



City of Pataskala *Legislative Report to Council*

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October 17, 2016 Council Meeting

New Business

A. Ordinances

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4270**

An ordinance to rezone property located at 7000 Creek Road, Parcel number 064-068808-02.000, totaling 4.3 acres, in the City of Pataskala, from the current zoning, Agricultural (AG), to Medium Density Residential (R-20) Zoning Classification

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4271: 2017 Budget**

The development of the proposed 2017 budget and 5-year projections has been completed, and is now ready for Council consideration. The ordinance and supporting exhibits have been prepared and submitted to Council for a 1st reading at the October 17th meeting. The proposed budget will be reviewed at a special Council meeting to be held on Monday, October 31st at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers. We are proud and pleased to announce that this year's budget proposal is the earliest that the administration has submitted a budget to Council for consideration. This should provide ample time for Council evaluation and discussion.

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4272: Income Tax Allocation Rates**

Once the debt service and operational funding requirements have been identified, the allocation of income tax revenues between the Debt Service, Street, Police and Capital Improvements funds must be calculated. The initial portion is taken off the top to cover any outstanding debt service requirements. Once that has been determined, the next level is allocated to the Street and Police funds to cover their current year operational needs. Any remaining funds at that point are allocated to the Capital Improvements funds. The 2016 allocations were as follows: 35.65% - Street; 53.00% - Police; 9.20% - Debt Service; and 2.15% - Capital Improvements. For 2017, the allocations are proposed

as follows: 35.65% - Street; 53.00% - Police; 8.90% - Debt Service; and 2.45% - Capital Improvements. Legislation has been prepared and submitted to Council for their consideration and a 1st reading at the October 17th meeting.

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4273: Supplemental Appropriation**

This ordinance has been prepared, and is being respectfully submitted to Council for a 1st reading at the October 17th Council meeting. I would anticipate that this legislation will go through all three (3) of the required readings, which would provide staff with the opportunity to make any other required budgetary adjustments prior to the 2nd and 3rd readings.

- *Sections 1 & 2: Police Station Funding* – As we are working toward the design and construction of a new police station, we need to identify the various sources of funding for the project. We would anticipate issuing long-term debt for much of the project, but will need multiple sources. The Capital Facilities fund, which receives City Hall rental revenue, will be used for a portion of the debt service. Council is being requested to approve a \$400,000 interfund transfer from the accumulated carryover balance in the Police (208) fund to the Capital Facilities (308) fund. By making this transfer, the fund will have an excellent foundation to pay the annual debt service.
- *Section 3: Recreational Programming* – We continue to learn about the varied types and amount of expenses paid in support of the various recreational programming activities offered by the city. We recently found out that there was a 2nd level of soccer referees and a medical liability insurance premium due, which were not previously aware of. As a result, the amended appropriations in the Recreation (206) fund are no longer adequate. The administration is requesting a total of \$20,000 in increased appropriations for such charges. Please know, however, that these costs are funded by the registration fees paid by the participants.
- *Section 4: Taylor Road/Cleveland Avenue Trail* – This project is funded in large part by the State of Ohio, which subjects the project to additional requirements that we do not typically have. We were just informed that the easement/ROW appraisals are subject to an independent evaluation – at the city’s cost. It is estimated that such an evaluation cost as much as \$30,000, and we do have this item included in the current budget. The administration is requesting a \$30,000 increase in appropriations in the Capital Improvements (301) fund to cover such costs.

B. Resolutions

➤ **RESOLUTION 2016-057**

A resolution consenting to a compensation agreement between the City of Pataskala, Licking County, Southwest Licking Local School District, Licking Heights School District, and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc., and authorizing and directing the City Administrator to execute the agreement.

➤ **RESOLUTION 2016-058**

A resolution consenting to an enterprise zone agreement between the City of Pataskala, the Board of Licking County Commissioners, and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc, and authorizing the City Administrator to execute the agreement.