



## City of Pataskala *Legislative Report to Council*

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### Legislative Report

#### October 2, 2017 Council Meeting

#### **Unfinished Business**

##### A. Ordinances

##### ➤ **ORDINANCE 2017-4293 – 3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

In 2015 the regulations for accessory structures were amended to address the large number of variances that were being requested. The major changes to the regulations were the removal of conflicting regulations, the reduction of setbacks and basing the permitted size of accessory buildings on the individual lot rather than a scale. Although the number of variances requested from the setback requirements have decreased, the number of variances requested from the size requirements has not. Due to the large number of variances being requested from the Accessory Building regulations for size and the approval rate of the Board of Zoning Appeals, staff feels that this section of the Code is not functioning properly.

Following discussions with the Development Committee, the following was decided upon to address the variance issue for accessory building size:

1. The maximum permitted size of accessory buildings on lots less than two (2) acres in size shall be doubled.
2. For lots two (2) acres or greater in size there shall be no maximum size for accessory buildings.

#### **New Business**

##### A. Ordinances

##### ➤ **ORDINANCE 2017-4299 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING - 2018 BUDGET**

The development of the proposed 2018 budget and 5-year projections has been completed, and is now ready for Council consideration. The ordinance and supporting exhibits have been prepared, and are being submitted to Council for a 1<sup>st</sup> reading at the October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. We are proud and pleased to announce that the timing of this year's budget proposal represents the earliest date that the administration has ever submitted a budget to Council for consideration. This should provide ample time for Council evaluation and discussion. Unfortunately, the September 25<sup>th</sup> special council meeting to

review the summary budget document had to be cancelled, so no formal review by Council has been started. Council may want to consider rescheduling a budget workshop later in October. The comprehensive budget books are currently being produced, and should be available to Council by Friday afternoon.