



The Office of State Treasurer Josh Mandel is offering a revolving loan program for businesses. The program is called GrowNOW Ohio and is available on the State Treasurer's website.

The rain garden located at 2603 Ashurst Road is progressing well. The plants which were planted in the fall survived the winter and a sign has been installed. More plants will be planted this spring. Mayor Infeld noted that the rain garden has been successful in mitigating the flooding problem on that property.

Agenda Items:

**A. Ordinance No. 2011-19 To provide for the issuance and sale of notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$2,716,000 for various purposes (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Ordinance No. 2011-19, which was placed on first reading on April 4, 2011, provides for the issuance and sale of \$2,716,000 bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for various purposes. Finance Director Jennifer Esarey reported that the current bond anticipation notes will close on May 3, 2011 and the pay-off will be on May 4, 2011. The City will make a \$185,000 principal payment. The notes will be rolled over in 2011 with the exception of the 2001 Motorized Equipment Notes which will be paid off in its entirety.

**MOTION BY MR. SIMS, SECONDED BY MRS. PARDEE to approve the passage of Ordinance No. 2011-19 as an emergency measure. On roll call, all voted "aye."**

**B. Ordinance No. 2011-20 Authorizing the transfer of funds to the Police and Fire Pension Funds (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Ordinance No. 2011-20, which was placed on first reading on April 4, 2011, authorizes the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Police Pension Fund in the amount of \$130,000 and the Fire Pension Fund in the amount of \$149,184.

Councilman Sims stated that the transfer is being made as is an obligation under the law. Ms. Esarey added that the transfers will cover the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2010 billing statement. The transfers were accounted for the 2011 budget.

**MOTION BY MR. SIMS, SECONDED BY MRS. PARDEE to approve the passage of Ordinance No. 2011-20 as an emergency measure. On roll call, all voted "aye."**

**C. Motion to hold an executive session immediately following this regular meeting for the purpose of discussing personnel, litigation and real estate matters**

An executive session was not required.

Directors' Reports:

**Service Director** Robert Jamieson reported that Spring Clean Up is continuing. Crews are halfway through the city on the first round.

Mayor Infeld reported that the Building Department is continuing exterior inspections in the area west of Warrensville Center Road to Dysart Road between Hillbrook Road and Fairmount Boulevard.

She also reported that a new house is being built on Tyndall Road.

Mayor Infeld mentioned that officials will hear from City Engineer Joseph R. Ciuni at the work session regarding the McDonald's traffic study.

Committee Reports:

**Building Committee** Chairman Frankie B. Goldberg did not have a report, but thanked officials for making accommodations for the Jewish community with regard to the time of this Council meeting.

**Civic Information Committee** Chairman Frank Consolo reported that he sent everyone an email on GrowNOW, which is not a state loan, but rather is a program sponsored by the State which helps small businesses get lower interest rates on bank loans. The email is attached hereto (marked Exhibit "A") and made a part of this committee report. Mayor Infeld thanked Mr. Consolo for attending the meeting and obtaining the information on GrowNOW.

Councilman Consolo reported that the Heights-Hillcrest Regional Chamber of Commerce Business Expo is coming up in May, 2011. He inquired if the City will participate in the expo.

**Governmental Affairs Committee** Chairman Susan D. Pardee announced that the Cleveland Heights High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame inductees for 2011 have been selected. They are Mark M. Blumenthal ('81), Thomas D. Burton ('83), Michael Deet ('88), Rabbi Jerome M. Epstein ('61), Dr. Gary Glazer ('68), Richard S. Gray ('49), Dr. Gladys Haddad ('48), Jerome E. Jennings ('99), Dr. Rebecca Spyke Keiser ('87 ) and Dr. A. David Rossin ('49). Mrs. Pardee encouraged everyone to attend the ceremony.

Councilwoman Pardee reported that she intends to institute "Make a Difference Day" in University Heights on October 27, 2011. She hopes that service learning opportunities will continue in various agencies beyond the one day program.

Mrs. Pardee commented that the Reaching Heights Concert held at Severance Hall was outstanding. The concert showcased vocal and instrumental music talents of the students of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights School District from kindergarten through twelfth grade.

**Recreation Committee** Chairman Kevin Patrick Murphy reported that the Recreation Committee will meet on May 2, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room.

**Safety Committee** Chairman Steven D. Bullock reported that the Safety Committee will meet on April 26, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. to review code provisions regarding fireworks.

Councilman Bullock requested that the following items be removed from the committee's agenda: requiring landscaper registration and ambulance billing. Mayor Infeld requested that ambulance billing remain on the agenda in order to periodically review the collections.

Mayor Infeld stated that the work session regarding the McDonald's traffic study will be held at 7:00 p.m. on April 26, 2011 following the Safety Committee meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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Susan K. Infeld, Mayor

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Nancy E. English, Clerk of Council