

CITY OF MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS, OHIO

REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

The Council of the City of Middleburg Heights, Ohio met in Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 for the purpose of conducting a REGULAR MEETING. President of Council David Bortolotto called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Matthew Castelli Mayor
David Bortolotto President of Council
Tim Ali Councilman At Large
Dan Sage Councilman At Large
Bill Meany Councilman Ward 1
Matthew McGregor Councilman Ward 2
Michael Ference Councilman Ward 3
John Grech Councilman Ward 4
Mary Ann Meola Clerk of Council

STAFF

ATTENDING: Santo Incorvaia Law Director
Jason Stewart Finance Director
Jim Herron Service Director
Chuck Bichara Economic Development Director
Mark Elliott Recreation Director
Bob Downey Executive Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Ali to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 28, 2022 and the public hearing of June 28, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Grech.

MINUTES
APPROVED

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, MINUTES APPROVED

COMMUNICATIONS

Notice to Legislative Authority from Ohio Division of Liquor Control requesting new liquor permit for Middleburg Sunoco, 7026 W. 130th Street. No objection from Police Chief Tomba.

MOTION 2022-31
RETURN LIQUOR
PERMIT REQUEST
WITHOUT OBJECTION
(MIDDLEBURG
SUNOCO)

Mr. Bortolotto made a motion to approve the new liquor permit without objections. Seconded by Mr. Ference.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, MOTION APPROVED

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Rodney Geschke, 16367 Craigmere Drive, said he is here tonight as a last resort and said he has spoken with Chief Tomba, Norm and Shawn in the building department regarding his neighbor, which he has had issues with for five years.

Mr. Geschke described some of the problems and said he is reaching out to the city for help.

Mr. Incorvaia offered to meet with Mr. Geschke to discuss this situation.

Mr. Geschke said yes and thanked Mr. Incorvaia for the offer.

APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

None.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

CITY PARKS, RECREATION & SERVICES COMMITTEE – MR. ALI
CHAIRMAN

No legislation.

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FINANCE, TAXATION & ASSESSMENTS COMMITTEE - MR. BORTOLOTTI, CHAIRMAN

Motion by Mr. Bortolotto authorizing the service director to advertise the Middleburg Heights Central Park Master Plan Request for Qualifications (RFQ).

Seconded by Mr. Meany.

Mr. Bortolotto said Mr. Minch discussed this during the finance committee meeting. He said a company is going to design the Central Park across the street.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, MOTION APPROVED

MOTION 2022-32
AUTHORIZE SERVICE
DIRECTOR TO ADVER-
TISE CENTRAL PARK
MASTER PLAN (RFQ)

Motion by Mr. Bortolotto to accept the recommendation of the Tax Incentive Review Council to continue the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Agreement between the City of Middleburg Heights and JKR Development.

Seconded by Mr. Sage.

Mr. Bortolotto said this was also discussed during the finance committee meeting. He said this has to do with the tax incentives that were given to the Sapphire Building.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, MOTION APPROVED

MOTION 2022-33
ACCEPT RECOMMEN-
DATION OF TAX
INCENTIVE REVIEW
COUNCIL (JKR
DEVELOPMENT)

Motion by Mr. Bortolotto to accept the recommendation of the Tax Incentive Review Council to continue the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement between the City of Middleburg Heights and Fat Head's Brewing, L.P. Seconded by Mr. McGregor.

Mr. Bortolotto said this was talked about at the finance committee meeting. He said we have an agreement and are giving Fat Head's a break on the taxes.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, MOTION APPROVED

MOTION 2022-34
ACCEPT RECOMMEN-
DATION OF TAX
INCENTIVE REVIEW
COUNCIL (FAT
HEAD'S BREWING)

Mr. Bortolotto introduced ORDINANCE NO. 2022-67, An Ordinance authorizing the creation of a OneOhio Opioid Settlement Fund for the City of Middleburg Heights and MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Grech.

Mr. Bortolotto said this was discussed at the finance committee meeting. He said the city will receive \$3,000 a year for 18 years.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, ORDINANCE NO. 2022-67 ADOPTED

ORD. 2022-67
ADOPTED
AUTHORIZE
CREATION OF
ONEOHIO OPIOID
SETTLEMENT FUND

Mr. Bortolotto introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-68, A Resolution authorizing the finance director to request tax advancements before settlement dates and declaring an emergency and MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. McGregor.

Mr. Bortolotto said this was discussed at the finance committee meeting as well.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-68 ADOPTED

ORD. 2022-68
ADOPTED
REQUEST TAX
ADVANCEMENTS

Mr. Bortolotto introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-69, A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Fiscal Officer and MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Meany.

Mr. Bortolotto said this was talked about at the finance committee meeting.

Mr. Stewart said this authorizes the levy of those tax dollars for 2023.

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-69 ADOPTED

RES. 2022-69
ADOPTED
ACCEPT RATES
AND AMOUNTS
DETERMINED BY
BUDGET COMMISSION

Mr. Bortolotto introduced ORDINANCE NO. 2022-70, An Ordinance to make supplemental appropriations for current expenditures and expenses for the City of Middleburg Heights for the calendar year 2022 and declaring an emergency and MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Ference.

ORD. 2022-70
ADOPTED
SUPPLEMENTAL
APPROPRIATIONS

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1 Mr. Bortolotto said all of the expenditures on the legislation were discussed at the
2 finance committee meeting. He commended the administration for expanding the
3 streets for this year. Mr. Bortolotto also thanked the group that did the fundraisers
4 for the Bark Park.

5 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, ORDINANCE NO. 2022-70 ADOPTED

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8 LEGISLATION & RULES COMMITTEE – MR. FERENCE, CHAIRMAN
9 No legislation.

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12 PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY & RELIEF COMMITTEE – MR. MCGREGOR,
13 CHAIRMAN

14 Mr. McGregor introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-71, A Resolution adopting
15 the Cuyahoga County 2022-2027 All-Hazards Mitigation Plan and MOVED TO
16 ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Sage.

17 Mr. McGregor said this was discussed at the safety committee meeting. He said
18 Chief Galgas explained that this needs to be renewed every five years. Mr.
19 McGregor said this is beneficial for the city to address items that may be
20 hazardous.

21 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-71 ADOPTED

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24 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE – MR. SAGE, CHAIRMAN
25 No legislation.

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28 STREETS, UTILITIES & RAILROAD COMMITTEE – MR. MEANY,
29 CHAIRMAN

30 Mr. Meany introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-72, A Resolution urging the
31 Ohio Department of Commerce to review regulations of cable providers to
32 improve service and customer support and MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by
33 Mr. McGregor.

34 Mr. Meany said this arose from the terrible customer service that most of us
35 experienced with our cable companies. He said he spoke with our state
36 representatives and said they will review some of the laws, rules and guidelines.
37 Mr. Meany said this legislation will be sent down to the Ohio legislature.

38 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-72 ADOPTED

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42 Mr. Meany introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-73, A Resolution authorizing
43 the mayor and/or director of public service to prepare and submit an application to
44 participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement
45 and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) and to execute contracts as
46 required and MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. FERENCE.

47 Mr. Meany asked Mr. Herron to explain.

48 Mr. Herron said the state local public works dollars are controlled by the district
49 one public works committee. He said district one is Cuyahoga County. Mr.
50 Herron said they require a resolution of support from council before an
51 application can be submitted for their review. He said this application is for the
52 Belmeadow area. Mr. Herron said if you may recall, the city received dollars a
53 couple years ago for the Indian Creek sanitary sewer project. He said they wanted
54 to have this resolution in hand to submit an application.

55 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-73 ADOPTED

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59 Mr. Meany introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-74, A Resolution authorizing
60 the mayor and finance director to enter into a contract with Tri Mor Corp. for the
61 2022 Street Repair Program Phase 3 Cherokee Trail Reconstruction and MOVED
62 TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Sage.

RES. 2022-71
ADOPTED
ALL-HAZARDS
MITIGATION PLAN

RES. 2022-72
ADOPTED
URGE DEPARTMENT
OF COMMERCE TO
REVIEW CABLE
REGULATIONS

RES. 2022-73
ADOPTED
SUBMIT APPLICA-
TION TO OHIO
PUBLIC WORKS
COMMISSION

RES. 2022-74
ADOPTED
CONTRACT: 2022
STREET REPAIR
PROGRAM - PHASE 3
(CHEROKEE)

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1 Mr. Meany said this legislation will accept the bid from Tri Mor Corporation. He
2 said Tri Mor is an experienced contractor currently working in the city. Mr.
3 Meany said this legislation is for the reconstruction of Cherokee Trail in the
4 amount of \$1,319,496.00.

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6 Mr. Ali asked how many bids were received for this project.

7 Mr. Herron said two bids were received.

8 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-74 ADOPTED
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11 ZONING & BUILDING CODE COMMITTEE – MR. GRECH, CHAIRMAN

12 Mr. Grech introduced RESOLUTION NO. 2022-75, A Resolution supporting the
13 Ohio Attorney General's lawsuit to put an end to a massive robocall scheme and
14 MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Sage.

15 Mr. Grech said recently the attorney general filed a lawsuit against all of these
16 robocalls. He said it is estimated that there are 77 million robocalls a day go out.
17 Mr. Grech said if this stops us from getting half of them it is a good thing.

18 Mr. Ali said he is very excited to see this. He said he received 11 spam calls
19 today. Mr. Ali said it is very difficult being with a client and having your phone
20 being blown up with spam calls. He said it is ridiculous and is out of control. Mr.
21 Ali said we had the national do not call list before, and need to go back to
22 something like that and fine these people.

23 Mr. Bortolotto said a lot of them are overseas, and that is part of the problem.

24 Mr. Grech said you can block it, but they change one digit and the call comes
25 through again.

26 Mr. Grech said he appreciates the support from council and the administration.

27 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-75 ADOPTED
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30 Mayor Castelli introduced ORDINANCE NO. 2022-76, An Ordinance declaring
31 improvement to real property within the City of Middleburg Heights, Ohio to be a
32 public purpose; exempting such improvement from real property taxation;
33 requiring the owners of the property to make service payments in lieu of real
34 property taxes; establishing an Urban Redevelopment Tax Increment Equivalent
35 Fund for the deposit of service payments; approving a Tax Increment Financing
36 Agreement; making related authorizations pursuant to Ohio Revised Code
37 Sections 5709.41, 5709.42, 5709.43 and 5709.83; and declaring and emergency
38 and moved to adopt. On behalf of the mayor, Mr. Bortolotto MOVED TO
39 ADOPT. Seconded by Mr. Ali.

40 Mayor Castelli said this was discussed previously at the finance committee
41 meeting this evening. He said this particular TIF was discussed several times
42 over the past four to six months. Mayor Castelli as you know, this project is
43 currently underway. He said this TIF has helped with demolition and new
44 construction over in the Southland area off of Pearl Road. Mayor Castelli said
45 they are excited to see this type of activity in this area. He said these types of
46 arrangements certainly help to make these kinds of projects move forward.
47 Mayor Castelli said they hope to see more activity in the Southland area in the
48 near future. He said not in regards to this particular TIF, but next door we should
49 see some demo work happening in the next week as well.

50 Mr. Ali said this is absolutely working and it is needed for these businesses. He
51 said he met a client today that is with Hollywood, and he is in charge of
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RES. 2022-75
ADOPTED
SUPPORT OHIO
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
LAWSUIT - END
MASSIVE ROBOCALL
SCHEME

ORD. 2022-76
ADOPTED
ESTABLISH TAX
INCREMENT
EQUIVALENT FUND -
APPROVE TIF
AGREEMENT

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1 transportation for the movies. Mr. Ali said this individual say they are filming a
2 marvel movie in downtown Cleveland, and he asked him why they don't just
3 build a studio here. He said the client said the bottom line in the tax incentives,
4 and that Hollywood was number one, Atlanta was number two and said if it
5 comes to Ohio, Cincinnati and Cleveland may tap into that. Mr. Ali reiterated
6 that these programs do work.

7 Mr. Bortolotto thanked the administration, more specifically Mayor Castelli and
8 Mr. Bichara for focusing on these tax incentive programs. He also thanked Mr.
9 Stewart for the great job that has been done with these programs.

10 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, ORDINANCE NO. 2022-76 ADOPTED
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13 Mayor Castelli introduced ORDINANCE NO. 2022-77, An Ordinance approving
14 and adopting the Middleburg Heights Community Master Plan and moved to
15 adopt. On behalf of the mayor, Mr. Bortolotto MOVED TO ADOPT. Seconded
16 by Mr. Meany.

17 Mayor Castelli said this was also just discussed at the finance committee meeting.
18 He said they have worked on this new master plan over the past two years.
19 Mayor Castelli said he appreciated all the involvement that was received from
20 residents, the business community, city council, directors, etc. He said it is very
21 exciting to see the master plan put in to action. Mayor Castelli said this ordinance
22 will codify our new master plan, which is the first comprehensive master plan that
23 we have had since 1971.

24 Mr. Ference said that was a very impressive plan that was very thorough and
25 inclusive of a lot of really important information. He said everyone involved did
26 a fantastic job putting this together.

27 Mr. Bichara thanked Mayor Castelli for bringing the project forward, and thanked
28 city council for all of their support. He said this truly is a product of the
29 community and everyone involved in the community.

30 Mr. Ali said he's assuming since we have done this and the last update was 1971,
31 that we could probably update the noise ordinance now too.

32 Mr. Grech said he received an email from Chief Tomba today saying he sees no
33 reason to move forward updating it.

34 Mr. Ali confirmed that the noise ordinance was from 1971 as well.

35 Mr. Grech said yes it was, it was December 17, 1971.

36 Mr. Bortolotto said Mr. Ali could continue discussions with the chief if he
37 wished. He said if there is something of necessity, then we could talk about it in
38 council.

39 Mayor Castelli said it could be put into the zoning committee.

40 Mr. Bortolotto said assuming the administration has a desire to move forward and
41 change it.

42 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, ORDINANCE NO. 2022-77 ADOPTED
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44 Mr. Bortolotto referred to the council committee page of the agenda, and said he
45 is recommending no longer using that page since council acts very quickly on
46 committee items and legislation is quickly prepared and presented to members of
47 council at council meetings. He asked if there was any objection to eliminate the
48 committee page. No objections from members of council. Mr. Bortolotto asked
49 Mr. Incorvaia if there was any legal reason to keep the committee page.

50 Mr. Incorvaia said no.

51 Mr. Bortolotto thanked Mr. Incorvaia.

52 COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

53 City Parks, Recreation & Services Committee – Mr. Ali, Chairman

54 Mr. Ali thanked everyone for their support with the Bark Park. He said it has been
55 so well received. Mr. Ali said a couple Tuesday's ago, someone sent him a video

ORD. 2022-77
ADOPTED
APPROVE AND
ADOPT MIDDLEBURG
HEIGHTS COMMUNITY
MASTER PLAN

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1 that showed there were 62 dogs running around. He has not heard of any issues,
2 and said it is really going well and people are really enjoying it. Mr. Ali said
3 approximately \$5,500 was raised at our first fundraiser. He said it was sold out,
4 and was nicely attended. Mr. Ali said they want to have an obstacle course, a sun
5 shade and paw pavers going to the entrance. He said Mr. Bichara is working on a
6 grant for them right now for a pavilion. Mr. Ali said they have plan b and plan c
7 if that doesn't work out, but are hopeful to get the grant for the pavilion.
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10 Finance, Taxation & Assessments Committee – Mr. Bortolotto, Chairman
11 Written report will be submitted.
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14 Legislation & Rules Committee – Mr. Ference, Chairman
15 No report.
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18 Public Health, Safety & Relief Committee – Mr. McGregor, Chairman
19 Mr. McGregor said they met last night and minutes were sent to the clerk for
20 distribution.
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22 Public Improvements Committee – Mr. Sage, Chairman
23 Mr. Sage said the Jammin' in the Park event was awesome, and was attended by
24 approximately 5,000 people. He thanked our service, recreation, police and fire
25 departments for all of their hard work.
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28 Streets, Utilities & Railroad Committee – Mr. Meany, Chairman
29 Mr. Meany said they met last night and minutes will be distributed this week.
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32 Zoning & Building Code Committee – Mr. Grech, Chairman
33 Mr. Grech said the joint Woodvale Council meeting will be in October. He said
34 he will let council know when a date has been finalized.
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36 MAYOR'S REPORT

37 Mayor Castelli said his report will be handled during Mr. Bichara's report, as a lot
38 of it is a little duplicative.
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40 Mayor Castelli referred to the comments on the noise ordinance, and said he
41 would be happy to take a look at that, and said possibly that could be put into
42 committee.
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44 Mr. Ali said with the noise ordinance being from 1971, he thought it deserves a
45 few minutes to be looked into to see if it needs to be updated.
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46 Mayor Castelli said he thinks that makes sense.

47 Mr. Grech said our population in 1971 was probably half of what it is now, and
48 thought maybe it was time to look at this.

49 Mr. Bortolotto asked the mayor to meet with the police chief to look at this to see
50 if it needs updated, before it comes to committee.

51 Mayor Castelli said he will follow-up with Norm, as well as Chief Tomba, to
52 review this and will then bring to committee to discuss.
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55 LAW DIRECTOR

56 Mr. Incorvaia asked that council consider a motion to convene into executive
57 session prior to adjournment to consider/discuss:

- 58 • The purchase of real estate/property for public purposes pursuant to ORC
59 121.22(G)(2)
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- 61 • Pending or imminent litigation, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(3)
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1 Mr. Bortolotto made a motion to go into executive session for the items that were
2 just identified. Seconded by Mr. Ali.

3 Mr. Bortolotto said prior to the end of the meeting, they will go into executive
4 session.

5 ROLL CALL: YEAS 7, NAYS 0, MOTION APPROVED

6 7 FINANCE DIRECTOR

8 No report.
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10 RECREATION DIRECTOR

11 Mr. Elliott said they have two skylight replacement projects happening at the
12 community center. He said the lobby has been completely, and the fitness
13 skylight is being worked on as we speak. Mr. Elliott said weather permitting, that
14 should wrap up within the next two or three weeks. He referred to the BBQ on
15 Friday, September 30th, and said there are still some tickets available. Mr. Elliott
16 said the Fall Fest will be on Saturday, October 1st.

17 Mr. Grech asked what time the Fall Fest begins.

18 Mr. Elliott said that day begins with the Big Creek run at 8:00 a.m., the police
19 dedication is around noon and then the Fall Fest begins around 1:00 p.m.

20 Mr. Bortolotto asked what time Trick or Treat Street began.

21 Mr. Elliott said they will get a complete schedule to council shortly, but Trick or
22 Treat Street begins at 6:00 p.m.

23 Mayor Castelli said there will be fireworks following the concert that evening as
24 well.
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26 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR/MAYOR'S REPORT

27 Mr. Bichara reported the following:
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- 29 • As Mayor Castelli stated, he and I have been working on a number of
30 business and community development projects.
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- 32 • Cleveland Clinic Middleburg Heights Family Health Center – Former
33 Kmart Building
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 - 35 ○ The Cleveland Clinic Middleburg Heights Family Health Center
36 will occupy the former Kmart store at 17840 Bagley Road in
37 Middleburg Heights.
 - 38 ○ The 93,000-square-foot space will undergo a full renovation to
39 become the largest Cleveland Clinic location, of this size and
40 scope of services, in the Middleburg Heights area.
 - 41 ○ This project will expand the Middleburg Heights medical corridor
42 and bring significant investment and over 270 new professional,
43 full-time jobs to Middleburg Heights.
 - 44 ○ Medical services offered at the medical outpatient center will meet
45 the healthcare needs of the community and include both primary
46 and specialty care.
 - 47 ○ It is expected that Cleveland Clinic will offer all but four of its
48 current service lines at the Middleburg Heights facility.
 - 49 ○ Imaging services, a lab, and a drive-thru pharmacy will also be
50 available.
 - 51 ○ Construction is underway, and the new facility is expected to open
52 in 2023.

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- Pearl Plaza

- The first two multi-tenant buildings for the Pearl Plaza redevelopment are now under construction at 6850 Pearl Road in the Middleburg Heights Southland Business District.
- Building one is completely leased.
- Building two is partially leased.
- The lease for building three is currently being negotiated, and construction will begin once the lease is signed.

- WXZ

- Middleburg Heights Planning Commission gave final approval for the Pearl Crossing project which will be the redevelopment of the former Ganley property at the corner of Pearl Road and West 130th Street.
- This project will clear the site and bring three new buildings, including two restaurants, to Middleburg Heights.
- Demolition of the current building is expected to begin this week.

- Southland/Smith Road Streetscape Vision

- Preliminary engineering for the Southland/Smith Road streetscape vision is in progress.
- We are gaining a solid understanding of current conditions and the direction for the actual construction of street improvements including design guidelines.
- Preliminary engineering will be completed in November.
- This will allow the City to pursue further funding for the streetscape project.
- This will also provide private property redevelopment to blend seamlessly into the streetscape.

- Resurfacing completed on Glenridge and Packard Avenues

- The City was awarded grant funding from Cuyahoga County to complete the resurfacing of both streets.
 - \$150,000 for the resurfacing of Glenridge
 - \$50,000 for the resurfacing of Packard
- The grants made it possible for the City to add both streets to the Street Program this year.
- I want to thank Mayor Castelli and City Council for their support of the grant funding applications.

- State Capital Improvement Funding Grant

- The City received official notification that its application for State Capital Improvement Funding for the new Police Station Memorial Hall Courtyard project was approved.
- The funding grant was in the amount of \$104,000.
- I again want to thank Mayor Castelli and City Council for their assistance and support in obtaining this funding.

- The Great Greek Mediterranean Grill new restaurant, located at 19077 Bagley Road Middleburg Heights in front of the new Residence Inn hotel, will be opening at the end of this month.

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1 Mr. Ali referred to Mr. Bichara's report, which said there were four services that
2 will not be offered at the new Cleveland Clinic, and asked if he knew what those
3 four services were.

4 Mr. Bichara said they didn't say. He said as you know, Cleveland Clinic is
5 already in Middleburg Heights with the Sports Rehabilitation Medicine and also
6 the Children's hospital both on Jefferson Park. Mr. Bichara said so in all
7 actuality, in Middleburg Heights there will only be three of their service lines not
8 offered. He reiterated though, that they did not indicate what won't be offered.

9 Mr. Grech thanked Mayor Castelli for getting this done, and also the planning
10 commission and BZA for working together to get the Cleveland Clinic here. He
11 said we have the Cleveland Clinic, University and Metro, which are three of the
12 finest medical institutions right here in Middleburg Heights. Mr. Grech asked Mr.
13 Bichara if Fin, Feather & Fur is staying.

14 Mr. Bichara said that will stay in its current location.

15 Mr. Bortolotto asked the mayor if he had anything to add.

16 Mayor Castelli said Mr. Bichara did a great job explaining everything as always.
17 He thanked Mr. Grech and city council. Mayor Castelli said this had been in the
18 works for quite some time, with a lot of discussions back and forth. He said they
19 are thankful that this is happening, and feel this is a great productive use for that
20 location for a variety of standpoints. Mayor Castelli said the kinds of jobs that
21 will be coming here, the types of services that will be provided to our community
22 and the surrounding areas is great. He said even from a traffic standpoint, this
23 really is a good use for that particular site. Mayor Castelli said they appreciate
24 everything that council does to support them.

25 SERVICE DIRECTOR

26 Mr. Herron said the CSX Bagley Road repairs are going very well. He said they
27 will be completed by the end of this week. Mr. Herron said they spoke with the
28 railroad manager today, and Fowles Road is tentatively scheduled for September
29 19th, but there are a couple factors meaning the crew they have working on this
30 and also there is a National Railway strike that is pending potentially for Friday.
31 He said legally they can't strike so it could last maybe 15 minutes, but it would
32 still disrupt their work crews. Mr. Herron said he isn't going to put out a Code
33 Red message until he gets the official ok from CSX.

34 Mayor Castelli said Mr. Herron mentioned Fowles Road, but said Fry Road is
35 also included.

36 Mr. Herron said Fowles and Fry Road.

37 Mayor Castelli said once Bagley, Fowles and Fry are done, the plan is to move on
38 to Smith and Main Street.

39 Mr. Ali asked how many numbers we have for Code Red.

40 Mr. Herron said approximately 6,000 emergency phone calls, but some could be
41 duplicates.

42 Mayor Castelli said there are approximately 3,000 on the non-emergency and
43 close to 6,000 on emergency. He said Mr. Herron is correct, and some are
44 duplicate numbers.

45 Mr. Herron said people get Amber alerts and people get frustrated when it goes
46 off at 2:00 a.m. He said then they dump the Code Red and people don't get the
47 message. Mr. Herron said Code Red is not associated formally with Amber alert
48 that is separate. He said some communities bombard their residents with calls but
49 we do not, we use our Code Red for informational and important things.

50 Mr. Grech asked Chief Galgas if the railroad closing has caused any issues with
51 emergency vehicles.

52 Chief Galgas said not yet, adding that today they had a run over in the UPS area
53 but they were able to go down Fry Road. He said he cut through American
54 Veterans Parkway to see if he could get ahead of them but they actually beat him.

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1 He said response times are really pretty good, he said he is sure there is a little bit
2 of a delay, but it is the best we are going to get. Chief Galgas said there is a lot of
3 misunderstandings when Code Red goes off. He said if you have a resident that
4 has questions or wants to opt out, he would be happy to field those calls. He said
5 he would do his best to keep the residents on it because it really is a good service.
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8 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

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10 Mr. Downey distributed the weekly police station update reports. He said
11 October 1st at 12:00 noon will be the ribbon cutting for the dedication of the new
12 police station.

13 Mayor Castelli said the police will ultimately move in over time and we will make
14 sure everyone knows when that official move will take place.
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16 Start Executive Session: 8:00 p.m.
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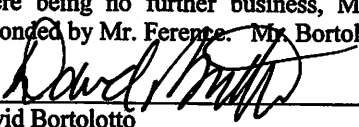
19 Councilman Tim Ali was not in attendance for the full executive session, time is
20 reflected in the executive session minutes.
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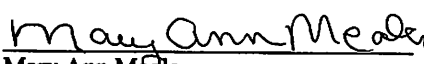
22 Following the Executive Session, Mr. Bortolotto reconvened the Regular Meeting
23 of Council at 8:51 p.m.
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26 PRESENT:	Matthew Castelli	Mayor
27	David Bortolotto	President of Council
28	Dan Sage	Councilman-At-Large
29	Bill Meany	Councilman Ward 1
30	Matthew McGregor	Councilman Ward 2
31	Michael Ference	Councilman Ward 3
32	John Grech	Councilman Ward 4
33	Mary Ann Meola	Clerk of Council
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36 STAFF:	Santo Incorvaia	Law Director
37	Jason Stewart	Finance Director
38	Jim Herron	Service Director
39	Bob Downey	Executive Assistant
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42 There being no further business, Mr. Bortolotto made a motion to adjourn.
43 Seconded by Mr. Ference. Mr. Bortolotto adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.
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47 David Bortolotto
48 President of Council
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