

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2025

CITY COUNCIL CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION AT 5:30 PM AND WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT TOM HETRICK. ON A CALL OF THE ROLL, THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS RESPONDED TO THEIR NAMES: ANITA DAVIS, JIMMY HUGHES, PATRICK KELLY, JULIUS OLIVER, MIKE RAY, SAMANTHA TURNER, AMBER WHITE, AND TOM HETRICK, 8. THE NOVEMBER 19, 2025 MINUTES WERE APPROVED. COUNCIL SWORE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMUNICATIONS

COM-25-186 BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING WAS HELD NOVEMBER 20, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-187 DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING WAS HELD DECEMBER 2, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-188 MAHONING COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING WAS HELD NOVEMBER 20, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-189 MAHONING COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING WAS HELD NOVEMBER 25, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-190 LETTER: THE EAST OHIO GAS COMPANY DBA ENBRIDGE GAS OHIO INTENDS TO FILE A REQUEST FOR AN INCREASE IN NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION RATES, APPROVAL OF OTHER TARIFFS CHANGES, AND AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT AN ALTERNATIVE RATE PLAN WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO (PUCO) IN ABOUT 30-DAYS. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-191 OHIO DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL NOTICE RE: NEW TO: BISTRO 1907 LTD 44 E. FEDERAL PLAZA, YOUNGSTOWN, OH 44503. PERMIT #00724980-1. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-192 KYLE MIASEK, FINANCE DIRECTOR IS UNABLE TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED.

CARRIED

COM-25-193 MAYOR BROWN IS UNABLE TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

COM-25-194 NIKKI FIELDS, CHIEF OF STAFF IS UNABLE TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

COM-25-195 JAN NELSON REQUESTS TO SPEAK BEFORE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

COM-25-196 ALEESHA FOSTER REQUESTS TO SPEAK BEFORE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

COM-25-197 MARY KRUPA REQUESTS TO SPEAK BEFORE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

COM-25-198 LYNN ANDERSON REQUESTS TO SPEAK BEFORE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

COM-25-199 PATRICIA DUNBAR REQUESTS TO SPEAK BEFORE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 3, 2025. WAS READ AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS RECEIVED AND FILED. CARRIED

ORDINANCES

ORD-25-412 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO APPROVE A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE 2025 CALENDAR YEAR IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000.00, FOR ALCON MECHANICAL FOR THE PLUMBING, HEATING AND COOLING SERVICES FOR THE CITY PARKS; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-413 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO APPROVE A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE 2025 CALENDAR YEAR IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00, TO SAFETY LINE LLC, FOR PURCHASES TO INCLUDE UNIFORM ITEMS, BALLISTIC BODY ARMOR AND OTHER POLICE RELATED SUPPLIES; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-414 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO SEDGWICK FOR SERVICES, NOT TO EXCEED \$48,960.00, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026. THIS REFLECTS A 2% INCREASE OVER THE 2025 FEE; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-415 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO MAKE PAYMENT, NOT TO EXCEED \$42,405.00 TO KIRILA CONTRACTORS, INC.; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-416 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO MAKE PAYMENT TO ALLSTATE FORD OF YOUNGSTOWN, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$86,000.00, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2024 FORD F-550 TRUCK TO REPLACE THE TRUCK THAT WAS TOTALED IN AN ACCIDENT IN OCTOBER; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-417 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO BURGESS & NIPLE FOR RISK AND RESILIENCE ASSESSMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN UPDATE. THE COST WILL NOT EXCEED \$49,998.00; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-418 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO MAKE PAYMENT, VIA SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PRICING PROGRAM, CONTRACT #060624-VTO TO VERTOSOFT, TO PROVIDE SOFTWARE FOR OPENGOV ENTERPRISE. COST OF THE SERVICE WILL NOT EXCEED \$215,590.00; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-419 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION TO OPERATE WITH THE E.P.A. (IN ACCORDANCE WITH HOUSE BILL #152). THIS LICENSE IS NECESSARY FOR ALL WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS TO OPERATE. THE DUE DATE FOR SUCH APPLICATION IS DECEMBER 31, 2025. THE COST FOR LICENSING WILL NOT EXCEED \$48,394.76; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-420 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH R20 CONSULTING AND TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF ~~\$65,000.00~~, **\$45,000.00**. THE GOAL IS TO EXPLORE AN ALTERNATE RATE STRUCTURE DESIGNED NOT ONLY TO MAINTAIN ESSENTIAL SERVICES, BUT ALSO TO CREATE A MORE EQUITABLE BILLING STRUCTURE; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS AMENDED TO READ: STRIKE ~~\$65,000.00~~ AND INSERT **\$45,000.00**. THE AMENDMENT CARRIED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE. THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE AMENDED ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-421 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO SOLICIT PRICING FROM AN AUTHORIZED NUCOR BUILDING SYSTEMS DEALERS AND MAKE PAYMENT FOR THE LOWEST AND BEST PROPOSAL FOR A NUCOR STORAGE BUILDING. THE COST OF THE BUILDING WILL NOT EXCEED \$145,000.00; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE

FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-422 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO DIRECT THE OHIO EDISON COMPANY TO INSTALL ONE (1) 100W STANDARD LIGHT WITH 6' ARM AT WILBUR AVE (POLE #14-1180). OHIO EDISON'S ESTIMATED RELATED CAPITAL CHARGE WILL BE \$2,786.14; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-423 AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 24-438, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 20, 2024 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE 2024 CITY PARKS REHAB AND IMPROVEMENTS-VARIOUS PARKS PROJECTS. THE AMENDMENT BEING: **TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FROM \$4,020,000.00 TO \$4,111,033.00**; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-424 AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 24-445, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 20, 2024 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE MOST QUALIFIED CONSULTANT TO PROVIDE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WOOD ST./MCGUFFEY RD./SHERIDAN RD./POWERS WAY ROADWAY REHABILITATION PROJECT. THE

AMENDMENT BEING: **TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FROM \$50,000.00 TO \$200,000.00**; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-425 AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 25-72, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 18, 2025 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO NO KUT MEALS LLC., NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00, FOR THE COLLECTION OF DISCARDED MATTRESSES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025. THE AMENDMENT BEING: **TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FROM \$50,000.00 TO \$65,000.00**; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-426 REMOVING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FROM ORD. 15-284, ORD. 16-278, ORD. 17-334, ORD.18-252, ORD. 19-279, ORD. 20-241, ORD. 21-286, ORD. 22-08, ORD. 22-88, ORD. 22-343, ORD. 22-457, ORD. 23-439, ORD. 24-458, AND ORD. 25-393 FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEMOLITION, GRASS CUTTING, EXCESSIVE QUANTITY WASTE, OR BOARDING UP THAT WAS ASSESSED BY THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN FOR THE PROPERTIES AND AMOUNTS LISTED IN ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" ; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-427 AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$2,000.00 FROM THE FIFTH WARD DISCRETIONARY FUND. FUNDS WILL BE USED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITYSCAPE TO SUPPORT THE 2025 ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARADE; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-428 AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$2,000.00 FROM THE FIFTH WARD DISCRETIONARY FUND. FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT CARE CLOSETS RESOURCE PANTRIES AND HOLIDAY MEALS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-429 AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$5,000.00 FROM THE FIFTH WARD DISCRETIONARY FUND. FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT THE THIRD ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIVEAWAY COMMUNITY EVENT THAT PROVIDES ESSENTIAL RESOURCES, EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND FOOD TO MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-430 AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$250.00 FROM THE SEVENTH WARD DISCRETIONARY FUND. FUNDS WILL BE USED BY COCHRAN PARK

NEIGHBORS FOR CLEAN-UP, GRASS CUTTING, WEEDING AND BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS IN THE AREA; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-431 CHANGING THE ZONE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1224 N. BELLE VISTA AVE., PARCEL #53-179-0-164.00-0, CITY LOT NUMBER 22043, CURRENTLY ZONED MU-N (MIXED-USE NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT) TO MU-C (MIXED-USE COMMUNITY DISTRICT); AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE FIRST TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS **MOVED TO PLANNING COMMISSION.**

SECOND READINGS

ORD-25-381 AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-135, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 16, 2025, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE MASTER SALARY ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN. THE AMENDMENT BEING: **TO CREATE AN UNCLASSIFIED CLASSIFIED MANAGEMENT POSITION OF SITE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR WITHIN THE COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION. POSITION NO. 1901-1041, \$34.51 HOURLY/ \$71,785.38 ANNUALLY;** AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE SECOND TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY WAS AMENDED TO READ: STRIKING ~~UNCLASSIFIED~~ AND INSERT: **CLASSIFIED**. THE AMENDMENT CARRIED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE. THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE AMENDED ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND FAILED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 2. NAYS, 5.

ORD-25-385 AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 25-329, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 1, 2025, WHICH AUTHORIZED THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO ENTER INTO ALL NECESSARY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MADISON AVE./WB-EB SERVICE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND MCGUFFEY-EARLY ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADE. THE AMENDMENT BEING: **TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FROM \$125,000.00 TO \$222,100.00**; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE SECOND TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 5. NAYS, 2.

ORD-25-386 AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 25-391, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 2, 2024, WHICH AUTHORIZED THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER RESPONSIBLE FOR REPAIRS TO (1) MARKET STREET/WICK AVENUE- WITHIN THE VICINITY OF THE REALTY TOWER BUILDING DEMOLITION SITE AND (2) E. FEDERAL STREET- BETWEEN MARKET STREET AND CHAMPION STREET. THE AMENDMENT BEING: **TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FROM \$560,000.00 TO \$694,650.00**; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE SECOND TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 6. NAYS, 1.

ORD-25-387 AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 25-118, PASSED BY YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 19, 2025, WHICH AUTHORIZED THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER RESPONSIBLE FOR BOARDMAN AND WALNUT IMPROVEMENTS PID 116833. THE AMENDMENT BEING: **TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FROM \$2,800,000.00 TO \$2,950,000.00**; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT

RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE SECOND TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

ORD-25-389 APPROPRIATING \$89,384.00, FROM THE POLICE RESERVE PROJECT FUND, 2106.30_5825, PROJECTS; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IF IT RECEIVES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF SIX MEMBERS OF COUNCIL; OTHERWISE, IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FROM AND AFTER THE EARLIEST PERIOD ALLOWED BY LAW. WAS READ THE SECOND TIME AND UPON MOTION OF MR. RAY THE RULES OF COUNCIL WERE SUSPENDED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

THE ORDINANCE WAS THEN PLACED BEFORE COUNCIL AND PASSED BY A VOTE OF YEAS, 7. NAYS, NONE.

REMARKS

MR. SHASHO- IN REGARDS TO THIS PROJECT MAHONING 62, 16.21, ODOT PID#116853, THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN RECEIVED OVER \$2 MILLION IN CONSTRUCTION FUNDS BACK IN 2022 THROUGH THE CONGESTION & MITIGATION AIR QUALITY PROGRAM TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT INTERSECTIONS ALONG MARKET STREET AND INDIANOLA. AS A REQUIREMENT IN THE FUNDING, MS CONSULTANTS WAS HIRED THROUGH QBS EVALUATION AND AS PART OF THE REQUIREMENT A "SIGNAL WARRANT STUDY" WAS DONE. A SIGNAL WARRANT BASICALLY SHOWS SHOULD A SIGNAL EXIST AT A PARTICULAR INTERSECTION. IT IS GOVERNED BY THE OHIO MANUAL UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES. THE INTERSECTIONS THAT WERE STUDIED ALONG MARKET STREET WERE WOODLAND, MYRTLE, WILLIAMSON, DELASON, WEST WARREN, DEWEY, INDIANOLA, HYLDA, SOUTHERN BLVD., AUBURNDALE, AND MIDLOTHIAN. THEN ALONG INDIANOLA, GIBSON, SOUTH AVE., RUSH, OAKHILL, HILLMAN, AND PARKVIEW.

FOLLOWING THE INITIAL STUDY, TRAFFIC COUNTS AND A WARRANT ANALYSIS WAS CONDUCTED BY MS CONSULTANTS, THERE ARE TEN (10) INTERSECTIONS THAT DO NOT MEET ANY WARRANTS AVAILABLE AND ARE SLATED FOR REMOVAL. A PRESS RELEASE WENT OUT TO IDENTIFY THOSE. THE INTERSECTIONS THAT DO NOT MEET THE WARRANTS ARE AS FOLLOWS: MARKET

STREET & MYRTLE, MARKET STREET & DELASON, MARKET STREET & WEST WARREN, MARKET STREET & HYLDA, MARKET STREET & AUBURNDALE, INDIANOLA & GIBSON, INDIANOLA & RUSH, INDIANOLA & OAKHILL, INDIANOLA & HILLMAN AND GLENWOOD AND PARKVIEW.

THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN HAS SPENT IN EXCESS OF \$600,000 IN ENGINEERING FEES ON THIS PROJECT AND WE ARE NOW APPROACHING STAGE 3 OF SUBMITTAL TO ODOT. WITH FINAL DESIGN INCLUDING RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION WE WILL BE LOOKING AT AROUND \$1 MILLION IN ENGINEERING FEES TO PERFORM THIS WORK. THE INTERSECTIONS THAT WERE ACTUALLY SHOWN TO BE NOT WARRANTED WERE ACTUALLY PREFORMED TWICE FOR ACCURACY.

I AM PRESENTING THIS INFORMATION AS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS TO CITY COUNCIL. THANK YOU.

COUNCILMAN OLIVER- ASKS IF THIS HAS TO BE DONE OR IS THIS A SUGGESTION BECAUSE HE HAS RECEIVED MULTIPLE PHONE CALLS FROM CONCERNED CITIZENS, INCLUDING VALLEY CHRISTIAN WHO WILL BE MOVING INTO THE FORMER SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL. THERE ARE CONCERNS ABOUT SPEEDING, CHILDREN CROSSING THE STREETS SOON AND THIS WOULD BE A DETRIMENTAL ENVIRONMENT TO REMOVE THESE LIGHTS.

MR. SHASHO- RESPONDS THAT WE CANNOT USE ANY OF THIS FEDERAL MONEY ON THESE INTERSECTIONS IF WE DO NOT FOLLOW THE WARRANTS AND THE STUDY. WE CAN NOT MAKE IMPROVEMENTS IF IT IS NOT WARRANTED. THESE TRAFFIC NUMBERS AND THE METHODOLOGY TO COME UP WITH THESE WARRANTS ARE BASED UPON THE OHIO MANUAL UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ARE OVERWHELMINGLY ACCURATE AND ARE PERFORMED BY PROFESSIONAL TRAFFIC ENGINEERS FOR A REASON AND WE HAVE SPENT OVER A HALF MILLION DOLLARS ON THIS STUDY.

COUNCILMAN RAY- STATES MAYBE A PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH COMPONENT MAY BE NECESSARY TO INFORM THE CITIZENS THAT THIS TO COMPLY WITH MODERN STANDARDS AND THAT IT'S DATA DRIVEN. MAYBE BRINGING SOMEONE IN FROM ODOT OR EASTGATE TO EXPLAIN THESE THINGS.

MR. SHASHO- HE UNDERSTANDS EVERYONE HAS AN OPINION AND HE IS OF THE OPINION THAT WE HAVE THESE STUDIES FOR A REASON AND THAT THEY SHOULD BE FOLLOWED.

COUNCILWOMAN DAVIS- ASKS WAS THERE A SIMILAR STUDY FOR THE "PEOPLE" CROSSING MARKET STREET DONE. SHE SAYS SHE HAS HEARD FROM SCHOOLS IN HER WARD LIKE URBAN SCHOLARS, SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL, MT.

CALVARY TOWER AND POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON MARKET STREET. WHAT IS THE VALUE OF A LIFE AND DECIDE IF WE CAN AFFORD TO DO THIS.

MR. SHASHO- THE STUDY COUNTS TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND IS MORE GEARED TOWARDS THE VOLUME OF TRAFFIC ON THE SIDE STREETS. IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH VOLUME FOR THE TRAFFIC ON THE SIDE STREET, IT IS VERY UNLIKELY THAT THE WARRANT FOR THAT SIGNAL IS GOING TO BE MEET. IT SHOULD BE FAIRLY EQUAL IN BOTH DIRECTIONS. PEDESTRIAN COUNTS ARE USED FOR WARRANT STUDIES AND NONE OF THESE MEET COUNTS IN ORDER TO REMAIN.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILWOMAN DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

COUNCILMAN RAY SECONDED.

UPON MOTION COUNCIL ADJOURNED

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