

CITY OF CLEVELAND
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 26, 2016
MINUTES

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The Called City Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cleveland was called to order by Mayor Shan Ash at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council members present: Annie Sutton, Bradley Greene, Edward Young, and Nan Bowen.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Annie Sutton, in favor – Edward Young and Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to approve the agenda of the Called City Council Meeting of January 26, 2016.

APPOINTMENTS TO PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD

The Mayor and City Council considered the appointments to fill vacancies on the Planning and Zoning Board.

On motion by Annie Sutton, seconded by Bradley Greene, in favor Edward Young and Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council approved the appointments of Mrs. Linda Hobbs to represent Ward 1 and Mr. Sam Pelletier to represent Ward 3 on the Planning and Zoning Board.

SIGN ORDINANCE – DISCUSSION OF DRAFT SIGN ORDINANCE

The Mayor and Council reviewed the draft sign ordinance that will be presented to the Planning and Zoning Board.

Grant Keene explained he had taken the revised notes from the attorney hired by the city to review the ordinance and made changes as necessary. Most of the changes are to remove references to design and color.

- Definition of billboard larger than 200 square feet.
- A descriptive diagram is needed to show the sign districts (sign districts are distinctively different from zoning districts)
- Definition of right-of-way added
- Added references to the Cleveland Code of Ordinances
- Removed references to the building department and changed to the Building Official
- Page 9 e. location and orientation 1. – needs to include the public square
- Need clarification of the height of a roof sign, roof level, and height. Provide a drawing, to-scale, of a wall sign using 20% of the façade measurements. The intent is not to have signs placed on the peak of a roof
- A-frame signs will not obstruct pedestrian traffic
- Maximum sign area for billboards needs to be made proportional to the billboard standards throughout the ordinance, including digital billboards
- Requirement for permits updated
- Uniformed system of appealing a decision

SIGN ORDINANCE – DISCUSSION OF DRAFT SIGN ORDINANCE – continued

- Prohibited signs – added more detail to “abandoned signs”
- Added city’s authority to remove signs, added provisions for a hearing
- Costs to remove a sign will be borne by the tenant and landlord jointly and severally
- Need language for the city to place a lien for work performed to remove an abandoned sign. The reimbursement could come from a lien or restitution based on hearing in Municipal Court. Mr. Keene will speak with Municipal Court Judge Garrison Baker for guidance on the proper process.
- Billboard sign height will change from 22.5 feet to 30.5 feet
- Height determined by “crown of road” after final grading\
- Stop work orders may be issued by the Building Official or Code Enforcement
- Materials for the base of monument will remain but will remove all reference to coloring and lettering of the sign

Grant Keene and Connie Tracas will attend the Planning and Zoning Board meeting for any questions the board may have concerning the sign ordinance.

PROPOSED ACCESS TO DAYBREAK PROPERTY

Mr. Hugo Dietlin has purchased a lot of property off of Daybreak. He plans to build a 3400 square foot house on the top, but cannot get an adjoining property owner to work with him for access to the property. Mr. Dietlin has asked the city if they would consider allowing access through the city’s property.

Edward Young and Paul Norris met with Mr. Dietlin and walked the area. Mr. Dietlin has proposed building a road/drive through the city’s property to access his property. Georgia Power wants to reroute the power and get an easement from the city. There is an opportunity for the city to have power set on the property for future use.

Several Daybreak property owners were in attendance to inform the city they have a homeowners association and the association owns the road. The city has owned the property for many years before others began building on the mountain. The city has not been informed of a homeowners association. The association wants fees for the use of Daybreak Road. The city council were informed by members of the association to notify them in advance of granting any access to the city’s property.

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Edward Young, in favor – Annie Sutton and Nan Bowen and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to have London Surveying survey the city’s property on Daybreak Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

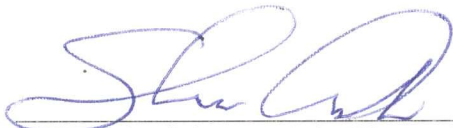
On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Annie Sutton, in favor – Edward Young and Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to enter into executive session to discuss land acquisition at 8:05 p.m.

RETURN TO COUNCIL MEETING

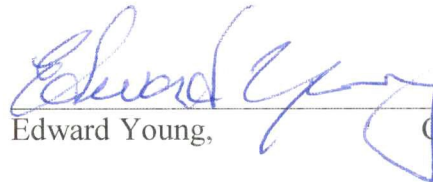
On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Edward Young, in favor – Annie Sutton and Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to return to the Called City Council Meeting at 8:25 p.m. No further business was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

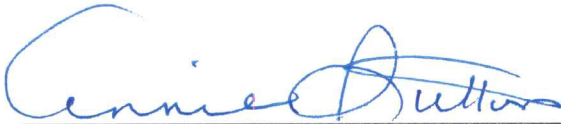
On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Nan Bowen, in favor – Annie Sutton and Edward Young, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to adjourn the Called City Council Meeting of January 26, 2016 at 8:26 p.m.



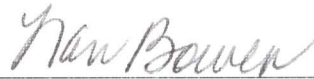
Shan Ash a/k/a Roy Ash, III Mayor



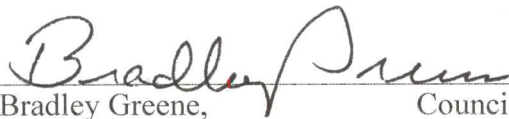
Edward Young, Council Member




Annie Sutton, Council Member



Nan Bowen, Council Member



Bradley Greene, Council Member

ATTEST: 

Connie Tracas, City Clerk

