

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
August 12, 1996

TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library
PRESENT: Mayor Sally Beals
Deputy-Mayor C. Mark Kingseed
Councilmembers J. V. Stone
James Singer
Susan Lienesch
James Reppert
Brooks Compton
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin
Assistant Clerk of Council Peggy Whisman
City Manager Gregory Horn
Assistant City Manager Michael Haverland
Public Works Director Steve Weaver
Assistant to the City Manager Judith Gilleland

Mayor Beals advised that the Washington Township Trustees will address the issue of a curfew during their meeting scheduled for August 19, 1996. Mr. Kingseed, speaking as Chairman of the Public Health and Safety Council Committee, advised that a Committee report and recommendation will be given to City Council during the Council Meeting scheduled for August 19, 1996 recommending that a curfew not be established at this time. Council concurred that on August 19 the report will be received and the recommendation accepted and approved by City Council.

Mayor Beals reported that Washington Township Trustee President Roger Krass has informed her that they will not oppose the petition submitted to the Board of County Commissioners Montgomery County for the annexation of 70.328 acres of land located in the unincorporated area of Washington Township to the City of Centerville; property owned by St. Elizabeth Corporation, more particularly known as St. Leonard's.

Mr. Singer expressed concern with the length of time involved with the settlement of the case involving the appeal filed by the Centerville United Methodist Church relative to the denial of their application to demolish the historical structure at 59 East Franklin Street as well as the upkeep and maintenance of said property.

Mr. Reppert requested a meeting be scheduled between himself, Mr. Horn and Mrs. Lienesch to review the State of Ohio Auditor's Report for the City of Centerville 1994. In response to this request this Report will be reviewed by the entire Council

during Work Session on Monday, August 26, 1996 with Director of Finance William Bettcher in attendance.

Upon question of Mr. Reppert, Mr. Weaver advised that City Staff attended a meeting held on August 12, 1996 relative to the Spring Valley Road Improvement Project. The reconstruction of this roadway is at least 30 days behind schedule due to various delays.

In response to a question raised by Mr. Reppert, Mr. Horn outlined City Staff's impression of the City's current landscaping regulations, the enforcement of same, and possible changes and additions to the text. Discussion followed relative to the possible inclusion of a penalty clause.

As a result of discussion concerning legislation to establish requirements and responsibilities for Home Owners Associations in developments in Centerville, Mr. Horn will discuss this issue with Cities in Gov Tech, with the City Planner, and the Municipal Attorney and will report his findings to City Council.

Mr. Horn reviewed proposed changes to the Centerville Zoning Ordinance to revise the section relative to the parking of vehicles in residential areas, eliminating the storage of same and limiting the number to three. Council concurred to move forward with this Ordinance; to place it on the Council Meeting Agenda for the August 19, 1996 Meeting to be set for Public Hearing.

Following discussion relative to the regulation of cats and a proposal from The Humane Society of the United States, the majority of Council concurred not to consider the passage of legislation to regulate cats at the present time.

Miss Gilleland reviewed for Council annexation petitions proposed for acreage in the unincorporated area of Washington Township situated east of The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. Two configurations have been prepared for submission to the Board of County Commissioners Montgomery County simultaneously; petitions which contain properties that were included in the 154.8944 acre annexation petition recently withdrawn from County consideration.

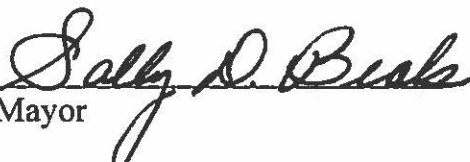
Mr. Horn explained a recent contact received by a member of City Staff from a dental firm interested in purchasing the City owned property at 123 West Franklin Street. Following discussion relative to the future use of this property for access purposes, the majority of Council concurred not to offer the property for sale.

Mr. Weaver reviewed for Council a settlement of the City's claim for the fire involving a refuse truck. The Insurance Company offered a settlement of \$11,800.00 less

\$1,000.00 deductible, a salvage value of \$1,250.00 for the damaged truck chassis, plus \$400.00 for a radio. He recommended that the City purchase the truck for the salvage value and accept the settlement offered by Cincinnati Insurance for a total settlement of \$9,950.00. Council concurred with said recommendation.

Mr. Horn outlined a possible sale of City equipment at a vehicle auction for perhaps a better price and getting the equipment out of the Centerville area, particularly police vehicles. Council concurred that Municipal Attorney Robert Farquhar prepare legislation to give the City the authority to offer for sale said equipment at a public or specified sale. This legislation will be an agenda item for the August 19, 1996 Council Meeting.


Marilyn J. McLaughlin
Clerk of Council

Approved: 
Mayor