



City of Pataskala *Legislative Report to Council*

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October 3, 2016 Council Meeting

Unfinished Business

A. Ordinances

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4267 – 3RD READING**

In May, City Council requested that the Planning and Zoning Department create regulations for decks as the Code did not directly address how decks should be regulated and the standards being used often required the need for a variance. This ordinance establishes regulations for decks and is written in a way that allows flexibility to reduce the number of variances needed by residents.

At the August 1, 2016 Council meeting, this ordinance was tabled. Staff presented a revised set of regulations at the August 15, 2016 Council meeting and requested Council provide feedback so staff could update the regulations accordingly.

Following the September 19, 2016 Council meeting, Staff again revised the ordinance to include provisions for decks, patios, porches and balconies and removed the use of the term Architectural Improvements.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4269 – 3RD READING - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

This ordinance has been amended since the second reading, and is being respectfully submitted to Council for a 3rd reading at the October 3rd Council meeting. I am requesting that this amended legislation be approved at that meeting. **Changes to the legislation since the last reading have been highlighted in bold below. Council is being requested to substitute to this amended version at the October 3rd Council meeting.**

- *Section 1: Police Equipment* – The Police department is in need of replacing law enforcement-related equipment such as flashlights, vests, protective shields, etc. The city's Law Enforcement Trust (212) fund is a special revenue fund that receives proceeds from federal and state criminal forfeitures. However, the funds are restricted to the purchase of law enforcement equipment, officer training and, in some limited cases, the payment of officer overtime incurred.

The fund currently has an accumulated balance of \$12,652 and the department would like to use some of the funds for the equipment purchases. The Chief is requesting authority to spend up to \$5,000 of the accumulated balance.

- *Section 2: Parks & Rec Referees* – The recreation department pays the individuals who provide referee and umpire services at soccer and softball games, respectively. Based upon the number of games in 2016, it is estimated that the city will incur approximately \$8,500 in contractual services expenses. As this is a new function in 2016, we did not budget for this expense. It is important to remember that these types of expenses are funded by the participant registration fees, not income tax revenues.
- **Sections 3 & 4: Collective Bargaining** – The city recently received notifications from the FOP and OPBA of their intent to negotiate new contracts for 2017 – 2019. We will require legal advice throughout this process, which will begin in earnest shortly. Unfortunately, this is one area that does not fall within the annual legal retainer. As a result, we are requesting an additional \$10,000 in both the Street and Police funds to fund such services.

New Business

B. Resolutions

➤ **Resolution 2016-053**

A Resolution authoring and directing the City Administrator to enter into contract with Chaltron Systems Inc for the purchase of new flow metering equipment at Water Treatment Plant #1 in an amount of \$12,660.

- The Water Treatment Plant #1 has an issue with accurately tracking water demand into the distribution system. The current flow meter is in a position that does not provide the appropriate data regarding metered flow.
- The current meter is installed prior to the 200,000 gallon clear well. Water from the clear well is pumped to the distribution system through the High Service Pumps. Our daily production tracking is not accurate for what is pumped to the system.
- The new metering system will track the actual water pumped into the distribution system via the pumps.
- Funds are available for this purchase under the 2016 Utility Budget.
- Please see the Utility update for additional information.