

PUBLIC HEARING

LORAIN COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL BLDG. - LORAIN, OH

November 3, 2025

PRESENT: Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Spellacy.
ABSENT: Messrs. Arroyo, Thornsberry, Arredondo.

President Pro-Tem Dimacchia called the public hearing to order at 5:33p.m. Clerk Dull announced that this public hearing was called to discuss a recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding a request to amend Ordinance 106-25 and the Lorain Zoning Code Ordinance 4-21, Section 1141.17, Manufactured Homes or Trailers, and Section 1141.32, Requirements for single-family dwellings outside of a Manufactured Home Community, and Section 1123.02, Schedule of Allowed Uses and Table 1123.02, Schedule of Uses, Residential Districts and Section 1123.03, Dimensional Requirements and Table 1123.03, Schedule of Area, Height and Placement Requirements. The Lorain City Planning Commission met on October 1, 2025, and recommended approval of the Zoning Code Amendments to Lorain City Council. Notice of this hearing was published in a local newspaper as required by State Statutes.

REMARKS: PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: With that, I will turn it to Council for any questions or concerns. Seeing none, I will now go to the public. Again, we are considering the recommendation from the Planning Commission for the manufactured homes. Nobody cares, great, this has been one great public hearing. Nobody from the public, anybody from the administration?

MAYOR BRADLEY: I think it is a great idea to do this amendment because we are going to be able to do some infill housing on some of these vacant lots, especially in those areas where we have seen high rates of crime. Our Building, Housing and Planning Department is teaming up with Habitat for Humanity, they are giving us, I don't know, \$250,000 towards... am I right Matt? \$250,000 for foundation work and then they bring in these homes that are actually, we have been told, built better by being built in a factory rather than being built on the street. I think it is a good idea, it is going to give us some of these lots that are going to be infill housing and I think it will put some nice homes in some of our neighborhoods that need a little bit of sprucing up, that is why we are doing this.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: For the record, this is the second Public Hearing in a row that was three minutes long, put that in the record. We will start our regular meeting at 6:00pm.

Without further comment, President Pro-Tem Dimacchia adjourned the public hearing at 5:36pm.

Council President Pro-Tem



Clerk of Council

Accepted: November 17, 2025

Chaplain Pamela Carter led council in the prayer and President Pro-Tem Dimacchia led the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the regular meeting to order at 6:02p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

ABSENT - 0 President Arredondo.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

- a.) October 20, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Ms. DuVall, to hold the minutes in abeyance for further review. The motion carried unanimously.
- b.) October 27, 2025 Public Hearing Minutes
Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Ms. DuVall, to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as written. The motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR: None.

REMARKS: MAYOR BRADLEY: I wanted to talk to council about House Bill 44, which was passed by both houses of the legislature, it is going to be signed by the governor on Wednesday. That particular legislation was a pet project of our former Chief McCann. He wanted to start a cadet program so that young people, leaving high school, could start to learn to be a police officer, and actually, hopefully, work for the Police Department, and have an opportunity when they turn 21, to become a police officer without having to go through the normal civil service requirements. It would kind of become an exceptional appointment for our Police Department. We believe that this legislation will cause more of our students, especially from the minority community to have that opportunity to become a police officer in the City of Lorain and in other cities throughout the State of Ohio. Our current Police Chief now will have the opportunity to establish a program, similar to the program that the Ohio Highway Patrol has, which is a cadet program, and allow them to not only be trained, but also to be paid part time for learning how to be a police officer, doing some of the work that maybe is grunt work for our police officers, but would be something that would be exciting to someone who is learning to be a police officer. We were finding that young people between the ages of 20 and 21, oftentimes if they don't have any direction in their life, or they don't have a good job, or goal, get in trouble and then become disqualified from being a police officer, maybe start smoking marijuana or something like that. We think this is a really great opportunity. Our Law Director, Pat Riley, and I, and Rey Carrion, have been invited down to Columbus, to the State House, on Wednesday, to join the governor in having this bill passed. This bill was co-sponsored by our representative Joe Miller, he was a guiding force. Joe LaVeck, from our Law Department and Chief McCann went down and actually testified regarding this legislation. This Bill has a lot of the City of Lorain involved with it and I think that is why we got invited down to see the Governor. When Rey and I, and Pat Riley go down to see the Governor, we are going to say, 'Governor, we think this legislation is great, and we are so happy that it was passed and you are signing it, but we have to fund this, we need the funding so that we can actually be able to pay these young people to learn how to be police officers and become part of our Police Department and be proud to serve our citizens in this city.' We are going to work on that, but I think it is a great accomplishment, I think that Joe Miller deserves a lot of credit for carrying the ball on this, I think that our former Chief, Jim McCann, and our Law Department deserve a lot of credit in getting this thing through both houses, bipartisan, how often do you hear about bipartisan legislation nowadays in our capital, in Columbus? This is great legislation, a great thing for our State, a great thing for the City of Lorain. I just wanted to give you an update on that.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM DIRECTORS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, ETC.:

- a.) Correspondence received from the Building, Housing and Planning Department regarding Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Service and Public Facility Improvements funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025. Without comment, receive and file.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES:

- a.) Correspondence received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control advising of a Stock Transfer application for Tienda La San Luis Inc., 3045 Clinton Ave. N. Lorain, 44055 (6th Ward). Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to authorize the Clerk to notify the board, that no complaints have been received. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Clerk Dull announced that there are three members of the public signed up to speak this evening.

LINDA KARL, 2212 E. 32nd St.: ___ 22nd, I discovered a mattress and boxsprings leaning against my garage. I am disabled and low-income, so I had no means of getting rid of this trash. A police officer contacted the Streets Department that day to get it picked up. Eight days later, it was still there, so I contacted my councilman, and he lived up to his name, Angel came last night and dragged that stuff out to the tree lawn for me, and then followed up to make sure it was picked up for me today. I am disappointed in the Streets Department, but I am very happy that Angel took care of my problem.

AARON KNAPP, 4220 Talbot Ln.: I see you pushed the minutes off until next week or the next meeting, so that is good. I just wanted to say, if you hold the floor and you address me, I am going to respond, and if you put meeting minutes in there after you have recessed the meeting, they are not actually legal minutes, that is pretty much all I had to say, but honestly, I can't believe that you would come up here and praise Jim McCann about bringing diversity back to Lorain, when he is a racist. Seriously? That is what you are going to compliment? Give me a break, everybody else can have their kudos on that, but not James.

TIA HILTON, Amherst Ohio: I just want to remind people that your voice does matter and people like that *[expletive]*, should not be in office, in my most humble opinion, you see he just gets up here and bashes a damn former Police Chief. Shut the *[expletive]* up, I am talking...

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Alright, hey, hey.

TIA HILTON: Anyways, I am going to finish what I am saying because I don't ever come here anymore and I have a right to. He is, in my most humble opinion, a piece of *[expletive]*.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Alright...

TIA HILTON: The city is already... no!

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Ms. Hilton.

TIA HILTON: No! They need to know! He causes trouble, he is a *[expletive]* headache.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Hey! Hey!

TIA HILTON: *(inaudible)*

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a.) The Building and Lands Committee met on Monday, October 27th, to discuss a proposed ordinance approving the proposed Preliminary Development Plan for the Silver Hills Development, and a proposed ordinance assessing the cost of abating nuisance by removing litter & deposit of garbage, rubbish, junk, etc., the committee recommended referring both items back to Council for consideration, they are items 11a and 11b on this evening's agenda. Moved by Mr. Nutt,

supported by Ms. DuVall, to concur with the committee report. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATION – FIRST READING:

- Ordinance 161-25 a.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director of the City of Lorain, Ohio to accept donations of real property and declaring an emergency.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 1 Ms. DuVall. The rule was suspended.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 1 Ms. DuVall. The ordinance passed.
- Ordinance 162-25 b.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance amending ordinance 117-15 and Chapter 1545 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lorain.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 1 Ms. DuVall. The rule was suspended.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Ordinance 163-25 c.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance assessing the cost of abating nuisance by removing litter and deposit of garbage, rubbish, junk etc. during the current calendar year and declaring an emergency.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Proposed Ordinance d.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance removing special assessments from real property located within the City of Lorain and declaring an emergency.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I know there were some questions about this, I was wondering if the Director could come down here and just kind of give us a little... quick run through of the information, please?

BHP DIRECTOR MATT KUSZNIR: Was there a specific question, or?

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: No, I know there were questions about this earlier, obviously the amount stated there is \$29,000 but just to clarify, there are two

properties listed on the adjoining... what is it, Appendix A? But it is not both of those properties, correct? It is just the 415 West 15th Street?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: It actually is both properties. We discovered that, through a couple of different ordinances approved by City Council, that we inadvertently put forward two ordinances that assessed the liens twice. We are just removing the lesser of the two liens that were assessed, so the property owners aren't being charged twice.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Perfect, I appreciate it sir. Like I said, I know there were some questions so the clarity, I appreciate it.

MAYOR BRADLEY: Matt, if you look at the ordinance, Section 1, it only lists the one property for \$29,000 at 415 West 15th Street, it does not list the second property at 1715 East 31st Street, which was improperly assessed also. Do you want to ask council to amend by substitution and add that property, which is on Exhibit A, the first item?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Yes, and that is correct. In looking at it again here, actually I would ask that the council hold this in abeyance, or put this forward to a second reading so we have the opportunity to review this with the Law Department.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to refer the matter to a second reading.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is referred to a second reading.

Ordinance 164-25 e.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance removing special assessments from real property located within the City of Lorain and declaring an emergency.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Because of the previous issue, I just want to make sure and clarify with the Director, we don't have any such issues with this list of properties as we did in the last one?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: I don't believe so. Section 1 of this ordinance removes special assessments from real property reference in Exhibit A and then we have a list of properties in Exhibit A. These properties have either transferred via forfeiture of state, so we are no longer able to collect the assessments, or actually property owners have paid us directly, therefore, again, we don't want to charge them again through the property taxes, so we would like to remove the liens.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: This list is accurate and the liens and amounts being removed, correct?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Correct.

MAYOR BRADLEY: I have a question. I understand that the auditor won't remove the \$18?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: We will... that is...

MAYOR BRADLEY: Not this auditor, but the county auditor. Will not remove the \$18 and so we are going to make the citizens whole through your department, so that they don't have to pay \$18 that they should not have been assessed?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Yes, that is correct. Either way, whether we have to pay the \$18 back to the property owner, or the \$18 directly to the auditor's office, because they ultimately assess the fee, either way, either the property owners or the County Auditor will be made whole.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: The \$162, you guys are going to figure out, either from BHP, a certain line item to where we will pay for that difference, right?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Correct. We are really only talking about the property at 1745 New Jersey and the property on Colorado Avenue. The other ones are forfeiture of state, so they are uncollectable anyway.

- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Ordinance 165-25 f.) Introduced by Mr. Thornsberry, an ordinance amending Lorain Codified Chapter 109: Public Improvements by adding a new section establishing an alternative dispute resolution process for projects funded by the Ohio Department of Transportation and/or the Federal Highway Administration, and declaring an emergency.
- Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I think that it is important that our citizens know that this is dictated by the state, this is not something that the City of Lorain decided to do on their own. I just think that it is important for them to know that.
- Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Ordinance 166-25 g.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance appropriating funds for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Lorain, State of Ohio as passed by Ordinance #35-25 beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025 and declaring an emergency.
- Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: For informational purposes, I was able to speak with Mrs. Golden from engineering concerning the \$70,000. I believe the issue there is when we approved the budget, I believe that line item was budgeted at \$75,000, at this point in time in the year, I think we will be up to \$200,000 spent total, that is why they had to come back for those appropriations to finish some of that concrete work around those drains. That will be something to keep in mind in the budget to come.
- Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Ordinance 167-25 h.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Director of Safety/Service to advertise for bids for the sale of property no longer needed for municipal purposes located at 2388 Meister Road, Lorain, Ohio, and enter into a purchase agreement, and declaring an emergency.
- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I believe we have to perhaps amend by substitution in section II, it is listed that the sale, the proceeds of the sale will be applied to the UDAG account, I believe we need to change that to the General Fund.
- PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Is that a motion? Or is that...

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I believe that is information, but I will make that motion, I will let the auditor speak if he has anything to add to it first.

AUDITOR KOZIURA: Yes, this is land that was owned by the city, all the way through, it was titled to the city so it shouldn't go into the UDAG Fund, it should go into the General Fund, that is why I recommended it to be put into the General Fund and then be appropriated by council. You'll need it more than UDAG will.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I will need a motion to amend, not substitute.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to amend the ordinance, Section II, from UDAG to General Fund.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is amended.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance, as amended.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously, as amended.

Ordinance 168-25 i.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Director of Safety/Service to advertise for bids for the sale of property no longer needed for municipal purposes located at 2933 Grove Avenue, Lorain, Ohio, and enter into a purchase agreement, and declaring an emergency.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to amend the ordinance, Section II, from UDAG to General Fund.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is amended.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance, as amended.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously, as amended.

Ordinance 169-25 j.) Introduced by Mr. Thornsberry, an ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director to apply for, accept, and enter into an agreement with the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources upon receiving funding dollars from Land and Water Conservation Fund Program for the Longfellow Skatepark project and declaring an emergency.

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 1 Ms. DuVall. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: With this piece of legislation, apparently the caption does not reflect the legislation itself, so I am going to ask for a motion to amend the caption.

LAW DIRECTOR RILEY: The body of the ordinance indicates that the grant will only be applied for and not subject to needing acceptance upon being awarded, the reason for that I think has been expressed by the auditor, but effectively we don't know whether the matching funds would be available until such time as we do, we shouldn't automatically accept a grant. The caption does not reflect apply for only,

it is apply and accept, so I suggest a motion to modify the caption to indicate that the grant is only being applied for, not subject to immediate acceptance.

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to amend the caption to state that the grant at this point is only being applied for, not entering into or being accepted.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The caption of the ordinance is amended.

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance, as amended.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously, as amended.

Ordinance 170-25

k.) Introduced by Mr. Thornsberry, an ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety/Service to take all action necessary to apply for, enter into, and implement an agreement for grant funding from the Ohio Department of Development for the city's "Pellet Terminal Brownfield Redevelopment Gap Funding Project".

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Ms. , to amend by substitution.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is amended by substitution.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: For clarification, I think there might have been a question about what was being amended. It was the removal of the language of enter into and implement an agreement, in the caption, it was to remove that.

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance, as amended.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously, as amended.

LEGISLATION – SECOND READING:

Ordinance 171-25

a.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance approving the proposed Preliminary Plan for the Silver Hills Development in the City of Lorain, Ohio.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 1 Ms. DuVall. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: It was a good Building and Lands subcommittee, the drawings look fantastic, I went through them, I liked the layout, the buildings look good.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.

AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 172-25

b.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance assessing the cost of abating nuisance by removing litter and deposit of garbage, rubbish, junk etc. during the current calendar year and declaring an emergency.

- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 11 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy, Thornsberry.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

LEGISLATION – THIRD READING: None.

COMMITTEE CALLS:

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I would like to call for a Building and Lands subcommittee on 11/10 at 5:30pm.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: What time? 5:30pm?

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Yes, sir. Thank you.

CLERK DULL: To discuss? What are we discussing?

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I lost the name of it... Matt, can you help me out with the program name as it is? We discussed it before the meeting, I do apologize, I already forgot the name.

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Are we talking about the substantial amendment public hearing or the Welcome Home Ohio Grant?

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: The Welcome Home Ohio Grant. Yes, thank you.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I will be calling a Police and Fire Committee Meeting, I will get a date here, but we had a date that made sense but then it doesn't make sense with the holiday of Thanksgiving, I won't do that to you all. We will find a date that works and we will call that soon, and send an email out on what date that looks like.

MISCELLANEOUS CONCERNS FROM COUNCIL:

COUNCILMEMBER ARROYO: On the 8th at 1pm, I know tomorrow the school system has some issues on the budget, not on the budget, on the ballot tomorrow, what I would like to point out for the Saturday coming up, at Lorain County Community College, I want to invite the city to come out and watch the Commodores basketball team, as their basketball has five Lorain Titans, and also two Clippers playing for their team. I know it is promoting sports, but more importantly these young men from our community have utilized sports to continue their education, and actually one of the Clearview Clippers was a Commodore, and is now playing... transferred to Division 1 Basketball from last year to this year. It is important that we continue to support our kids, not only athletically but for their education. I want to invite the city to come out this Saturday to Lorain County Community College at 1pm, if you are also not doing something Saturday at 2pm, I would like to invite you guys to come out to Oakwood Park, as they are getting ready to reveal the Hispanic Veterans Memorial, which is going to be a tremendous memorial in the City of Lorain, in South Lorain, that represents the Hispanic men and women that have given up their life, in the State of Ohio, in our city. Also, last, I guess it is a little bit more on a negative note, but I would like to say over my last few years that I have been on council, my first few years, the chambers have been used to voice your opinions and concerns. I don't know what has happened over the last few years, but I can say over the last few months, I feel at times our chambers have become a circus and what has happened today, and what has happened over the last few weeks, when members come up, and not only voice their opinions, but today we had a child in the audience, and we had a speaker use profanity. The last few weeks we have had our sessions go into recess because we

had speakers disrespect the chambers. This is unacceptable, this uncalled for, and this is a house of government where we are here to legislate laws and not hear people voice their opinions. I am asking for the Law Department, I am asking for the Police Department, to actually stand up and actually start taking some charge with this, as we are going to continue to push on council members, because this is the City of Lorain, and we are here by the people to legislate laws, not let members come up here and disrespect council members, call them out their names, or have other members of the City of Lorain be disrespected by other members with their opinions, thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER KEMPTON: Just a couple thing. On the Ward 2 Community Group, I am posting where people can find food pantries and any need that they have with this issue that we are having here in this country with the SNAP benefits being held up. There are a lot of people in our community that depend on those and any information that I can give to them, they can find it at the Ward 2 Community Group. I am going to piggyback off of what the councilman said, no one should come to the mic and be vulgar, or speak in an obscene way in this council, it is absolutely unacceptable. The last thing is, good luck tomorrow to every candidate, it is not an easy thing to be a candidate, and I applaud anybody who tries.

COUNCILMEMBER SPELLACY: I too, want to voice my concern with the actions that happened tonight in council. I don't know why we don't go the whole way, charge people when they violate the rules that were set up, and make them do whatever they need to do so they can't do that in council, swear, like Mr. Arroyo said, there was a child in here, how do they look at that? That is just crazy behavior that shouldn't be allowed, to me, they should just be taken out. When you do this rule, one, two, three times you are asked... it is an hour, and it is crazy. With that being said, the next thing I want to talk about is the SNAP that has ceased now, until the government goes back to work. St. Mary's food pantry services the whole City of Lorain and they have the opportunity... they received a grant for \$15,000 that will match anyone that donates to their food pantry. Right now, they are looking for people to donate to it. I am asking all of council and any residents that are able to, I get there are people that are financially challenged, we'll say, that need this. I think, as a city, we should all take part in it. If they can end up with \$30,000 for their food pantry, that will carry them a long way.

COUNCILMEMBER THORNSBERRY: A public announcement here, anybody who is interested, The Grocery Outlet on Leavitt Road will be having a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, November 13th at 10am. We want to welcome this business to our community, also, it seems like they offer a pretty unique discounted outlet type of grocery experience that I am excited to see how it could benefit the citizens of the City of Lorain.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I would like to thank everyone who participated in the FOPA 46 Chili Cook Off. The FOPA is an organization dedicated to the social, psychological, mental, assistance for police. If you look at what our policemen have had to deal with in the last year, it's got to be a tremendous strain on their... just a tremendous strain on their mental health. The FOPA is dedicated to helping them destress, so they are able to meet other citizens of the city without carrying that ball of stress that is attached to a policeman. We want to thank everyone who participated, our chili cookers, Mrs. Carter, Mr. Dimacchia for his support, the mayor of course always... oh! Mary, yes, Mary! I can't see her over here, thank you, thank you. We hope that all of you will come back next year and support us again in whatever endeavor that we have.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I just want to briefly say I do want to apologize to the public for the outburst that occurred earlier today, that is not appropriate for this chamber. Our rules are complicated, but again, I just need to remind folks that there are council rules, this is the council chamber, and that is something that we should consider in the future, and we certainly will consider council rules in the future, but understand that those types of outbursts in this

particular chamber, puts the Lorain Police Department in a difficult position, we can't always ask them to just start throwing people out of here because that is not the look we want either. Again, not acceptable, inappropriate, and it happened so quick, I really couldn't even react to it, it is unfortunate, but I do want to apologize to everybody here, on behalf of myself, running this meeting because those things should never happen. It is unfortunate but sometimes you just can't control certain folks and that is just the way it is. I also do want to wish everybody on the ballot the best of luck, campaigning and being an elected official is not easy, so I commend all of you for doing what you do. More importantly, I just want to urge folks to get out and vote, if you look at the voter turn out in the City of Lorain, it has not been where it needs to be, understand there aren't many... there is not much on this ballot, but we still need to get out and vote, and more importantly hopefully folks get out and support Lorain City Schools, Issues 21 and 22.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: I was going to make the motion to adjourn and also say that was 22 quarts of chili. We will be eating chili from now until past Thanksgiving, just saying.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I will need you to hold off on that motion to adjourn.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: I am going to shape it like a turkey.

Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Mr. Thornsberry, to amend the agenda and add an executive session to the agenda.

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| AYES- | 10 | Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Thornsberry, Spellacy. |
| NAYS- | 1 | Mr. Arroyo. The motion carried to add an executive session to this evening's agenda. |

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Mr. Thornsberry, in accordance with ORC Section 121.22: G (3) to conference with the public body's attorney regarding disputes that are the subject of pending and/or imminent court action.

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| AYES- | 10 | Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Thornsberry, Spellacy. |
| NAYS- | 1 | Mr. Arroyo. The motion carried unanimously, and the body recessed into Executive Session at 6:47pm. |

President Pro-Tem Dimacchia reconvened the regular meeting at 7:41pm, all eleven members were present.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Thornsberry, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with two dissenting votes from Mr. Dimacchia and Mr. Arroyo, the meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

PRESIDENT PRO- TEM OF COUNCIL



Clerk of Council

Accepted: November 17, 2025