

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS  
JUNE 21, 2012

Mayor Infeld called the special meeting of Council to order at 6:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Ms. Frankie Goldberg  
Mrs. Susan D. Pardee  
Mr. Phillip Ertel  
Mrs. Pamela Cameron  
Mrs. Adele Zucker

Absent: Mr. Steven Sims  
Mr. Thomas A . Cozzens

Also Present: Assistant Clerk of Council Janice Giles  
Interim Law Director Kenneth J. Fisher  
Interim Service Director John Pucella

**MOTION BY MS. GOLDBERG, SECONDED BY MRS. ZUCKER to excuse the absence of Mr. Sims and Mr. Cozzens. On roll call, all voted “aye”.**

Agenda Items:

**A. Resolution No. 2012-40 authorizing the Mayor to apply to the Cuyahoga County Municipal Energy Program for grant funds from the U.S. Department of Energy for energy efficiency and conservation projects (Emergency)**

Resolution No. 2012-40 authorizes the Mayor to apply to the Cuyahoga County Municipal Energy Program for grant funds from the U.S. Department of Energy for energy efficiency and conservation projects. The emergency being there is a short time frame within which to make applications. Submission of the application is June 27, 2012.

Mayor Infeld reported there are grant funds available for energy efficiency projects. Councilwoman Goldberg stated these grants are available to other cities as well. The funding projects must have a turnaround time of five years or less to see savings. Mrs. Zucker asked what projects the City was submitting. The Mayor said there are eight projects being submitted. The total cost of the projects is less than \$3,000. The projects include sensors that will turn off lights in City Hall and the Fire Department, exit signs from buildings that would be more efficient, LED lighting in the Fire Department dormitory. These projects were identified by the TES Engineering Municipal Energy Project Analysis. The Mayor said if any Council member wants to see the grant application in detail, she will have it scanned and emailed to them.

The Mayor said these eight projects are small items, but if the City can get funding it will save the City \$3,000 in implementation costs, and the City should see some energy savings in the future.

**MOTION BY MRS. CAMERON, SECONDED BY MRS. ZUCKER to approve the passage of Resolution No. 2012-40 as an emergency measure. On roll call, on suspension of rules, all voted “aye”. On roll call, on passage, all voted “aye”.**

**B. Ordinance 2012-41 authorizing a contract for the purchase of a used rubbish truck (Emergency)**

Ordinance 2012-41 authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Holtz Industries, Inc. for the purchase of a used Mack LE 613 rubbish truck in an amount not to exceed \$41,900. The emergency being the timely provision of equipment to the Service Department.

Interim Service Director John Pucella explained that the 2000 Mack truck will replace the 1991 Leach rubbish truck. The Leach truck has unknown mileage, is well past its prime, and is 21 years old. Its hydraulic system is needing extensive repair. Mechanic Scott Rudyk went to Columbus to look at several rubbish trucks. The trucks come from New York City and have minimal mileage for their age. The truck the City is contemplating has 63,000 miles. He sees a good transition to make the Mack truck the new recycle truck. It has bi-folding doors, similar to a bus, that should keep down injuries to the driver who must enter and exit about 60 times a day. The mechanic felt this was a good buy for the amount budgeted for a used rubbish truck.

Mayor Infeld noted a correction to the Ordinance. The year of the truck is 2000 not 2008, as was written in the Ordinance. The Clerk noted the correction. The Mayor explained the truck was originally priced at \$49,900. With some unnecessary equipment being removed, the price would be \$45,900. Mrs. Zucker asked if a City truck was being retired. Mr. Pucella said when they bring the Mack truck in on a flat bed, they will pick up the 1991 Leach truck. The trade-in value is \$4,000, bringing the total price to \$41,900.

Mrs. Cameron asked what was the capital budget? Mayor Infeld replied this item was on the list of capital projects for this year with a budget of \$50,000. The former Service Director had indicated the 1991 Leach vehicle should be removed from the fleet last year. He considered \$50,000 as the amount necessary to purchase a decent used replacement. That amount was put into the 2012 budget.

**MOTION BY MS. GOLDBERG, SECONDED BY MRS. PARDEE to approve the passage of Ordinance No. 2012-41 as amended, with the correct year of the vehicle being purchased as 2000, in an amount not to exceed \$41,900 as an emergency. On roll call, on suspension of rules, all voted “aye”. On roll call, on passage, all voted “aye”.**

Mr. Pucella, speaking on behalf of City Engineer Joseph Cuini, said the road restoration on the 9 streets that were scheduled for major resurfacing is completed. The Mayor said she would send a list of the major streets repaired to Council the following day. She also reiterated that she would have the grant application for the energy projects scanned and emailed to Council.

Mr. Pucella thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve as Interim Service Director. Mayor Infeld said he did a wonderful job and it was a relief to have someone of his experience running the Service Department while a new Director was sought.

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

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Mayor Susan K. Infeld

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Assistant Clerk of Council Janice Giles