



May 23, 2024
Special Meeting
6:30 PM

Cleveland Heights City Hall
Council Chambers
40 Severance Cir
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

MEETING MINUTES

1) Meeting called to order by Council President

Start: 6:34pm

2) Roll Call of Council Members

Present: Tony Cuda, Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Petras, Anthony Mattox Jr., Jim Posch

Excused: Davida Russell

Absent: None

3) Excuse absent members

Davida Russell excused

4) Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)

5) LEGISLATION

Note: The title for each piece of legislation contains a parenthetical reference to the Council Committee within which the subject matter of the legislation falls. Council Committees are abbreviated as follows: (AS)-Administrative Services; (COTW)-Committee of the Whole; (CRR)-Community Relations and Recreation; (F)-Finance; (HB)-Housing and Building; (MSES)-Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability; (PD)-Planning and Development; (PSH)-Public Safety and Health. See Resolution 97-2022 for a list of Council Committee subject matter areas.

a. First Readings – Consideration of Adoption Requested

ORDINANCE NO. 091-2024(F): First Reading. An Ordinance amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 038-2023, "Wage and Salary Ordinance," to adjust the pay scales and modify job titles of certain seasonal positions within the Department of Parks and Recreation; and declaring the necessity that this

legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to adopt: Gail Larson

Seconded: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Discussion: Director Ledbetter explained the need to bring our Lifeguards pay up to current standards within the area. Councilmember Larson asked if they were related to the salary survey results; Director Ledbetter said no, he looked into what other cities were paying and set these rates based on those comparable. Councilmember Cobb asked if this would fall within the current budget, or whether a budget adjustment would be needed; Director Ledbetter said these would fall within the budget and Acting Finance Director Schuster agreed. Councilmember Posch supports this, but must recuse himself because his wife is one of the deep-water aerobics instructors which is listed as one of the jobs listed in the legislation. Director Hanna mentioned that in addition to the changes of recategorizing certain functions from 1099 vendors to seasonal employees, there are some other compensation adjustments within the Cain park bracket.

Yes: Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr., Jim Petras

No: None

Recused: Jim Posch

LEGISLATION PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 092-2024(MSES): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Ron Marhofer Chevrolet, Inc. for the purchase of four (4) used 2023 Chevrolet Bolt EVs for the Department of Planning and Development; waiving competitive bidding; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to adopt: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Seconded: Craig Cobb

Discussion: Councilmember Larson asked if the \$175k budget item under the capital departmental requests from the Planning department and wants to confirm that that budget item is what this legislation is referring to; this was confirmed by Acting Director Schuster. President Cuda said his understanding as there was a previous plan to purchase these vehicles and asked to be reminded of that plan; the Mayor explained that the model was discontinued but then reintroduced. Since this was a car we had experience with and liked previously, and they were able to source this again, they chose to purchase them; the time frame of when these cars are available can be troublesome so when they become available they want to jump on them. In total the department is hoping to get more than these four, but since these are currently

available they wanted to go ahead and get these purchased. Councilman Mattox commended the staff for finding these vehicles.

Yes: Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr., Jim Petras, Jim Posch

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 093-2024(MSES): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Lavery Automotive Sales & Service, LLC for the purchase of two (2) used 2023 Chevrolet Bolt EVs for the Department of Planning and Development; waiving competitive bidding; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Seren

Motion to adopt: Anthony Mattox Jr.

Seconded: Gail Larson

Yes: Craig Cobb, Tony Cuda, Gail Larson, Anthony Mattox Jr., Jim Petras, Jim Posch

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

6) Adjournment

End: 6:42 p.m.

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: JUNE 3, 2024

APPROVED: August 19, 2024



Tony Cuda
President of Council



Addie Balester
Clerk of Council