

February 2, 2007



Information Items



1. AKRO Plastic Parking Request

You may recall that AKRO Plastics had requested City consideration to expand parking in a portion of City Right of Way. We had reviewed the item in committee and Council asked us to see if we could accommodate the request. Gene Roberts has continued to look at this issue and he has provided a summary update on the status of the request. (attachment)



2. USGS Stream Gauge Update

In October 2006 Gene made a presentation to City Council regarding the City's possible participation in sharing the cost of a US Geological Survey (USGS) stream gauge to monitor the levels of the Cuyahoga River below Lake Rockwell. Council asked Gene to see if the other downstream cities would also be willing to share in the price of the gauge since they have a vested interest in water quality and quantity in the river. Gene has made those contacts, but in the interim, it appears that the Ohio EPA may require Akron to perform discharge monitoring as part of their next permit, so Gene is recommending to delay further City action at this time until the new Akron permit is issued. (attachment)



3. Haymaker Parkway Street Lighting

As a result of a recent vehicle accident that involved a street light pole on Haymaker Parkway, Gene is recommending an inspection of the condition of all the street lights on Haymaker to ensure the integrity of the anchor bolts. Gene has provided a summary of his plans to work with Ohio Edison to evaluate the foundation of the light poles for Council's information. (attachment)



4. Franklin Township Fire Service Rates for 2007

Bill Lillich has completed the calculation of fire service rates for the Franklin Township contract. Based on the 2007 budget for fire service, and the proportional share of fire calls in the Township, Bill advises that the Franklin rates will increase \$48 more per call over 2006, for a total charge per incident of \$1,067. (attachment)



5. City of Stow – City of Akron Water Agreement

Gene has provided an update on the status of his conversations with the City of Stow concerning their water agreement with the City of Akron. You may recall that Council asked staff to contact Stow to better understand their reasons for signing a long term contract with Akron. (attachment)



6. Old Hotel Demo – 2nd Quote

Chris Tolnar advised me this morning that a second firm gave him a quote that was about half as much as the first \$350,000 quote. The second quote came in around \$150,000. Chris estimates the actual cost will probably be somewhere between the two bids. Both bidders were established, reputable firms.

7. CDBG and Chip Grant Public Hearings

The first item of business next week are the public hearings for the CHIP and CDBG grant funds. The materials for these hearings were sent to you in your January 19th packet.

Unauthorized Items

1. Appointments

The results of the balloting for boards and commissions will result in a series of 6 unauthorized resolutions for appointments.

Administration Recommendation

No recommendations.

Council Action

Adopt the resolutions appointing the selected candidates for boards and commissions.

2. AT&T Donation

You may recall that AT&T offered to make a donation to the city if the city was able to pass it's agreement with AT&T before the end of 2006. AT&T has provided the donation check and Council will need to accept it.

Administration Recommendation

Accept the donation from AT&T.

Council Action

Authorize the acceptance of the donation from AT&T.

