

The President called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Invocation, given by Mr. Waddington and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners responded: Dave Waddington, Mike Meinzer, Wes Poole, Dennis Murray, Dick Brady and Steve Poggiali. Upon motion of Mr. Murray and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to excuse Mr. Harris.

City staff present: Eric Wobser - City Manager, Cody Browning - IT Director, Don Rumbutis - IT Technician, Brendan Heil - Law Director, Michelle Reeder - Finance Director, Jonathan Holody - Development Director, Jared Oliver – Police Chief, Mario D’Amico – Fire Chief, Aaron Klein – Public Works Director, Marcus Harris – Diversity and Economic Opportunity Manager, Arin Blair – Chief Planner, Debi Eversole - Housing Development Specialist, Nichole Grohe - Program Administrator and Cathy Myers - Commission Clerk.

Upon motion of Mr. Poggiali and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to approve the minutes of the May 23 regular meeting and suspend the formal reading. The President declared the motion passed.

#### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Tim Schwanger, 362 Sheffield Way, questioned if there was a committee setup for Item A Brownfield Assessment Grant. His second inquiry was about Item 8, Bird Scooter; he stated a problem is that users leave scooters all over the downtown area in public right-of-ways. He wanted to be sure this does not happen. Mike McCall, Director of Firelands Habitat for Humanity, wished to thank the City Commission and Landbank Commission for the opportunity to purchase two properties. House #112 will be erected on that property. This property is for a woman with six children, it will be a five bedroom, 2 bath home. The Chapel is going to frame the house on their parking lot property, and the home should be completed by the end of the year. President Brady thanked him for the meaningful impact he has made to our community through his work.

#### **PROCLAMATION: Linda Mitchell, Safe Harbour Domestic Shelter**

President Brady read the following proclamation:

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sandusky has recognized its citizens for improving relations and the quality of living among the diverse members of this community, and Linda Louise “Nino” Mitchell is one of those citizens deserving recognition; and **WHEREAS**, Linda Mitchell who called Sandusky, Ohio, her lifelong home since 1943, had been employed at the Sandusky Safe Harbour Domestic Shelter since 1991 and as the Executive Director since 2000. Linda had the faculty to intervene in dangerous situations to help the vulnerable and restore hope to the traumatized and has served as a beacon of light and hope for the victims of domestic violence in Erie, Huron and Ottawa counties; and **WHEREAS**, the Safe Harbour Domestic Violence Shelter has become a first response program cooperating with local law enforcement agencies responding to victims and their children – providing a safe haven for clients and their children with temporary housing and essentials to transition from a fearful situation into a fearless one at no cost to its clients; and **WHEREAS**, Linda and her staff provide counseling, whether it be short term crisis intervention, education and case management or outreach counseling provided at a confidential off-site location; and **WHEREAS**, along with others, Linda built up Safe Harbour as the area’s only certified facility to directly protect, advocate for victims in criminal or civil court and empower those abused, a majority being women; and **WHEREAS**, Linda and the staff of the Shelter provide support groups for those that have been or are now in abusive relationships looking to make changes in their lives; Linda personally helped thousands of victims during their weakest most vulnerable periods; and **WHEREAS**, Linda organized annual fundraisers such as “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” since 2015, participated in the “Grease and Glamour” Event since 2012, created an Annual Women’s Retreat focused on self-healing – her efforts given tirelessly to raise funds for Safe Harbour and the people it serves; and **WHEREAS**, Linda is survived by her husband and best friend, William Knowlton, children: Marci Lynn Corwin, Mary Morshed, stepsons: Lance and Eric Knowlton, and numerous family members; and **WHEREAS**, Linda ensured that when her tenure as executive director ended that Safe Harbour will have the ongoing support and dedication from staff to continue her selfless and generous work for victims and survivors of domestic violence in our community; and **NOW THEREFORE**, I, Richard Brady, President of the Commission, City of Sandusky, Ohio, do hereby proclaim recognition of “Linda Louise “Nino” Mitchell” for her outstanding contribution to this community.

#### **SWEARING IN: Captain Zimmerman & Firefighter, Mario D’Amico, Fire Chief**

Mr. Wobser, City Manager, conducted the swearing in of new Captain Zimmerman and firefighter Jacob Taylor. “I, recognizing my fundamental duty as Firefighter of the City of Sandusky Fire Department, do solemnly swear to uphold the standards of my profession by safeguarding the lives and property of our citizens against the threat of fire and disaster. I promise to obey the

duly constituted laws of the United States of America, the State of Ohio and the City of Sandusky and to accept the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, leadership and trust to be honored for as long as I remain a Captain/Fire Fighter of the City of Sandusky Fire Department. I will continually strive to serve our community and to be an influence for good before my fellow officers and Fire Fighters to the best of my ability, so help me.” Chief D’Amico stated that Jacob is from Amherst. He has worked on his family farm “The Learning Farm”. He is an EMT and we welcome him to the department. Captain Pete Zimmerman has been with the Sandusky Fire Department since March 23, 1998. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2012, and has had a very productive career at SFD. He was very instrumental in engineering the run cards of every street within the City, he has managed and maintained the breathing apparatus stock for over a decade, and has helped to design more than one of the engines that we currently use. He is an instructor at EHOVE, training future firefighters. President Brady welcomed and congratulated them on behalf of the Commission.

**PUBLIC HEARING: Rezoning 709 Perry Street, Arin Blair, Chief Planner**

Ms. Blair explained that the rezoning would change this parcel from RF2 residential, two family to RRB residential business. The Planning Commission meeting held on April 27, 2022, they recommended approval of this rezoning. The two reasons stated were it was contiguous with the other RRB properties, and the commercial nature of Monroe Street. Tim Schwanger, 362 Sheffield Way, commented that in his observation it was not mentioned in this presentation that the purpose for rezoning this property is for an Airbnb. He stated this highlights how the Airbnb is taking off like wildfire. Another location across the street from this property is in the process of rezoning as well. It is such a moneymaker that this is going to get bigger and bigger. The Planning Commission is working on legislation of this nature, but the sooner – the better. President Brady asked Ms. Blair to explain the overlay zone as opposed to the six other districts that allow transient rentals. In this case, it did not make sense to try to establish an overlay district within one single parcel. Mr. Murray stated he supports some transient rental as long as it is properly regulated and that best practices legislation is put in place, and that caution is used in doing so. Mr. Poggiali stated he was the only person on the Planning Commission that voted no because he thinks the procedures and guidelines should be put in place prior to approving further rezoning. He stated additionally that he would be consistent and vote no again tonight. Mr. Poole stated he looks forward to the review the Planning Commission is making – that they keep full integrity of the neighborhoods as they are now. Mr. Waddington asked the Law Director to explain the pending legislation regarding transient rental. Mr. Heil stated that the bill is designed to over-rule local regulations. He would argue that our home-rule authority would trump that. Although the way courts have recently looked at home-rule has not been very favorable to cities. Therefore, there is some risk, if this passes. Mr. Meinzer stated he was the first rezoning for Airbnb and it is not easy work, it is a lot of work. You have to be in communication day and night, you have to be local to maintain the property. He will vote no with Mr. Poggiali because he would like the legislation in place before we spot-zone any properties. Mr. Poggiali stated he would like the legislation and perimeters in place prior to rezoning. Mr. Poole wants the neighborhood to be the top priority in rezoning, not the transient rental owners. President Brady also stated that the neighborhoods are the lifeblood of our community and we have to protect them. No one wants to hear a volleyball game going on at 3 a.m.

**Hearing no other comments, President Brady declared the Public Hearing closed.**

**PRESENTATION: Lead Hazard Control & Healthy Homes Grants, Bob England, ECHD**

Mr. England stated he was here to talk about the great partnerships we have had. In 2016, they applied for their first grant through HUD; we are currently in our second grant, 3.8 million grant, to remove lead hazards from Erie County homes. By the end of next year, they will spend 1.9 million on making lead free homes. The Dorn Foundation has been instrumental in helping these things to happen. They will be addressing another 30 homes from another grant in the City this year. The Healthy Homes grant will address about 66 homes with leaky roofs, plumbing issues, fall issues, or foundation issues. Down the road, they are applying for future grants, increasing their staff from two to six. Local contractors will be needed to complete these projects and they are investing and training local contractors to complete these jobs. Later this year they will be targeting homes with elder adults to make them safe to keep them in their homes. Many good

things are happening in the City. Mr. Waddington mentioned that the children were tested in schools for lead poisoning a few years back. He inquired if there had been any follow-up. Mr. England stated they have been doing follow-up since the children tested were eighty-eight percent reading positive for lead exposure. They have routed those children for additional testing, treatment and education on lead exposures within their homes. The vast majority of those children tested are between the levels of 5-9. The goal is to diagnose and treat in the early stages for best results. Mr. England stated full abatement – removing the hazard completely, or interim controls, which could involve repainting over the chipping paint to reduce dust and harmful exposure. Mr. Poole asked if there were more applicants than grant money for lead removal. Mr. England stated there were. Mr. Murray asked what the profile was of a home that was likely to have lead based paint. Mr. England stated that typically it is from a home that has exterior deterioration and has original wood windows, usually constructed prior to 1965 and before. In 1978, the federal government outlawed lead based products in residential homes. Many times, lead paint is treated with stabilizing the paint and vinyl siding the home.

### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

**Upon motion of Mr. Murray and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to accept all communications. President Brady declared this motion passed. Mr. Waddington asked that Item A (ACCEPT FY2022 COMMUNITY-WIDE BROWNFIELD ASSESSMENT GRANT) be moved to Item 1 on the Regular Agenda.**

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **ITEM A – Submitted by Debi Eversole, Housing Development Specialist**

##### **LAND BANK SALE OF 1806 & 1808 HARRISON STREET PROPERTIES**

**Budgetary Information:** The expenses associated with this purchase & sale agreement is the total amount of the title search, closing costs, deed preparation, and any other customary fees that may be due and payable in the ordinary course of the sale and purchase transaction. The City will recoup the cost of the expenses from the sale. The taxing districts will begin collecting approximately two hundred twenty (\$220.00) dollars per year in real estate taxes, which will increase once the home is built.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-108:** It is requested an ordinance be passed declaring that certain real property owned by the City as part of the Land Reutilization Program identified as Parcel Nos. 58-01170.000 and 58-01137.000, located at 1806 and 1808 Harrison Street are no longer needed for any municipal purpose and authorizing the execution of a purchase agreement with respect to that real property; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

#### **ITEM B – Submitted by Jane Cullen, Assistant City Engineer**

##### **1502 HAYES AVENUE PROJECT TEMPORARY EASEMENT**

**Budgetary Information:** There is no impact on the City's budget.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-109:** It is requested an ordinance be passed approving a temporary construction easement granted to the City by the City for the Healthy Hayes Safety Improvements Project; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Meinzer and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to approve these ordinances and they shall take immediate effect in accordance with section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali. Roll call on the ordinances: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali. President Brady declared these ordinances passed.**

### **REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **ITEM 1 – Submitted by Jonathan Holody, Community Development Director**

##### **ACCEPT FY2022 COMMUNITY-WIDE BROWNFIELD ASSESSMENT GRANT**

**Budgetary Information:** The grant funds do not require a local match, so the legislation will have no impact on the City budget.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-107:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to accept grant funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency through the FY 2022 Brownfield Assessment Grant Program;

authorizing the City Manager to execute and grant agreements and to expend the funds consistent with the grant agreement; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Poole and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and it shall take immediate effect in accordance with section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comment:

Mr. Waddington said the grant stated it would target the sites in the waterfront area, but then it also states it can be used for other sites throughout the city. Mr. Waddington inquired if there are any areas that we are targeting for this. Mr. Wobser deferred to Mr. Holody that stated we use an Ohio Brownfield database, and Deepwater Marina is on that database. The grant program had us identify a target area, and that was a natural area to look at. The EPA viewed that very favorably, and ultimately awarded us the grant. We also identified the coal docks property. Mr. Holody also stated they do have plans to bring together a Brownfield Committee similar to what was used in the past. Mr. Poole inquired what other properties were on the list for consideration. Mr. Holody stated there was not a list. Mr. Poole inquired if the Fulton Street Shell gas station could be considered for this grant. Mr. Holody stated they would look into it.

**Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared these ordinances passed.**

#### **ITEM 2 – Submitted by John Orzech, Assistant City Manager**

##### **AMENDING EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CHAPTER 145 OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES**

**Budgetary Information:** There is no impact to the General Fund.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-110:** It is requested an ordinance be passed amending Part One (Administrative Code), Title Five (Officers and Departments), Chapter 145 (Employment Provisions) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sandusky, in the manner and way specifically set forth hereinbelow; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Murray and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and it shall take immediate effect in accordance with section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comment:

Mr. Meinzer stated he was addressing Mr. Poole. When the firefighter contract came up, he has argued that we should have added staffing for fire and police, then without discussion – four of you pulled it off the consent agenda. You mentioned it because you did not want Juneteenth in the firefighter contract. Mr. Poole stated he did not accept Juneteenth for the fire department, and to be consistent he will vote no again, there is no reason to add this holiday. **Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole-No, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 5. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole-No, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 5. President Brady declared these ordinances passed.**

#### **ITEM 3 – Ordered In by City Commission**

##### **AMENDING FIREWORKS CHAPTER 1519 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE**

**Budgetary Information:** There is no impact to the General Fund.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-111:** It is requested an ordinance be passed amending Chapter 1519 (Fireworks) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Sandusky to allow the discharge, ignition and explosion of fireworks on certain days and times and declaring this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and it shall take immediate effect in accordance with section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comment:

Mr. Poole inquired why this legislation was limiting the discharge of fireworks to three holidays. Mr. Murray stated it was limiting it to five days, because of many complaints from residents. Staff asked Commissioners to attend a meeting about this subject and voiced resident concerns. Mr. Poggiali stated that Police, staff and Commissioners were invited to attend the meeting and this legislation is our recommendation. Mr. Meinzer questioned the ability to enforce this legislation. Police Chief Oliver stated it would be a challenge, but at midnight his staff will have conversations and issue warnings if needed to enforce it. Mr. Poole stated that more than three commissioners

could not attend due to the Sunshine Laws. He stated many other celebrated holidays were not included. **Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole-No, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 5. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole-No, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 5. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 4 – Submitted by Nicole Grohe, CDBG Administrator****(FIRST READING) MOU ERIE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT OHIO HEALTHY HOME PRODUCTION GRANT**

**Budgetary Information:** The City will receive \$350 per environmental review report from the Erie County Health Department not exceeding \$23,800. The funds will go into the General Fund.

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Erie County Board of Health for Environmental Services to be provided by City employees and reimbursed utilizing Healthy Home Production Grant Funds. **Upon motion of Mr. Poggiali and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to approve this ordinance at the first reading. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 5 – Submitted by Nicole Grohe, CDBG Administrator****MOU ERIE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT OHIO LEAD SAFE HOME FUND**

**Budgetary Information:** The City will receive \$38,284 for the demolition from the Erie County Health Department. The funds will go into the CDBG program income account once received.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-112:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Erie County Board of Health for utilizing Ohio Lead Safe Home Funds for the demolition of six (6) condemned residential structures in the City of Sandusky; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Meinzer and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 6 – Submitted by Josh Snyder, City Engineer****PERMISSION TO RE-BID THE 2022 CDBG EAST WATER STREET PUBLIC PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

**Budgetary Information:** The revised estimated cost of the project including engineering, inspection, advertising, construction, material and miscellaneous costs, is \$105,939.43 (up almost \$9,000 from what was previously estimated) paid solely with federal Community Development Block Grant Funds. The concrete portion to be bid out is estimated at \$46,789.56 (formerly \$37,154.00). The remaining amount covers the pavement milling, asphalt materials and landscaping, which will be requested at the same time as the contractual award for this concrete.

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-113:** It is requested a resolution be passed REPEALING Resolution 031-22R and declaring the necessity for the City of Sandusky, Ohio, to proceed with the proposed 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) E. Water Street Public Parking Lot Improvement Project; approving the revised specifications and engineer's estimate of cost thereof; and directing the City Manager to advertise for and receive bids in relation thereto; and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and a second by Mr. Murray, the commission voted to approve this resolution and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the resolution: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this resolution passed.**

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**ITEM 7 – Submitted by Josh Snyder, City Engineer**

**AWARD SHORELINE PARK EROSION CONTROL & PAPER DISTRICT MARINA WALKWAY REHABILITATION PROJECT TO SMITH PAVING AND EXCAVATING**

**Budgetary Information:** The estimated cost of the project based on the lowest and best bid, including Alternate #2 (an ADA ramp from the playground pergola to the wheelchair swing), and Alternate #7 (a parallel parking space near the kayak launch ramp), legal advertisement, and recording fee is \$115,037.00, all coming from the Capital Parks & Recreation Fund.

**ORDINANCE NO.22-113:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smith Paving & Excavating, Inc., of Norwalk, Ohio, for the Shoreline Park Erosion Control and Paper District Marina Walkway Rehabilitation Project; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Murray and a second by Mr. Poole, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comment:

Mr. Klein stated they were finishing the Shoreline Park western finger, and adding a portion of sidewalk to connect current walkways. **Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

**ITEM 8 – Submitted by Arin Blair, Chief Planner****AMENDMENT TO ZONING MAP FOR 709 PERRY STREET**

**Budgetary Information:** The proposed redevelopment is expected to result in increased property and income revenue for the city.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-114:** It is requested an ordinance be passed amending the official zone map of the City of Sandusky to rezone Parcel No. 57-04215.000 located at 709 Perry Street from “RF2” Two-family Residential District to “RRB” Residential Business District; and declaring that this ordinance shall take effect under suspension of the rules as contained in and in accordance with Section 13 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Meinzer and a second by Mr. Murray, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 13 of the City Charter.**

Comments:

Mr. Meinzer commented he always thinks Planning does a great job, but would like to see this legislation tabled until the parameters are established. **Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer-No, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali-No 4. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer-No, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali-No 4. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

**ITEM 9 – Submitted by Arin Blair, Chief Planner****MOU WITH BIRD RIDES, INC. SCOOTER RENTAL SERVICE**

**Budgetary Information:** If approved there would be no cost to the City. Bird Rides, Inc. will compensate the city with \$0.05 per each ride completed in the city, paid on a monthly basis.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-115:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Bird Rides, Inc., of West Hollywood, California, for the use of public space for a scooter rental business; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comments:

Ms. Blair stated we would have a live dashboard from Bird to track the placement of all scooters in the City. We will also have the ability to create no-parking zones, slow zones, and no-riding zones. We can set different parameters with a 24-hour notice. They contract with a local operator who is on-call 24/7; they pick them up every night, recharge them, and replace them each morning. They are going to place some within the neighborhoods to allow for a needed transportation option. A non-user can access the app to report a Bird scooter parked in an incorrect area. Bird has a small city model that should work here nicely. We can track the data of all uses of the scooters for future reference, which will allow us to know how successful this

transportation is very quickly. Bird can create financial incentives, a discount if you place the scooter where they want it. Ms. Blair is not sure if they can penalize users. Mr. Heil stated there is not a penalty for the user unless the user violates a traffic law. There is a financial penalty for Bird if they do not comply with the terms of the agreement – a \$500 penalty. Mr. Poggiali inquired if the scooters would be available only during warmer months or year-round. Ms. Blair stated they were intended to be available through the warmer months; they will remove them during any snow event. **Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 10 – Submitted by Mario D’Amico, Fire Chief**

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**FIRE GRANT FOR 2022 ARPA FIRST RESPONDER WELLNESS WITH ODPS**

**Budgetary Information:** There is no budgetary impact, as no matching funds are required for this grant.

**RESOLUTION NO. 038022R:** It is requested a resolution be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to file an application with the Ohio Department of Public Safety for funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) First Responder Wellness, Recruitment, Retention & Resiliency Grant Program for the Sandusky Fire Department; and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Meinzer and a second by Mr. Poole, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comments:

Chief D’Amico stated the grant timeframe was Jan 2020-March 2021. This grant allows us to be at pre-pandemic levels or above. This will fund three firefighters for 2023-2024. This will also fund the physicals. **Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 11 – Submitted by Mario D’Amico, Fire Chief**

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**FIRE PURCHASE U.S. CARGO EXPLORE RANGER TRAILER ULAFTX**

**Budgetary Information:** The total cost for the purchase of the trailer shall not exceed \$12,360.00, which will be paid out of the EMS Fund. Funds received from the sale of the 2007 International Diamond Spec 7400SBA 4x2 Cabin Chassis Tractor will offset the cost of the trailer purchase.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-116:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to purchase a U.S. Cargo Explore Ranger Trailer from Gingerich Trailer Sales, LTD of Millersburg, Ohio, for the Sandusky Fire Department; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Poggiali and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 12 – Submitted by Cathy Myers, Commission Clerk**

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**2022 REPLACEMENT PAGES FOR CODIFIED ORDINANCES**

**Budgetary Information:** The cost of the revisions for the Codification supplements and updating the Code on the internet for the 2022 replacement pages will be taken from the contractual services line item in the Commission and Clerk’s budget (50%), sewer funds (25%), and water funds (25%). This item is appropriated each year.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-117:** It is requested an ordinance be passed to approve current replacement pages to the Sandusky Codified Ordinances; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Murray and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

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**ITEM 13 – Submitted by Cody Browning, IT Manager**

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**MANAGED THREAT RESPONSE IMPLEMENTATION WITH SELECTUS CONSULTING**

**Budgetary Information:** The total cost of the license subscription with the Managed Threat Response solution is \$36,707.05 for 12 months, with \$18,353.76 being paid by the General Fund, \$9,176.87 by the Water Fund and \$9,176.87, by the Sewer Fund.

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-118:** It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to expend funds for an upgraded subscription license for Sophos Fullguard Plus for Firewall Security and Intercept-X with EDR for Endpoint Protection with a Managed Threat Response (MTR) Solution from Selectus Consulting, LLC, of Marysville, Ohio, through the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services Cooperative Purchasing Program; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. **Upon motion of Mr. Meinzer and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to approve this ordinance and that it shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.**

Comments:

Mr. Murray noted that with the good comes the bad with the internet. With our ability to do things on a faster more efficient basis means that also the crooks can as well. We appreciate Mr. Browning and his ongoing efforts in our IT Department to secure our data and make sure our systems are protected. Mr. Browning stated that this is a 24-hour monitoring system analyzing threats to our system, they have the authority to isolate and shut down anything that is needed. Since February 2022, there have been warnings to governmental agencies that our threat is much higher through cyber-security. Our firewall is hacked at least every second.

**Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. Roll call on the ordinance: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6. President Brady declared this ordinance passed.**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT****NEW & OLD BUSINESS****POLICE**

- Just a reminder that our Community Impact Officers are hosting two Bike with the Blue events this month. The events, an opportunity to go on a bicycle ride with our officers to either Cobbs or Dairy Frost for ice cream, will take place on June 16<sup>th</sup> and June 21<sup>st</sup>. Our Police Department has been named Agency of the Month by the Ohio Association Chiefs of Police, and we are very proud of the work our Police Department is doing on enforcement and community impact.

**FINANCE**

- The next Finance Committee meeting will be on Friday June 24, 2022 at 8am at City Hall.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

- Special thanks to Eric Whiteman and local Boy Scout Troop #8 for volunteering to place flags at Veterans' grave sites at Oakland Cemetery prior to the Memorial Day ceremony.
- The 2021 Water Quality Report has been distributed. Big Island Water Works continues to meet and exceed all established drinking water standards. Please refer to the City's website for more information.
- We are currently hiring for many seasonal and full-time positions. Applications are available at [www.cityofsandusky.com/jobs](http://www.cityofsandusky.com/jobs).

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- The City's COVID related Mortgage and Rental Assistance Program being administered by the Community Action Commission of Erie, Huron and Richland County has assisted 22 Households assist with mortgage payments totaling \$33,001 and five households with rent payments totaling \$11,195. Sandusky residents interested in applying for assistance can visit [www.cacehr.org](http://www.cacehr.org) or obtain an application at Sandusky City Hall.



**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

- The Lange Trust of the Sandusky Library worked with Planning, Public Works, and Parks to assist the artist Jerzy (Yer-zee) Kędziora and his team to install a series of balancing sculptures in the city. Originating in Poland, the sculptures traveled to Sandusky from Columbus, Ohio and previously from New York City. The sculptures will be in place until October. Locations include Washington Park, Shoreline Park, Lions Park, and the Follet House Museum. On behalf of the Public Arts Commission, we extend our gratitude to the Lange Trust for bringing this art to the city. A map will be created so the community can identify and enjoy all the sculptures.

## Comments:

Mr. Murray congratulated Chief Oliver for the work our Police have done and for being so ahead of the curve in their efforts within our community. Chief Oliver commented that our Police have evolved over time doing neighborhood and park walks. Since April 1 we have done over 570 park walks, 180 business checks, 110 neighborhood walks, we hand out basketballs and footballs, on each of the Bike with the Blue, we will be giving away a new bike. We are constantly looking for new and inventive ways to participate in the community. Mr. Wobser stated that our Police Department is integrating their work into everything we are doing, whether it be by volunteering at the Rec Center, sporting events, ice cream and biking events, making themselves known and involved in our community.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Waddington stated he talked with Chief Oliver and Chief D'Amico at the Coffee with a Commissioner Saturday about the problems on the west side with the trains. Many times there are problems with needing to re-route traffic and emergency vehicles with trains stopping and blocking the roadways. Chief Oliver stated it is an on-going issue we have dealt with at several locations within the city. There is nothing that can be done legally with the railroads blocking intersections. He wants the public to know that the police and emergency vehicles will do everything they can to get to the other side of the train as needed. Fire and Police work hand-in-hand daily to make sure all emergencies are handled properly. Mr. Waddington inquired if it would help if our Law Director wrote our federal local officials about this concern. President Brady asked Mr. Heil to draft a letter. Mr. Wobser stated that Planning is looking at a grant for this type of issue since it is a quality of life issue. Mr. Waddington asked Mr. Klein about the Venice underpass issue – it had been cleaned up about six weeks ago, now more the slab has fallen off with big chunks of concrete. Mr. Klein stated we cannot do any construction with the abutment walls, the columns, or any of the structure itself. We do receive a report of the underpasses each year and they always come back as good. When we call on issues, they always refer back to the report and state it is good. When we sent pictures of the Columbus Avenue underpass a while ago, their response was to stay off their bridge. Mr. Heil stated that our options are very frustrating and limited.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Murray stated a resident contacted him about possibly having a crosswalk on Campbell between Perkins and the railroad crossing. They were observing that children are crossing that road for school. He asked that someone look into it. **Upon motion of Mr. Murray and a second by Mr. Waddington, the commission voted to set a Public Hearing for the Tax Budget at the 06/27 commission meeting. Roll call on the motion: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady and Mr. Poggiali 6.**

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Tim Schwanger, 362 Sheffield Way, inquired if anyone noticed at the 100 block of Columbus Avenue another big chunk of concrete façade came down. No one was hurt, but he inquired if Code Enforcement inspects commercial buildings routinely. He stated there were issues of this nature throughout the city. He also questioned about sidewalks on the underpasses, if there is cleanup done. He also recalled that the underpass walls were repaired in the past. He stated the Tiffin Avenue walls were in need of repair.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Mr. Murray, the Commission voted to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. The President declared the meeting adjourned.



Cathleen A. Myers  
Commission Clerk



Richard R. Brady  
President of the City Commission