Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting December 8, 2008

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building

Mayor C. Mark Kingseed
Deputy-Mayor Douglas Cline
Councilmembers: John Beals

Brooks Compton Paul Gresham Belinda Kenley James Singer

Clerk of Council Debra James
City Manager Gregory Horn

Acting Finance Director Elizabeth Ward

City Planner Steven Feverston

Public Works Director Robert James

City Engineer Douglas Spitler

Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder
Assistant to the City Manager Kristen Gopman
Economic Development Administrator Nathan Cah

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Human Resource Manager Ginger Yonak

Resident: Rodney Miller

Mrs. Yonak gave a power point presentation with an overview of changes to the Pay Ordinances for 2009. This information had been presented to Council at a prior Work Session, but three members of Council were absent as they were attending the NLC Conference held in November. Discussion followed and Council concurred to a 3.1% increase for the 2009 annual pay adjustment for City employees.

Brooks Compton entered the Meeting at this time.

Mrs. Yonak also reviewed recommended changes to the Personnel Manuals for both the regular employees and the employees of Yankee Trace. Again only minor changes have been proposed. She stated that the main changes to the personnel manuals are for general formatting purposes and updating existing policies.

Mr. Cline entered the meeting at this time.

Mr. Horn reported that the Jail Agreement is up for renewal; the new agreement will terminate on December 31, 2012. This agreement serves for the confinement of male prisoners in the Kettering Municipal Jail located in Kettering, Ohio. Mr. Liberman has reviewed



the Jail Agreement, and a resolution will be one the December Council Meeting Consent Agenda.

Mrs. Wilder presented to Council a hand-out of the tabulation sheet from the bid opening held December 5, 2008 for carpeting at the clubhouse at Yankee Trace. The clubhouse was last recarpeted in 2001. She reported that five bids were received. She has received 200 samples, and it has been narrowed down to two companies. She is going through the bids and a recommendation to award the contract will be on the December Agenda. The carpeting will take two weeks to be installed in February. Councilmembers gave their opinions of which of the samples they preferred. Probably, the contract will be awarded to Everybody's Workplace Solutions (the carpet is a Milliken product).

Mr. Cahall stated that he and Mr. Horn had a meeting last week with representatives of Krogers to discuss potential financial incentives with regard to the proposed Kroger Marketplace. Mr. Horn mentioned that Kroger uses a consulting firm to obtain incentives. The Kroger representatives proposed three different packages. Staff is willing to partner with Kroger to have public storm sewer lines run through the parcel which would lead to savings for construction and long term maintenance costs. Council felt it is important to stress that Issue 2 funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission will be used to widen Sheehan Road and that Krogers would benefit very much from the state funding. Mr. Horn will put together an incentive package with Mr. Cahall which will involve a storm water sewer proposal and waiving certain permit and inspection fees. An update will be given to Council.

Mr. Horn reported that Bear Creek Capital and the Dille Family are currently out of contract as of November 30th.

Mr. Cahall explained to Council that the renewal of the Cross Point Church Parking Lot Agreement has expired. Washington Township has given an indication that they want to continue the contract on a year-to-year basis. Previously they had signed a five year agreement. The City is currently in a ten year lease for the parking lot at Cross Point Church. He also advised that the Gramman settlement payment from Washington Township has still not been received for the egress and ingress easement in the APD area.

Mr. Beals reported that he and his wife, Sally, visited the Verdin Clock Company in Cincinnati. At that time, they received the gift of a Verdin Bell which will be displayed in the Municipal Building. A Verdin Clock is to be installed at Town Hall in the middle of town. It is a joint project with the City of Centerville, Washington Township and the Centerville-Washington Foundation. The clock is expected to be finished December 12th. Mr. Horn will communicate with the Township to find out when the clock will be installed and whether a ceremony will be scheduled to dedicate the clock.

Mayor Kingseed asked Council to please let him know as soon as possible if they are interested in an assignment as liaison to a specific Board or Commission.

Mayor Kingseed announced that he, Mr. Cline and Mr. Compton will be meeting

with Mr. Pittman on Thursday, December 11, 2008. He also mentioned that the Council Retreat would be held Saturday, February 7, 2009, with a social on Friday evening. Saturday would start with breakfast. The Retreat will be held at the Yankee Trace Community Room. Also, the State of the City Address will be held at the Police Department Training Room on Monday, January 26, 2009.

Mrs. Kenley made a motion to convene into Executive Session regarding personnel. Mr. Singer seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in seven ayes in favor of the motion. After no official business was conducted, Mrs. Kenley made a motion to adjourn out of the executive session. Mr. Singer seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in seven ayes in favor of the motion.

Debra A. James Clerk of Council

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