

MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Benham's Grove Cottage

Saturday, May 14, 1994

Notes were recorded by City Manager Greg Horn, as Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin was unable to attend. Mayor Heintz and all members of Council, with the exception of Mark Beasley were in attendance . The meeting started at 8:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:30 a.m. Senator Chuck Horn was present to bring Council up to date on legislative matters. He reported on the efforts currently underway by the Senate Select Committee, upon which he serves, to hold hearings on House Bill 30. Senator Horn felt that some form of annexation legislation would pass both the Senate and the House this year, probably in the Fall. He felt that, realistically, the cities need to work together and propose a reasonable list of amendments to the current annexation statutes. Senator Horn also updated Council on his Regional Economic Forum strategy and the importance of utilizing the various forms of technology associated with the Wright Patterson Air Force Base. He is proposing a multi-state approach so that legislative support can be garnered from Pennsylvania, Kentucky, West Virginia, and Indiana in an attempt to retain and foster the technology that currently exists at WPAFB. Other legislative issues before the State General Assembly were also discussed and a question and answer period followed.

City Manager Horn updated Council on continuing negotiations with Great Traditions for the residential development of the Yankee Trace project. The City Manager reported that there was still a difference of opinion with Great Traditions regarding the subject of an access fee. GT is willing to continue to pay the \$150,000 for the right to develop adjoining property, as the tentative agreement calls for. However, they have requested that the \$2,500 per acre fee be waived. The City has countered and agreed to lower the \$2,500 per acre fee for the Hoertt, Paragon Road property, and northern Yankee Development property, to \$1,250 per acre. The Yankee Development property west of Yankee Road and all other potential parcels would continue to be required to pay a \$2,500 per acre fee, if they are given access to the golf course roadways, utilities, etc. The Manager agreed to make a final offer to GT Monday, in an attempt to resolve this issue. It is felt that if this issue is not resolved shortly, the City should reexamine the possibility of opening negotiations with K&W and/or Williamsburg Properties in order to effectuate an expeditious contract signing for the residential development surrounding Yankee Trace.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m..

Approved: 

Mayor