Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting October 28, 1996

TIME:

6:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library

PRESENT:

Mayor Sally Beals

Councilmembers

J. V. Stone James Singer

Susan Lienesch James Reppert Brooks Compton

Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin

City Manager Gregory Horn

Assistant City Manager Michael Haverland

Director of Finance William Bettcher

Mr. Horn distributed to Council information he prepared relative to HB36. Council concurred that this information be made available to appropriate people.

Council convened into a meeting of the Finance Committee of the whole Council to consider Centerville's Budget for 1997, with Chairman James Singer presiding.

The Budget meeting was interrupted to provide an opportunity for Council to reconvene into Work Session to meet with representatives from VOICE, (Voters Organized for Intelligent Community Expansion).

Michael White outlined the reason for forming their organization in an attempt to oppose the construction of a Meijer store in the area of South Main Street and Sheehan Road, and to promote better communications between the City and Washington Township.

Martin Hunter stressed the importance of retaining green space in the total community. He suggested the development of a land trust to reach this goal.

Mr. White promoted discussions between the City and Township relative to the formation of a revised Master Plan for the total area.

Mayor Beals addressed questions raised by Mr. White and Mr. Hunter, outlining the City's lack of information relative to the construction of a Meijer store, and the annexation of 8.222 acres of land to the City of Centerville near the area in question.

Mr. Singer suggested that the VOICE committee pursue the development of a Joint Recreation District with Washington Township and perhaps unification between the City of Centerville and the Township.

Mr. White stressed the committees's intent to remain active and informed.

Mr. Compton pointed out that the City and Township, though disagree on some

issues, have the good of the total community and residents in mind.

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Mayor