CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Williams called the Riverside, Ohio City Council Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. at the Riverside Administrative Offices located at 5200 Springfield Street, Suite 100, Riverside, Ohio, 45431.

ROLL CALL: Council attendance was as follows: Ms. Campbell, present; Mr. Denning, present; Mrs. Franklin, present; Ms. Fry, present; Ms. Lommatzsch, present; Mr. Maxfield, present; and Mayor Williams, present.

Staff present was as follows: Mark Carpenter, City Manager; Chris Lohr, Assistant City Manager; Tom Garrett, Finance Director; Major Adam Colon, Police; Brett Wenzler, Battalion Chief Fire; Kathy Bartlett, Public Services Director; Gary Burkholder, Community Development Director; and Katie Lewallen, Clerk of Council.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: No council members were absent.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA: There were no changes to the agenda.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE: Mayor Williams led the pledge of allegiance.

CITY MANAGER RECOGNITION: Montgomery County Administrator Michael Colbert: Three or four years ago when I met Mark as of now, he has always been a leader amongst the city managers. He has been a leader in the community. He taught me a lot about humility and about service to the public. I came out here and met Mark and found ways we could collaborate the county and the city. During the tornadoes, you really saw Mark in his true element. The community had a need and he was out there for the community. I want to say to you Mark, professionally and personally, you will be missed. The county on behalf of myself and the county commissioners, Judy Dodge, President; Debbie Lieberman, and Carolyn Rice, we will miss you. Your leadership, your fortitude and your dedication to the community is a debt that we will never be able to repay you. He presented Mr. Carpenter with a proclamation from the County Commissioners.

Mayor Williams: It has only been a year-and-a-half that I have been able to work with Mark directly. The thing I will miss the most is not necessarily the professional relationship, which was very rewarding, but it is the friendship that we have made. Mark is a kid from east Dayton that grew up working for his dad; very similar to the way I grew up, it just made us kindred spirits right away. Mark was in a meeting with me this morning and I mentioned this guy is retiring. He has been 30+ years, and he said, "I've been working since I was in Kindergarten." He was working with his dad, learning the value of a hard day's work. To echo Michael, I really should have gone before Michael because I hate to follow that, is the idea of a servant leader, which is really what we've had here in Riverside with Mark as a servant leader. It is what the City of Dayton had for 22 years, and it is someone who finds the value of dedication to community and that value in service. I got to know who Mark was through the tornadoes. I knew he was our city manager. I knew a bit of his resume, but it was when the tornadoes hit that I saw Mark in action. April and I came on to the council 18 months ago and it was three months in that Covid-19 hit. I realized very quickly how fortunate we as a community were to have someone who had such a heavy operations background and someone who had worked as a first responder to lead our community through those very unknown months when the pandemic first occurred. In June, when a group of citizens and residents in our region wanted to bring light to a lot of the injustices happening in our country, Mark along with Chief Robinson made sure that everything that group needed to have a successful and peaceful rally at Stebbins High School happened. Mark was there side-by-side. Not because Mark is the city manager, but because that is Mark as a person. Mark as a person is one who believes in all of these things. Michael said it a

minute ago, on weekends, you would find Mark working with Dan Ryan in the neighborhood on projects for people who maybe couldn't get a fence fixed on their own or a house painted on their own and Mark never did that then turn around to ask the city Facebook page to feature it, he just did it because that is who Mark is. What I will miss is who Mark is. Mark is a servant leader. As much as Mark loves the region that raised him, the City of Dayton, the City of Riverside, the only thing that could pull him away is this beautiful granddaughter that I just got the chance to meet. I completely understand that Mark has a very well-earned retirement with a beautiful family and many more years ahead of him to enjoy all that life has to bring him. I hope that he is not a stranger. I will also give other council members a chance to say thank you to Mark, but I wanted to bring you up quickly to give you an award. So, Mark in recognition of your dedication and service to the residents of the City of Riverside, we thank you for 10 years we had you in our community, and I do whole heartedly thank you for the 32 years we had you in this region as a servant leader, raising a family in the region, now with a grandchild, and continuing to give back in more ways than just as an administrative function of government, leading by example. I really will miss your friendship. I will miss our talks, our arguments about the Cincinnati Reds, and I hope that we can continue a lot of those even when you are kicking back and enjoying retired life. Mark, congratulations.

Mr. Carpenter: This is definitely not my forte. I do want to say a lot of thanks, first and foremost to family. It is a lot of time commitment being a dedicated public servant. I missed a lot of times with them. I look forward to having the opportunity to spend more time with them. A lot of things have happened personally, and everybody has had to deal with it, with Covid-19 and just things that happened with my family, disappointments and the blessings. I am looking forward to spending time with my family, and here at the city, it has been tremendous. The staff here at Riverside are just phenomenal, and the people are terrific. I really like the people of Riverside. That is one thing Lisa and I would talk about a lot. The people are just real people in Riverside. A lot of the work that gets done is it is from people on the front lines, the fire department, the police department, service and administration. Those do all the heavy lifting and there is a lot of heavy lifting. The dedicated staff is just fantastic. I haven't seen that in a lot of my other jobs. I was counting them up the other day as the Mayor said, I started in Kindergarten; I probably worked for 14 different places. Part of that is because I went to a co-op school, work two weeks, school two weeks, and my dad had a business working while I was in school so lots and lots of work time. I am ready for a break, and ready to do some travelling and spend time with the family. I am going to miss doing for others as far as a government employee, but we have plans to help people who need help. Thank you very much, I've really enjoyed my time here in Riverside.

Mayor Williams: While we are on the topic of recognition, I did want to make sure every member of council had a chance to personally thank Mark so we will start with Mr. Denning.

Mr. Denning: Mark, thank you for the many years. You came in to be city manager when specific and were very calming to the staff because they were all very worried about where things were going, what we were doing, and you came in and got everything calmed down. You got everybody pointed in the right directions and moved things forward, and I just want to thank you for doing that. The things that you have done over the years, in the five years, it took a year or so, but I don't believe we had had a balanced budget, the budget part, in the previous five years. That was one of the things this council said they wanted, and within a year you were handing us a balanced budget. It wasn't pretty; it didn't do a lot of things, but it gave us a balanced budget and that was something we thank you for.

Ms. Fry: It has been a wonderful four years working with you. When I came in, I knew very little about how the city operated and I appreciated all of the time you took to teach me all the things that I didn't know. One of my favorite memories of you is in one of our work sessions, I asked you a very pointed question and you were very reluctant to answer it because it would embarrass me. That is the kind of person I've known you to be. You are very generous and even when you would take the brunt of it, but you have been very

generous to all of us. I really appreciate that about you. I hope you will stay in the neighborhood; I enjoy having you for a neighbor. I wish you a happy retirement.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: I'm not good at these things because I usually cry, but I think there is something about Lisa and Mark that a lot of people who know them in their professional, but Mark and Lisa have donated a lot of their time to children of this city. As part of my church, not their church, they have volunteered numerous hours to young people in this city that need help. They have done is freely, happily, and regularly for three maybe more years. I've worked during that time and I can't do it, and I have heard nothing but positive remarks and it makes the city visible to a lot of other people. What they have meant to a lot of young people in the city a lot of people don't understand. I personally want to thank you for putting yourself out and you do it in so many ways that have already been mentioned tonight. We've become good friends, as I've become a friend of Lisa's, and I hope you will stick around. I hope you are not going to leave our community.

Ms. Campbell: You've done an outstanding job, and you have really good patience. I don't think I've every seen you get mad, lose your temper. You've had to tolerate a lot of things and you handle it well. You've answered a lot of questions for even myself and a lot of the rest of council. I hate to see you go; keep in touch with all of us and let us know how you are doing. God bless you.

Mrs. Franklin: I just want to start by saying I've know Mark for a little over a year-and-a-half, and I think the first conversation Mark and I had, he was probably like who the heck does this woman think she is. From that conversation, we grew and we became friends and the one thing, I am kind of a firecracker, and Mark always brought me in and said, nope, you're wrong, April, He always kept me on my toes; he taught me a lot of things and when I thought one thing was one way, he would show me different things that would make me a better person, would make me understand how the city ran and make me a better council person. For that, I would like to thank you, Mark. He has become a good friend. We love to razz each other and play the check mark, who is right, who is wrong; I will miss that. I think we will be able to continue to do that. Thanks, Mark.

Mr. Maxfield: Well, the two weeks I have been on….actually, I've known Mark for awhile when I was working at Stebbins High School. I had the great opportunity to work with him on some projects through my career technical programs and with the city. I appreciate everything Mark has done not only for the city, but also for the school system as well. I know he would meet at least once a month with Mr. Wyen and just talk about how we can continue to further improve our city and move things forward. I appreciate that not only as a citizen, but now as a council member, who were the first one to welcome me aboard and I appreciate that. Good luck with your future endeavors and what you are going to do with travelling and everything else. Spend time with that grandbaby.

Mr. Carpenter: Thank you, council. I appreciate that. I know the search is underway and I tell everybody that I think Riverside is on the upswing, things are going in the right direction, and I think that is something that needs to be noted for the next city manager. They need to be aware of that.

PRESENTATION – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING: Scott Ziance of Vorys, Sater, Seymour, and Pease LLP: I thought I could give a 15-minute overview on TIF if you like, and then talk about the types of situations you have in Riverside or I can give a five-minute overview and just talk about your questions. Mayor Williams: I think if you can give us a five-minute overview and if we could have a Q & A that would be wonderful. Mr. Ziance: What Tax Increment Financing is, is when any legislative authority whether that is city council or county commissioners or township trustees can do in unincorporated areas, declare the increase in assessed value or a portion/percentage of increase in an assessed value of certain parcels of property to be exempt from real estate. Instead, so those that are exempt from real estate taxes that increase in assessed value is declared to be exempt (interruption

to allow sharing screen)…so, this illustrates TIFs, city council declares the increase in the assessed value of certain parcels of property to be exempt from real estate tax. That increase is called the 'increment'. With respect to that increment, what city council does is it specifies that property owners are to pay what is called TIF service payments in the same amount and at the same time as what property taxes would otherwise be on that increased value. Those TIF service payments then go into…two things happen with them. First, a portion of those go to the school district unless the school district completely waves its right to receive TIF service payments, which is extremely rare. So, first they go to the main school district and the joint vocational school district. They get a portion of the TIF service payments. The rest then come into a fund that has a long name, but it is known as a TIF fund. The revenues in that TIF fund need to be used for the purposes specified by the general assembly. There are a number of different kinds of TIF, but with the most common kind of TIF those TIF service payments need to be used for a term of art called 'public infrastructure'. That term includes both of what anyone would think of as public infrastructure: utilities, public roads, public sidewalks, etc. It also includes some things that are not intuitive like demolition on private property, flood remediation, and some other public type uses of funds that the general assembly has decided to call public infrastructure. That is super high level what TIF is. Taking it down a touch lower making this a five-minute thing. There are basically six different kinds of TIF that cities can use. What I tell people is like anything, measure twice, cut once. Spend time on the front end what kind of TIF you want to use because each has its different positives and negatives. You want to use the right tool for the job. The other things to know in terms of terms and percentage what you can do; you can do a TIF that is 10 years/75% without school district approval. What that means is that for a 10-year period where we have this chart, 75% of that increase in value is subject to TIF. The rest is treated liked regular taxes. You can do that without school district approval. The other thing to note is that with school district approval or by holding the school district harmless, you can do a 100% TIF for 30-years. If you hold both school districts harmless and specify that they get their full amount of TIF service payments equal to what they would receive in property taxes, you don't need their approval. That is very logical; if they are getting the same amount why would you need their approval. Another approach you can do is go to the school district, and just the main school district would have a chance to vote on this and cut a deal. So, they would get a percentage of their TIF service payments less than the whole amount, if they cut a deal the joint vocational school district gets the same deal, automatically by law. Then, you could do for example, a 100% exemption for 30-years and specify the schools get 25% or 39% or whatever they negotiate. One more point about TIFs, TIFs are a way of financing public infrastructure improvements, but obviously they don't generate money instantaneously to pay for important road projects because it is coming in over a 10-year period or more typically in a 30-year period. How do you finance infrastructure improvements? There are basically three ways to use TIF to finance public infrastructure improvements: piggy bank approach, TIF reimbursement/developer approach, and issuing debt – bonds or loans. Under the piggy bank approach, which is used by a lot of cities as it is very common when TIFing a large area and there are a bunch of needs, but not one specific need needed instantaneously. It is a great one; you build up money over time, and when you have enough to begin either issuing bonds because you have a good revenue stream or because you have enough you want to spend something on you spend it. The developer/reimbursement approach can use TIF service payments to reimburse an upfront payment for infrastructure improvements. You can do it in two ways: you can borrow from your general revenue fund if you choose, most cities choose not to do that because they have enough challenges on what they us their general revenue for, but you can borrow from the general revenue fund and pay for public infrastructure improvements and pay it back with TIF service payments; the more common approach, the developer may want some public infrastructure improvements and if they can get a bank loan maybe as part of their construction financing to pay for those then you pay them back with TIF service payments, typically, with some type of interest component because it is like a loan to the project. The third approach, bonds or debt, is more complicated. It takes more time, but the city can issue general obligation debt and use TIF service payments as a way to pay debt service. In that case, your bonds will be issued based upon your overall bond rating rather than the TIF

service payments. You can do a non-tax revenue pledge where you pledge you non-tax revenues to pay debt service, but practically you are counting on the TIF service payments to pay. You are sort of underwriting yourself because you will be rated based upon you non-tax revenues for that debt issuance. Or, you could do a naked TIF bond where you are just pledging the TIF service payments and in that case, the bond purchasers are taking the risk the TIF service payments are going to be there and enough so you do things to try and mitigate their risk. They will demand a higher interest rate on their loans because it is riskier. That is the five-minute overview.

Mrs. Franklin: Scott, is there a way for council to get a copy of that presentation you actually have? Mr. Ziance: Absolutely, I will forward this afterwards to Mark and Gary, Nia and Lori. It is fairly dense, but happy to share it.

Mr. Denning: If we made a neighborhood a TIF area, and the values of those homes go up, even though there wasn't any additional building or anything, let's say the houses are now worth $50,000 each and in five years they are worth $75,000, so, we would get the tax difference between $50,000 and $75,000? Mr. Ziance: Correct. Mr. Denning: And be able to use in the specific neighborhood for things? Is that a true statement? Mr. Ziance: Yes, absolutely. Mr. Denning: So, that is a good thing as long as properties are increasing, but it is not a good way to fund things if properties are decreasing in value? Mr. Ziance: Correct, there is no downside with TIF in that kind of circumstance other than maybe you wasted some time and money in setting it up so you don't have to pay it back or anything, but it is a waste of time and effort if you are putting a TIF into place where values aren't increasing. The first part of your question is a very common one. It is maybe not necessarily intuitive you would capture just that inflationary increase in value, but if TIF is sort of literally like that diagram I showed you, where the base is set. Over a 30-year period, we have cycles. Housing values are increasing, generally; then you have things like 2009-2010 where they go down in value, but over time the 30-year TIF is going to generate revenues just because there is no inflationary factor built into the incremental increase; it is exempted. Mr. Denning: My thought was that if we made a neighborhood a TIF area and it was a piggy bank TIF, then when we had enough money in the bank to pave their roads, we'd be able to. Mr. Ziance: Yes, so, sort of taking it down a layer, when you TIF, TIFing commercial improvements is the easiest. There are really not a whole lot of strings, it is not complicated, etc. Whenever you TIF neighborhoods and include properties taxes as residential, there are levy carve outs and there is a deal to be cut with the county commissioners. Are they going to keep a portion of the county millage? The reason for that is some communities made the realization that you just articulated, we could TIF whole neighborhoods. The downside with TIF, as public officials you have to figure out how to most appropriately spend money and spending money on public infrastructure is great, but, you also need to have services. If you are capturing that entire increase in assessed value and you are just building infrastructure, then you are not going to have services. The balancing act in the general assembly said around 2005-2006, for residential TIFs there are levy carve outs and additional hoops you have to go through. Mr. Denning: But, my point is, if we go in and pave the streets, that increases the value, which, would help pay for the streets we just put in. We'd have to run numbers to see if the value matches. Mayor Williams: Especially after the political subdivisions get paid. Mr. Denning: Right, if we have to pay the other. Now, we don't pay the county on the TIF that is part of Brantwood right now. That was part of the reason I voted for it when it happened was because we were paying only a small portion; 30% - 60% was being paid by the other part of the county…we paid the schools, but didn't have to pay the other political subdivisions. It made sense to me that we would do that.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: Just a point of clarification for anyone listening in the community, we are not part of the joint career center and none of their tax money goes to the joint. We have our own career center in the high school. A lot of people do not understand that. We do not pay into Montgomery County Joint Career Center. Mr. Denning: We don't have that tax on our properties. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: A lot of people don't understand we have our own; and they pay for that.

Ms. Fry: So, would you say the upside of sequestering money with a TIF is that there are tax dollars that would typically go to the county that we get to spend? Is that the goal here? Mr. Ziance: Yes, that is it exactly. What you are doing is taking or redirecting payments that would otherwise go to the various county entities and to the extent, I'm not sure to what extent there might be any overlapping townships in Riverside, but overlapping townships, the county entity, any sort of special entities like library districts, etc. You are redirecting those into a TIF fund that you pay for infrastructure with and hopefully that leads to an increase in values and other economic development. If done correctly, it is an extremely valuable tool. We've done tons of this work throughout the state. I have, yet, had a municipal client that has regretted doing TIF. They have all approached it thoughtfully, understanding they are not going to TIF the whole city, but they are going to do the right neighborhoods because they have to have a balance.

Mayor Williams: Typically, we have 19 Mils that go to the county right now, 43 that go to Mad River Local Schools in a Riverside/Mad River Local residential house; and then, just under eight go to the city, police, and fire, and just under three go to the library. That is how it breaks down, obviously the schools are about 2/3 of that total pie, but then the county is the second largest. Mr. Denning: Five Rivers Metro is part of that, too? Mayor Williams: Correct. Sinclair is also part of the county, that is part of the 19 Mils. Well, Scott, we appreciate your time and look forward to having that presentation to share. I know the council members and myself included are anxious to learn more, some of us have been around TIFs for a little bit and some of us are learning for the first time. I agree with you; it is a very good tool to have. We just have to make sure we use it correctly.

MINUTES: Mr. Denning motioned to approve the minutes from the May 27, 2021 special council meeting and the June 3, 2021 council meeting. Mr. Maxfield seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

ACCEPTANCE OF PRIOR MONTHS FINANCIAL REPORT: Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch motioned to approve the prior months financial report for May 2021. Mr. Denning seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

COUNCIL CALENDAR UPDATE: Mayor Williams stated that there will not be some council members available for the first Thursday in July. He suggested they forego the July 1 council meeting and having the regular meeting the third Thursday in July with work sessions to follow, if needed. Mr. Denning: Are we still going to be needing to pass some things on the second meeting so maybe we do a combination work session/meeting so that if we have legislation that needs to move forward we need to be able to move it forward at a reasonable pace. Losing the next few weeks because that means it will be like three weeks before we have another meeting. Mayor Williams: We would meet on the 14th. Mr. Denning: Yeah, it would be like a month, that is why I am saying I think…Mayor Williams: Do we want to have our next regularly scheduled meeting on the 8th? Mrs. Franklin: That would be my suggestion; a regularly scheduled meeting on the 8th and then a work session on the 15th, and if need be, another meeting on the 22nd, if we have legislation that needs passed. There are five Thursdays in July. Mayor Williams: I like April's idea, we have a regular meeting on the 8th, this will give Katie time to publish, work session on the 15th, and if we need another work session or regular meeting we have two more Thursdays in July to make that decision.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve the council calendar adjustment of a regular meeting on July 8, 2021 and a work session on July 15, 2021 with the option to add another work session or regular meeting on the remaining Thursdays in July. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried**.

WRITTEN CITIZEN PETITIONS: Mayor Williams stated any citizens joining them and would like to speak should fill out a petition and hand it to the clerk to notify council.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

A) Police Department – Major Colon: Chief Robinson wanted to thank you on behalf of us, Mr. City Manager, even though you were a firefighter, we still appreciate you helping us out. Skye Roberts, our victim advocate, was granted national accreditation certification for victim advocacy. Josh Schmidt, one of our officers, will be attending a month-long course, July to August. He is one of our computer forensic guys; it is a secret service course that is totally free; we just pay him his regular wages. We get about a $10,000 server so if we have any cyber issues, we can download our own laptops and computers on to a separate server. Now, we are normally buying passports, which cost money, so this is a lot better. We attended drone school with three officers and four from the fire department. So, getting that program some initial training; if you guys give us some money, we will buy a nice fancy drone. It comes in handy. We are currently down five officers for various reasons. We will be down to six on June 21. Working to get four candidates for the police officer job scheduled for interviews next week. We had a test back in October; we had about 12 people that passed that test. We had due to financials, we didn't move forward on replacing that officer. We had seven recently that were still viable so, we had a PT test last Saturday and a grand total of two showed up for the PT test. I told the two gentlemen we are hiring two so they had a good chance, but don't get their hopes up as we still have to go through the whole process with them. Hopefully, that will approve. That is common for every agency; it is kind of cut-throat. We are stealing from each other and trying to go after the same officers. The police department would like to say thank you to the service department. On June 8, 2021, last Tuesday, there was a fatal crash, unfortunately, a two-car accident and all three people involved in the accident have passed away. One person on the scene and two later on succumbed to their injuries. The size of the accident was immense and only having four officers working, it was difficult to shut down both sides of Route 4. The service department was contacted for assistance; they brought in a sign board, three trucks and a huge number of cones. Sgt. Jackson reported this back to us. They took direction from Sgt. Jackson and went to work quickly to secure the scene and shut down the northbound lane. They stayed on the scene until they were completely finished. We would especially like to recognize Kevin Miller, Jim Rearman, Chad McBee, Brian Hawking, and Chad Adelot. Thank you for the quick action and how you took care of the officers on the scene. Your work really made it seem safe for the officers. It truly is a way to teamwork together to accomplish a mission; we certainly appreciate you – from Chief Robinson. The Dayton Police Department was a big asset, too, and we sent a big thank you to them. They had to shut down both sides of the highway for a while down towards Stanley. They brought in with their neighborhood assistance officers to work on Harshman because that area right off Harshman in front of the lake is actually the City of Dayton. They were a great help. That was our sixth fatality in the last four months. The first one was kind of a robbery in progress so a little different from this accident. Pretty busy, we stay busy. We had that drone, it might of made it easier to take care of that scene, right? Looking forward for that drone.

Mr. Denning: How much is the drone? What I am asking you is to get a model number of what you want and we will talk to some of the community service organizations and we may be able to work something out, but we need to know. A lot of times, I know if you can get it and need the cash is one way, but the other way I know just like with the cameras, it was easier and simpler for the organization to buy what you need and bring it to you. Major Colon: Well, what we can do with them, too, we can put them with static for special events, protests, or national nigh out or anything, we can have observation towers in the sky like geosynchronous. Fire like it, they can put fire hoses, extinguishers on it; the sky's the limit.

Ms. Campbell: Can you give me an update on…we have a lot of four-wheelers, motorcycles, cars racing up and down the streets in the Valley Plat. I'm sure they are all over. Major Colon: We deal with them as we get called. We can't really chase them because they will probably crash and cause severe injury to themselves. By the time we get dispatched, they are usually gone. What I recommend, since we are in big white vehicles that say police and lights, they see us coming, when people see them and know they are coming from a particular

residence to let us know and we will go there and tell them to cut it out. The first time, what I would do, is tow their motorcycle on a flatbed and give them a ticket and they will be a couple of hundred dollars in the hole right there that will probably curb that person's behavior and maybe their friends. Ms. Campbell: What if you guys had a four-wheeler to follow them. Major Colon: For us? That probably wouldn't be a good idea; I wouldn't recommend that. Unless we are on the beach; we don't have any beach. Generally, though, the best thing is to let us know where they are coming from because I think a lot of citizens know which particular home these people live. If you tell us, then we will go talk to them and warn them. If it is juveniles, we talk to the parents and let them know it is not going to be tolerated. Then, you start giving them citations and towing their vehicles that will solve the problem. Call dispatch 223.2080 that will get them an officer. It is going on everywhere. I see people all over the area doing wheelies; it is not just Riverside. Ms. Campbell: One of them about hit a kid the other day. Major Colon: I understand.

Mr. Maxfield: What is the rule on the razors like an APB plate; are they allowed to go on public roads under 35 or anything like that? Major Colon: If it is registered; if they have plates, even golf carts can do the same thing as long as it is registered and has headlights, turn signals, all that good stuff. We don't have many people coming to the PD, but we do golf carts, also. We don't see it often, but I've seen side-by-sides registered and driving around, but they are registered with plates.

Ms. Campbell: Is there a limit on the measurement of tinted windows. Major Colon: I would have to check on that. I would research it with one of my officers. I think it is visibility; there is no per se limit as long as you can see through it. Ms. Campbell: Chief Robinson said something about getting something that measures. Major Colon: I would have to verify; I have not done that in a while. I think it is the visibility. Ms. Campbell: Some of them now have like a blurred cover on their license plate; is that allowed? Major Colon: As long as you can see it; I always research these things so you are catching me off guard with some of these technicalities, but I would have to look. If it is obstructed and you can't see it; it is not allowed. On the front it is allowed because you don't have to have a front plate.

B) Finance Department – Mr. Garrett: There is not a lot new you haven't heard about from the finance department. We are doing payroll and paying bills. You've already had a chance to take a look at the excerpts in your council packet; most of those same reports are also posted on the city's website for the public to look at. Coming up at the end of this month, the fire department is buying a new medic so we have spent some time assisting with the paperwork for that. We did get a bank loan on that medic so there are forms to get the bank to release the money and get the insurance coverage arranged. Our auditors are now scheduled to come to the city the week of July 12 to collect their data to do their annual audit of finance and city operations. One other thing, in the packet is the supplemental with the attachment with a lot of changes. It looks like we have another change we will have to add on to that before the second reading now on July 8 to add on to that. I just wanted to highlight that we will be tweaking that exhibit a little bit.

C) Administration Department – Mr. Lohr: I attended the council government meeting today that was set up to help create a land use plan for all the jurisdictions directly adjacent to Wright-Patt. They have asked me to take the place of Mr. Carpenter as the secretary for the organization so I am taking that on. Once the land use plan is completed, which they are working on getting funding for right now, as I understand it there may be some opportunities for additional funding for land acquisition, as well as development and that sort of thing. It sounds very positive; it has been great so far to make connections with the other communities and discuss development. I think that is going to be good for Riverside. I had a conversation with public health today about whether there are opportunities to get more mobile vaccine clinics here. In particular to low income neighborhoods where it may be more difficult for our residents to get out and get vaccinated or they may not have a primary care provider. It sounds really likely that we will be able to have those mobile clinics come maybe directly to some of our neighborhoods. I think that

will be a good opportunity to get some of our residents vaccinated against Covid-19. We are ready to start implementation of our electronic records management system something I mentioned in the past. Now that we are sure we will have adequate revenue throughout the year, we are going to go ahead and get that process started. It will allow us to digitize and organize all of our personnel records, our contracts, and our project files. They will all be searchable by key words so that is going to help us with our information management challenges. There is also the potential to do this for all the council documents: minutes, agendas, and that sort of thing so staff would have access. If we need to search a certain topic, we can search all of our documents and then be able to easily research that topic and do it much more efficiently than the way we have been doing it right now with paper files. We are continuing our search for a part-time admin assistant for the service department. As you probably heard in the news and press, hiring is difficult. We are having a hard time sourcing the correct candidate for us, but we are still working and we have some prospects so hopefully we can make that hiring sooner rather than later.

D) Community Development Department – Mr. Burkholder: I want to start out congratulating Mr. Carpenter on his retirement, but also express my gratitude not only for everything you've done for the community, but also for giving me the opportunity to be part of the team here. I've really enjoyed our short time together. You certainly have demonstrated your patience with me and I appreciate that as well. Wishing you nothing but the best in your retirement. As you can see from our PAR report, we have a lot of activity. Let me start off with code violation to date; we've written over 704 code violations and we have about 360 open cases. I think I reported, previously, we are going to continue to look to modify how we approach these violations so that we can get quicker and better compliance. We've had cases we have taken to court; currently, four of those case, but often times they come into compliance, or there is not much of a fine, or it there is it is court cost and a fine that goes to the court. We are reexamining if that is the best use of our time in order to get compliance. The second thing is we are ready to go now, I know Mr. Carpenter has been working on the fine details on the vacant property and foreclosed properties that probably won't be onboarded until sometime now in the third or fourth week of July. We will be waiting for Pro-Champs to reach out to us. We will have more details on how that process works once we are onboarded with that. We are always busy with Wright Point. There is legislation tonight to authorize the city manager to enter into contract with Collier's Management. We are definitely looking to that and working with them so that they will take over the professional management of this building. A lot of time was spent on that contract and tonight we have Steve Bacon with Buckley King. He specifically worked on that contract along with Dalma so all parties would be protected. We will be moving forward with that. It will free up our economic development specialist's time; it will free up my time, Mr. Lohr, Mr. Carpenter, Becky, it has truly been a team effort to try and manage these facilities. We are looking forward to being able to redirect or efforts and talents to other projects. Scott Ziance I thought did a nice overview. He is kind of the expert in the state on TIFs. We looked at this as an opportunity to do infrastructure. We would have to establish a new one on the Center of Flight, but that would certainly be an area that a TIF would be appropriate as it was before. We have the Airway TIF, which is still an active TIF, and then we are looking at the 601 Woodman TIF, and we will have more information on that as we work towards that to bring to council. Our major projects: 2121 Harshman is still moving forward; 601 Woodman is coming up to planning, there are some variances needed and we don't know if construction will begin this fall or next spring; the application for the planning grant was submitted last week to the land bank and they are going to try and get that on the July board meeting to discuss and, hopefully, make a decision. We will not bring a recommendation to council for a planning consultant until we hear back from the landbank. Part of their review process is also who would actually do the plan for the city. We can't select a consultant until they review it and, hopefully, get funding for that project. Our zoning administrator had talked about additional training. We had some APA training, which was a live webinar, but also had a link. Our department spent $250 for eight slots for that training, and we have four members of the planning commission…those not able to make the live training will be able to link to the website and complete the four modules of about 1 ½ hours. We are dedicated

to this and we are going to have Jim Miller with Buckley King come in and give a legal update on land use and that will be a joint meeting between the BZA, the planning commission, and city council. It will be helpful with current legal updates, what our UDO prescribes in the process and what we need to do relative to standards for approval and get us all on the same page. It will greatly improve our review process. We will send out a date on that as soon as we hear back from Mr. Miller. It will be about an hour to an hour-and-a-half presentation.

Mr. Denning: Have we got any new information on 602 Woodman? Mr. Burkholder: We have several conditional use violations. They have been informed that they are going to have to reapply for conditional use so they have submitted the application. I don't know if it has been completed; I don't believe it as there are still some missing elements. We have advised them that they will have to go back to the planning commission and reapply because their conditional use permit expired. In fact, they never had an occupancy permit because they never complied with the conditions of that approval, originally. We've worked with the law firm to follow that process giving proper notice to the persons there and also to their attorney and that is where it stands now. They will have to resubmit and go back to planning commission for review. Mayor Williams: Are they operational in the meantime? Mr. Burkholder: They are not supposed to be operational. Our attorney advised their attorney that they are not to be operating there. In fact, the person using that site came in and I specifically asked him, "Are you open for business?" He said, "no." I said, "Well, the open sign is on." He said, "That is connected to the light switch." I would be more than happy to update council in executive session on some of the finer details of that case. Mr. Mayor I did want to advise you that part of that conditional use, which we have talked about in the application, is that cross-access agreement, which we have never seen a signed cross-access agreement there. Mayor Williams: The signed cross-access agreement doesn't exist; that is why you haven't seen it; that is why no one has seen it. Mr. Burkholder: No one has ever presented it to the city.

Mr. Denning: Have you heard anything from Waffle House? Mr. Burkholder: We made contact; they said they did not have it on their active list so we will be following up with those. Mr. Denning: I believe you were sent an email, yesterday, about a new chicken place that is looking for places in the Dayton area. I would suggest that we contact them and see what we can show them in Riverside to help them along with their business. Mr. Burkholder: We had that on the list today; is it Huey Magoo? Mr. Denning: It is out of Florida. It is similar to Cane's, I guess. It is a chicken place. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: Also, Sheetz is moving into the area. Mr. Burkholder: I am familiar with that company; they are over in West Virginia, very successful. Mr. Denning: Kind of like a Speedway? Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: More like a Loves. Anyway, they are looking for locations, too. Mr. Denning: I hope we are on the ball and being proactive rather than reactive to those situations. Mr. Burkholder: I can assure you, we are being proactive. We have a long list of not only inquiries, but we appreciate all the heads up when you hear all the other entities that are interested in the city.

Mr. Denning: The rumor mill is that Ace Hardware is going to go in where Kroger's is on Burkhardt. You may not want to answer me one way or the other, but my suggestion is, if it is not happening or if it is happening or we are not allowed to say, that is fine, then maybe we need to put something up on our rumors section of our webpage to say it is not true. Mayor Williams: Is there a drop-down tab for rumors? Mr. Denning: I thought there was; I suggested we put that on there. Mr. Burkholder: It would be an awfully large tab. Mr. Denning: That is fine, but at least we would know what the facts are. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: That shopping center is up for auction. Mr. Denning: I know the shopping center is, but the rumor is that Ace Hardware is moving in there. I didn't know if you had heard that. Mr. Burkholder: I can't speak to it; as I haven't heard that specifically, although I have heard of speculation as to what is going where. I refrain from comment only because I don't have the details. Mr. Denning: That is fine; I appreciate that. If we don't believe it to be a true statement then we need to state it out there. Or, maybe we need to twist Ace

Hardware's arm and get them in there. Mayor Williams: The reality is it is private property and it would be private transaction between the lease holders. Mr. Denning: I understand, but we can say hey we like you to talk to people…Mayor Williams: Gary does that all the time; he is talking to people all the time. I just don't know that is great for us to comment in our meetings about this side or that side, this company or that company. Mr. Denning: Right, I don't really care; I would just like to see some sort of hardware in the community.

E) City Manager Report – Mr. Carpenter: I want to use my time to talk about the grants that were discussed at the work session. Part of the timeliness of this question is that we have to do some preliminary work on some of these grants. So, if council desires us to move forward, then we can begin the preliminary work because it needs to be completed prior to the grant submittal. At the dais and an earlier email, we sent a list of some of the possible grants and Ms. Bartlett is here to address any questions. Mrs. Franklin: This actually comes in part of my comments section this evening. It sucks to be a council person a pick one or two. This isn't about winning, if anything has to be financed, do we hurt future growth in the city. I don't want to say no to any of the projects. I also don't want to finance these projects. It is hard because I will say the Beverly Gardens I have to go off of what Mike said last week. You can see right now, you see the engineers out, the county out in our community and there are going to be over the next four to five years a lot of water projects, sewer projects, and gas projects going on. I hate to not be able to jump on that opportunity. This one has been a hard one for me. That is probably one of the more expensive one projects. I can do several of the projects for what that one project is going to cost. I don't have the perfect answer; I don't think there is one. It is a hard decision.

Ms. Fry: Are we making a decision on this tonight? Mr. Carpenter: We would like to have some direction from council because of the preliminary work that needs to be done ahead of an application. Mrs. Franklin: On Spinning Road, Eastman to Burkhardt, we have a cost that says $300,000 - $100,000, kind of weird, but then is says storm water equals $200,000 so is that project technically costing $300,000 and because $200,000 will come from storm water? Ms. Bartlett: No, it is $300,000 minus $100,000 to get to the $200,000 actual cost. The dash is a minus sign and not a dash. Mr. Denning: That is in 2024. Mrs. Franklin: Yeah, the only one we have for 2023 is the Beverly Gardens. Ms. Fry: That is the riskiest one. Mr. Denning: That is two years away. Mrs. Franklin: I still think it is the one that will affect residents the…I think it is huge, especially as we move forward and do more water projects. I hate to leave these residents with just patched roads because the county came in and just patched them. Mr. Denning: Have you driven down Bayside, lately? Mrs. Franklin: Don't get me wrong, I don't think the road is in good shape to start, but that is why I am saying if you look at the future projects and go to the county and see some of the projects going on, there are a lot of things over the next five years to happen here. If I say 'no' to that now, and in 2023 or 2022 more projects come online that we can afford…Mr. Denning: I think we have to approve all five of these and move forward, and especially with what I heard about the way we might be able to do a TIF in that neighborhood. That may be a way to fund this. My hope is that folks will understand we have to have some funding and we will get the funding we need to make this happen. That is a very large area and just about every street in that neighborhood needed replaced five to seven years ago. Mrs. Franklin: There are multiple roads that are affected; it is not just one road. Mr. Denning: And, the fact that if we don't, we are getting $250,000 to $300,000 to help us on a $1.0 million project that will cost us $700,000. I do understand that because it is residential streets, we can't get grants for that, but we spent $700,000 on Airway at the end of 2018 because we had to. I would hate to see it get to the point where that Bayside area where we had to put up $1.0 million because everything was falling out. It isn't just us that it impacts. It impacts the school buses; it impacts every time a police car drives down through there, every time the fire department or road department drives through there. I just don't see where we cannot take advantage of that $250,000 - $300,000 grant, the possibility of that grant to make this happen. We will figure out how we have to adjust the budget to make it happen, but I think we have to make that happen. Mrs. Franklin: One last question regarding Beverly Gardens, I know last week we talked about $250,000 - $300,000 in grant money, our cost is $700,000. I do remember

us discussing a possibility of additional funds, is that additional funds the $250,000 - $300,000? Ms. Bartlett: No, there are no ways of getting additional funds. Mrs. Franklin: So, no matter what it will be roughly in that area.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: I can only say I don't know that we would get all of these, none of them are guaranteed. I don't think we can afford not to ask, if we find out we can't do it and don't have the money, then we can always turn the grant back. But, I think we can't afford not to ask. I don't know that we will get them all. If we or whoever is sitting here get to a point where you give the money back and say we can't do that. Nothing ventured; nothing gained. That is my approach. I may not be sitting here, but I don't think you cannot afford to ask because somebody else is going to ask for that money.

Ms. Fry: Since it is a joint application with the water department, if we gave the grant back and said we couldn't do it that would create a negative consequence for the water department, yes? Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: Probably. Ms. Fry: I remember we had asked a few years ago when we were still reeling from the price tag on the Valley sidewalk that maybe we shouldn't be going after all the grants if we didn't have a way to provide the match so that is what we are doing now, and I want to make sure we are adequately considering it. Mr. Denning: If we only get $250,000 - $300,000, can we only do that much work or do we have to the whole project. Ms. Bartlett: No, you have to do the whole project. What we do to come up with that $250,000 - $300,000, water puts their number down as part of their construction cost; we put our number down as our construction cost. Then, we get a percentage of the grant. So, in order for us to get that, we have to construct all of it. Mrs. Franklin: Do you need a motion to move forward on the five proposals? Mayor Williams: Are these going to come in separate resolutions? Mr. Carpenter: Yes. Mayor Williams: So, we would be able to have an up or down vote on these five.

Mrs. Franklin made a motion to bring forward resolutions for Beverly Gardens, Spinning Road, Valley west of Harshman, Route 4 entrance ramp guard, and the Beatrice/Harshman/Valley. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Mayor Williams stated that one petition had been received. He invited the speaker to come forward and state name and address and to keep comments to three minutes.

Ms. Jan Pitzer: Jan Pitzer, 691 Wake Forest Road, I've been here before regarding the minutes, probably over close to two years ago. I hear the mayor say we've all had a chance to look over the minutes and then you all approve them. I suggest you read the minutes. When I spoke on May 20 regarding the ordinance to change the personnel policy, I stated in my comments, "…the city will pay him a quarter of a million dollars", in the minutes it says $250,000; that is not what I said. I also, and I will state it is hard to understand regarding the numbers, but it is 353 and not 303 and the second time that I spoke the number it clearly is able to be understood 353. I am going to ask Ms. Fry to recollect her memory back on the Ordinance 21-O-760 to rezone 11 Pleasant Valley, could you please state what your roll call vote was? Ms. Fry: You are putting me on the spot. Can you give me the context? Ms. Pitzer: It was to rezone 11 Pleasant Valley from residential to business. Ms. Fry: I voted yes. Ms. Pitzer: In the minutes, the roll call vote goes as follows: Mr. Denning, yes; Ms. Fry, no; okay. I pulled up from the city website the minutes to see whether or not this had been corrected today and what is shown on the city website is a personal Dunham's Lawn Care LLC contract, not the city minutes. I think we need to pay more attention. I brought it to the attention several meetings ago when a council packet went out giving personal information to individuals opening a business. It had their tax identification number, their social security numbers, their date of birth, their phone number and their addresses. If I had not called and this removed the city could have been in a lot of trouble with a lawsuit. I suggest you all look at the council packet completely, read the minutes. This, as Ms. Lommatzsch said, is a permanent record reflecting the city. This reflects on the seven of you, okay. Thank you.

NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES

I) Ordinance No. 21-O-768 – Amending Section 1117.03 Definitions and 1115.01 Accessory Buildings and Use Standards, revising 1115.01(E) of the Unified Development Ordinances (UDO) of the City of Riverside. (1st reading)

Mr. Carpenter stated this first ordinance to update the UDO to address decks, porches, balconies, and patios. It approves the definitions, regulations and architectural feature designs.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 21-O-768. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion. The clerk read the ordinance by title only.

Roll call went as follows: Mr. Denning, yes; Mrs. Franklin, yes; Ms. Campbell, yes; Ms. Fry, yes; Ms. Lommatzsch, yes; Mr. Maxfield, yes; and Mayor Williams, yes. **Motion carried.**

II) Ordinance No. 21-O-769 – Making supplemental appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Riverside, State of Ohio, for the period January 1 through December 21, 2021. (1st reading)

Mr. Carpenter stated that they need to make an update to add grant dollars for projects this year, Needmore Road and the Valley Street Project. These are grants they have to provide upfront costs and get reimbursed once the project is complete. They weren't in the budget due to Covid-19; they are typically approved in late fall, but weren't approved until after the first of the year. With this supplemental, of the money requested, most is due to increased cost, but we have $125,000 is money that we have received via grants, fees, or just being reimbursed. It is not all new money out of the general fund; it is additional fees, reimbursements and some grants.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 21-O-768. Mr. Maxfield seconded the motion. The clerk read the ordinance by title only.

Ms. Fry: So, we are needing to transfer $20,000 for legal expenses for Wright Point; I presume that is for reviewing the management contract, is that the reason? Mr. Carpenter: That is partially. We have had a lot of other contracts that had to do with Wright Point and collecting some fees from tenants and things of that nature. We've used a lot of legal fees to date. Ms. Fry: Is the cost of the management already in the budget that is forthcoming? Mr. Carpenter: Property Management? Yes. Ms. Fry: Okay, so this is really, truly a one off. Mr. Carpenter: It is really just that we used a lot more legal fees than we anticipated.

Roll call went as follows: Mr. Denning, yes; Mr. Maxfield, yes; Ms. Campbell, yes; Mrs. Franklin, yes; Ms. Fry, yes; Ms. Lommatzsch, yes; and Mayor Williams, yes. **Motion carried.**

B. RESOLUTIONS

I) Resolution No. 21-R-2675 – Authorizing the city manager to enter into a professional service agreement with Colliers International as the property management agent for the Wright Point Office Park, 5100 and 5200 Springfield Street, Riverside, Ohio.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve Resolution No. 21-R-2675. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion.

All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried**.

II) Resolution No. 21-R-2683 – Declaring a 2004 Chevrolet Trailblazer 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.

Mr. Maxfield motioned to approve Resolution No. 21-R-2683. Mr. Denning seconded the motion.

All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried**.

III) Resolution No. 21-R-2684 – Authorizing the city manager to enter into a purchase agreement for one (1) Chevy Tahoe for use by the Fire Department under the State of Ohio Cooperative Bid Program.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve Resolution No. 21-R-2684. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion.

All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried**.

IV) Resolution No. 21-R-2685 – Declaring the necessity of assessing numerous streets between certain termini in the City of Riverside, Ohio for various types of street lighting for one year, beginning January 1, 2022.

Mr. Carpenter stated this is the annual lighting assessment, normal business.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve Resolution No. 21-R-2685. Mr. Maxfield seconded the motion.

All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried**.

V) Resolution No. 21-R-2686 – Authorizing the assessment of delinquent fines imposed for failure to comply with an order made under the Riverside Unified Development Ordinance.

Mr. Carpenter stated this resolution is an assessment for delinquent fees for 4504 Byesville Boulevard because of the continued non-compliance with the UDO. The code allows for issuing violation fees and that is what is being done; property taxes are now being assessed.

Mr. Denning motioned to approve Resolution No. 21-R-2686. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion.

All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried**.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Mayor Williams stated one citizen has submitted a petition to speak on a non-agenda item. He asked the speaker to give name and address for the record and keep comments to three minutes.

Ms. Jan Pitzer: Jan Pitzer, 691 Wake Forest, actually, I am going to say something nice. I want to publicly thank the fire department, specifically Battalion Chief Brett Wenzler at Station No. 6 for the quick response to my concern regarding a hydrant flushing on my street.

I greatly appreciate it. Now, to something more negative, I'm disappointed that the seven of you did not take into consideration the public regarding the liquor permit for Bob Evans. This is the only family, sit down restaurant offering a choice of foods for say a soccer team, the parents, the grandparents, the friends, the pee wee football team. We have no place to go for any after event possibilities. Riverside has so many alcohol places. I for one do not want to go sit in a family restaurant next to a table where people are drinking beer, wine, and mixed drinks. Centerville, only, is going to be having beer, Miamisburg, beer and wine; Riverside is the only one that is having beer, wine, and mixed drinks. I'm hoping that this does not have an adverse effect to Bob Evans and have people not go there and cause it to shut down and then we have another empty building. I think it should have been brought to the public's attention. We get that notice from the liquor control far in advance that there should have been some public notification either on the website, during a council meeting, to have public input, do we want that. I, personally, don't want to have to worry that someone pulling out of the parking lot of Bob Evans onto Linden or Woodman, how many drinks have they had? Woodman is heavily traveled as well as Linden, plus easy access to 35. I just think it was a poor decision to not involve the community in bringing more alcohol to Riverside.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS: Mrs. Franklin: Tonight, I want to speak as a resident of this community. Last week, on Thursday, we were presented with a lot of information. One of those things that we talked about was the 1% tax increase in the city. I supported that. I did a lot of thinking this week, and processing all the information. There are a couple of things I would like to add to that. First, I want to start with fire. Everyday, someone in this community requests the service from our fire department. When I hear those sirens go off, I hope and I want that our men and women on those trucks and ambulances have the best training and they have the best tools. For me, if that means increasing my city tax to 1%, I will do that. Then, there is the police department. A lot of times we think about the police department as just the people who get the bad guys. But, the police department does so much more for this community in outreach. There are a couple of programs within the police department. We kind of heard about one tonight, our victim advocate. That person, that position, they work with the police department. They do outreach; they provide tools to people that may not have those resources available. All of that is to help this person have a better life. The second thing that the police department, and I think we don't talk about it is our resource officer at the school. We don't have one. That program to me is pretty dear to my heart because when I was growing up those resource officers were there for me. They identified me as having issues, gave me tools, providing things for me, and what those programs did for me was I went from a failing student to a student who went to college. I majored in physics and mathematics and with a 3.8 GPA. Without those programs, I could have become a statistic so for me that is hugely important. We have so many children in these schools and not being able to provide that tool to them breaks my heart. So, for me, I will pay the extra 1% if children in our community benefit from that program. The next thing, and we kind of talked about it already, was the roads. I believe in those. I believe we need to do the infrastructure, but it concerns me to have to borrow money because that borrowing of money does hurt the future growth of this city. If supporting this levy for police and fire allows a little bit additional revenue to that service department so that I can always feel comfortable with these infrastructure projects, I say, yes, 100% I will pay that additional 1%. I know we spend a lot of time talking about when is the right time to put a tax increase to the residents. You heard me say before I do not think of this as a negative thing. This is why, I am a resident of this community and if you don't put that on the ballot then my voice doesn't get heard. I don't even get a choice to decide whether I want a 1% increase in city tax. So, with that said, I guess what I want to say is, as a paying taxpayer I am willing to step up. I can't do it alone, but if we do a collective amongst the residents, we can provide better services for the community, we can provide services to our elderly who utilize those services – they need a police department, they need ambulances. They want to live in a safe community, too. If that means I have to step up and say I am willing to pay that addition to make sure that this community grows and that it is a safe community for the people who built this city; I am there to support them. Tonight, I would like to make a motion that we

move some legislation forward to put the 1% city tax increase on the ballot and with the 100% credit back to the residents. Ms. Campbell seconded. Mr. Denning: Since we as council put the 50% credit on can we make both those pieces part of the same legislation by removing it or do we as council need to remove that as of January 1, 2022. We can make that legislation a separate piece, if we need to, but I don't want the waters getting muddied legally if we can't do both in the vote legislation. Mrs. Franklin: Oh, because I made the motion with the 100% credit returned, and the lawyer is not here, but I am going to suspect…I'm sorry, a lawyer is here. Mr. Steve Bacon: Mr. Denning, I'm not as familiar with this issue. When Mark and I discussed it, we talked about the need and how the enactment would go. I would have to look at the specific legislation. Mr. Denning: I just don't want it to get messed up. We really need to get this 1%. We, as a council, enacted the 50% credit and so my thought is we, as a council, would enact the 100% credit as of January 1, 2022 to show the people we are willing to do that. Hopefully, that will fix the whole…and we need to get the 1% passed. Now, if we can put both pieces in the same legislation to change it to 100% and get the 1% as part of the same, I don't want to have to put two things on the ballot; I would rather just put the one piece; whichever one is correct. Mayor Williams: It sounds like April wants to make a motion tonight that we would bring a resolution forward to the seven of us to put something on the ballot. All we are deciding on tonight is if we are going to vote up or down putting a resolution that would place an income tax referendum on the ballot. Mr. Denning: Right, but she made the 100% part of that referendum. Mayor Williams: That was part of her motion for us to remove that and place on the ballot a referendum. Mr. Denning: That wasn't the way I understood it. Mrs. Franklin: The point is, if it passes, if the council passes this as a whole, I think at that point we decide how the legislation reads, correct? Mr. Carpenter: What I am hearing council say in the motion is that we want to put a 1% increase on the ballot…Mayor Williams: We want to vote on a resolution as the group of us, the seven of us want to vote on a resolution to potentially place a 1% income tax referendum on the ballot in November. Mr. Carpenter: Yes, that is the motion. You are talking about the language in the motion and what you would like to see, have the 1% pass and then also provide a 100% credit. The motion is basically to bring legislation forward to address that. Mayor Williams: At the risk of speaking for April, April wants us to take a vote. Mrs. Franklin: Well, it has to be voted on. Mayor Williams: Correct, we have talked around it and time is essentially not our ally once we get into July. Mrs. Franklin: August 4, 2021, is the deadline.

Mayor Williams: Ok, Mike seconded it. Ms. Campbell: Did you hear what I said? Mr. Maxfield: Actually, Bev, seconded. Ms. Campbell: That's okay. It doesn't matter.

Ms. Fry: If we decide that 1% is not the magic number, do we have time to change it at that time or do we need to before our next business meeting kind of have the legislation prepared for whatever magic numbers might arise from our debate? Mr. Carpenter: I would think you could amend the legislation that is before you. Mayor Williams: There are five Thursdays in July; there is more time for us to get something to the county before August 4. Mr. Denning: Is it a resolution? Mr. Carpenter: It is an ordinance that would also require a resolution to place it on the ballot. You would be voting on an ordinance and then a resolution to put it on the ballot. There has to be two reads. We would need two weeks, two readings and have time to publish public hearing. Mrs. Franklin: As long as Katie has it there by August 4 at 4:00 pm, I think is what she said. Mayor Williams: When you say there, you mean the board of elections? That is only one of the few deadlines that Katie has to beat; I'm not laughing about it. Mr. Garrett: I think that is the point, tonight's action is you expressing your intention to go forward with an income tax increase. In order to change it, I believe we do have to have an ordinance to change our code and then it is presented to the board of elections via a resolution to have the voters ratify it. The partial credit was just an ordinance by council that can be an independent action. If you tie it together and the whole thing fails, then the credit is restored. Ms. Fry: Don't we only have one business meeting between now and then? Mrs. Franklin: If you remember, I left two Thursdays available in July. Mayor Williams: Yeah there are more Thursdays available in July. Anything else, Brenda? Ms. Fry: I don't know if I got the answer to my question. Mayor Williams: So, was your question do we have time to

get it done in July? Ms. Fry: Do we have time to negotiate? Mayor Williams: If you could, give me a potential scenario, 'well we don't like this number so we are going to propose another number, does that push us back two more weeks?' Ms. Fry: That is the question. Mayor Williams: Once the first reading of an ordinance, let's assume it is approved, let's assume it is 1%, and then we come back for the second one and say we like .75% or we like 1.25% better; if we amend the second reading, does that have to be a hard reset because…Ms. Lewallen: You aren't changing the intent, but you are changing the dollars…Mayor Williams: I appreciate Brenda's question. Mrs. Franklin: To the lawyer, can we amend it on the first read and the second read come forward or do we have to start back over? Mr. Bacon: I think you would be much better served by having it right the first read. Ms. Lewallen: I do too. Mayor Williams: So, it sounds like there is some room if we decided, but we are going to get to a point where it is go forward or stop. That is probably going to be before the middle of July. Do we have a 10-day publication notice requirement? We can meet whenever, but if she has to be down there by 4:00 pm on August 4, is that a Friday? I think the answer to your question, Brenda, is a very limited amount of time to potentially negotiate. Ms. Fry: But, there is time to do it in that first meeting in July? Mr. Carpenter: This is hypothetical. You meet July 8, you have discussion if you want to modify it, you could bring it back on the 15th, have a first reading, two weeks later have a second reading on the last Thursday in July. Mayor Williams: August 3 is a Thursday, I believe, we would be meeting anyway…Mr. Carpenter: The fourth is a Wednesday. Mayor Williams: I'm sorry, I thought it was a Friday, so we would not have the benefit of an August meeting, but there is an extra Thursday in July. Limited is what I am comfortable saying. By August 5, we are either on the ballot or we are not. Any further discussion before I call the question? Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: So, we are voting to bring forth legislation for 1% tax increase and 100% rollback. Mayor Williams: Correct.

Roll call went as follows: Mrs. Franklin, yes; Ms. Campbell, yes; Mr. Denning, yes; Ms. Fry, yes; Ms. Lommatzsch, yes; Mr. Maxfield, yes; and Mayor Williams, yes. **Motion carried**.

Mayor Williams: Just one more time on the record, thank you to Mark. I feel that we are going to miss you in ways we don't quite yet know, but I want to say that I truly appreciate your friendship and Brenda mentioned patience tonight. Thank you for dealing with us whether it is people who have a lot of questions or people like myself that can be a little combative at times. I've heard it from people, I don't believe it myself, but I've heard it. It really is a level of professionalism that you exhibit that has benefited all of us. Mike said calming force and that really resonated when Mike mentioned that because you keep us moving. I just took it for granted the year-and-a-half I have been on council and will miss that.

Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: Happy summer; happy 4th of July. Everybody take care of themselves and so long, Mark.

Ms. Fry: The next blood drive is July 5, which is a business holiday. Unfortunately, we don't get to take advantage of people in the office buildings this time around so I would like to ask the fellow councilmembers and anyone who is listening, if you would like to help me promote this event I could really use some assistance. I want to make sure we help get the blood supply where it needs to be for that 4th of July weekend. There is usually a big surge in need around the holidays. Replenishing that after the holiday will be important. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch: You Facebook item was not sharable; can you fix that so it can be shared, please.

Mr. Denning: Do you have some paper flyers? Ms. Fry: I plan on printing some, do you have a place? Mr. Denning: I have a place because the Flying Ace grand opening ribbon cutting is tomorrow morning at 11:30 am and the good part is that for one week it will be free car washes as long as you make a monetary donation to the Riverside Jaycees and so we will have people there that could pass out flyers. I think I know enough people that I could make

that happen. Mark, if somebody said give me a definition of Mark in one word, I would have to say 'integrity'. You have the strongest level of integrity of anyone I have ever met and take that as the compliment it is meant. I want to thank you for all the help you have been in the community. Things that we have helped with Dan Ryan, you didn't have to do that, but it is part of what you are. Thank you very much. Thank you for the time you have been here. I did notice that your hair has gotten grayer over the last five years. I had to end with a joke; I'm sorry. Thank you for everything you have done.

Mr. Maxfield: April took up most of my time. I want to say thank you to Mark. Short time on council, but I have known you for awhile and you have done some great things for this community. It is definitely appreciated.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch motioned to go into executive session for the purposes listed on the agenda: Section 103.01(4) – Personnel. Mr. Denning seconded the motion. Roll call went as follows: Ms. Lommatzsch, yes; Mr. Denning, yes; Ms. Campbell, yes; Mrs. Franklin, yes; Ms. Fry, yes; Mr. Maxfield, and Mayor Williams, yes. **Motion carried.**

RECONVENE: Council reconvened at 8:36 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Denning motioned to adjourn. Ms. Campbell seconded. All were in favor; none were opposed. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Peter J. Williams, Mayor

Clerk of Council