RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Workshop Held Thursday, December 6th, 2007

The Council of the City of Silverton met for a workshop in Council Chambers at 6860 Plainfield Road at 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 6, 2007. Mayor Smith called the meeting to order.

OPENING REMARKS:

Mr. Sylvester led in prayer and Mayor Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

ALSO PRESENT:

John Smith	Mayor	Present	Mark Wendling	City Manager
Willa Garner	Council	Present	Meredith George	Clerk of
			_	Council
Joyce Glover	Council	Present		
Shirley Hackett	Council	Present		
Mark Quarry	Council	Present		
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present		
Dottie Williams	Council	Present		

CITY MANAGER'S WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Zoning Code RFP/Comprehensive Plan

Mr. Wendling reported that the comprehensive plan is almost complete. An update of the City's zoning code will be necessary in order to implement key elements of the comprehensive plan. The zoning code RFP has been presented and approved by the Planning Commission and will be presented to Council on 12/20/07 for their approval. Mr. Quarry asked if Mr. Pacheco will be involved in the process and Mr. Wendling confirmed that he would. Mr. Quarry also asked that the code re-write include a contingency plan if the light rail does not happen in our area. Mr. Wendling said that is something that could be included in the RFP. Mrs. Glover asked who would be involved in reviewing the bids. Mr. Wendling stated that he, Ron Smith, and a member of the Planning Commission would review the bids and select the consultant.

2. Major Medical Insurance

Mr. Wendling informed Council that due to rising health insurance costs he has been talking with the Ohio Plan, our property and casualty insurer, regarding a statewide major medical insurance pool. The plan is self funded, so the risk is shared across the membership. The carrier is Medical Mutual of Ohio. The benefits of the plan include a two-year rate guarantee and stability in carriers. Springfield Township recently joined the plan and they report that they are very pleased. Mrs. Hackett asked how

long the Ohio Plan has offered this plan. Mr. Wendling reported that the medical portion of their service is new, but they are a very reputable insurance company. Mr. Wendling stated we are waiting on our rating from Medical Mutual of Ohio and once we receive that he will do additional research on the program.

3. Plainfield/Montgomery Intersection Improvement Project

Mr. Wendling reported the bid specs are out and there has been great interest in the project. In fact, we ran out of plans and had to request more from CDS. Mr. Wendling also reported that some utilities will need to be moved, which should being sometime in February.

4. 6949 Silverton Avenue

Mr. Wendling stated that he, Rick Lehmkuhl and Ron Smith walked through the house on Silverton Avenue that the City acquired via sheriff's sale in 2005. The house has been sitting vacant for so long it is beyond restoration, so Mr. Wendling recommends that it be razed. The house is a blight on the neighborhood and the vacant lot can be land banked for a future development. Mr. Quarry motioned for Mr. Wendling to get cost estimates for the demolition of the house located at 6949 Silverton Avenue. Mr. Sylvester seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

5. Fall Leaf Collection

Mr. Wendling reported that leaf collection is running late due to the late fall we had this year. The City has extended its collection through Friday, December 07, 2007. Mr. Sylvester asked if the City had a leaf collection schedule. Mr. Wendling reported that they did not, as they collect leaves every day throughout leaf season. Mr. Wendling is hopeful that the collection will be completed by mid to late next week.

6. CRA Housing Council

Mr. Wending reported Council needs to consider residents they would like on the new CRA Housing Council. The council is a seven-member group and three citizens have already expressed an interest in serving. Mr. Wendling also reported that one member should be from the Planning Commission.

7. Board and Commission Appointments

Mr. Wendling stated Mrs. George had compiled a list of expiring and vacant board and commission seats for Council's review. Mrs. George and Mayor Smith reported they contacted the members whose terms were expiring. The following members wish to be re-appointed to their position:

Chris Draper – Park Board Mark Quarry – Charter Revision Committee Bill Sorrells – Design Review Board Betty Ormsby – Design Review Board Paul Smiley – Board of Zoning Appeals Shirley Hackett – Civil Service Commission Mark Quarry – OKI Board of Directors

After a brief discussion it was decided that the following vacancies would be filled as follows:

Mike Morthorst – Civil Service Commission Dottie Williams – Council Representative to the Fire Board Willa Garner – Council Representative to ICRC

There are two remaining alternate voting seats that are vacant on the Design Review Board.

Mr. Quarry motioned to appoint/reappoint all the above named board and commission members as listed. Mrs. Hackett seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Public comments

Idella Thompson – 6528 Elwynne Drive

Mrs. Thompson expressed an interest to fill the alternate voting seat on the Design Review Board. Mayor Smith stated he would like to appoint Mrs. Thompson as an alternate voting member of the Design Review Board. Mr. Quarry motioned to accept Mayor Smith's appointment and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. Garner noted that Dottie Williams has a background in real estate and might be a good candidate to fill the remaining alternate voting seat on the Design Review Board.

READING OF PENDING LEGISLATION:

None.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:

None.

MOTION TO RETIRE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Quarry motioned to retire to executive session to consider the purchase or sale of public property and pending or imminent court action per ORC 121.22(G). Mrs. Glover seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION TO RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

Mrs. Hackett motioned to reconvene the regular meeting and was seconded by Mrs. Garner. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Glover made a motion for adjournment, which was seconded by Mr. Quarry. All voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,		
Meredith L. George Clerk of Council		
John A. Smith Mayor		
Mark T. Wendling City Manager		