

**THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO**  
**Proceedings of the Huron City Council**  
**Work Session Meeting Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 5:30p.m.**

A work session meeting of the City Council of the City of Huron, Ohio was called to order by Mayor Brad Hartung on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 5:30p.m. in the Council Room of Huron City Hall, 417 Main Street, Huron, Ohio.

The following members of Council were present: Rick Schaffter, Trey Hardy, Christine Crawford, Brad Hartung, Joe Dike, Sam Artino, and Glen Ginesi who arrived shortly after the meeting began.

City administration/staff present: City Manager Andy White, Law Director Laura Alkire, Assistant to the City Manager Mike Spafford, City Engineer Doug Green, HFD Captain Doug Nash, and Management Services Coordinator ~ Clerk of Council Christine Gibboney.

**New Business**

**Items on the Council Agenda**

The Mayor reviewed the format of the regular meeting agenda and Ms. Alkire reviewed vote totals required for placement, waiver of the three reading rule, emergency and final votes. Mr. White noted the state hasn't released dispensary licensing awards but has announced that this is anticipated June 4-6. He noted that officials from OPC will be in attendance at the Council meeting this evening.

Mr. White referenced the 2019 Tax Budget, noting that Council will need to set a public hearing and explained the budget would be distributed within the next few days.

A lengthy discussion then ensued regarding the introduction of legislation on a first reading and/or the waiving of the three reading rule. Members discussed past protocol for zoning amendments, noting that they have gone through the full three readings. Members considered and discussed placing all ordinances on their first reading, waiving the three reading rule for all, or waiving the three reading rule for Ordinance 2018-10 and 2018-11 as these were the recommendations of the Planning Commission, noting the public expects action to be taken this evening. It was explained that if Ordinance 2018-11 passes, then there is no need for Ordinances 12 thru 16. It was also noted that there has not been actual review or discussion on Ordinances 2018-12 thru 2018-16 and three readings would allow this time and it was pointed out that the state licensing is expected by June 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Artino advised that Council should explain the reasoning for three readings to the audience members if that is what Council decides to do. The members discussed the possibility of OPC not being granted the state license and action that Council may want to consider if that happens which has included mention of establishing a moratorium on medical marijuana dispensaries.

Mr. Ginesi noted the numerous conversations with people in the community who are in support of a dispensary in the city. Ms. Alkire advised the city requested a copy of the Resolution passed by the Board of Education, noting that the resolution urged City Council to find another location, not against having a dispensary within the city. Mr. White mentioned subsequent conversations with the Board of Health on the matter as well, noting their concern was related to the location as well.

Ms. Alkire advised that administration will be requesting an executive session for the purpose related to an applicant for economic development assistance, specifically the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project, noting the matter is related to the Mucci Farm electric rate. Mr. White noted this was reviewed and discussed with the Finance Committee in executive session.

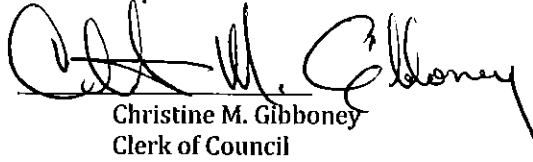
**Other Matters**

Mr. White referenced the additional streets that Council had requested to be added to the 2018 Road Paving program. He explained that the awarded contractor will hold his unit costs, but has advised he would not be able to incorporate all the additional streets in 2018, therefore, the project would be completed over 2018-

2019 and administration would need Council's answer on which streets will be done in 2018 and which in 2019. Mr. White recapped the discussion and recommendation of the Finance committee relative to the financing of \$2.4 million for this project. Discussion on what streets to complete in 2018 vs 2019 ensued with administration explaining that the recommendation is to do the streets that were in the base bid which were all rated at the critical level and then do the additional streets that Council added in 2019.

Ms. Alkire provided an update on the Stewart litigation, noting the Stewarts have inquired if Council would entertain them purchasing the land. A brief discussion ensued and it was noted Council can discuss this in the regular meeting or in an executive session if desired.

The work session meeting of May 22, 2018 adjourned at 6:22 p.m.



Christine M. Gibboney  
Clerk of Council