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ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Flaute called the Riverside, Ohio City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Riverside Administrative Offices located at 5200 Springfield Street, Suite 100, Riverside, Ohio, 45431.

ITEM 2: ROLL CALL: Council attendance was as follows: Ms. Campbell, absent; Mr. Curp, present; Deputy Mayor Denning, present; Ms. Fry, present; Ms. Lommatzsch, present; Mr. Teaford, present; and Mayor Flaute, present.

Staff present was as follows: Mark Carpenter, City Manager, Chris Lohr, Assistant City Manager; Tom Garrett, Finance Department; Chief Frank Robinson, Police Department; Chief Dan Stitzel, Fire Department; Kathy Bartlett, Service Department; Law Director Dalma Grandjean; and Katie Lewallen, Clerk of Council.

ITEM 3: EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: Ms. Lommatzsch motioned to excuse Ms. Campbell. Mr. Denning seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 4: ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA: City Manager Mark Carpenter indicated that two ordinances, 19-O-691 and 19-O-692, needed further review and discussion and would not be read this evening, but brought back at the next meeting.

ITEM 5: APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Teaford seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 6: WORK SESSION ITEMS:

A) Charter Review Commission Summary - (Charter Commission Members Present: Lori Luckner, Benjamin Lowery (chair), Todd Pultz, Don Rauch, Margaret Sanderson, Jeff Skinner, Kathy Stankowski, and Dave Walton) Mayor Flaute thanked the commission members for their hard work. Mr. Lowery: We had a lot of good discussions where there was a lot of back and forth. We tabled a few discussions and brought them back to the following meeting where everything was approved unanimously after a couple of clarifications. We wanted to bring it to you for final approval and consideration for the ballot. Did you have any questions for me? Mayor Flaute: Do we want to have the law director review some of them; what was changed and what wasn't? Mr. Lowery: My packet is in my vehicle, which is at the dealership; I didn't think it would be there this long. Mayor Flaute: Madam Law Director would you please come forward and just tell us the changes; I mean I tried to find them in here, but if you could just highlight the changes. Ms. Grandjean: The first section the commission voted to put on the ballot refers to Section 4.04, which I would say a concern you might have with that is the number of words because if all that goes on the ballot that increases the cost. Mayor Flaute: Could we just put the changes on the ballot? Ms. Grandjean: Well, this is changed and changed in such a way as to address the constitutional deficiency the Montgomery County Commons Pleas Court found with our existing Section 4.04 being that there are insufficient standards for the process by which a removal action could be brought for a council member in terms of there not being a process set forth and no standards set forth as to what conduct or insufficient specificity of the kind of conduct that could result in a opposed removal. This is consistent with what I presented to council back in last March, maybe? If you went back and looked at your minutes this is pretty much what it is. I believe that this would remedy the situation that caused our current code section to be found unconstitutional that was at the trail level; we didn't appeal it, but it is one court case, one judge. I wouldn't see any purpose in exposing council to that risk again or the city to that kind of jeopardy. Mr. Curp: In the recommendation it says to go to the probate court as opposed to the common pleas court or some language I have seen that says any court of competent jurisdiction so maybe explain why probate court was selected. Ms. Grandjean: Because it comes right out of the Ohio Revised Code; it is exactly as written in

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the Ohio Revised Code so a full-proof, challenge-proof process would be to go to the probate court and follow that process. That doesn't mean that the outcome of what the probate court decided couldn't be appealed, but we would not be facing the jeopardy of being found to have failed to provide due process, which was the big issue.

Ms. Grandjean: In Section 4.05, it is proposed that it be repealed, would you like to address the reasoning for that, Mr. Lowery? Mr. Lowery: When we looked at Section 4.05, we realized that there was insufficient language in there to basically replace any city council that becomes vacant during the regular term of office for any reason shall be filled by the candidate who received the highest number of votes at the most recent election, but was not elected as determined by the board of elections. If no such candidate exists, council shall appoint the elector from the City of Riverside. In either case, the vacancy will be filled within 30 days of the seat becoming vacant. Ms. Grandjean: The legal effect of such a provision would be to prevent council from being able to make an appointment; it would be the person who at the last election got the most votes, but didn't get elected that is what the commission voted to approve. Ms. Fry: I remember the existing one had a provision if council didn't fill it then the mayor did; is that stricken? Ms. Grandjean: That would be stricken. Mayor Flaute: So what would we do? If the person turns it down who was running...Ms. Fry: Then it says we would fill it, but then if we don't fill it, then what? Ms. Grandjean: Do you have the existing 4.05 in front of you? Mayor Flaute: Yes, it says any appointee...Ms. Grandjean: Oh, wait a minute; it says if no such candidate exists council shall appoint an elector. Deputy Mayor Denning: Okay, but we only have 30 days, what if we don't make it in the 30 days, and then what happens? Mayor Flaute: Then the mayor shall fill the vacancy by appointment immediately following...Deputy Mayor Denning: That is what the existing one says. Mayor Flaute: Commission didn't want that in there? Ms. Grandjean: Commission didn't want that in there. Mr. Lowery: I don't recall that conversation. Ms. Grandjean: We did have that, there was that conversation. Now, this is the recommendation of the commission; council can decide to disregard it or modify it and provide for the mayor making the appointment if it is not made within 30 days. Ms. Fry: Can we hear what the consensus was as to why we didn't want it? Ms. Grandjean: Does anyone want to address that; you mean why they didn't want that provision? Mr. Lowery: I don't recall there being an actual...Ms. Grandjean: I think my impression was they didn't want to have that discretion that brought discretion, but I may be drawing the wrong conclusion. Everybody is here to speak to us so I don't want to put words in their mouths. Mr. Pultz: When I looked at it, I think it really just forces a process to make it happen within 30 days and it removes a lot of the discretion that was in there before and when I sat and listened to council meetings and heard some of the pleasurement from our citizens, I think some of that might have been alleviated if there was a process in place. I think this puts that process in place and hopefully the first section of this would eliminate a lot of that; and if not, it forces the council to act and appoint that within 30 days. It already said 30 days before and I don't think any of us really thought that 30 day mark was unreasonable to do and to accomplish. Deputy Mayor Denning: I think the answer is the 30 day process was already there and we have yet to go passed that 30 day process, but we were really close and there is that if somebody resigned and they make it...if we didn't have as much time as we had this time to come up with a process, if that would have been dropped on us and didn't have any clue and it was dropped on us on the 25th of December, I don't know that we could have come up with our process and gotten everything we needed in that 30 days. All the giving the mayor the appointment, I don't know, any mayor in their right mind would not just make that decision on their own anyway; they would talk to the council and come up with a...but that would give them the leeway of the extra 30 days if it happened on Thanksgiving and we had issues with meetings or whatever, but it is just a safety net, that is all that mayor appointment was; it was a safety net in case we didn't hit that. Ms. Grandjean: There are two ways that can be done. It can be done the way it is right now, which is the mayor makes the appointment; another way could be it doesn't say in either case the vacancy will be filled, but if possible, the vacancy will be filled. It doesn't have to be, because you are absolutely correct on what happens if it doesn't get filled? Then you wait until the next election? That is a policy issue that needs to be

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addressed. The other part is do you really, does council want to mandate, put it on the ballot, to mandate that the person who lost the last election would be the one who would fill the position. There may be reasons the council doesn't want to do that, which you wouldn't know until it happened. It puts in to play something you would have no control over and put into office somebody that the citizens elect, but then the citizens would be the ones voting on that provision. Ms. Fry: I would think that a way to address some of our concerns would be with the 30 days with changing that to 60 days because that is really what it took us, ultimately, and that would give us the room to stay true to the intentions of the committee. Deputy Mayor Denning: I would even be willing to say 45 days would be plenty. Ms. Grandjean: As a practical matter for a process like that to be conducted within 30 days, my personal opinion, which is worth nothing, is that that is really a fast track and makes it difficult to give out the information, to have people submit their applications, to consider them, interview them, and decide. I think it is practically speaking, a little aggressive in terms of timeline. Mr. Teaford: I think the fact that we should go back to the person who had the most votes, but didn't get on council because that is the will of the people and that is what we are here about. I think it would be better to go back to that person and if they choose not to, then we would have that 30-day or 45-day process to find somebody. I think they deserve that opportunity. Deputy Mayor Denning: Let's say someone ran and they moved out, okay, so let's say there were eight candidates for four slots, do you work your way down, or do you only go to the next vote getter. Ms. Fry: I think that gives us the discretion. Deputy Mayor Denning: I am asking that question; it says that received the highest number of votes at the most recent election so it only counts the next person. Ms. Grandjean: If that were the case, then it would need to say "but was not elected as determined by the board of elections and is still eligible to be an elector", and then do you want to go on to the next one, if you are going to follow this process. Deputy Mayor Denning: I wanted to follow their thought process. Ms. Grandjean: What if they didn't commit until the 44th day? Or they commit and then change their mind? Those are questions to ponder and think through. It is like everything else, the more you talk about it, the more things occur to people that can happen. Mr. Lowery: What we really were looking to do is put the power back into the voice of the people like Mr. Teaford just said, while in the constraint we were talking about this the more words we added the higher the cost was and we wanted to reduce the cost to the people of Riverside. What we did was come out with what we thought was the best intent and then we would leave it up to you guys for discussion hoping that with us bringing it back to the voice of the people and then if that doesn't work out then we could rely on the city council to make a good, wise decision for the city that was the intent. Mayor Flaute: I guess I agree with the intent and maybe to solve the problems add that sentence that says if the council fails to make the appointment within 30 days following the occurrence of vacancy the mayor shall fill the vacancy by appointment, etc... Ms. Fry: I don't think, I would argue that we shouldn't add that. The will that I am getting it is forcing the council to do their job and make that appointment and there is no weaseling out of it that we have an obligation to do it within that time frame and we need to do it. Deputy Mayor Denning: I think if we leave that off, we need to change it to 45 days. Ms. Fry: I agree with that. Deputy Mayor Denning: I mean to give us because if something happens, an emergency happens and someone resigns suddenly in the middle of the holidays or something like that, because we have to give so much notice in order to have meetings and etc...we need to do is come up with a standard process so that we don't have to come up with a process every time, too. I think consistency is going to be important. Ms. Grandjean: That can be done by ordinance. Deputy Mayor Denning: By policy. Ms. Grandjean: Exactly, you don't want that all set forth in a charter. Mr. Lowery: We didn't specify calendar days or business days. Deputy Mayor Denning: I think most people consider it calendar. Mayor Flaute: Okay, we will talk about that. Ms. Lommatzsch: I don't really care. I just know I have been involved in replacing a lot of people including the mayor and it has never been a problem, but whatever the will of the commission is, is fine with me. I don't really think we have had a serious problem going back 25 years that is a long time. We have had a lot of people come and go.

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Mr. Lowery: Moving on to Section 5.03, was everybody able to review these before? Did you have any discussion for 5.03, which was to replace the first sentence under Item A with the first reading? Mayor Flaute: To make it simpler, right. I would hope that we could describe that a little bit better. It says here that such ordinance may be ready by title only that is supposed to be 'read'? That is a typo, second to last sentence on the bottom paragraph. That is what I thought. Mr. Curp: Are their items required to be read in their entirety such as legislation for bonds? Ms. Grandjean: The first reading may be by title only unless requested by any member of council to be read in full. The idea is to not have that be required. Mr. Curp: I understand that; I'm looking at it from a legal standpoint, state legislature would they require things like the legislation for when we are floating debt and bonds. Ms. Grandjean: It says 'may be by title only' so if it is required by some other law it would then be read in full. Mayor Flaute: How would we know that? Ms. Grandjean: Your law director would have to look it up. Ms. Lommatzsch: That was on the last electoral thing to change that. Deputy Mayor Denning: But it was worded different. Last time what we said was the council could vote to have it read by title only if it was a lengthy ordinance that is what we put in here last time and they didn't go for it. Mayor Flaute: Last time it was confusing, and I do think we need to have one or two sessions in here on Facebook telling people what we are doing because I don't think we did that last time, I don't remember. We need to have a couple of sessions; maybe the mayor or city manager say what we are trying to do there because there is a lot of confusion on this. Ms. Grandjean: It is still published in full; the publication would still be required.

Mr. Lowery: Moving on to Section 9.02, any discussion on this which removes Section 9.02 (8) entirely. Ms. Grandjean: So the idea is that there aren't enough people who want to participate. Under the current 9.02 someone appointed to the charter commission could not serve on another board that does not make any sense. Deputy Mayor Denning: Or vice-versa. Ms. Grandjean: Or vice-versa; I'm not sure it has been followed, but it would seem to me that council can make that determination, seem to us as I was only advising that council can decide if somebody who is on the planning commission should also be appointed to another board; they can do that on a case-by-case basis. What if there are only two people interested and they are both on one of those charter mandated boards or commissions. Ms. Lommatzsch: I understand what you are saying, I just think the intent of the charter as I recall, is not to just to get more people involved, but you have to be really careful about some of those commissions have a lot of call it power, call it influence, whatever, that you don't get the same people and I don't know how you discriminate that. I don't know how you say, well, you can be on this one, but you can't double up and be on this one. The intent originally as I recall from training sessions I went to is that is a lot of people's charter that is not just to us. We do have an issue finding enough people to participate and I understand that, but you have to be really careful because you can get a control mechanism; I'll call it what it is. Ms. Grandjean: A few people running every board and commission. Ms. Lommatzsch: Yes, the same people. I think that is the intent of it being written that way. Ms. Grandjean: So sometimes taking away discretion makes it more uniform; sometimes you want to have discretion because you can't foresee what is going to happen in the future and I think that is the call to make; if you want the discretion or not. Ms. Fry: Was the number of vacancies really the primary issue being addressed by that? Ms. Grandjean: I think without naming anybody it was discovered that this would apply to the charter commission that one or more people may be on another board. Particularly the charter commission is only once every five years; it has a short duration even when it is operating should that prevent someone from being on another board or commission? Ms. Lommatzsch: I don't have a problem with them being on the charter commission and some other active commission, and I don't know if it could be worded that way. Ms. Grandjean: It could be; it could apply to all but with the exception of the charter commission. Ms. Lommatzsch: I think people you want on the charter commission are people who have been involved and know what is going on. Ms. Grandjean: My guess is that nobody was thinking of the charter commission when that particular provision was approved, because it is only every five years. Deputy Mayor Denning: My understanding is the only commissions that it applies to besides the charter commission is the BZA and the planning

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commission so there if they are on the BZA or planning commission they cannot be on the charter commission, but that was before that was discovered. So the issue is a lot of times those are some of the people that you need involved in the charter commission to have some input. Ms. Stankowski: First of all being on two different things, I was on the charter and I am also on the Personnel that they don't even have. Deputy Mayor Denning: That's not a charter appointed commission. Ms. Stankowski: Well, no, but I am saying the other ones parks or whatever; I can't influence anybody if I am on two different ones just like you guys. If one person says something, if seven others say no, then it is squashed. Same with that; if I chose to be on the charter and want to be on several other boards or whatever, I should be able to apply for them because I can't tell the other group of people in this committee to do it my way; it is going to be a vote. Just like with you guys, one person don't like it, too bad, seven other ones do so if you don't like what I have to say then the other seven will say, no they aren't going to follow one person coming in because they know this charter or they know this. We are here to serve not to sit there and go against. There are not many people. It's like how many of you have been on the board and council for years and years? One person isn't going to influence all of them just like on a different charter or whatever; we aren't going to be able to influence the other group of people. So yes, we should be able to do whenever, whatever ones we want to do if council appoints us. Mayor Flaute: My problem is if I'm an electorate and voting on this, I don't know if I am voting on allowing more than one commission or does this say that you are not allowed to have more than one commission? This reads odd to me. Deputy Mayor Denning: It says, "Remove" and then it gives you the section. Mayor Flaute: Remove the total...okay. Ms. Grandjean: Be gone. Mr. Lowery: You are confused on the current language. Mayor Flaute: Yeah, I am looking at 9.02. Ms. Grandjean: That limitation would no longer exist. Mayor Flaute: So 9.02 would go away and this would go on. Deputy Mayor Denning: No, all you are doing is removing it Bill; you are taking it out of the charter. Mayor Flaute: Will this go before the electorate? Ms. Grandjean: If you put it on the ballot and they vote for it. Deputy Mayor Denning: All it says is remove section 9.02 entirely, which reads...and then it tells you what 9.02 reads. Mayor Flaute: But that is not all that 9.02 reads. I mean maybe I got an old charter. Ms. Grandjean: There would be no prohibition. Mayor Flaute: Okay, I must have an old charter. Deputy Mayor Denning: You got the Dead Sea scrolls not the King James Version. Mayor Flaute: Okay, I've got it now.

Mr. Lowery: Moving on to Section 13.12, which again is removing the section in its entirety, this reads right below that. Ms. Grandjean: The reasoning there was that is something that council can address by rules as opposed to having that be in the charter. It doesn't seem that is the kind of detail that needs to be specified in the charter that council can decide that or establish a uniform process through ordinance or adoption of rules. Deputy Mayor Denning: I believe this was put in there before we, at the beginning, before the city had its own policy. Ms. Grandjean: I think it was put in in 2014. Deputy Mayor Denning: Nothing was put in in 2014. Ms. Grandjean: It was in response to a particular situation/controversy and that is probably not what a charter should be addressing. Again, the charter is like the constitution, it is the broad framework. It is not all the nuts and bolts. Ordinances are the nuts and bolts of how the city operates, the laws under which it operates. This is a procedural thing. Council could make it uniform by adopting a policy enacting an ordinance that could be changed in the future, but it is not really; it was felt that it did not need to be something that was a permanent, difficult to change procedure.

Mayor Flaute: Thank you very, very much. Council would like to think about this or make a motion to go with everything except for the 45 days. Deputy Mayor Denning: I think I want to...Ms. Lommatzsch: I think I would like us to find out how much it costs us to put it on the ballot. I think once we decide what parcels we want to accept or whatever; we need to know what it is going to cost because it is a cost to us at the board of elections. Ms. Grandjean: You have raised enough questions and concerns that there probably needs to be some time to mull it over and digest. I would just like to volunteer one statement and say what a pleasure it has been working with this group. We had a remarkable group of actively involved, well-prepared individuals, who freely expressed their opinions. We had

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a lot of give and take, discussions, debates, and in the end we had consensus. I think it was a well-functioning group; I appreciate the opportunity to have worked with them.

Deputy Mayor Denning: I have one question, and I just thought of this, it is about the appointing a replacement. If someone...at this point myself and Mrs. Lommatzsch let's say we are running for mayor and since we are in our four-year cycle, it is a two-year cycle so now there are two slots for council and three people run and someone knows that regardless there will be an opening so they run just to run as the third wheel regardless of what their vote count would be; they would automatically be appointed to a slot. Ms. Grandjean: You would be allowing that kind of thing to happen. Or, what if, that person who didn't get elected got five votes? It takes away any discretion, which is always problematic, because situations arise that you didn't think about. Deputy Mayor Denning: That is probably my only concern. Was that part of the discussion? Mr. Lowery: Actually, I don't think we went that far down the rabbit hole on that one. Ms. Grandjean: Not that particular situation. Deputy Mayor Denning: Let's say that four people in the four year run for mayor, one of those is going to get the slot, okay, so someone would, that person would have to resign there would be two years left. Now if only two people run for the two slots that are open, then it is appointed by council, but if the third person only got 10 votes then they are automatically appointed whether they are worthwhile of being a council person or not. Ms. Grandjean: There is two ways to look at it as Mr. Teaford said, it is implementing the will of the people, but the other way to look at it is it is not implementing the will of the people because the will of the people was not to elect that person so I think that is your call. Ms. Lommatzsch: At the same time though, they aren't running for the mayor's seat, it is a different election. Deputy Mayor Denning: Right, I understand that. Ms. Grandjean: It doesn't matter which seat. Ms. Lommatzsch: All the reports I got was that you guys did an awesome job. Ms. Grandjean: We had an awesome group. Ms. Lommatzsch: It is a time commitment. Mayor Flaute: Mr. Manager you are going to find out cost on that, too.

B) CDBG Funds/Grant Application - Mr. Lohr: Staff has put together a proposed CDBG project that would start at the end of this year and would need to be completed by the end of September 2020. I'm going to give you a quick overview of the CDBG program. Some of the eligible activities for CDBG projects: rehabilitation and preservation of neighborhoods, economic development, any activities by private non-profits, community development corporations and small business investment companies, and planning and environmental design activities. In addition to falling into one of those categories, it also has to meet one or more of these national objectives: principally benefit low or moderate income residents, eliminate or prevent blight slums, or correcting emergency situations. These are the eligible areas within the City of Riverside, the low-to-moderate income areas. Now, I did have a conversation earlier today with Montgomery County; there have been some updates to these maps that they have not updated and released yet so it will change slightly, but that is pretty close to what we have. This is the northern half of the city, Avondale plus a portion of Huberville area. On the southern part, Floral Park is eligible as well as what they are calling Woodman/35. I was told on the updated map that this portion west on Airway, if you can see the pointer right there, will be eligible and that is a new addition to the map for this year. This is the proposed project. I put together a \$100,000 project so 75 percent or \$75,000 would be CDBG funds; the city would put \$25,000 into the pot for it. This is the general breakdown of how we would spend those funds: \$30,000 for demolition that would get us two maybe three houses we have a list of those that need to be taken down; \$20,000 for property acquisition so we would be going through the land bank and that costs somewhere around \$2,000 for each property so around 10 properties or parcels that we would be acquiring, I'll explain why we want to acquire those properties later; and then \$50,000 for rehabilitation of neighborhoods in those LMI areas. Some of the prospects that we have: 2350 Forest Home is one that we hoped to knock down with CDBG funds all the way back in 2015, but we found at the time we didn't have enough money because there was so much asbestos found in the drywall that we couldn't afford to take it down, unfortunately at the time the quote that came in to take that down was around \$20,000 to take that one home down; 2521 Rondowa is a house

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the city owns, it is possible that we might be able to take that one down this year so that is why I put some alternates in there if we get Rondowa down this year we would move on to one of the others we need to demolish. Property acquisitions, there are three addresses right there, these are properties that are vacant and tax delinquent. I believe they are all what we call "zombie properties"; scratch that, two of them are zombie properties where the owners are deceased and nobody has stepped up to take care of the property. These three properties are all in reasonable shape; we could acquire them and do a minimal amount of work to make them presentable for sale and get them back into active use, fairly quickly. I've had some brief discussions with the land bank; they have a DIY program where they will list the items that need to be corrected on a property, bid it out, and then the winning bidder will agree to make those improvements to the property and the land bank will hold that deed until it happens. I'm not saying that is exactly how we will do it; we might be able to do it ourselves or some sort of version of that, but these three properties are in good enough condition that it is a shame to see them sitting not used and occupied. Those would be the top three priorities.

Deputy Mayor Denning: Is it Guernsey or is it Guernsey Dell? Mr. Lohr: Guernsey Dell, I'm sorry. Mayor Flaute: You are planning on doing that with these, no question? Mr. Lohr: I would say if we have the money for it, it would be very smart to get these houses back into active use before they get run down to the point where they are not. Mayor Flaute: If we can do it, we need to do it. Mr. Curp: I'm not sure I agree with that; I mean if the agency is willing to take it under their arms and do it, then why should we front the money and deal with cash flow and management of an improvement project. Mr. Lohr: The hope would be not to deal with an improvement project. I use that as an example because I have spoken to them. I spoke to them about the Ketcham property that we own; the possibility of them doing that part of the work for us, auctioning it and managing the program. That is not something we have decided to do with that property, but it is a possibility so we would use the grant funding to acquire the property if they would agree to help us out with that. They would put our properties through that program and then we would end up with rehab properties at the end of it. Mr. Curp: One of the things I have brought up for at least once a year for the last several years is the creation of an incentive program. We either acquire a property or acquire some kind of control through leverage with the land bank where we incentivize a third party, an individual who wants to come here and live and is willing to take on a property project and rehab it, and we can help make that available. We might even have some kind of rotating fund to provide some seed money to assist them in financing the repairs and give some control over that debt obligation. Maybe do a five-year, 20 percent a year, forgiveness as long as people live in the property, those kinds of things. It goes a long way towards community development and redevelopment. We don't have to take on the burden of the physical labor; somebody else would do it. We don't have to deal with a lot of the financing other than perhaps coming up with a financial incentive program. The other thing on these demolition prospects, one of the things we have talked about at least once a year for the last several years is making sure these homes or these properties we are looking at for demolition are in some kind of a dense clustering with other like properties so that we are providing instead of single infill lots here and there; we are providing a more dense area of vacant properties that might be more attractive to homebuilders, who would come in and do things on a spec basis. If you are looking at properties, I hope that these fit in that framework because if we are just looking at selecting somewhat at random, I use that term loosely, and just picking out properties that have no attributes like that not close to some other property that we already own that we have demolished or as close to another property that is on the list, then I'm not sure we are accomplishing anything. Mr. Lohr: Agreed, I think I can make you at least a little happy with 2350 Forest Home with the property next door, 2348 Forest Home, is a house that we demolished in 2015 or 2016, so we would have two lots right next to each other on a corner after we took down 2350 Forest Home. I think it would make sense to acquire both of those lots and then you have a good sized, buildable lot. That was one of the reasons why Forest Home was on top of the list. Rondowa is just a house the city owns kind of by accident. A lady went through a reop process, submitted the

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payment to get it and disappeared so never accepted possession of the property. Unfortunately, that property comes to the city first before it goes to the person who has done the reop there. It is not structurally sound, so those were the reasons we picked those two. At least on 2350 Forest Home we are on the same page.

Mayor Flaute: So I guess my point with property acquisition prospects, whether you do it through the land bank, just don't wait, keep moving, whatever we are going to do because they are only going to get worse and they deteriorate quickly. Mr. Lohr: That is exactly what we are thinking with those three houses we think we can save. Beyond that, we have a lot of vacant lots in the Valley Plat, Floral Park, where houses have been demolished and we have not acquired those properties so we can't do anything with them, but we continue to mow them spending about \$400 a year to cut the grass. Ms. Lommatzsch: Those lots aren't big enough to be built on, right? Mr. Lohr: Some of them may be; I can't speak to all of them. We know, we think we have some neighbors that may be interested in having a bigger lot so something that the code enforcement officer and I have discussed the reason why I haven't specified specific lots is we would look at these vacant lots and what we have next door maybe make direct contact with these owners or send out letters and say hey would you be interested in this. We don't want to acquire the lot unless we have something to do with it at the end of it, right. We would find somebody who really wants to acquire the lot and then we would transfer the deed to that person after we have done it through this program so then they would own the lot and start paying taxes on it. The best part is we would stop cutting the grass that is what we are thinking with the remainder of the acquisition funds; we would look at those lots and figure out how to dispose of them by getting them to adjacent property owners. Deputy Mayor Denning: I am guessing that neither 2350 nor 2348 Forest Home would be buildable with today's code standards. Mr. Lohr: I'm not sure off the top of my head. Deputy Mayor Denning: The idea would be that we would combine those lots as one to sell to someone to get them to build a house on a single lot that was two lots. Mr. Lohr: I can tell you with the way housing are being constructed today having those two lots together would definitely make it more desirable. I can't tell you off the top of my head whether they are buildable by themselves, but I think you have a better chance of getting a house built on those two lots rather than just the one. Deputy Mayor Denning: We would get it, demolish the house, then we would combine the lots as a joint single lot; and then the process would start. Mr. Lohr: That would be my thought.

Mr. Teaford: The two houses you said were zombie houses, how do you go about purchasing them; do you just pay the tax off on them, or...? Mr. Lohr: It actually turns out to be more affordable than that. We would go to the land bank and go through a process called REAP, it is an acronym, I don't know what it stands for, but I know what the process is. We go to them and we say we are willing to pay \$2,000 to acquire the property; they take it through the process similar to foreclosure and wipe all the liens on the property, and then we would get the house at the end of it. We would be the owner of that property and then it would be incumbent on us to find somebody who is going to rehab that home and put it back into active use.

Ms. Lommatzsch: We keep talking about doing this; are we going to start making this happen? Mr. Lohr: Yes. Ms. Lommatzsch: This is not the first rodeo about this. Mr. Lohr: The grant application is due in the middle of the month; we submit it and we will find out towards the summer, end of the summer, whether we got it. Once we get the paperwork signed come October or November, we would be able to start the process to acquire any of these properties. Deputy Mayor Denning: To me, if we are willing to put \$25,000 whether we get the CDBG funds or not, we could at least take care of Forest Home and Rondowa with our portion regardless of whether or not we get the grant. Is that a true statement? Mr. Lohr: Hopefully; I'm not sure Forest Home may be around \$20,000; that is what we were looking at. Deputy Mayor Denning: We would be able to do at least that. Mr. Lohr: I would think so as long as we are willing to put the money forward. Ms. Lommatzsch: Have we done the environmental on those homes? Mr. Lohr: Yes, we have. Rondowa is

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free of asbestos, and Forest Home is full of it, unfortunately. Ms. Lommatzsch: So we really don't know what the demolition cost on that is going to be. Mr. Lohr: If I remember correctly, on Forest Home for asbestos abatement and demolition, we were looking at right around \$20,000. Ms. Lommatzsch: So that's included with the \$20,000? Mr. Lohr: Yes, but that is a 2015 quote. Rondowa we had a quote and it was somewhere around \$10,000-\$12,000 to demolish the house and it didn't have asbestos. Ms. Fry: What are our commitments when we do CDBG? We are committing ourselves to \$25,000...Mr. Lohr: Yes, we would actually tie up, it is a reimbursement, so we would have to budget \$100,000, spend it; and then we would get reimbursed for \$75,000. Ms. Fry: So, a concern that I have is that we don't have full project plans for these. There is a lot of maybe we will do this one, maybe we will do that one, depends on how things lay out; meanwhile, we are committing ourselves to something and if nothing pans out the way we want it to then what are we committed to? I would much rather have some of those things known when we go to apply so we know what we are going to do. Mr. Lohr: I agree with you; I worked on fleshing this out as best as I could. I can tell you that 2350 Forest Home and 2521 Rondowa need to come down and need to come down soon. Unless we come up with money for Rondowa this year, those definitely are going to be on there. Now, the three on the top on property acquisitions should be locked in and we should get those back into active circulation. The reason why I left the other vacant lot acquisition money in there is because we want to make sure we have an end user for it. What I want to do is contact these owners and say 'do you want this lot next to you'? If once we have that, I don't want to make that contact until we have money. I don't want to talk to somebody about getting that lot until we have the resources to actually get it. Ms. Fry: I would rather you contact the person before we commit ourselves. Mr. Lohr: Okay. Deputy Mayor Denning: The truth is you could contact them and ask if they would be willing to take that lot for \$2,000 because they can reap it; we are just the middle man. That starts the conversation. If the answer is 'I can't afford \$2,000', then we put it on our list, but we may be able to get more of these lots gone by at least contacting them. If they find out they can get that lot next door for \$2,000 they might be willing to do it. We need to at least contact them and find out if they are interested. If they tell you up front, 'I wouldn't take it if it was free', then you know. We need to start those conversations and I think we need to put something in the newsletter and on our web page that says if you have a vacant lot next to you, etc..., please contact us as we may have a way for you to acquire that.

Mr. Teaford: How many properties do we own? Mr. Curp: Too many. Mr. Lohr: There is a list; I think it went out to city council prior to your appointment, but we can get that to you. The majority of them are parks and property for public buildings and that sort of thing. Mr. Garrett: I think there are probably 45 on the list, but like you say, that accounts for parks, fire stations, administrative buildings...Mr. Teaford: Those are necessities; I just have a problem with all these homes or properties around homes that we own as a city. I just don't know why we own so many. I know we acquire them to tear them down, but we are tying up a lot of time, effort, and money for what? Ms. Lommatzsch: Because they weren't taking care of the properties themselves and their neighbors were not encouraging them to take care of their properties and they got so dilapidated that they are hazards, health hazards, safety hazards, criminal hazards. Mr. Teaford: The city has things in place to force people to clean up their areas. Ms. Lommatzsch: Of course we do. Deputy Mayor Denning: The issues with some of these are the landowner has passed away and there is nobody in the family that wants it or there is no family and it is a zombie property, and that is the problem we are running into.

Mr. Curp: I think it also go back to what Ms. Fry mentioned earlier and that is we acquire some properties without having a plan as to what we are going to do; and then we end up with a pie chart that says we are mowing a lot of grass that we shouldn't be mowing. Mr. Teaford: What type of taxes do we have to pay on these properties? Surely it isn't what a homeowner pays for their property? These are empty property, so it must be a lower tax base? Mr. Garrett: Well, the tax rate is the tax rate, as I pointed out at the levy meeting the

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other day, many of our properties we got them to be tax exempt properties, but anything in recent acquisitions, maybe that hasn't been completed on a few of the properties.

Mr. Lohr: Moving on to the last half of the program, the rehab portion; I've spoken to Rebuilding Together Dayton, which is a non-profit in the area that works to improve neighborhoods and houses and help residents. Much of their focus is helping low-income, elderly individuals to stay in their homes. For the \$50,000 we would be able to host a volunteer event working with Rebuilding Together Dayton similar, if you saw in the news recently what Rebuilding Together did, it would be a smaller version of that. Next June or July we would be able to put that volunteer event on. We would be able to rehab 5 - 10 houses and this would include things like painting and siding, clearing lots, fixing fences, but also important things to the interior of the house to make it safe like repairing bathrooms that may not be safe for elderly individuals like adding low entry showers rather than step up tubs, making kitchens safe, adding smoke detectors, repairing any unsafe or unsanitary conditions on the interior of the home. This opportunity would be open to anyone in the CDBG eligible areas so what we would have to do is work with Rebuilding Together Dayton to get the word out, send letters, maybe walk neighborhoods and say this opportunity is open to you if you need assistance to make your house livable. Residents would submit applications through Rebuilding Together Dayton; they would review the applications and then in consultation with the city they would select the homes that would be rehabilitated on that volunteer day. That would take care of the volunteer portion of it. If there were other items that needed to be taken care of immediately, they wouldn't have to wait until the volunteer event, they would be able to schedule volunteers or contractors to do that throughout the term of the contract we would have with them. This would be the rehabilitation portion of the grant project.

Ms. Fry: Our commitment then would be then...if we received the grant, we would be working with Rebuilding Together Dayton and we would be writing the check. The volunteers would be acquired through... Rebuilding Together Dayton? Mr. Lohr: Yes. Ms. Fry: The only thing we would be worrying about is moving money? Mr. Lohr: For the most part. Now, the other thing was they wanted help acquiring the homeowners. At times, that can be a challenge to get people to fill out an application and disclose how much they are making and that sort of thing. So, there are those two pieces; we might also provide assistance on the day of the event. One of the things Amy, the executive director, talked about is that they can't tear down houses but they can tear down accessory structures like garages that are falling down. For their 'rebuilding together day', they have the UD football team and a guy with a backhoe and they also get donated dumpsters. We might have to get volunteers for that. We might have to volunteer our own backhoe on the day of the event, and maybe work with Republic to get some dumpsters donated. We would be assisting them, but they would be the lead on the project.

Mr. Lohr: What we expect to accomplish with this: eliminate blighted and unsafe properties, the demolition; preserve existing housing stock, acquiring the houses we think are salvageable and getting them back into active circulation and helping homeowners repair houses so they can continue to stay in them; and reduce our financial liability for having to mow these properties and put them back into active use so we have an active community and people paying property taxes.

Deputy Mayor Denning: So basically, you want to do the same thing Dan Ryan wants to do? Mr. Lohr: Similar, similar to some of the work that he is doing. It would not be restricted to the Valley Plat, though. I know Mr. Ryan has worked almost exclusively in that neighborhood. Deputy Mayor Denning: I understand that, but he is trying to get started there. His plan would be to eventually expand. Mr. Lohr: Yes, this would be a supplement in addition to the other community members and organizations who have been trying to improve our neighborhoods. We would just build on that. Ms. Lommatzsch: So this June, is this June of 2019? Mr. Lohr: I'm sorry if I wasn't clear about that, it would be 2020. The grant year starts in October. Ms. Lommatzsch: I understand that just wasn't very clear in

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your presentation. Mr. Lohr: No, it wasn't, sorry. It would be June/July of next year. Ms. Lommatzsch: Can we have the meat of this presentation in hard copy, please? Mr. Lohr: Yes, absolutely.

Mayor Flaute: A couple of months back, Ms. Fry asked about doing some work with Habitat for Humanity, and I think we were going to check with West Carrollton how they do their program; I don't think we ever heard anything more from that. Do you remember that conversation? Ms. Lommatzsch: I don't remember. Mr. Carpenter: I might have missed that. I remember the habitat, but I don't remember the West Carrollton portion. I have not spoken to Habitat for Humanity. Mayor Flaute: I think there is a way of putting them into this; not this program, but this discussion. Mr. Lohr: They may be a resource for some of our vacant lots. Mr. Curp: Yes, because that is the one element that was missing on the last slide; there is nothing on building and infill and bringing more people into the community. It is about taking care of vacant lots and transitioning to somebody else or whatever, but I didn't see anything about bringing more people in. Deputy Mayor Denning: I think your answer is your two Forest Home properties and then get Habitat for Humanity to build a house in the spot. Mr. Lohr: That would be a good idea. Deputy Mayor Denning: But, you need to make that a part of your plan. Mr. Curp: It would be good also if we could see a scattergram of parcels in these neighborhoods to show us which ones we own, which ones are eligible for being acquired through REAP or the land bank, various mechanisms for the properties so we can see what the prospects are so we can see what the density is in those areas because if we want to rehab properties that is one thing. If we are forced to demolish properties we want to build whether with Habitat for Humanity or through private housing developers and builders, we need to see what those areas look like, what those eligible parcels look like so we can plan for acquire for a more controlled programmatic manner so it is not hit or miss. Mr. Lohr: We can do that. Is there anything council would like to see additional for when this comes up at the next meeting for a vote for approval? Ms. Fry: Will you have some more specifics by then? Mr. Lohr: I can, yes, I will figure out how we can identify some exact properties more so than what I have done here this evening. Mayor Flaute: So are you looking for legislation? Mr. Lohr: We need a resolution, yeah. Mayor Flaute: Council is okay with that? Ms. Fry: So with exact properties you would have a plan for what you are going to do with this? Deputy Mayor Denning: You could list them as backup funding or whatever, but I think you need to have how much we know it is going to cost; you have a budget of \$100,000, you need to tell us how you are going to spend it. I think that is what we are looking for. Mr. Lohr: I will flesh that out a little bit more next week and have it hopefully in the packet.

ITEM 7: RECESS: Council recessed at 7:13 pm.

ITEM 8: RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 7:25 pm.

ITEM 9: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE: Mayor Flaute had Councilman Ken Curp lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 10: MINUTES: Consider approval of the minutes of the April 4, 2019 regular Council meeting. Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Teaford seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 11: PROCLAMATION: Mayor Flaute invited Mr. David Griffin to come forward and talk about the importance of Motorcycle Awareness Month. Mr. Griffin: I am the director of Region 6, which is this particular area of ABATE. We have what is May Awareness for Motorcycles, we are getting ready to start riding for the summer and some have already been out. We have a May Awareness Rally Ride starts at 36 and 71 at the Harley Dealership north of Columbus and the Columbus Motorcycle Police actually escort us all the way down. They shut down 71 and give us a ride into the state house. What we do at the state house is come up with each region and I will go up there and declare how

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many proclamations we have gotten from our region. I have done this for five years. I usually get 20 - 30; this will be my 34th one for this year. I am proud to say that Riverside has been one of six out of my seven or so that has given me one every year. I thank you for that. We are just making sure people are aware we are out there; we've already had some accidents. My wife's nephew was just in a bad one in Miami County a couple of weeks ago. It happens; we just want people aware of it.

Mayor Flaute read the proclamation declaring May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Whereas, safety is the highest priority for the highways and streets of our Villages, Cities, and State; and

Whereas, motorcycle riding is a popular form of transportation and recreation for over two hundred thousand people across the State and millions across the Nation; and

Whereas, in an effort to make motorcycling in Ohio a safer and more enjoyable sport, motorcycling organizations from around the State are now planning a collective venture to promote Motorcycle Awareness; and

Whereas, all motorcycle organizations, clubs, dealerships, groups and highway safety officials in our state, should join ABATE of OHIO, Inc. and the Motorcycle Ohio program, in actively promoting safe operation, increased rider training, improved licensing efforts, and motorist awareness; and

Whereas, during the month of May, all roadway users should unite in the safe sharing of the roadways throughout the State of Ohio; and

Now, Therefore, be it proclaimed, by the Mayor and the Council of the City of Riverside, Ohio, that May 2019 is declared Motorcycle Awareness Month and do hereby urge all citizens to join in recognition of this significant occasion and the achievements above mentioned. Signed under my hand and seal this 2nd day of May, 2019.

Deputy Mayor Denning: I would like to say do not shoot your grass out on to the road, please, it is very slick. Mr. Griffin: We put that on Facebook about every day.

ITEM 12: ACCEPTANCE OF PRIOR MONTHS FINANCIAL REPORT: Ms. Lommatzsch motioned to accept the prior month's financial report. Deputy Mayor Denning seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 13: ACCEPTANCE OF WRITTEN CITIZEN PETITIONS: Mayor Flaute advised citizens to fill out a form if they wished to speak about agenda or non-agenda items.

ITEM 14: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Carpenter: The report is in the packet, if anybody has any questions, I will be glad to attempt to answer those. Deputy Mayor Denning: I do have one, but it probably more for Kathy. They are putting in the new sidewalk on Valley Street, when that was originally designed that well that they drilled was not in that area, is that going to be a problem? Ms. Bartlett: That is going to have to be adjusted. Deputy Mayor Denning: The sidewalk will be adjusted or the well? Ms. Bartlett: The well as it meets the sidewalk. We met in the field with ODOT officials and with Dayton Environmental and the contractor; there will have to be some slight modifications during construction. Deputy Mayor Denning: But everybody is aware of it right now and everything will be okay? Ms. Bartlett: Yes. Deputy Mayor Denning: When I saw them drilling that well I'm going, "oh, boy that is going to be fun." Ms. Lommatzsch: May I address her on the same subject? I know informally we have discussed the conditions behind the fence and I understand that is controlled by the state, the mobile

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home park that is behind the fence where we are putting in the sidewalk. We need to contact whomever to please address getting rid of those trailers. It is very unsightly. Now that they have cut all the brush away; it's a big eyesore. Whomever we need to contact needs to clean-up the park, if not then surely we can site them for something. Mr. Teaford: Those trailers right there are empty. Ms. Lommatzsch: And they are just falling apart. Mayor Flaute: They have been there forever. Ms. Lommatzsch: Now that the shrubs and everything is cut away, we are going to have this nice new construction and then we have that, just an invitation to kids. Mr. Teaford: I think it is Jerry McMahan that owns those. Mr. Carpenter: We will look into that and I will let you know what we find out. Mr. Teaford: I figured when he got them emptied that he was probably going to take them out of there. Mayor Flaute: That's what we all thought. Ms. Lommatzsch: They've been there forever. Mr. Teaford: The trailers have, but they have just recently been emptied, all of them because people did live in them. Deputy Mayor Denning: Here is a suggestion to the manager, you might talk to a little house developer to see if they could make that whole trailer park into a little house community type thing. Ms. Fry: Micro-houses. Deputy Mayor Denning: You would need a developer to come in and take over the whole thing. I'm not talking about letting micro-houses move in to what is already there, what I am talking about is getting a developer in that will take that property completely revamp it and put micro-houses into it. Mayor Flaute: That is a move that is happening all over the country so if you need more information, the National League of Cities has all kinds of information on those kind of houses because it is becoming a very popular thing around the country. Okay, the only thing I had was ChoiceOne submitting a Highway Safety Improvement Program and presentations will be made at the ODOT central office on May 17; who is making that presentation? Ms. Bartlett: Actually, that presentation requirement is no longer needed because these projects have been escalated at the Governor's high priority list so it is going through a speedy process. We are expected to get fully funded with that grant application. Mayor Flaute: So it wouldn't help us to make the presentation? Ms. Bartlett: No, ChoiceOne was going to do it, they actually submitted a fee to be there along with me at central office, but we don't even have to do that now so we are saving a little money just because of the escalation of the priority.

A) Monthly Update Police Department – Chief Robinson: We will start out with some personnel issues we have going on the at the police department. On Monday, Detective Cooper had back surgery so he will be out for an undetermined amount of time at this point, we will see after he goes back to the doctor as to when he can come back or if it is something that is going to be long term. We aren't really sure at this point. He had a prior back injury and then he had a little bit of a lifting thing within the office that caused another issue with it so he had to have surgery on that. Ms. Lommatzsch: Is it a Workman's Comp thing then? Chief Robinson: Yes and no. I will let you know; this is probably not the forum for me to tell you that out loud. Angie Jackson, as you know, had two different surgeries, one was an elective surgery she had to have her hamstring reattached from some activities she was doing and she also was injured on duty while she was trying to apprehend a suspect and they got into an altercation. She ended up hurting her shoulder and she had to have surgery this past week so we are waiting to get the go ahead from her doctor to come back for light duty. We have stuff for her to do so she can come back on light duty. All of the officers have gone through firearms training phase one, which is the state qualifications already for this year which include: Taser, rifle, handgun, shotgun and we also do scenario based shooting as well, while we are out there so we can be more realistic than just shooting a target and passing qualifications. There is a phase two part of it and some medical things in there as well to triage while they are out there so they will go through all that kind of training here coming up throughout the rest of the year. I want to give an 'Atta-boy' to Jay Keaton. Jay Keaton was trained by Officer Perfetti on our traffic counter, there is a lot to that thing; Jay has learned all the ins and outs of it and I see him around town putting that thing up on those signs out there collecting traffic counters for the service department. We are also doing some work for them with traffic crash numbers for them as well. We talked about the destruction of records in this building and I know Chris and everybody here has been working hard to get this done; it is no different in my

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department. Our goal is to get about 150 boxes out of there by March; we were close, I think we did the shred sometime in April and we did 150 boxes out of ours. Now, I know we are trying to get the space cleared out so I think we are going to be able to take what we need currently and we have a space available at the PD to put those at and the other stuff we will have to go through because they are more like a felony file and we have to make sure we don't get rid of something that we will need 20 years for now or forever, murder investigations, rapes, things you can never get rid of. We have to make sure when we go through the boxes we keep everything we need. We should be able to take all that stuff out of here and bring it over there. I give an "Atta-boy" out to Danny Brodnick, who has been really working hard to get that done along with Major Colon. The drug program, we want to say the drug things is down as sometimes it is and sometimes it is not. It is not really horrible right now; anything is horrible and I know that, but last week they came out that was probably the first time in a month that it actually went out to people's homes here in Riverside. It was a great thing; they went out and did four home visits last week. They are still out there working getting the word out to people and getting them some help and we appreciate them doing that. Don't forget that this week is police memorial week. Tomorrow we will be at Riverscape if anybody wants to come out at 11:00 am tomorrow. We go and honor Sergeant Freed, who was killed in the line of duty for Mad River at the time. Deputy Mayor Denning: It was the village. Ms. Lommatzsch: It was the village of Riverside. So we go out there with his family and we have one of our officers go up with her. I know we always see the mayor there. We try to make a really good showing for the family and let them know we will never forget him that is for sure. The computers are all installed in the cars; there is only one glitch in two of those cars and I think it has to do with the GPS; Huber Heights has to come over and get those fixed. I know Chief Stitzel has been working hard on that as he knows more about that stuff than I do. I have to be honest with you with what they have done so far with Chris and the Chief, Major Sturgeon and everyone working together to get this done, Huber Heights, my guys are super happy with what is going on with that system. There are no dead spots and it runs so fast and so smooth. I appreciate you letting us get this equipment that was needed because it will make a huge difference in how efficient we are. We can actually do reports in our cars now, which we should have been doing the whole time. We were hit and miss there. I really appreciate that. I know we are changing to Verizon and I bring that up because it is something that Chief has been working on; he's does double duty, he is my hero, don't tell him I said that. By the work these guys have done putting this in there, Chris and the Chief and anybody else involved, we went from 18 lines to 15 lines, which actually saves us money and then they gave us a discount on top of that so we ended up saving more money per month by doing this. We have no throttle and if you don't know what that means, it basically means we have less money and better service from Verizon because the no throttle means that we have priority over anybody else in the city. Whenever our power goes down, we get first response from Verizon. I am super excited about that and appreciate all the work that has been done on that. The vests this year, I think we will end up buying about 14 of those this year because we have two different grants for the vests. We got the BPV one, you sign up and they pay 50 percent so the vest cost \$900 and costs us \$450. The Attorney General came out with the Workman's Comp this year and said we can beat that so they are paying 75 percent; right now it is costing us \$225 for a brand new vest. Now is the time to go. The BPV money is still going to be there; we will never lose that because as long as you apply for it, you get it. It is a great win for us to go down to \$225 per vest that is a lot of savings. The Bike Rodeo is on May 11 at Rohrer Park from 11 am - 1 pm that is also the clean-up day that Dan Ryan has going on. He and I have been having some conversations about logistics to make sure we will have enough room there. I think we have ironed it out to where they are going to park and where the things are going to be. He has about 40 volunteers from what I understand. I am still working with him to make sure everything is squared away. Our only concern is we may have some soccer at the same time so there may be a little bit of a parking issue. For us, the bike rodeo itself most people will walk over to us, there may be some parking, but not a lot. I think they should be good events. If you have the opportunity to come out there just to visit, come on out; it's a good time, kids have a good time. We have food for everybody and drink and it

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is usually a pretty good turnout. Ms. Lommatzsch: Eat dogs. Do you have any blue light bulbs with you tonight? Chief Robinson: I do not have any on me right now, but I can get you one off that counter; there are about four or five, I don't think there are seven out there. We will bring some more over because we have another box full at the station.

B) Monthly Update Fire Department – Chief Stitzel: Under the capital project update, we are in the same place with the MVTs and the computers, everything is up and running. The EKG Lifepack 15 modems that we were needing to get, it does look like GDAHA (Greater Dayton Area Hospital Association) will be footing the bill for those devices for us so that is really the big benefit for us to transmit EKGs to the hospitals so they are willing to pick up the cost for this upgrade. That is all because the 2G network is going away so we are upgrading up to a 4G modem in our life packs. The Huberville house before it gets torn down the fire department has been taken advantage of it, being able to train in it and the guys have been doing a lot of great training over there. It is really nice to have something different than just taking a hose and pulling it off and going out into a field. We actually have a house that we can take a hose in; we don't have to worry about damaging it or anything like that so we are getting a lot of great training out of it before it gets torn down. In the big parking lot you will see about five or six cars kind of on top of each other and turned over; that is our auto-extrication training we are walking on right now. The house came up unexpectedly; we already had the cars planned so we are doing both trainings so the guys spend the mornings on the cars and go to the house in the afternoon doing hose evolutions and search and rescue training, a lot of great training. On top of that, we are trying to flush all the hydrants in the city in the next month that started yesterday; we will try to get every hydrant before June 6 to make sure it is all flushed out and the system is in good working order. We do light maintenance on all the hydrants that need it. We try to advertise that out so everybody knows we are out there doing that. I had two full-time openings, one of them is filled and he is finishing up his orientation this week and he will be on his regular shift starting Monday. His name is Chris Kessinger, he was a lieutenant with the Paint Creek Fire District down around Hillsboro/Portsmouth area. The second one, we just made another conditional offer to somebody that is local here so once we get all the paperwork through with him we will bring them both in to introduce them to you and get them sworn in by the mayor and have their families in for that. I do also have five, part-time candidates that are going through the process and we are at the physical agility phase that happens Tuesday. Once that is done, we are hoping to do their physicals and pre-employment testing. Hopefully, we will get some more part-time in here. It takes a good six to eight months to get them trained up to where they are able to count towards staffing and help reduce that overtime burden we are seeing right now. I was going to mention the Verizon public safety transition, but Chief already covered that.

Ms. Fry: I have a question on the graph in the packet, the staffing, is it full-time and part-time together? Chief Stitzel: That is how many people we have on duty a day. That is full-time, part-time, that is actually how many people are in the fire houses. Ms. Fry: Average over the course of the month? Chief Stitzel: Yes, what we do is we actually keep track of a day count so the graph itself is showing you a monthly rate so it is probably just the average of the month. Ms. Fry: Do you think it would be helpful to break that out by full-time and part-time? I would imagine... Chief Stitzel: We can, we do keep that staff; I have that information, I can incorporate that into here to show you how many full-time. We have five full-time people assigned on a day and typically there is one off on a vacation, EDO, sick leave so if you look at that and we are averaging around seven a day just under seven. Ms. Fry: That is not reflective of the staff that we have, it is just how many is on a shift. Chief Stitzel: How many are working. Ms. Fry: If you have fewer people working more overtime, it is not necessarily going to show a difference between that and having everybody just working their regular number of hours, but you just have more people. It is not going to show that difference. Chief Stitzel: I am not sure how we will look at that. I can show you the number of people we have to work each day or you can add how many are off, the full-time staff, like I said there are five assigned each day. Sometimes there is one, sometimes there are two off, and then part-time can range anywhere from two to four

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part-time people working a day. In the last couple of years, we were budgeted up to nine a day; the best we could get is around seven a day or seven-and-a-half because even though we had the money, we didn't have the part-time people to come in to work. What we ended up doing this year is we pulled the budget down to where we are supporting what we are able to staff, which is seven a day. We are trying to maintain an average of seven a day. Some days we are at five and that is a minimum by the union contract; I'm not allowed to go below five, but I can go five to eight as long as far as the budget goes I need to know we are averaging seven a day.

Mr. Curp: I believe it is the April 27th edition of the Dayton Daily News; some sections they stopped printing the date on the banner at the top of the page, but there are some things in here to indicate the 27th. The story is about the Dayton Fire Department and the Dayton School District putting together a firefighter/EMT program in DPS. It is a four year program, and when they come out, graduate from high school and finish the program, they will be certified under the state of Ohio's standards. That doesn't do us any good today because it is a four-year program and starts in the new school year, but I don't know whether there is room for us to partner with them, but it is something we could look into. Also, I did some perusing on the Internet and there are several community colleges outside of our area here that have Fire Sciences programs down in southeastern Ohio. I don't know what the graduation dates are, but if they have placement offices there, it might be worthwhile for us to take a look at. In addition, the City of Franklin, Ohio had an article in the paper several weeks ago that said they were raising the wages for their part-time firefighters because they wanted to retain them because they see the same situations everybody around here is experiencing, and that is they end up working full-time someplace else. Nonetheless, they mentioned they have a large number of part-timers in their employ. Assuming that those people want to have hours and they can't get all the hours they want down there that might be a place for us to contact and see whether or some way some of those folks might want to split sometime between down there and up there; it's not a very long drive.

C) Monthly Update Public Works Development – Mr. Bartlett: I'm not going to go over what was in the packet; I just want to add I did get a response back from the Montgomery County Solid Waste Management Department on our grants that we submitted this year. We submitted three grants and we received a partial grant on one of those and that was for recycled rubber mulch in one of our parks. We submitted for two parks and we got enough for one park. We have enough money to do half of Rohrer from the grant and then we are going to use our budgeted amount that we would typically use for wood mulch to do all of our parks; we are going to take the wood mulch out of Rohrer Park and put it in the displaced areas of the other parks and then use the budgeted amount to add to the grant money to do all rubberized mulch in the Rohrer Park. That was good news for us. Ms. Fry: How are we doing on potholes? Ms. Bartlett: Well, we have kind of a staffing issue with us mowing the parks now. We are mowing sometimes all we can do is mow; we've had four people working, four crew with three people off. Starting the summer months, spring months, fishing season things like that, guys want to take vacation and we have a lot of senior staff that have lots of vacation to use. By contract, we have to allow up to three people off and we are down one person full-time. Last week, I know, we tried to get two days out patching potholes and we typically are putting them on the thoroughfares as that is where we get the damage to the vehicles, the property reports in that we have to pay out for those. As we get a stack of complaints for potholes we go and address those on average once a week. Ms. Fry: Do we get through the stack? Ms. Bartlett: Yes, but we are not out looking for potholes on the residential streets; we are basically taking care of complaints. Ms. Fry: Do we have the budget or plan to hire seasonal...? Ms. Bartlett: We don't have any budget for that. Ms. Fry: No budget for that this year, okay, thank you.

D) Monthly Update Planning & Program Management - Mr. Lohr: We have a new zoning administrator who started on Tuesday; we are all very excited about this. Her name is Tamara Ennist; she worked a number of years at Greene County Regional Planning

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Commission as a planner, reviewed permits and that sort of thing. Her experience is showing; I've worked with her just three days now and she definitely has a good base under her to come here and be zoning administrator so we are very happy to have her here. We have had 85 permits year-to-date, the majority of those are fences, storage sheds, and driveways that sort of thing. We've had 187 zoning cases just in the month of April we had 92 new cases and Officer Gibbs had 102 follow-up inspections. I had a call about a permit for the Taco Bell on Harshman Road next to the sushi place, Okashi, and next to the old Rally's. They are, if plans go through and they have hired an architect for it, planning on demolishing the old Rally's, building a new Taco Bell, demolishing the existing Taco Bell, combining the lots and making one site. I was excited about that because the old Rally's is difficult building to get anyone into a building that small so it is great to see that occurring. Planning commission last month had a good discussion about food trucks and massage parlors in regard to the massage parlors between internal discussions with staff; we think it is more appropriate for a massage parlor code to be in business regulations rather than a zoning code. At some point in the future it will be coming to city council for consideration to add to our ordinances, but planning commission wanted to make sure when that does come before city council that they had good discussions at previous meetings and wanted to make sure those minutes were considered. In regard to food trucks, it is my hope that we will have a draft ordinance for planning commission to consider at this month's planning commission meeting. Mr. Curp: An issue for the Taco Bell development, one of the reasons for the lack of success for those two parcels is because it is difficult for vehicle access from southbound Harshman. We saw just the opposite for northbound access into KFC; what we found were cars driving up over the concrete median doing a left turn into the KFC creating great risk, obviously, but also damage to the median. As you are working with them on the plans that is an issue that will probably surface. Secondly, food trucks came up before in here and the questions that came up was how to manage food trucks because we have the food truck that has leased the space over where the Long John Silver's used to be. The comment at the time was that we didn't have any regulations. What other communities are doing is treating them as a restaurant and having them adhere to the same standards, the same criteria, the same requirements that restaurants do because that is what they are, just a mobile restaurant. If that assists staff in enforcement issues or assists the planning commission looking at how to handle some issues that is what other communities are doing.

Mr. Teaford: What is going on with the teen night club? I've seen people come out of the building the other day; they got the name up on the billboard. Mr. Lohr: I've seen that. I haven't heard anything from the zoning side; I haven't heard anything new. Mr. Carpenter: We did learn there was a permit submitted from us, but it is with the Montgomery County Building Regulations Board so it is sitting with them as far as I know. Mr. Teaford: So the city has no say so, yet? I mean it is almost right next to a bar and it is going to be a teen night club; there has to be something. Mr. Carpenter: We didn't find anything that violated our ordinances. Mr. Curp: The problem we run in to because we had this years ago with the school district. We have a high school right across the street from a gas station that sells booze; when the gas station applied for their liquor license to sell booze the school district opposed the application. It was approved anyway because the people in Columbus who are responsible for licensing are also responsible for revenue generations so what the heck. Their rationale was there was already booze available down the street at McMahan's Market and so there is no change in the conditions as far as access to alcoholic beverages so they went ahead and granted the application. You could run into the same situation with... Mr. Teaford: I am all for business in Riverside.

Ms. Fry: Is Parks and Rec planning any activities for the summer? Mr. Lohr: Yes, they are planning a larger event to take place in August. It is not going to be a full-fledged festival, but it will take place at Community Park on August 31. Ms. Fry: This is the wings festival? Mr. Lohr: Yes. Ms. Fry: Okay, so it is not going to be the full-fledged festival? Mr. Lohr: What they have talked about is it will be from noon to 10 pm on August 31. We are looking at a couple of bands with a stage, a tent, and chairs. We have some vendors lined

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up; we are hoping to get some food vendors lined up. It will be bigger than our park events we have had previously, but it is really just dipping our toes in the water of doing a full-fledged festival. Ms. Fry: The plan is to do something small and then build up capacity? Mr. Lohr: Yes. Ms. Fry: Have we involved anyone outside the Parks and Rec committee? Mr. Lohr: We have some other members of the community, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Ryan, Ashley Ferguson; they have come in and want to be involved in putting it together. At some point we will need to expand and draw some other people into it, but this is just preliminary planning for what might be a large festival in the future. Ms. Fry: Do you have enough people involved at this point for this year? Mr. Lohr: I would say we could use more, definitely; I think the goal would be if there is going to be a community festival, there needs to be an active festival committee so I am not sure what the ideal size for that is. I know it takes a lot of people to run a community festival and I think that is part of the discussions I have had with Parks and Rec. We want to build some interest this year and some momentum so that we can draw people in and be involved in the planning phase of it. That is the goal that we are looking at for this year. Ms. Fry: Also to whet the appetite of the community to invest in the event. Mr. Lohr: And also give us an opportunity to see if it is a good idea that really ties to the history of the community with aerospace and also draw some interest with wings, a food many people like. We think it is a good idea, but it is also an opportunity to see if it is of interest. Ms. Lommatzsch: There are a lot of people around who have experience doing this kind of event in Riverside. They may be willing to participate, but don't want to barge into somebody else's pot. There are organizations in the city as well who I am sure would be more than glad to participate. I don't believe any effort has been made to expand beyond the parks and rec group. Mr. Lohr: Yeah, I've not made a good effort to get out there and draw people in, but that is something we would like to do. Mayor Flaute: If you are going to judge it by the attendance, you are going to need to draw people in. Mr. Teaford: I'm sorry I didn't mean to step on you there; are you going to use the football field? Mr. Lohr: Ideally, no. Mr. Teaford: You know why I ask that, they are very, very... Mr. Lohr: When we first started having serious conversations about this, one of the first phone calls that I made was to the president of pee-wee football. They were very receptive to it. The festival we are doing this year is not going to be big enough that we will need that football field space. I think it makes sense to move things away from the football field this year so we can preserve that for pee-wee football. We have tossed around some ideas that might require some of that space at least temporarily, but we wouldn't want the general public tromping around in that area. Ms. Lommatzsch: Well they would be playing football by August 31. Mr. Lohr: Yes, they will. Ms. Lommatzsch: There will be games going on there. Mr. Lohr: You are right, and that was one of the things we talked about and he said he didn't believe or didn't have any games scheduled on Saturday, August 31; but he would make sure there weren't any games there that day. Ms. Lommatzsch: I think that would be an enhancement. I think games going on would be an enhancement to the event. Mr. Lohr: It could be, that would definitely draw people in. I would be concerned about the parking, I guess, because there is not a whole lot of space there. I hadn't thought of it in that way. Ms. Lommatzsch: The parking was an issue before; Mike and I were involved in the park in the first festival. Deputy Mayor Denning: The way you handle the parking is the same way we did it with Relay for Life, it is just no parking in the park, but what we did with the festival is work with the school system and used the field over there in front of Virginia Stevenson. That would be where you put your parking. But, when we did it, we didn't use the football field either and there is plenty of room in that park to lay it out so it could be used that way. Mayor Flaute: If we want it to be successful we have to do something different than what we did last year for the small ones. I don't know what that difference is except to have a festival committee of some sort. Deputy Mayor Denning: I think the big thing; the biggest thing is letting the community know what is going on. I think part of it is people just didn't know and we had so many small things going all over the city that it was too small. People have to know and you have to build up and put out there what you are actually doing and put it out there in enough time so they can plan to show up. You have to have your stuff together and do it right because if you don't do it right, it will fall on its face and then you will have another black eye. Ms. Fry: I do have a concern with what Mr. Denning just said. I don't want to

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put something out there that people are disappointed with and that they don't want to come back more ready to put something on bigger. I want to really set expectations. I am honestly very worried that it is May, the event is in August, and that we just, it is not...I would want it to be something we could start advertising now to have enough detail and in the fact that we don't have a festival committee. Deputy Mayor Denning: You definitely don't have an experienced festival committee. Ms. Fry: Yeah, I understand your goal at this point, and I guess as long as we set expectations and we do put forth the effort to reach out to the community with the expectation that next year we want to form a festival committee and that we don't start planning next year's in January, but we start planning next year's this summer as we get people along. I don't want to do something this year that is going to damage next year. Mr. Lohr: Understood, and I just want to be clear, this isn't my goal. I know I have been the face of this at city council, but this is Parks and Recreation who has made the decision that they want to do that and I am just trying to help them along. Mayor Flaute: Somebody has to take the bull by the horn. Mr. Lohr: We have had some of our people really step up and laying some of the ground work and things that come with it. We have some vendors lined up; we have people making phone calls. It is definitely from having done the park events previously, I know that we are able to line up a bigger event. We have enough time to line up a bigger event than what we have had with the park events in the last couple of years. We have enough time for that. Ms. Lommatzsch: Are you doing that or...I mean you have a lot on your plate and I don't know that this is your job. In fact I know it is not your job. Mayor Flaute: But it has to be somebodies. Ms. Lommatzsch: But it has to be somebody's job. What day is the Night out Against Crime, it's what, two weeks or three weeks before that? Chief Robinson: August 6. Mr. Lommatzsch: So, and I'm not sure...and it is Labor Day Weekend. I'm real concerned about and the police event is an amazing event and they certainly have a lot of contacts and the attendance, I don't know what it is...but August 31 is the Saturday of Labor Day Weekend. Two things are you going to get volunteers to help to do things on Labor Day Weekend and the second thing is pools are open and people have family cookouts; I'm really concerned about the success and we are 90 days away. I'm sorry; I didn't do my math right, 120 days away. Mr. Lohr: The reason why August 31 was chosen is because they wanted that connection with the base and the history there and that is the weekend when they have the large remote control aircraft there so they thought if they had that going on at the Air Force Museum that might be a draw and make that stronger connection there. As I see my role, I am a facilitator. I can't possibly organize a festival, what I am trying to do is point them in the right direction. Ms. Lommatzsch: You have enough on your plate to get the city moving forward in economic development and getting it cleaned up because the city is a mess. There are going to be food trucks and all of that stuff at the museum.

Deputy Mayor Denning: I read here under economic development that Far Hills Development wanted to change their offices. What happened to them buying the Cornerstone Baptist Church did their funding fall through? Mr. Carpenter: They couldn't come to an agreement on the price for that building. Deputy Mayor Denning: So that went away; I knew that was in the works six months or so ago and I just didn't know if there was any way we could help facilitate that because to me taking that from a non-taxable building to a taxable property would have been a positive thing for the city in general. If there was some way we could have helped facilitate that, I think we should have looked into that.

ITEM 15: PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Mayor Flaute invited Mark Romito to speak regarding item 19-O-690 and asked that he keep his time to three minutes. Mr. Romito: Mr. Mayor and members of council, I am Mark Romito, Director of External Affairs for AT&T in southwest Ohio. We appreciate the opportunity to address the ordinance on Small Cell Facilities and Wireless Support Structures. We have shared with the city some concerns by letter. These concerns for the most part can be broadly categorizes in three different areas. Some things in the ordinance may be inconsistent with the small cells laws. There are certain procedural aspects of the ordinance that could be improved like the addition of a waiver process, and in some cases, it does not recognize the limitations of the current technology. But, my main point in being here this evening is to

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just say that if and when AT&T needs to install a small cell, we will be more than willing to work with the city on that deployment and try to incorporate the city's concerns in that process. In the course of talking with the city manager and the city attorney, they seem to share that sentiment. Thank you very much, I appreciate your time.

ITEM 16: OLD BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES

I) Ordinance No. 19-O-690 adding Section 1115.14 Small Cell Facilities and Wireless Support Structures to the Unified Development Ordinances (UDO) of the City of Riverside.

Mr. Carpenter: This is the second reading of the small cell facility ordinance.

Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to read Ordinance No. 19-O-690 for the second time by title only. Mr. Curp seconded the motion.

Mayor Flaute opened the public hearing for Ordinance No. 19-O-690. Ms. Grandjean came forward.

Ms. Grandjean: Mr. Romito and I have discussed what he indicated before is a fair description of our discussion, which is we plan to work with AT&T and any other applicant to provide whatever assistance and flexibility that is needed in order to properly evaluate an application. One thing that he pointed out that I would suggest that be modified is Section 1115.14 (E)(2)(c)(ii)(IV)(i) if you look for the words "21 cubic feet" that is a typo; it should be "28 cubic feet". If you are inclined to adopt the ordinance, I suggest it be adopted with that change, which would not require a new reading, it is a typo. Any other issues we are confident we can work out with AT&T.

Mayor Flaute closed the public hearing.

Ms. Fry: I just want to clarify; so we have issues, but rather than resolve the issues in the legislation we are just going to agree to resolve them at some future time? Am I hearing that accurately? Ms. Grandjean: We believe it is imperative that council adopt something because we are past the time where council needs to enact something. It may be necessary to implement some amendments; it may not be necessary. We will work together to decide whether we have a meeting of the minds or not. My recommendation is that council go ahead and adopt something so there is something in place by which any applications could be judged. If it is necessary to consider some amendments those can be presented. So, yes, the answer is something needs to be adopted. Mayor Flaute: But we don't need to change the motion. Ms. Grandjean: No, except to make that 21 be 28 because that is a typo. Mayor Flaute: Okay, so whoever made the motion...Deputy Mayor Denning: Yes, what the law director said, please.

Roll call was taken as follows: Deputy Mayor Denning, yes; Mr. Curp, yes; Ms. Fry, yes; Ms. Lommatzsch, yes; Mr. Teaford, yes; Mayor Flaute, yes. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 17: NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES

I) Ordinance No. 18-O-678 adding new Section 1115.17, Live/Work, and amending Sections 1107.05 (B)(4); 1107.09 (B)(4); 1107.09 (C)(4); and 1107.11 (B)(4) of the Unified Development Ordinances (UDO) of the City of Riverside. (1st reading)

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Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to read Ordinance No. 18-O-678 for the first time in its entirety.

Ms. Lewallen read the ordinance in its entirety.

Being no other discussion, roll call was taken as follows: Deputy Mayor Denning, yes; Mr. Teaford, yes; Mr. Curp, yes, Ms. Fry, yes; Ms. Lommatzsch, yes; Mayor Flaute, yes. **Motion carried.**

B. RESOLUTIONS

- I) **19-R-2472 declaring 180' of unused split rail fencing and other public service equipment to be surplus and no longer needed for city purposes and authorizing its sale by sealed bid, a broker, direct sale to a public entity, or auction.**

Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to approve Resolution No. 19-R-2472. Ms. Lommatzsch seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 18: PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Mayor Flaute invited Mr. Ben Lowery to talk about his concern.

Mr. Lowery: Good evening, the thing I wanted to bring up is I live in the Brantwood Housing development off of Brandt Pike, and the city has come through and put down signs that says you are only allowed to park on one side of the road; however, nobody really adheres to that and there is parking on both sides. Because I don't know how to do this, I would like to ask the city how I propose to reduce the speed limit through there because it is a residential area and it is 25 mph; however, I have seen people drive through there at 25, 35, 40 mph and I am just waiting for these guys to be called, or a little kid getting ran over or something. I would like the city to adopt the speed limit of 15 mph in the development at a whole verses the 25 mph residential code. I don't know how to do that. Mayor Flaute: You have done the right thing by coming to us and we have heard your request and there will be someone either the city manager or the police chief that will get you after the meeting or give you a call tomorrow. Mr. Lowery: Perfect. Thank you for your time.

Mayor Flaute invited Mr. Dan Ryan to come forward and discuss his issue.

Mr. Ryan: How are you doing, everybody? The reason for my being here today is to promote my May 11 Trash Clean-Up Day we are doing. So far Rebuild Together Dayton is going to have a few people there, Way of the Cross is going to help pick up trash as well as transporting people around in a van so we can spread through the plat and possibly on Valley and other areas and Americorp has been informed through Rebuild Together Dayton. I haven't seen how many have signed up through them, but we have about 40 people. I have been working with Freda Patterson; she has been handling the website end of it. One resident has donated a trailer for the day so we will have a trailer, and I am trying to make this as big as possible. I've asked all kinds of people throughout the community to help. I am trying to make this big; I want to do one quick sweep through. As you guys know, you have helped me in the past, Mr. Denning, especially, and Mr. Carpenter; we've painted houses together, we've been picking up trash. Mr. Mayor, you were out one day with us. I am really screaming to get as much community involved making a real difference on this one particular day. I wanted to post this out here and get it up on YouTube; I've never been on YouTube before so this is even a better opportunity for me. I just wanted to get the word out for any residents who would help out and meet us at Rohrer Park. I believe we have that worked out for parking. I can talk to you about it after, so I am

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really excited to work together as a community, residents, staff, council members, whoever else we can get to do this one particular day. One more thing I wanted to state aside from this particular day, Old Pathway Pentecostal Church on Rohrer has been funding some of the projects we have been doing. I still have some unused money from them. They've promised to help out with future projects. I am going to take a bit of a break after May 11 to get my healthy better, but I really want to hit it hard this fall on some other projects. I just want it out there to let people know what we are doing and as working in the community trying to make a difference, not just me, but all that we have been working together. I just wanted to state that.

Mr. Teaford: What time is that on May 11? Mr. Ryan: It is 11 am - 1 pm; it's our goal. Ms. Lommatzsch: Same time as the bike rodeo. Mr. Ryan: Yeah, I guess I should have asked first; I wasn't thinking about it, I just needed a spot to meet. So the idea and what I didn't say is that we want to do a trash tag type picture. It is a worldwide event, people pick up trash, and they take pictures of it and brag about it on social media. They say by 2030 there will be more trash in the ocean than there are people on the planet. This is a combat of that. Our goal was to pick up the trash; I've got a pickup truck where I will run around the neighborhood and pick up the bags when they get full, obviously, we don't want people carting them back. I will run around and pick them up and we will load this trailer and get a picture of it that is the goal of all of us standing around with the picture and we will put it all over Facebook. Mayor Flaute: You said we are meeting at Rohrer Park? I've got down 724 Rohrer Blvd. Mr. Ryan: Yeah, so I didn't even know there was an address, but that is the actual address to the park. We will meet there at 11 am and we hope to be able to shuttle people out across the neighborhood and I know Hope for Riverside has posted it public through their channels. I would love to see 100 people. I would, and helicopters flying in and dropping people. For the most part, I really want to make a difference, I want the community to see us all working together. There was nothing better than when I had Mr. Denning and Mr. Carpenter out with us in the community and then when people try to complain, which they love to do about the city, I can say they are right here, they've done it. He was coming to paint on a Sunday morning, covered in paint; some of it because I splashed it on him when I was painting, but I want the community to see we are all trying to work together to make a difference and I truly believe we can win and really make a difference.

Ms. Lommatzsch: So you have all these people, and you know I've been supporting the thing, spread the word on Facebook and all that, you have all these people come to collect trash, alright, are people going to be asked to put it out to be picked up? Mr. Ryan: No, we just want to clean the streets. We want to walk the streets, maybe some people in the park; there are a couple of people going to bring their children with them. My idea for them was to walk around the park, you don't want to have little kids running around the streets so no we just want to clean up off the streets, off the area; the right of ways. I'm going to make up a map; I will run around a day or two ahead of time and look at the bad spots and work with the church as far as locations. Some of the people that may be coming to help don't know the area. That is why we don't want them...it doesn't make sense for everybody to walk from the park across the entire neighborhood where we could just drop them off and then go back and pick them up. Ms. Lommatzsch: I just didn't know...Mr. Ryan: We can't do any type of bulk pick-up. You guys are doing that on June 1, anyway. I don't want to be moving mattresses and things. Ms. Lommatzsch: I just don't want people getting into trouble going on people's property. Mr. Ryan: No, no, no, it is only in the right-of-ways; and everybody that is involved, it is on the ticket we have online that explains that. And before we take off and go, I will get up on the back of my truck and talk to everybody and go over how we think we should do it. It isn't just me, there are a few people involved to plan it and be as efficient as possible and just like I said, depending on how much we get will determine how far out we will go. We could hit Brandt, certainly Valley, it just depends. I will know better last minute; I will run around and look at the bad spots. Mayor Flaute: You are going to take a picture before the event and not after? Mr. Ryan: No, we wanted to do it after so we would have a picture of all the trash. We could do some before,

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but the idea was that once we...Mayor Flaute: I'm just afraid people will scatter. Deputy Mayor Denning: And they may, we are going to have a picture of all the trash bags packed up. Mr. Ryan: We can certainly do before as well, I'm not too focused on the picture right now; I'm more worried about making it efficient. I don't want people to show up and be frustrated and then not come back again, because this isn't going to be the only time. We've gotten over 100 bags of trash in a couple of years, a handful of us. That is why this time around I wanted to give it a quick blast. Deputy Mayor Denning: It took Dan and I multiple times to hit the whole plat and Valley street a couple of times. The hope is that we will be able to do this once in the spring and maybe once again in the fall. When Dan started this there was a lot of stuff we were picking up and as the more times we go the less or the farther we have to walk to get the same amount of stuff, which is a good thing. Hopefully, with more people we can cover more area at one time and clean up and we won't have to go out three or four times a year, you only go out once or twice a year. We are going to spring cleaning and expand it beyond just the Valley Plat area and into the Floral Park area and into Springfield Street and all of that, too. Mr. Ryan: The other thing is the more people I get to meet in the neighborhood and get more volunteers; we can expand projects, it doesn't just have to be trash. We've painted two houses now, cut brush out of one lady's house; we've done other projects that I want to continue to do with more and more people.

ITEM 19: COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mr. Teaford: Could we make sure we have the bathrooms open that weekend? They have padlocks on the doors now for the shelter and there is no way to get in there unless somebody has a key. Mayor Flaute: Didn't they just deliver outhouses? Mr. Teaford: they got one outhouse, but you got soccer out there that day, you have the bike rodeo, now you will have all these people. Deputy Mayor Denning: Has it been de-winterized? Ms. Bartlett: Yes, it has been. But, we have had problems; somebody needs to be responsible for opening and closing it. Mr. Teaford: I would be glad to do that if that would be acceptable to everybody. I was going to be there for the rodeo. With that many people there, one port-o-john is a little tough. Ms. Bartlett: Either see me or Jay and we can get you the key.

Deputy Mayor Denning: I just wanted to say it wasn't Officer Freed, it was Officer Safreed, Larry Safreed that was killed in the line of duty.

Ms. Lommatzsch: I was at MVRPC this morning, I have the executive director's report for everybody, and there is a new, free, MVRPC ARC GIS Desktop Working with Data workshop at Wright State that will focus on training people to use a new GIS program that will combine a lot of things MVRPC is doing now independently, Now, I am not an IT person, so if you want to look at zoning you have to go here, if you want to look at mapping you go here; this program is going to combine lots of different programs MVRPC has into one mechanism as I understand it. Here is information for any of you who are interested in going to Wright State on the May 22, it's four hours in the morning and free, but you do need to get a reservation because it is limited to folks. I don't know if anybody from the city is interested in going; they need to hop on the reservation. There is also a profile thing; we had a presentation of profiles and going places. This is information I don't have copies for everybody, but if you are interested in reading it. We had a really good InCrowd dinner the other night at the Legion. It was well attended. The next one is going to be on May 20 at China Buffet; I will be going to Soin to the breakfast next Thursday morning.

Deputy Mayor Denning: Tuesday... vote, whichever, but vote.

Mr. Curp: On April 30, Luscious Jones passed away. Luscious was a member of one of our boards and commissions a number of years ago; I think Luscious was in his mid-80s. A good asset in the community and we will miss Mr. Jones. On Tuesday, April 23, Mr.

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Manager, there was a meeting at the Nutter Center of over 500 small business owners and buyers as part of a program called 2019 Ohio Business Matchmaker. It was a good opportunity for city's like us to be there to make ourselves known and let people know that if they are looking for some place to land their business, or grow their business, or expand their business, we've got facilities here in this community and services to support those businesses. I sent an email over here asking who on our staff was going to be there to represent us. To date, I haven't gotten a response that is 10 days; I hope in the future I am thought of a little bit better than that, Mr. Manager. There is another one coming up in a couple of weeks, another tech get together and I hope we find a way to make our presence known there so we can try and do a little economic development and marketing promotion of our city. Similarly, there is a lot of activity going on now at Springfield, Beckley Municipal Airport, regarding drones. It seems to be a hotbed area over there because that is where a lot of stuff is going on, but not everything drone related goes on over there. A lot of the development activity, a lot of the management activity goes on in other places in the Dayton area so that could be an area we can start looking at things. It is always good to read the newspaper because you learn a lot of stuff that you might otherwise not know. For example, in the legal section last week, there was a divorce notice and it mentions the name of an attorney who has an office on Woodman Drive in our city. Whether RITA knows about that attorney and has sent them information to make sure they are withholding and paying the city income tax, I don't know, but it is something we can be on top of as far as taking a look at things like and assisting RITA in understanding who lives and works here. Then there is Mr. Walling with Victory Realty; I don't know where we are as far as talking with him about this facility or other facilities in the city, but we need to take a look at doing something to deal with this facility here because while we are going to talk tonight, I suppose, about a lease; we don't want to be in the real estate business so when we talk about this place and we talk about all these lots we don't want to be in the real estate business so those are my comments.

Mayor Flaute: I have done seven weddings the last few weeks. Next, congratulations to Ms. Lommatzsch, we had a big dinner and she deserves a round of applause for winning a big award with the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission and we are real proud of her and proud she takes Riverside outside its borders. We had a volunteer dinner, Ms. Lommatzsch and Katie were very involved and a lot of other folks so thanks for all who worked it and for all who attended. I had a child abuse prevention ceremony that went off without a hitch, also, that was something we can be very pleased that is in our city. We had a ribbon cutting of Mana Rose massage, which is at 1336 Woodman Drive, so thanks to the chamber for having that and we hope for success for that business. I attended celebrity bowling event for United Rehabilitation Services as most of you know they are in our city and need our support. I was there bowling with all the clients there it was a good day. Celebrated the 75th anniversary of the 88th wing with WPAFB and it was a big deal, a big deal they are still with us. A lot of us attended the Fisher House fundraiser at Wright-Patt Museum. Thanks to all of those who attended that and made that a success.

Ms. Lommatzsch: I'm sorry, but we do need to enter into the record, there are a lot of people who ask me about what the volunteer dinner costs the city and I would like to enter into the records of folks that supported it and there is a list in your packet of donations that were received. The total cost of that event was \$699 so I think our volunteers are well worth the dinner. You want to read the names of the donors and get them in the record Ms. Clerk? I just think it needs to go on the record; these folks are businesses we do business with who have supported giving our volunteers a thank you and they get a dinner and anyone out in the audience that are regular attenders we would love for you to have a Riverside license plate holder just see one of us and we will give you one. Ms. Lewallen: Our donors for the year were: Marsh & McClennan, Altick & Corwin, the Riverside Chamber, Sandy's Towing, ChoiceOne, and Waker Plumbing. Ms. Lommatzsch: Thank you to those folks who supported our event.

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Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to go into executive session at 8:53 p.m. Mr. Teaford seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 20: EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A) Section 13.01 (d)(7) To receive and consider from an applicant for a permit, license, variance, zoning change or other similar privilege granted by the City, the following information confidentially received from an applicant:
C. Production techniques and trade secrets.

- B) Section 103.01 (d)(1) Unless the City employee or official requests a public hearing; to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a city employee or official or the investigation of charges or complaints against a City employee or official.

ITEM 21: RECONVENE

Council reconvened at 10:18 pm.

A. RESOLUTION

- I) **Resolution No. 19-R-2473 authorizing the city manager to enter into a lease agreement renewal with Price Systems, LLC.**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Denning to approve Resolution No. 19-R-2473. Mr. Teaford seconded the motion. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion carried.**

- II) **Resolution No. 19-R-2474 authorizing the city manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Communication Workers of America Local 4322.**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Denning to approve Resolution No. 19-R-2474. Mr. Teaford seconded the motion. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM 22: ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Denning motioned to adjourn. Ms. Lommatzsch seconded the motion. All were in favor; none were opposed. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm.

William R. Flaute, Mayor

Clerk of Council