17-0098](#) Economic Development Update

Executive Summary: Staff will provide overview of recent employer growth, industrial park gains, and potential development in Districts 6 and 8.

Mr. Stifler provided an update on Economic Development. Discussion topics included Velocity Broadband, Hudson's brand and marketing, and development in the following areas, Hudson Crossing Business Park, Seasons Greene Eco-Industrial Park, Downtown Phase 2, Boston Mills Road areas, Districts 8 and 9, and the former Youth Development Center property. Other items discussed included radio advertising, the Intelligent Community Forum, and the City's outreach to local executives.

This matter was discussed.

- B.** [17-0097](#) **City of Hudson 2018-2022 Five-Year Plan Review and 2018 Budget**
Executive Summary: This is the third of four scheduled meetings to review the City's 2018-2022 Five-Year Plan and 2018 budget. This meeting will focus on Safety Forces, which includes Police, Fire and EMS. We will also review Economic Development and Velocity Broadband as well as a final review and recap of the General Fund.

Information was presented relating to Velocity Broadband, Police, Fire and EMS. Discussion followed.

General Fund discussion was postponed until the meeting on November 14, 2017, and further discussion regarding EMS funding needs and options will be discussed at a workshop in January 2018.

This matter was discussed.

- C.** [17-0096](#) **A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED 2018 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE.**
Executive Summary: A proposed meeting schedule for the new year has been prepared for Council's review and approval.
Attachments: [2018 Proposed Meeting Schedule](#)

This motion was forwarded for further consideration at the November 14, 2017 Council meeting.

7. Items to be Added to Future Agendas

Mr. Kelemen requested discussion regarding plans for the black traffic box at the corner of Aurora Street and State Route 91. Mr. Sheridan stated that a committee was formed that included, Mr. Hanink, a representative from the Hudson Heritage Association and various staff members, to discuss what can be done to the traffic box. He said that the committee agreed to screen the box with vegetation and paint the box dark green, and staff is ready to move forward with this unless Council would like to discuss the options. There was consensus to discuss this at the November 14, 2017, Council meeting.

8. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, to enter into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G) to consider the sale or purchase of property for public purposes and to discuss pending litigation. Dr. Williams recessed the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

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

Dr. Williams reconvened the Council meeting at 10:34 p.m

9. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Dr. Williams adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 10:35 p.m.

J. Daniel Williams, President of Council Pro Tempore

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.