

**THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2018**

At 7:30 p.m., Mayor Jerry T. Fiala called the **Regular Meeting of Kent City Council** to order. Roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Mr. Jack Amrhein; Mr. Michael DeLeone; Mr. Garret Ferrara; Mr. John Kuhar; Ms. Gwen Rosenberg; Ms. Heidi Shaffer; Mr. Roger Sidoti; Mr. Robin Turner; and Ms. Tracy Wallach.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor and President of Council; Mr. Dave Ruller, City Manager; Ms. Hope Jones, Law Director; Ms. Bridget Susel, Community Development Director; Mr. Jim Bowling, City Engineer; Mr. David Coffee, Finance Director; Ms. Melanie Baker, Public Service Director; Mr. Tom Wilke, Economic Development Director; and Ms. Tara Grimm, MMC, Clerk of Council.

ABSENT: None

Mayor Fiala called upon Councilmember Turner for his opening remarks. Mr. Turner commended the staff, Council and people of the City as there are a lot of positive things happening in the City. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2018, THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2018, AND THE DEMOCRACY DAY PUBLIC HEARING OF OCTOBER 3, 2018 made by Mr. Ferrara, seconded by Mr. Kuhar *CARRIED* by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Fiala read a statement to the audience: *"While the law does not require Council to provide time for public comment, we have historically invited the public to make comments and we appreciate their input. This is the time where residents and others can comment on matters that concern them. However, we will not engage in debate, and as President of Council, I reserve the right to end any public communication that is disruptive, embarrassment, harassment or otherwise objective. We ask that when you come to the microphone that you speak into the microphone clearly, give your name and address and limit comments to three (3) minutes of discussion."* He then asked the Clerk if anyone was signed in. There was one (1) visitor who signed in with the Clerk.

Mr. David Reith of 520 Harvey, Kent declined to speak when called upon by Clerk Grimm.

Written Communications were reported by Clerk Grimm and placed on file in the Clerk's office as follows:

1. Sustainability Commission Meeting Agenda for October 2, 2018 and the Minutes of September 11, 2018 received on September 28, 2018.
2. Standing Rock Cemetery Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2018 received September 28, 2018.
3. Letter to Clerk of Council from our Code Service provider, Walter Drane, regarding their becoming a member of American Legal Publishing and being able to provide better customer service received on October 3, 2018.
4. Civil Service Meeting Agenda for October 8, 2018 received October 4, 2018.

5. Health Board Agenda and Statistical Report for October 10, 2018 and Minutes from September 19, 2018 received on October 4, 2018.

Oral Communications received after the Agenda was published were placed on file in the Clerk's office as follows:

1. Civil Service Agenda for October 15, 2018 received October 11, 2018.
2. Letter received from Joe Seryak regarding the length of testing times and decibel levels of the City's tornado sirens and the ambulance sirens during overnight hours October 11, 2018.
3. Portage County Solid Waste Meeting Minutes from March 28, 2018 received October 16, 2018.
4. Parks & Recreation Board Packet for October 18, 2018 received October 16, 2018.
5. Invitation to NOPEC's 2018 General Assembly Meeting on November 13, 2018 received October 16, 2018.
6. Standing Rock Cemetery Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2018 received October 17, 2018.

City Manager's Report was called for by Mayor Fiala.

1. The City Clerk requests Council's authorization to consider a resolution regarding the City Manager's compensation and contract. {Draft #2018-112}.
2. Request Council's consideration of an ordinance to renew the appointment of John Ryan of Hometown Bank to the City's Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Review Committee. {Draft #2018-118}.
3. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to receive the 2018 Capital Projects update report.
4. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to consider proposed updates to the City's solid waste and recycling code.
5. Request Finance Committee time to consider the proposed 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Plan.
6. Request Finance Committee time to consider the renewal and extension of the Main Street Kent contract.
7. Request Finance Committee time to consider a proposed 2018 Budget Amendment.
8. Request Health & Safety Committee time to consider proposed clarifications in the City's ordinances related to raking yard and leaf debris into the street.
9. Request Health & Safety Committee time to consider a proposed new lighting agreement between the City of Kent and Kent State University.
10. Request Council's authorization to allocate \$500 for the Kent Police Department to use to provide food for the public safety employees assigned to work the night of Halloween.

MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS #1 - #10 OF THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT made by Mr. Amrhein, seconded by Mr. Ferrara. Motion CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

STANDING COMMITTEES/ LEGISLATION

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

There were no minutes or actions needing approval.

Mayor Fiala questioned whether or not the Resolution required authorization.

Clerk Grimm informed Council they had just authorized this item when they approved the City Manager's Report.

Draft No. 2018-118: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN RYAN TO THE LOAN REVIEW COMMITTEE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, and Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-118 made by Mr. Sidoti and seconded by Mr. DeLeone. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, and Mr. Ferrara. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-118: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN RYAN TO THE LOAN REVIEW COMMITTEE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2018 made by Mr. Kuhar, seconded by Mr. Ferrara, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ONE (1) RECOMMENDED ACTION made by Mr. Kuhar, seconded by Ms. Shaffer, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

Recommended Action:

1. Authorize the draft legislation for urban chickens as submitted for keeping urban chickens in Kent

Mr. Ferrara wanted to note that one of the issues Council is going to run into is monitoring this. In cases where we have not gotten prior approval for these types of things and expecting people to self-police their project, it is a mistake not to have a permit or fee. The thing that really upsets citizens is not what we can do, but what we can't do. Time and time again when someone is out of compliance, it is the neighbors and the community that suffer as Council tries to find a way to alleviate a problem. This case is the perfect example where if we can approve the coop prior to it happening, we are going to avoid the situation. It goes back to the same old adage every time: if you don't have the time to do it right the first time, how are you going to find time to do it right the second time? He feels it is a mistake to not have a permit to start this process.

Mayor Fiala asked for all those in favor of the Motion. Mr. Ferrara did not actually make a Motion; therefore, the voice vote of 9-0 did not need to be taken.

Draft No. 2018-116: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 505.19 AND ENACTING SECTION 505.22 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. Amrhein. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, and Mr. Kuhar. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-116 made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, and Ms. Rosenberg. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-116: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 505.19 AND ENACTING SECTION 505.22 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

Draft No. 2018-117: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 501.13 OF THE KENT CODIFIED ORDINANCES, TITLED "CIVIL OFFENSES", TO CORRECT AND CLARIFY SOME LANGUAGE REGARDING FINES AND PROCEDURES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. Amrhein. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, and Ms. Shaffer. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-117 made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. DeLeone. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, and Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-117: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 501.13 OF THE KENT CODIFIED ORDINANCES, TITLED "CIVIL OFFENSES", TO CORRECT AND CLARIFY SOME LANGUAGE REGARDING FINES AND PROCEDURES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2018 made by Mr. DeLeone, seconded by Mr. Sidoti, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ONE (1) RECOMMENDED ACTION made by Mr. DeLeone, seconded by Mr. Ferrara, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

Recommended Action:

1. Authorize the rescinding of the fees for the delinquent mowing bill certified to the Auditor for 535 Bowman Drive with an emergency clause

Draft No. 2018-111: AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE CERTIFICATION OF A CERTAIN DELINQUENT MOWING BILL, TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR THAT WAS PLACED ON THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,530.00 ON THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 535 BOWMAN, KENT, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Ms. Shaffer. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, and Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-111 made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. DeLeone. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-111: AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE CERTIFICATION OF A CERTAIN DELINQUENT MOWING BILL, TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR THAT WAS PLACED ON THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,530.00 ON THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 535 BOWMAN, KENT, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

Draft No. 2018-112: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY BUDGET & FINANCE DIRECTOR AND LAW DIRECTOR, OR THEIR DESIGNEES, TO SIGN AN ADDENDUM TO AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND DAVID RULLER, DATED JULY 3, 2008 FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT CONTRACT FOR FIVE (5) YEARS AND GRANTING FIVE PERCENT (5%) PAY RAISE EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2018, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Ms. Shaffer. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, and Mr. Amrhein. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-112 made by Ms. Shaffer and seconded by Mr. Ferrara. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, and Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-0-1 with Mr. Kuhar abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-112: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY BUDGET & FINANCE DIRECTOR AND LAW DIRECTOR, OR THEIR DESIGNEES, TO SIGN AN ADDENDUM TO AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND DAVID RULLER, DATED JULY 3, 2008 FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT CONTRACT FOR FIVE (5) YEARS AND GRANTING FIVE PERCENT (5%) PAY RAISE EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2018, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

Draft No. 2018-119: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT & RELEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND DOUGLAS PARTNERS, LLC, ET AL., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, and Mr. Ferrara. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-119 made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, and Mr. Kuhar. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-119: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT & RELEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND DOUGLAS PARTNERS, LLC, ET AL., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2018 made by Mr. Amrhein, seconded by Mr. Ferrara. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ONE (1) RECOMMENDED ACTION made by Mr. Amrhein, seconded by Ms. Shaffer, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

Recommended Action:

1. Authorize repealing Section 509.10 titled "Vagrants" from the Kent City Codified Ordinances with an emergency clause

Draft No. 2018-113: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE CITY OF KENT CODIFIED ORDINANCES KNOWN AS SECTION 509.10 TITLED "VAGRANTS", AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, and Ms. Rosenberg. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-113 made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, and Ms. Shaffer. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-113: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE CITY OF KENT CODIFIED ORDINANCES KNOWN AS SECTION 509.10 TITLED "VAGRANTS", AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

LAND USE COMMITTEE:

There were no meeting minutes or actions to be approved.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2018 made by Mr. Sidoti, seconded by Mr. Amrhein, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE TWO (2) RECOMMENDED ACTIONS made by Mr. Sidoti, seconded by Mr. Amrhein, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

Recommended Action:

1. Authorize the proposed amendments to Chapter 937 with an emergency clause
2. Authorize participation in the 2019 Portage County Paving Program FOR the paving of the portion of Mogadore Road south of SR261 inside the City limits, with an emergency clause

Draft No. 2018-114: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 937 ENTITLED "USE OF PUBLIC WAYS BY SERVICE PROVIDERS", SPECIFICALLY SECTIONS 937.01, 937.02, 937.03, 937.04, 937.05, 937.06, 937.07, 937.08, 937.09 AND 937.10, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Amrhein. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, and Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-114 made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Sidoti. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, and Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-114: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 937 ENTITLED "USE OF PUBLIC WAYS BY SERVICE PROVIDERS", SPECIFICALLY SECTIONS 937.01, 937.02, 937.03, 937.04, 937.05, 937.06, 937.07, 937.08, 937.09 AND 937.10, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

Draft No. 2018-115: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT AND SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL BY THE PORTAGE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE PAVING OF MOGADORE ROAD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Grimm per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and seconded by Mr. Kuhar. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, and Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2018-115 made by Mr. Kuhar and seconded by Mr. Ferrara. On Roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, and Mr. Amrhein. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-115: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT AND SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL BY THE PORTAGE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE PAVING OF MOGADORE ROAD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PASSED as stated by Clerk Grimm.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS:

Ms. Wallach stated she liked the orange paper Clerk Grimm had chosen for the agendas.

Mr. Ferrara congratulated the City Manager on his 5-year renewal of his contract stating it is a demonstration of being a great sign of confidence; it is the best thing that Kent has done, and he continues to provide excellent service and guidance. Mr. Ruller is a real asset to the community and he is really proud of the work Mr. Ruller has done as well as Council's commitment to him by granting the raise and extension of contract.

Mr. Kuhar would like the City to take a more active part on reducing the raccoon population in the City, we will not have to worry about chickens.

Ms. Shaffer appreciated taking the Cleveland Cycle "conference" bike ride during the homecoming parade, which operates from MadCap Brewery. She stated it was a good time, interactive and recommends trying it for a great team building experience, family fun or with friends. The ride is also very interactive with the public.

Mr. DeLeone wanted to thank those responsible for getting the Council meeting audio recordings uploaded to YouTube.

Mr. Sidoti agrees with both Mr. DeLeone and Mr. Kuhar and commented on the groundhog population being an issues, although they do not eat chickens. He also thanked Mr. Ruller for his hard work and informed the audience that 3-4 years ago, Mr. Ruller also assumed the additional duties and took on the role of Safety Director after the Safety Director retired, which saves the City money. Mr. Sidoti also asked that we move more cautiously forward with One Kent and finish clarifying the process that all of Council wants to use. He also thanked Ms. Baker for listening to all of Council's comments 2 weeks ago at the Work Session and appreciates the incorporation of those changes in the presentation tonight.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Fiala also commented on the recordings of the Council meetings now on-line and "if people don't think we are transparent now, they better get a hearing aid or a computer." He also wished Mr. Kuhar a Happy Birthday on October 20th and reminded Council that he will be attending the awards ceremony on October 23rd where Heritage Ohio will be recognizing Ron Burbick for the work he has done. The Mayor also informed Council that he has been working with Ms. Baker and Mr. Ruller on the cost to have recognition banners placed on the bridge for all the fallen police officers and fire fighters.

Hearing no further business, Mayor Fiala adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Tara Grimm, MMC
Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council