



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

Council Committee of the Whole

May 20, 2024

6:00 PM

City Hall – Executive Conference Room

An executive session may be held in accordance with the provisions set for Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances Chapter 107.01(C)

Agenda

- 1) Call to Order/Roll Call**
- 2) Legislative Review/Caucus (30 min)**
- 3) Council Economic Development Process (10 min)**
 - a. City Council Framework
- 4) Mayor's Update (10 min)**
- 5) Scheduling Special COTW Meetings in June (5 min)**
CRC Report/Recommendations
- 6) Committee Reports (10-15 min)**
- 7) Adjourn**

CITY COUNCIL FRAMEWORK FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

RATIONALE

City Council must have a well-defined process to use as a roadmap for considering all economic development projects that come before them. Having an agreement between council members on what the process is, and how it will be used, will ensure that due diligence will be performed before a preliminary or final vote is cast.

Objective #1: To provide a step-by-step roadmap for performing council's role in the economic development process.

*Objective #2: To provide the administration with council's expectations for approval of a given economic development project.

**These objectives in no way obligate the administration or the developer to follow the framework council uses, but rather define council's role in the process while also setting expectations that can be used to create the partnership needed between the 2 branches of government for creating a consensus.*

GENERAL FRAMEWORK / COUNCIL'S ROLE AND EXPECTATIONS / ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Administration introduces MOU legislation on first reading after RFP or a similar process has produced a developer and a project / Legislation referred to Planning Commission, then Planning Committee for discussion
2. Council members examine the site of the proposed project
3. Council will be informed and get updates from the administration regarding community input
4. Committee of the Whole reviews the results of the public discussion, the Planning Committee discussion, and the MOU legislation itself
5. Council votes on MOU/Purchase Agreement / Planning Dept gives council a timeline and regular project updates up through the development agreement
6. Administration and/or developer have multiple public engagement opportunities for resident input (council informed of all public engagement opportunities)
7. ABR and Planning Commission have met to consider the project; revisions are made by developer if requested

8. Development agreement legislation is presented to City Council and referred to Planning Committee (at least 2 readings, site plan included in development agreement)/All aspects discussed/All questions answered by the administration and developer before final vote

9. ABR & Planning Commission continue to review the project until approved