

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 9, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Eastlake City Council was held at Eastlake City Hall, 35150 Lakeshore Boulevard. The Meeting was called to order by Council President Mr. Morley at approximately 7:37 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. D'Ambrosio.

ATTENDEES

Members of Council in attendance were Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Knuchel, Mr. Lajeunesse, Ms. Vaughn, Ms. DePledge, Mr. Hoefle and Council President Mr. Morley. Also attending was Council Clerk Mrs. Cendroski.

Those attending from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, Finance Director Condron, CBO Stigalt, Police Chief Ruth and City Engineer Gwydir.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – FEBRUARY 23, 2010

MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 23, 2010. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Morley

Meetings Scheduled

The next Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. with the Regular Council Meeting being scheduled Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

The Economic & Community Development Council is scheduled for Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

The next Charter Review Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 25, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A request was received from the Administration to amend City Ordinance Chapter 969 "Park and Recreation Facilities." This was referred to Ordinance Committee.

A communication was received from the City of Willoughby regarding an amendment to City Ordinance Section 939.26 "Sewer Service Charges," subsection (d)(3) "Surcharges." This was referred to Ordinance Committee.

A recommendation was received from the Planning Commission regarding a Conditional Use Permit for Star Auto, 1486 East 357<sup>th</sup> Street, Eastlake. This was referred to Planning Committee.

A communication was received from Mayor Andrzejewski regarding an appointment to the Eastlake Port Authority. Mr. Morley explained that this would be addressed during the Mayor's report.

A liquor license transfer request was received from Alzobi, Inc., dba Convenient Food Mart 3-141, 34301 Vine Street, Eastlake, OH 44095 to Jordan Brothers, Inc., dba Convenient Food Mart 3-141, 34301 Vine Street, Eastlake, OH. This was referred to Planning Committee.

A recommendation was received from the Administration regarding an amendment to City Ordinance Section 1301.01 "Time Limits; Building Fees; Deposits; Refunds" and the enactment of new City Ordinance Chapter 1371 "Small Wind Energy Systems" and Chapter 1373 "Solar Energy Systems." These were referred to Ordinance Committee.

A communication was received from the Administration requesting the approval of Change Order No. 1 for the bus garage at the JFK Senior Center. This was referred to Finance Committee.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### PLANNING COMMITTEE – Mr. D'Ambrosio

Mr. D'Ambrosio: The Planning Committee met on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. with me, Mr. Knuchel and Mr. Lajeunesse present from the Committee. Also in attendance from Council were Ms. Vaughn, Ms. DePledge and Council President Morley. Mr. Hoefle was absent and excused. In attendance from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, Assistant Finance Director Vuckovich and CBO Stigalt. There were four items on the agenda that evening with the first two being Conditional Use Permits. The first one is for Jaliscos Restaurant, Inc., 35757 Lakeshore Blvd. This is a family type Mexican restaurant with a bar and dining room. This was scheduled for a public hearing at our next Council meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The second Conditional Use Permit was for Lake Transmissions and Car Care, Inc., 36036 Lakeland Blvd. This was also scheduled for a public hearing on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. There were two Conditional Use Permit renewals on the agenda with the first being for Chase Bank, 35400 Vine Street and the other one was for Health and Fitness, Inc., 35665 Curtis Blvd. This was discussed in the Council-as-a-Whole Committee meeting and was an amendment and renewal. The amendment was because the business incorporated. The permit needed to be in the corporations name and not the individuals. I will be making the following Motion:

##### Conditional Use Permit Renewals:

MOTION: I hereby move to approve the Conditional Use Permit renewal requests for: Chase Bank, 35400 Vine Street, Ste. A, Eastlake, OH  
Health & Fitness, Inc., 35665 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake  
Mr. Knuchel seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The Conditional Use Permit renewals for Chase Bank, 35400 Vine Street, Ste. A, Eastlake, OH and Health & Fitness, Inc., 35665 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake are approved.

Additional Comments:

Mr. D'Ambrosio: This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. D'Ambrosio.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mr. Knuchel

Mr. Knuchel: The Finance Committee met on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:10 p.m. with me, Ms. DePledge and Mr. D'Ambrosio present from the Committee. Also in attendance from Council were Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Lajeunesse and Council President Mr. Morley. Mr. Hoefle was absent and excused. In attendance from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, and Assistant Finance Director Vuckovich. There were two items on the evening's agenda with the first being a CDBG Grant approval for our part-time person in the Building Department and we moved this matter forward to this evening's meeting. The second one was an adoption of the February, 2010 Codified Ordinance replacement pages which is a normal housekeeping item where we have our codified ordinances replaced from the year before – this was also moved forward. Tomorrow night we are having a Finance Committee meeting where we will discuss Revenues and if it is alright with the rest of my Committee a meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Cendroski: Mr. D'Ambrosio has a couple of items in his Committee and as you are both on the same Committees I was wondering if Mr. D'Ambrosio would like to have a meeting at 6:00 p.m. and the Finance Committee meeting could be at 6:10 p.m.?

Mr. Knuchel: Fine with me.

Mr. D'Ambrosio: Fine with me.

Mr. Knuchel: At that Finance Committee meeting we will discuss the expenditures. At the request of the Law Director I did stay in Executive Session to discuss the lawsuit. I will be making the following Motion:

Invoice: The Walter Drane Company

MOTION: I hereby move to approve payment to The Walter Drane Company for services rendered regarding the update of the City of Eastlake Codified Ordinances, said payment to be \$1,552 and taken from account #101.120.5446. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The payment to The Walter Drane Company in the amount of \$1,552 is approved.

Additional Comments

This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Knuchel.

#### ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - Ms. Vaughn

Ms. Vaughn: Before I report on my Committee meeting I would like to let you and the Administration know there will be no Ordinance Committee meetings until early May. Due to my absence, Mr. D'Ambrosio's absence and Mr. Hoefle's absence all coinciding with each other we respectfully request anything urgent be referred to Council-as-a-Whole Committee. The Ordinance Committee met March 2<sup>nd</sup> with me and Mr. D'Ambrosio present from the Committee. Mr. Hoefle was absent and excused. Also in attendance from Council were Mr. Knuchel, Ms. DePledge, Mr. Lajeunesse and Council President Morley. In attendance from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, and Assistant Finance Director Vuckovich. We discussed revising Ordinance 155.26 establishing bonds for officers and employees. You will find that we recommend lowering the bonds securing faithful performance and, except for the Director of Finance, Assistant Director of Finance, Tax Coordinator/Administrator, and the Mayor, eliminating other City employees from that section. In turn we increased the bond for theft and dishonesty to \$500,000 under NORMA which will cover the listed employees and officers. My Committee recommended this be moved forward and it appears tonight as Legislation 03-09-(03). This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Ms. Vaughn.

Mr. Morley: Ms. Vaughn, I know you are not feeling well – if you want to wait until after the vote on the legislation you may go.

#### SERVICE/UTILITIES COMMITTEE - Ms. DePledge

Ms. DePledge: The Service/Utilities Committee has not met since our last meeting - there are currently no items pending in Committee and there are no meetings scheduled. I did have an opportunity to attend the Waste Water Pollution Control Center meeting on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. with Mr. Hoefle, Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Knuchel and Council President Morley present from Council. The meeting lasted about two hours. There were 29 points on the Executive Summary. The Water Pollution Control Center is running very well and Superintendent Gorka is doing an excellent job of keeping everything under control. He did advise us of some potential financial issues that may come up in the future – but, again they are potential and in the future. One of the more pressing issues they do have there is a succession plan – apparently it is very difficult to find people to do this kind of work. So, if you know anyone who would be interested in doing this kind of work you may want to refer them to the WPCC. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Knuchel: A comment on the WPCC meeting – it was very informative. One of the things they did inform us of is that they do need more money for their capital improvements fund – which Ms. DePledge talked about. They have several items that have the potential of costing anywhere from \$200,000 to \$500,000 a piece and it was suggested that before June they would meet with the Finance Directors of both Willoughby and make recommendations for the capital improvements fund.

There were no questions of Ms. DePledge

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Mr. Lajeunesse

Mr. Lajeunesse: The Safety Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore, I have nothing to report. In regards to the Finance Committee meeting next week, Mr. Knuchel, for the record I will be out of the country with my family and will not be available. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Lajeunesse.

RECREATION COMMITTEE – Mr. Hoefle

Mr. Hoefle: The Recreation Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore, I have nothing to report.

This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Hoefle.

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Morley recognized the public input at this time; he reminded the speakers that there is a 3-minute limit for their comments; all comments are to be directed to the Chair and not include any personalities or individuals.

There was no one who wished to speak.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED - First number will be 2010-016

Requested by: Administration  
Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

RESOLUTION NO.: 03-09-(01)

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into a “Subrecipient Agreement” with Lake County, Ohio for the Fiscal Year 2009 CDBG Program Grant in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000), and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. D’Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to adopt. Mr. D’Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2010-016.

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Requested by: Council Clerk  
Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

ORDINANCE NO. : 03-09-(02)

An Ordinance to Revise the Codified Ordinances by adopting Current Replacement Pages, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2010-017.

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Requested by: Administration Sponsored by: Ms. Vaughn	<u>ORDINANCE NO: 03-09-(03)</u> An Ordinance amending City Ordinance Section 155.26 "Bond," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Eastlake, and declaring an emergency.
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MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2010-018.

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Requested by: Planning Commission Sponsored by: Mr. D'Ambrosio	<u>ORDINANCE NO.: 03-09-(04)</u> An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1990-177, adopted October 9, 1990, and authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit to Health & Fitness, Inc., 35665 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.
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MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to adopt. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2010-019.

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LEGISLATION PENDING  
There was no Legislation Pending,

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR – Ted Andrzejewski

Mayor Andrzejewski: Mr. Shiebli resigned from the Port Authority so I would like to recommend Chris Aune, an Eastlake resident and avid boater, for his replacement on the Port Authority. I had a nice talk with Mr. Aune and I believe he has the qualities to do a good job on the Port Authority.

PORT AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT

Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Christopher Aune, 767 Quentin Road, Eastlake, OH 44095 to the Eastlake Port Authority to the unexpired term of Robert G. Schiebli, with said term expiring 12/31/2010. Ms. Vaughn seconded.

DISCUSSION:

Ms. DePledge: This is the first time I have heard this gentleman's name and I do not know anything about him other than that he is an Eastlake resident. Can you give me a little more information about him?

Mayor Andrzejewski: First of all he is a boater. We need people on the Port Authority who understand the river and its good features and problems. He has actively been involved in Eastlake for many years – I know he ran for Council once or twice. I have never had an opportunity to appoint him to a Committee until now. He is a Union member and is a hard working guy. He is an Eastlake resident. I talked to him for about an hour in my office. I talked to Mr. Sima who also wants members who will participate and not just come to a meeting and sit there. Mr. Aune has told me he wants to actively get involved and not just go to a meeting.

Ms. DePledge: Are the other members of the Port Authority aware of this appointment?

Mayor Andrzejewski: A couple of them are – I don't think they all are. But, they all know him.

Mr. Morley: He was actually one of the five finalists in the first public interview for replacing a City Councilman.

Ms. DePledge: Thank you.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Christopher Aune is appointed to the Eastlake Port Authority to the unexpired term of Robert G. Schiebli, with said term expiring 12/31/2010.

Mayor Andrzejewski: We have come across a candidate we would like to recommend for Finance Director – Mike Slocum. We had several very well qualified candidates. What entered into my decision in the end was that Mr. Slocum was a former Finance Director here and he did a good job. All of you know him and have worked with him. He has experience in both the public and private sector. He is an Eastlake resident. Therefore I would like to recommend Mike Slocum as the new Finance Director for the City of Eastlake.

**CITY OF EASTLAKE FINANCE DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT**

Mr. Knuchel moved to confirm the Mayor’s appointment of Michael Slocum to the position of Finance Director for the City of Eastlake, with said effective date as determined by the Mayor after coordinating with Mr. Condrón. Mr. D’Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The Mayor’s appointment of Michael Slocum as Finance Director for the City of Eastlake is confirmed.

Mr. Morley: Congratulations, Mr. Slocum.

Mr. Knuchel: When will Mr. Slocum start?

Mayor Andrzejewski: That will be up to Mr. Slocum. He will have to give notice to his current employer. We hope to have him on board about a week before Mr. Condrón leaves. At this point it depends on his employer. Out of courtesy to his current employer no one knew about this officially until tonight.

Mr. Hoefle: Is there a possibility that Mr. Slocum can attend the Finance Committee meetings, as a resident, since he will not be starting. Does he have a copy of the budget?

Mayor Andrzejewski: It is up to him – tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m.? He was planning on attending.

*Ms. Vaughn was excused from the meeting at this time.*

Additional Comments:

Mayor Andrzejewski: The Captains have offered - and the information is on our web site - \$2.00 tickets for any games in April through May 12<sup>th</sup> for any Eastlake resident. The tickets are available at the Captains box office – not City Hall. And, you must present proof that you are an Eastlake resident in order to purchase the tickets. We have already had a good response to our drawing for which we will give three families tickets to the loge. The drawing will be held for the April games in a couple of weeks and for May games in the middle of April, etc. It has been a good response – people seem very pleased. We have a Lakeland student who I talked to yesterday who is a communications major and who is going to be our moderator for Channel 12. We will tape the first program with him on Thursday. I believe the people doing the show have contacted Council.



Mr. Morley: I spoke with them today. I do not know if we will tape something this week or next. They did tell me we could tape at 5:30 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. if we needed to do that. Maybe next week we will do something after we have time to discuss it.

Mayor Andrzejewski: I will leave that up to you. And, you can use the moderator or not – it is up to you. So far - so good on the pool. The work has been ongoing for the last couple of weeks by City workers and the contractor for the major part of the pool started today and I believe the electrical and plumbing will be starting very shortly. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: I hope Mrs. Keneven-Zanella is starting to recover a little better – I know she is having a rough time. Thank you for the Executive Session – I appreciate everyone participating. The residents can be assured that issue got a fair debate. I would ask that the record reflect on the Motion to appoint Mr. Slocum – make it an effective date to be determined by the Mayor after coordinating with Mr. Condrón. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Klammer.

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Brian Condrón

Mr. Condrón: The last two weeks we have been working with the State Auditor's office on the City's 2009 financial report – trying to get as much done as we can by the end of the month – it is progressing well. I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Condrón.

TAX ADMINISTRATOR – Angela Keneven-Zanella

Mrs. Keneven-Zanella was absent and excused.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – John Stigalt

Mr. Stigalt: I just wrapped up today the final draft of the property maintenance – I will have two of my staff members proof read it and present it to the Mayor's office Monday for his endorsement. The rough draft is being typed for the sign ordinance and I should have it in two weeks so I can finalize it and have it to the Ordinance Committee by mid-April. Walgreens submitted their construction documents for review – I should have them back in 5-10 days. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Stigalt.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Mike Semik

Mr. Semik was absent and excused.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: The work on the pool is presently underway. We did the soil investigation last week and the soil consultant reported back last Friday that the pool apparently – where they drilled – is on good soil and in a good foundation. Some wet areas were found but there is nothing that would cause them to say we should not proceed with the pool. I contacted all the contractors – Patterson-Stevens, Miller Plumbing and Goulder Electric to let them know they can proceed with their work. Patterson-Stevens mobilized and today they are setting up their scaffolding in the pool to get ready to cut off the top edge of the pool in preparation for the stainless steel gutter. Miller Plumbing was in laying out their work and I will be talking with Goulder Electric shortly. Prior to all this shop drawings for all the equipment have been coming into our office to be checked and approved and sent out. I will be working with both Mr. Semik and Mr. Stigalt to make sure we get the best product possible. I would also like to note, for yourselves and the Mayor, that there were certain requirements in our contract for the City to do – that is clean up the building and get it ready for the contractors to come in. When I went through the building this morning it was a clean as a hounds tooth – they did quite a fine job in getting that ready to go. I clearly appreciated that – it makes my life much easier. We have started the design work for the Round 24 OPWC projects – that is East 347<sup>th</sup> & East 348<sup>th</sup> Streets between Glen and Stevens. We are doing the design in order to be able to start as soon as the OPWC funds become available so we are not pushed as hard by weather as we were with South Lakeshore Blvd. We are also beginning the design work on the Edison-Mondomin storm drainage system. And, finally, I started my communication with the railroad – reminding them the weather is starting to look good and of course the asphalt plants will be opening soon – so, I thought I would prod them a little bit. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Knuchel: I think Mr. D’Ambrosio and I would be extremely grateful if that project was done. We have had comments over the last three years about this project and I know, Mr. Gwydir, you have put your best foot forward on this and are pushing it through as well as you can. Kick them in the butt – get them moving because that is well and long overdue and our residents would appreciate that being done.

Mr. D’Ambrosio: Thank you for commenting on that. I actually have it in my notes because I know the asphalt plants are scheduled to open in the next 4-6 weeks. Thank you very much for being on top of that.

There were no further questions of Mr. Gwydir.

POLICE CHIEF – John Ruth

Chief Ruth: The Police Department has been busy as we usually are. We are proud to announce at our Departmental meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup> our Officer of the Year was Officer Mark Christian, our Civilian Employee of the Year was our Victim’s Advocate Karen Leubking, and we did recognize Patrolman Rich Greer for his many years of traffic enforcement and DUI enforcement with an Exceptional Service Ribbon and we also recognized with a Department Excellence Award Patrolman Vince Cronin for his efforts last year in the rescue of a distressed boater, the apprehension and recovery of a stolen vehicle and the apprehension of robbery suspects out of Willowick – all due to just good, aggressive alert patrol activity. Other than that we started off the New Year fine and are getting a few

projects going and it is business as usual. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Morley: The next meeting we are going to give out some awards to the Fire Department for the Blue Coats Awards. If there are any recognitions you would like us to do we would do so. We would like to recognize them here if that is okay with you.

Chief Ruth: It has been many years since we formally recognized our officers and employees – we used to do it in the past through the Chamber of Commerce and the City would participate. I think it would be a nice gesture to reinstate that through Council and the Mayor’s office. I think that is a nice gesture and is well received by the employees. Everyone likes to know they are appreciated and do a good job.

Mr. Morley: I you could provide the names to Mrs. Cendroski and what their reward is.

Chief Ruth: I know you have to get out a budget and it should conclude sometime this month. But, I would encourage you to take some time to spend with the Police Department – the Police Officers. You are more than welcome to come in – go out and ride – see what we do and how we do it and why we do it. See what we are faced with. Look at the equipment we are utilizing and the technology we have and the abilities we possess. I think that will help you. I know many of you are veterans here and have been exposed to the Police Department – and, those who are somewhat newer – it is just real opportunity to really get to see how the Police Department operates. It is nothing like on TV and is probably nothing like what you may imagine in your mind – that we ride around and drink coffee and eat donuts. I would urge you to do that. I think it would be beneficial to both you and the Department. Because they would recognize you do have that interest in them.

There were no questions of Chief Ruth.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Chief Whittington was absent and excused.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.

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DENNIS MORLEY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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DEBORAH A. CENDROSKI, CMC  
CLERK OF COUNCIL