

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 2, 2020

PRESENT: Council President Gallo, Council Members Koch, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Stavole and Clerk of Council Bohdan.

ALSO: Mayor Byrne, Law Director Pokorny, Finance Director Iaconis, Asst. Finance Director Nogalo, Public Service Director Patten, Safety Director Byrnes, Police Chief Steve Scharschmidt and Fire Chief Finneran.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gallo at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Koch, Haase, Stavole and Walsh

Nay: None

**RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman to suspend the rules.

Aye: Everett, Gallo, Koch, Haase, Stavole, Walsh and Danczak

Nay: None

**RULES SUSPENDED.**

Councilwoman Everett explained the purpose of the memorandum of understanding is to permit a collaboration the state of Ohio and local governments to explore potential and potentially effectuating earlier resolution of the opioid litigation against opioid pharmaceutical supply chain participants. In addition, the purpose is to create an effective means to distributing any potential settlement funds obtained under the MOU between the state of Ohio and local governments and a matter and means that would promote an effective and meaningful use of the funds and abating the opioid epidemic throughout Ohio. Council wishes to agree to the non-binding Memorandum of Understanding and authorize the Mayor to execute the One Ohio Memorandum of Understanding regarding the pursuit and use of potential opioid litigation settlement funds.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Gallo, Koch, Haase, Stavole, Danczak and Everett

Nay: Walsh

Councilwoman Walsh commented that she believes all of the money from this settlement, if we get any, should be earmarked for the victims of the crisis whether that be through treatment center, education.

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In addition, we are required by that agreement to have a local government fund and it is not in the budget. There is no dollar amount here, whether we win or lose, we pay. She did not believe there was enough information for us to enter into an MOU.

**RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-1.**

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to read the following ordinance by title only.

Aye: Koch, Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett and Gallo  
Nay: None

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Clerk Bohdan read AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING THE RULES OF ORDER GOVERNING THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST OF THREE READINGS.

Councilwoman Koch motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to adjourn the meeting.

Aye: Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Gallo and Koch  
Nay: None

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:07 p.m.**



Florence A. Bohdan  
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo  
Council President