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Council President Rounds called the Parma Heights City Council meeting for Tuesday, November 12, 2024, to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Council President Rounds, Council members Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak and Council Clerk Allen.

Council President Rounds asked for a motion to excuse Councilwoman Durichko. Motioned by Councilwoman DeSouza; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Rounds

The Councilwoman is excused.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Gallo, Director of Law Schneider, Finance Director Iaconis, Service Director Sepik, Safety Director Scharschmidt and Recreation Director Bacci.

Pledge of Allegiance was spoken

COUNCIL MINUTES

October 28, 2024 Parma Heights City Council Minutes
Councilwoman Maruschak motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to approve the City Council Minutes of October 28, 2024.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, Rounds

Minutes Approved

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND DIRECTORS

Council President Rounds continued with Reports from Mayor and Directors, we will begin with Mayor Gallo...

Mayor Gallo began by turning the meeting over to Chief Bernard.

Chief Bernard introduced himself as the Chief of the Parma Heights Fire Department. Thanked the mayor, the city administration and city council for their continued support in regards to the Fire Department. The Fire Department is here this evening to officially swear in Dominic Agresta. One of our youngest hires in the City of Parma Heights. Dominic grew up in Middleburg Heights, following in the footsteps of his father, Lieutenant in Strongsville. He completed his Firefighter/EMT program at the Polaris Career Center while still in High School. He enrolled in the Paramedic program at the Cuyahoga Community College. He worked part-time with Seven Hills and Olmsted Falls. He frequently participated on ride a-longs with Parma Heights Fire Department. We are excited to have Dom join our ranks. Mayor Gallo then officially swore him in. Dominic introduced his family.

Chief Czack then began the Police Awards Ceremony with introducing Eric Taylor. Eric started in 2016, he has spent every shift with me and he's the most patient guy. He's waited an age and a half to get into the Detective Bureau. I couldn't be prouder of you. There is no one more deserving than you to become a Sergeant, you're going to do a great job. Eric Taylor was then sworn in by Mayor Gallo as Sergeant. Eric thanked everyone and introduced his family.

Director Scharschmidt explained how the Awards Ceremony was an idea when he became Chief years ago, he wanted to develop a program for awarding officers for critical thinking during stressful situations. We developed a formal program for Parma Heights. I'd like to thank three Officers for their assistance, Sergeant Lindh, Detective Wittasek, and Retired Sergeant Scott Jackson. They developed policy, shaped the medals, we were off to a great start with this many years ago, and then Covid hit and our vendor in the making of the medals. I'm so thankful to Chief Czack, who finalized this. I thank you for seeing this through. Assistant Chief Short, thank you for working on this project and especially all of these officers. These are well deserved, congratulations to you and your families. After discussions with Chief Bernard, we'd like to bring the Fire Department into this program. We're really hoping to make this an annual event with the Police, Fire and the Community. Thank you.

Chief Czack began the Ceremony: Tonight's awards recognize the efforts and the heart of the members of the police department for events that are well above what we normally encounter in police work. We train for the worst, expect the worst and are grateful if the result is less than that. If we do not train and expect the worst – we fail. Failure is not an option. Although we are going back in time to recognize these awards, please know that when we describe them, or replay any video or audio from them, that the officers involved are mentally rebounded back to the event. I will call up the officers receiving the awards for a particular event, explain the incident and play video from any event we have it for - Then Director Scharschmidt and Mayor Gallo will give them their awards and a quick photo will be taken. Chase is also here from Max Millers office with awards.

We will begin with Sgt. Dan Kravanis and Sgt. Steve Lindh for an incident while both Officers were assigned to the Southwest Enforcement Bureau and called out for a hostage situation. Please note that the other members of the team were already recognized in their own cities for their parts in this event.

On November 30, 2012 a male broke into his ex-girlfriend's house on Jefferson Dr. in Brunswick Ohio. He fired a shot from a handgun in the wall and then fired another shot that struck the victim in the foot. He barricaded the doors and windows to the home and began a hostage seize that would last nearly 30 hours. Brunswick Police summoned SEB SWAT's West region to the scene and negotiations began. SEB West would be relieved later that day only to be summoned back in the evening hours of 12/1/2012. In the evening of December 1, 2012, a plan was developed to use members of the SEB West SWAT team to deliver food to the armed hostage taker through a bedroom window where the victim was being held. Sgt. Dan Kravanis and Sgt. Steve Lindh, both patrolmen at the time, were assigned to that team along with members from the Brooklyn and Strongsville police departments. During the food delivery, the officers were instructed to make an attempt to physically restrain the hostage taker and/or use a less-than-lethal device (Taser/ECW) to seize him. Officers recognized that the set of circumstances would justify a use of deadly force and appealed to the command staff to issue a use of deadly force order if the suspect would appear at the window. The command decision remained to be limited to less-than-lethal force/physical restraint. Sgt. Kravanis, Sgt. Lindh, and the other officers, knowing the risk to their own personal safety, volunteered to carry out the mission as ordered. As the food was being delivered to the armed suspect, the team of officers carried out their assignment and confronted the armed suspect as he reached for the food. Officers attempted to physically restrain his arms and a Taser was deployed but the armed suspect was able to break free. Simultaneously, other officers, which included Sgt. Jackson entered the room where the victim was being held and the suspect was seized. Close to 20 gunshots were fired between the suspect and officers while Kravanis, Lindh, and the other officers took shelter behind a shield at the bedroom window, continuing to place themselves at risk. Due to the actions of Sgt. Kravanis and Sgt. Lindh, the armed suspect, even though he was able to break free, was undoubtedly delayed in any attempt to further harm the victim. Their actions caused a separation between hostage and hostage taker. Even though she sustained injuries throughout the ordeal, none were life threatening. She was safely removed from the situation. Sgt. Kravanis and Sgt. Lindh acted above and beyond the call of duty by accepting the assignment presented to them. They were aware of the risks and knew that they would be risking their lives to save that of another. Their act of heroism and bravery resulted in saving the life of the hostage, and is worthy of the Medal of Valor.

The description of this medal is: the second highest award in the department. To be awarded to a police officer for acts of outstanding personal bravery, intelligently performed in the line of duty at significant personal hazard to life under circumstances displaying a disregard of personal consequences.

The second award will go to Officer Miller for an incident that originated at Sky Lounge in May of 2021.

On May 1, 2021 Officers were called to Sky Lounge near closing time for a fight in the parking lot. Officer Miller, Officer Onysyk, Officer Donofrio and Auxiliary Madej responded. While investigating the fight scene in the parking lot, shots were fired in the middle of that lot. Officer D'Onofrio announced that a possible suspect in the shooting had fled and that the shots were in the air and not at a particular person. Officer Miller got on the radio, again announced the threat and ensured the subject was leaving and civilians were safe and then gave chase with Auxiliary Officer Madej to the subject along with Officer Onysyk and then Officer D'Onofrio. The subject sped down West 130th with officers behind him, lost control over the railroad tracks striking a utility pole, causing an explosion of a transformer and knocking down all the high voltage wires in the area. Officer Miller made sure he got on the radio and advised all officers to be cognizant of the downed wires as he was simultaneously engaging two males he saw near the final rest of the suspect vehicle. The subject was still armed and remained a threat at that time. After discovering those males were not involved, he and Officer Onysyk approached the subject's vehicle and requested medical attention for him. Officer Miller does his best work under high stress. He remained calm, ensured his civilian was prepared and safe as well as made sure officers were cognizant of the danger of the downed wires. He used safe tactics to direct officers at the scene and safeguarded evidence. We are going to show you that scene and chase. Officer Miller is awarded the Police Star for this incident. Video was played. The description of this medal is: The Police Star is the fourth highest award in the department. To be awarded to a police officer who distinguishes him or herself by bravery and heroism above and beyond the normal demands of duty or by distinguished performance in stressful situations with exceptional tactics and judgement. Congratulations.

The next awards will be for an incident at Dance dot com. Sgt. Kravanis, Officers D'Onofrio, Miller, Onysyk, Smith and Auxiliary Madej please come forward

On Saturday 05/15/2021, in the early hours of the morning, officers were dispatched to assist in clearing the parking lot of Dance.com at 6285 Pearl Road as the bar was closing. Officer Bryan Miller arrived first, along with Aux. Michael Madej who was riding with him. Just as they pulled into the rear of the parking lot, they encountered a group of people physically fighting and observed a male fire a handgun in the air. As they were taking control of the situation, Officer Philip Onysyk arrived to assist. They secured the suspect in handcuffs, placed him into the cruiser, and found that he had handed off the firearm to someone else. When Sgt. Kravanis arrived, the scene was still chaotic with people yelling and screaming at each other. Some of the security guards were also helping to calm the situation. Video was played. While investigating this incident, approximately 11 gunshots were heard coming from the front of the parking lot, on the other side of the office building they were behind. Officer Miller, Officer Onysyk, and Aux. Madej, without hesitation ran toward the sound of the gunfire at the front of the lot, down the north side of the building. Upon reaching the front of the building they encountered a security guard with his weapon drawn behind a vehicle and used good judgement in discerning that he was involved but not the threat. As they checked the parking lot, Officer Onysyk encountered a female victim, Elmira Melton, who was shot in the neck and was bleeding profusely. Officer Onysyk immediately began treatment, holding pressure on the wound and using his med kit to treat her injuries, while Aux. Madej stood watch for him. Officer Miller and Sgt. Kravanis located a male with a gunshot to the abdomen with a firearm next to him. Officer Miller moved the firearm away and Sgt. Kravanis secured it. They were told by a bystander that this male was the one who had shot the female and was then shot by security. Radio was advised to send ambulances for the victims. During this time, two females were screaming and grabbing onto the male. They were moved away and a security guard held pressure on the male's wound. Officer

Miller and Officer Onysyk remained in control of the scene, while Sgt. Kravanis returned to the previous shooting scene in the rear. Officer Miller and Officer Onysyk used their medical packs to treat the female's gunshot wound with a clotting agent and gauze to stop the bleeding before the paramedics arrived. Parma PD arrived to assist and were critical in preserving and securing the scene. Officer D'Onofrio and Officer Smith were at the North Royalton PD jail at the time of the incident. They secured their prisoner and responded immediately to the scene and were of great assistance in investigating the first incident and freeing Sgt. Kravanis up to assist in the front. We would also like to recognize Sgt. Greene and the detective bureau for their professionalism and thoroughness not only that night when called out to investigate, but in the handling of the follow-up for the case. Video was played. Sgt. Kravanis, Officer Miller and Officer Onysyk will be receiving the Police Star for their brave actions and sound judgment, Officer Miller and Officer Onysyk will also be receiving the Life-Saving Medal for their efforts to save the victims among the chaos, Officer D'Onofrio and Officer Smith will be receiving formal Letters of Commendation for handling the initial shooting and scene behind the building as they arrived shortly after the initial call from another assignment, and Auxiliary Madej will be awarded the highest award for a civilian, the Valorous Conduct Award for his brave actions and unwavering commitment to our department. Congratulations gentlemen.

Our fourth award is for Officer Andrew Fischer for an award while he was assigned to the Southwest Enforcement Bureau and was called out to a barricaded gunman stemming from an attempted kidnapping.

On 6/13/21 at about 23:48 hrs., SEB SWAT's West Region officers were called to assist on a barricaded gunman call on South Park Blvd. in Parma, stemming from an attempted kidnapping. During this call, the suspect fired shots from a handgun at a uniformed off-duty police officer, and led patrol officers on a pursuit ultimately ending at residential home in Parma where the barricade began. SEB Western region, which includes Parma Heights had the assignment to relieve SEB Central's and SEB East's positions at the barricade, and continue attempts at eliciting surrender. Officer Fischer was assigned as a team leader in the SEB armored vehicle, and was directed to carry his team to the front side of the home and assume the responsibilities of an arrest team. At about 01:55hrs on 6/14/21, the suspected began firing weapons throughout the residence, and continued firing for over 15 minutes. During this time, officers reported observing the suspect move in to view where he began firing his weapons out the front of the home, towards officers' locations and in the direction of the surrounding homes. Recognizing the threat to the public, other officers, and himself, Officer Fischer returned fire discharging 2 rounds from his department issued rifle, ultimately stopping the threat. Two other SEB officers also returned fire simultaneous to Officer Fischer, however, later the investigation would determine that Officer Fischer's rounds were responsible for stopping the suspect. Prior to the shooting, the SEB armored vehicle was placed in front of the location in a specific manner to protect the houses across the street from the suspect residence in the event of a shooting. The BCI investigation showed that the armor did absorb one round from the suspect. Officer Fischer positioned himself inside of the same armored vehicle at a gun port facing the suspect house, lying on his left side protecting himself in the armor and limiting exposure of himself through the port as he returned fire. Officer Fischer undoubtedly distinguished his performance in this stressful situation with exceptional tactics and judgement. He has trained regularly and consistently on tactics such as positional shooting and utilizing cover, as well as marksmanship with the rifle platform. The tactics practiced and used in this situation are validated by the result. Officer Fischer's training, skills, tactics, and judgement protected the public, other officers, and himself. On May 13, 2022 the completed BCI investigation of the South Park, Parma OIS was presented by the Ohio Attorney General's Office to a Cuyahoga County Grand Jury. Officer Fischer's actions, as well as the other SEB officer's actions, were determined to be reasonable. On October 20, 2022 a SEB chief's panel concluded that "the officers' actions were within the guidelines of all applicable SEB policies" and that they "showed great patience and restraint in the face of great danger". Officer Fischer will be receiving the COMBAT CROSS. The combat cross is the third highest award in the department. To be awarded to police officer for an

individual act of heroism while engaged in personal combat with an armed or dangerous adversary under circumstances of imminent personal hazard to life or limb.

Our final award is going to Officer Michael Percun for an incident while off-duty.

On the night of 1/18/2024 at approximately 20:43 hours while off duty and lying in bed with his future wife preparing for sleep, Officer Percun heard noises outside of his home in Parma consistent with some sort of disturbance. Upon checking what the noises were, Officer Percun observed that his neighbor's home was on fire, and he, along with his fiancé immediately ran to see if they could help. The house reported as occupied by a grandmother, her four-year-old grandson, and granddaughter younger than four, and an eight-month-old baby. The granddaughter attempted to re-enter the residence through the garage which is where the fire reportedly started. Officer Percun, without hesitation and barefoot in the snow and ice, ran into the garage and after the little girl, bringing her out of the fire. Shortly after exiting the garage a loud explosion was heard, and the fire grew in intensity and engulfed the home. According to his fiancé, Officer Percun's actions without doubt, saved the girl's life that night. When asked Officer Percun, when had he not acted in the manner of which he did, did he think that the girl would have perished, and his very humble reply was yes, she more than likely would have. As a matter of fact, if his fiancé, Emily, would not have posted about the incident on Facebook, we would never have known about it because Officer Percun never mentioned it. Parma PD and FD responded to this fire in call #2400033518 in which the log reads as follows: MALE RAN INTO THE HOUSE PRIOR TO OUR ARRIVAL TO GET PEOPLE OUT, HE HAS SOME SMOKE INHALATION AND IS BEING TREATED BY PFD. Officer Percun's actions were reported to be instrumental in the little granddaughter surviving this incident. His ability, initiative, and unwavering devotion to doing the right thing for the right reason, even when off duty, reflect great credit upon him, and were in keeping with the highest standards of the Parma Heights Police Department. It is for these actions that Officer Percun is receiving the Life Saving Award. Congratulations.

All of the Officers who received awards came to the front of the room for photos. Chief Czack stated how proud she is to be their Chief. These officers are amazing, they do a great job every day. Council, you should be very proud of your Police Department. Thank you.

Council President Rounds announced that we will continue with the agenda, Recreation Director Bacci....

Recreation Director Bacci: Last Saturday, November 2nd we held our first ever Parma Heights Frights event. I want to thank the staff for helping to make it happen, first our Law Department (Megan and Director Schneider), well before any of the events take place, they give their stamp of approval to move forward or say no go. Director Sepik and Eric, without them I would be lost with all the things they pay close attention to. Mike, Craig, Brian and Joe were there helping in the Commons directing about 3 thousand people at one time. Safety was huge, I have a long list of Officers that attended. Officers Greene, Krepina, Rossman, Felkonis, Kravanis, Lindh, Hansen, Taylor, Onysyk, Flynn, Garas, Fischer, (3 of Fischer's SWAT TEAM), Sonya Short and Angie Love, of course Chief and Lieutenant Sparling were there. It was just the right amount of security vs. the amount of people that attended. I never feel alone when I go into these events, because of the people that are here in this line, they always back me up. In addition, Trish James came on her own time, with her own candy to help promote the city on behalf of the Senior Center. Josh and Katelyn, were there for a 16-hour day. Without all these people the event would not have gone off without a hitch. Our count was 2,529, the safety was a little below that number. I also want to thank the Young Professionals of Parma allowing us to collaborate on this event. Thank you.

Council President Rounds asked if there were any questions or comments for Director Bacci? Further commented that it was a great evening. I hope it becomes an annual event for us. Safety Director Scharschmidt....

Safety Director Scharschmidt: Thanked the City Council for hosting us for the Awards, it's been a long time in the making, to see it come to fruition is very special for me and certainly the officers that received the awards. I'd like

to do this on a yearly basis. We are gearing up for the holidays, both Police and Fire, we are making some notes when we go to calls for service for families who might be in need to hopefully make it back around for Christmas. We are partnering with Rookies this year; we'll take care of some families this year.

Council President Rounds stated that on behalf of City Council it is our honor to be here for this Awards Ceremony as well, it was a very special event. Questions or comments for Director Scharschmidt? Seeing none. Service Director Sepik.....

Service Director Sepik: Trash collection will not be delayed over the Thanksgiving holiday. We are in full leaf season now, keep an eye on the city web-page for location information and pickup will continue until the first week of December.

Councilwoman Maruschak asked about yard waste collection, how long will that continue?

Director Sepik responded that yard waste collection continues throughout the year.

Council President Rounds asked if there were any questions or comments for Director Sepik? Seeing none. Finance Director Iaconis.....

Finance Director Iaconis: I have obtained our medical information from Medical Mutual for our healthcare. That will be on for the next meeting. If anybody has any questions, please reach out.

Council President Rounds asked if there were any questions for Director Iaconis? Seeing none. Law Director Schneider...

Director Schneider added that not only a city employee but an attendee of the Parma Heights Frights, I would also like to send my congratulations and gratitude to Director Bacci and all the individuals she marshalled together to make that a home run. I also had the pleasure to work with some of the most over qualified beer pourers in the business, it was fun seeing everyone out of the work place.

Council President Rounds added that he did not recognize you off site, not in your suite and tie. Thank you. Mayor Gallo.....

Mayor Gallo: Thank you. Regarding the Parma Heights Frights event, thank you Council President Tom Rounds, Councilwoman Maruschak, Councilwoman DeSouza and Councilwoman Palmisano for assisting with the beer pouring. Sunday, December 1st from 5 – 6:00 p.m. is the annual tree lighting ceremony at the Commons. I think the preference is to have it Sunday. I want to thank Director Iaconis and Vic for starting the budget conversations with City Council. If anyone has any questions going forward, please send them on through Clerk Allen and we'll get you the additional documentation regarding capital improvements shortly. Thanks to Vic and Maddie for getting some visuals together on that for the police and fire equipment. We have two more regularly scheduled meeting this year. We may have to hold a special meeting in December, if I foresee that I will be sure to reach out to you Council President. Thank you to the Police Department for the wonderful Awards Ceremony we had tonight. This started under Chief Scharschmidt so it's nice that he's able to see this come to fruition. The plan is to join in the Fire Department and have this held on an annual basis. Thank you.

Council President Rounds: Any comments or questions for Mayor Gallo?

COMMUNICATIONS

Council President Rounds continued on to the Planning Commission update with Councilman Haase.

Councilman Haase responded that you will see on the agenda tonight. Item number 9 is a conditional use permit application for Hollywood Star Nails at 6869 W. 130th Street, which is a mixed-use district. The Planning Commission also gave consideration to two other ordinances, which were sent back to council.

PUBLIC SESSION

Council President Rounds: Please state your name and address clearly for the Council Clerk to hear. This is not a time for discussion but gives an opportunity to be heard during this public forum. Please address me as the Council President. You will have 3 minutes to speak. If there is anyone who would like to make a comment, this evening. Seeing none. We will continue on to our Legislative portion of the agenda.

LEGISLATION

2024 - 77: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Council President Rounds motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 77**

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF SUCH NEW MATTER; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Council President Rounds: This is the third reading for this ordinance, are there any comments or questions? Seeing none.

Council President Rounds motioned; Sectioned by Councilwoman Maruschak to move for passage.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Rounds

Ordinance Passes

2024 - 79: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilman Haase motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza Kolezynski, Maruschak, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 79**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 909.01 ENTITLED "ADOPTION BY REFERENCE" WITHIN THE MASTER STREET TREE PLAN CHAPTER OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES, UPDATING THE CITY'S MASTER STREET TREE PLAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds: This is the second reading for this ordinance.

2024 - 65: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilwoman Palmisano motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 65**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1189 ENTITLED "~~REGISTRATION REQUIRED COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES~~" OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this ordinance.

2024 - 66: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilman Haase motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 66**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1191 ENTITLED "TYPE B FAMILY DAY-CARE HOMES" OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this ordinance.

2024 - 81: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilman Kolezynski motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 81**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH AN OPT-IN NATURAL GAS PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION 4929.27(A)(1) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, JOINTLY THROUGH NOPEC AS A NOPEC MEMBER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this ordinance. Quick question Mayor Gallo, We are currently an OPT-IN for electric benefits, this allows residents to OPT-IN to the NOPEC gas?

Mayor Gallo responded that she would ask that because Mr. Ramos is here, if we could ask him to provide input on this legislation.

Mr. Ramos stated both the electric and gas aggregation programs you will remain an OPT-OUT action. This will allow the natural gas program to function in the same way the electric program does. If a resident does OPT-OUT, they have the opportunity to OPT-IN as they need. I conducted two public hearings for this legislation. Those hearings were conducted earlier this month here at City Hall. I had one person come to the meetings. The requirement has been met.

2024 - 82: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilwoman Palmisano motioned; seconded by Councilman Haase to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 82**

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE FOR THE NOPEC OPT-IN GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF JOINTLY ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING AN OPT-IN GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM AS A NOPEC MEMBER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this ordinance.

2024 - 83: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilwoman Maruschak motioned; seconded by Councilman Haase to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 83**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ENACTING CHAPTER 743 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, ENTITLED, "FROZEN DESSERT PEDDLERS" TO PROVIDE FOR A REVISED CHAPTER OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION CODE

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this ordinance.

2024 - 84: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilman Kolezynski motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 84**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND CYBER RISK MANAGEMENT WITH SIMVAY LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Kolezynski motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to suspend the rules.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, Rounds

Councilman Kolezynski motioned; sectioned by Councilwoman DeSouza to move for passage.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Rounds

Ordinance Passes

2024 - 85: RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Council President Rounds made a motion to accept the amended version of this resolution allowing the Planning Commissions signatures to be included as part of the exhibit; seconded by Councilman Haase.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Rounds

Councilman Haase motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to read the following resolution by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 85**

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, WITH CONDITIONS, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 1135 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS TO PERMIT THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS HOLLYWOOD STAR NAILS TO ALLOW FOR PERMANENT COSMETIC SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Haase motion; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to suspend the rules.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Rounds

Council President asked if there were any comments or questions on this resolution? Seeing none.

Councilman Haase motioned; Sectioned by Councilwoman DeSouza to move for passage.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: DeSouza, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, Rounds

Resolution Passes

2024 - 86: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Councilwoman DeSouza motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak to read the following ordinance by title only.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Kolezynski, Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Rounds

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 86**

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, OHIO DURING THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025 TO AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Rounds before we adjourn, Mayor Gallo has something she'd like to add...

Mayor Gallo added that the passage of the Charter Amendment regarding the readings of legislation will go into effect after January 1st.


Director Schneider added that it's the first time in the city's history.

Council President Rounds said, thank you voters!

Council President Rounds asked for a motion to adjourn? Councilman Haase motioned; seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Haase, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Rounds

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.


Barbara Allen
Clerk of Council


Tom Rounds
President of Council