

Chaplain Sylvia DuVall led council in the prayer and President Pro-Tem Dimacchia led the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the regular meeting to order at 6:05pm.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.

ABSENT - 2 Mr. Thornsberry, President Arredondo.

Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Mrs. Henley, to excuse the absent members. Motion carried unanimously.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

a.) December 1, 2025 Regular Meeting 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:

a.) Correspondence from Mayor Bradley to Members of Council sharing a values statement.

REMARKS: MAYOR BRADLEY: You may be wondering why I would propose a values statement for the City of Lorain, I was at a conference a few weeks ago and I was with about 200 mayors, one of the mayors brought up the fact that she had done a values statement after there was a tragedy in here community, and asked some of the mayors if they had values statements in their community. I was not able to raise my hand, but I came back from the conference and I thought, maybe we do need to have a values statement. Now with the shooting in Providence, Rhode Island, I was there with Brett Smiley, one of the mayors that was there with us, and the massacre at Bondi Beach in Australia, and our own President, making insensitive remarks about Rob Reiner and his wife and I think we forget about values sometimes so I am going to read this statement because I think it is important to read it out loud. We are going to have it posted here at City Hall, because I think that it is important for all of us to realize that we as members of the administration and also members of the executive branch, and also members of the legislative branch do have values and we believe in these values. (at this time Mayor Bradley read his statement) *At this time of year, I thought it would be appropriate to present to you a Values Statement. In Lorain, we should be guided by a simple but profound principle: every person has dignity, and every person belongs. As Mayor, I affirm that our city is strongest when we lead with integrity, listen with humility and, and govern with fairness. As a city, we must commit ourselves to: Respect every resident, visitor, business owner, and city employee. Ensure that no one is pushed to the margins because of race, religion, ethnicity, ability, identity, or economic circumstance. Earning trust through open communications and responsible stewardship of public resources. Remember that local government exists to solve problems, support families, and build opportunities for all. Courage, especially when decisions are difficult or when the easiest path is not the right one. Accountability, holding ourselves to the highest standards in conduct, ethics, and respect for the rule of law. Our strength has always come from a wide range of cultures, languages, and traditions that make Lorain one of the most diverse cities in Ohio. Free speech is a fundamental right – but hate that threatens, isolates, or dehumanizes is not who we are. Today and every day, I affirm: We will protect the dignity of our residents. We will confront hate swiftly, clearly, and without hesitation. We will support those targeted intimidation. We will create spaces for dialogue, understanding, and civic unity. We are a city of union workers, educators, small-business owners, veterans, artists, and families from every corner of the world. We know what it means to pull together. We know what it means to lift each other up. And we know that hate has no home here in Lorain. As we move forward, together we will continue to build a*

Lorain that reflects our highest ideals. A city where opportunity grows, where compassion leads, and where every person is treated with dignity.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: Mayor, please consider posting that on the city website as well, as I think that it is an excellent statement and not only is it a values statement, but it should be our mission statement.

Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Mrs. Henley, to receive and file. Motion carried unanimously.

- b.) Mayor Bradley's request for Council to approve the appointment of Kristen Massey to the Sewer and Water Advisory Board effective immediately through December 4, 2029. Moved by Ms. DuVall, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to concur with the appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM DIRECTORS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, ETC.: None.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES:

- a.) Correspondence received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control advising of a a D1, D3 permit transfer application received for Crystal Rock Inn located at 2215 E. 28th St., Lorain, from Tammy and Michael Losiewicz located at 2215 E 28th St. (6th Ward). Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to authorize the Clerk to notify the Board that no complaints have been received.

REMARKS: MAYOR BRADLEY: I had talked to the Police Department about this this morning, and they wanted to do a little bit more work on this matter before it was approved by council. Chief Failing was not there this morning, he wasn't able to be there, but Captain Thompson was there and he indicated to me that he would like to have a little bit more time before this was voted on by council. If you could give a little bit more time.

COUNCILMEMBER ARROYO: I would like the Chief to touch base with me, not today, in the next... I ask for this to go on a 30-day ____ and we can touch base on this issue that the police are having.

Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to rescind motion, and request a 30-day extension. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Clerk Dull announced that there are no members of the public signed up to speak this evening.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a.) The Police, Fire and Legislative Committee met on Monday, December 8th to discuss a proposed ordinance amending Ord. 266-74 which establishes 509.12 - Curfew - of Chapter 509 of the codified ordinances. The committee recommended amendments be made to the proposed legislation by the Law Department and the matter was referred back to council for consideration. Also, the committee discussed the Rules of Council and the City Council Agenda. The committee referred the item back to council for consideration once all updates and amendments have been made. Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to concur with the committee report. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATION – FIRST READING:

Resolution 29-25 a.) Introduced by Mrs. Carter, a resolution recognizing and commending Joanne Moon for outstanding public service as a member of Lorain City Council. Moved by Mrs. Carter, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

- Moved by Mr. , supported by Mrs., to pass the resolution.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.
At this time, Mrs. Carter presented the resolution to Ms. Moon.
- Resolution 30-25 b.) Introduced by Mrs. Springowski, a resolution recognizing and commending Beth Henley for outstanding public service as a member of Lorain City Council.
Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Ms. DuVall, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Ms. DuVall, to pass the resolution.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.
At this time, Mrs. Springowski presented the resolution to Mrs. Henley.
- Resolution 31-25 c.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, a resolution recognizing and commending Dan Nutt for outstanding public service as a member of Lorain City Council.
Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the resolution.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.
At this time, Mr. Dimacchia presented the resolution to Mr. Nutt.
- Resolution 32-25 d.) Introduced by Mr. Arroyo, a resolution recognizing and commending Sylvia DuVall for outstanding public service as a member of Lorain City Council.
Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Henley, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Henley, to pass the resolution.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.
At this time, Mr. Arroyo presented the resolution to Ms. DuVall.
- Resolution 33-25 e.) Introduced by Ms. Kempton, a resolution recognizing and commending Mary Spellacy for outstanding public service as a member of Lorain City Council.
Moved by Ms. Kempton, supported by Ms. DuVall, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Ms. Kempton, supported by Ms. DuVall, to pass the resolution.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.
At this time, Ms. Kempton presented the resolution to Ms. Spellacy.

Resolution 34-25 f.) Introduced by Ms. Kempton, a resolution recognizing the month of December as National Impaired Driving Prevention Month in the City of Lorain.
Moved by Ms. Kempton, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

Moved by Ms. Kempton, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the resolution.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution 35-25 g.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, a resolution concurring with the proposed subdivision of city owned property at Permanent Parcel No. 02-02-028-105-001, for the future development of single-family dwellings.
Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The resolution passed unanimously.

Ordinance 187-25 h.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance to approve current replacement pages to the Lorain Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency.
Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Ms. DuVall, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I think that it would be good to let the citizens know that this is something the city has to do. It is an expenditure of around \$7,000 but it is necessary and it is required. Just so citizens know there are bills that maybe you don't know why they are there, but they are required for the city.
Moved by Mr. Dimacchia, supported by Ms. DuVall, to pass the ordinance.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 188-25 i.) Introduced by Mr. Arroyo, an ordinance repealing ordinance no. 266-74 Chapter 509.12 of the Lorain Codified Ordinances and adopting new Chapter 509.12 of the Lorain Codified Ordinances.
Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER ARROYO: I wanted to first, apologize, I was stuck in the warm weather last week and in Florida, I was trying to watch the meeting that was going on, but the reason that I asked for this, as we continue to fight for our citizens and the safety for our youth, I was going over some of the things that might assist with addressing this and the curfew was one of them. I know I have reached out to the Chief a few times with juveniles, 12, 13 years old at 9:00pm, 10:00pm on the streets on my side of the town causing havoc. I looked at the ordinances and looked

at the information that was presented by the Police Department and I thought 12:30am was too late, and I think 10:30pm is going to be, at least a step in the right direction with pushing forward to try to keep our youth off the street, and now trying to hold the parents accountable if its continuing going forward. It is not just the city elected officials' responsibility, but it's the citizens as a whole, our responsibility. South Lorain has always been known as the neighbors take care of each other and this is a step that I ask you guys to pass.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: I have actually had people that have reached out to me asking for this because they have been fearful of some of the activity of some of our younger people, and they think that this is something that is going to start to address it. They were appreciative of it.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: For the record, for a point of clarification, the time starts at 11pm, not 10:30pm.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I just wanted to say, I do think this will make a positive impact as well, but I did have a couple quick questions about some of the verbiage in... I believe it is under C, item 1, where it says, the following shall constitute valid exceptions to the provisions, item 1, just a little clarification there, it says when the minor is 21 and is accompanied by a natural or adoptive parent, how is a minor 21? That was confusing.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: It should be 18.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: So, we need to amend that to be 18? Does that sound good?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: We can take it to a second reading or amend it.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: Amend by substitution?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: It is Mr. Arroyo's choice. It is his legislation.

COUNCILMEMBER ARROYO: I would make a motion to amend it.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Perfect, thank you sir. And then just one more real quick, and I apologize I wasn't able to call earlier and get some clarification on this. Item 4, when you read, it does say... information, informing the division of the time such event... the sponsoring organization shall register the event with the Police Department at least 24 hours in advance. Is there a certain protocol for that? Or is it, they can just call in, let PD know? I don't want kids to randomly get into issues if an event sponsor forgot to notify PD within 24 hours for that.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: Point of order, we have a motion on the floor to amend, and it needs a second.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: He didn't get to make that motion because I was still speaking.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: My mistake, I apologize.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Thank you, no, we will get there, absolutely.

MAYOR BRADLEY: An amendment to make it under the age of 18...

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Sure. Yes. But then the current question, if we could, is there a way in which, or a protocol, for an organization or a sponsor of an organized event to notify PD within that 24 hours just in case, so kids aren't accidentally getting into an issue or if that sponsor of that organization does not notify PD, are we able to have a work around for that?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Chief Failing or Captain Morris, do we have a process...

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Or we can work on it later?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I am assuming we will establish that process.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Just trying to get some clarification, just in case somebody doesn't notify the police, I don't want that to become an issue for an event in the city, where some kids might be coming home a little late. As long as there is something there that we are going to set up, I just want to make sure that happens.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: In my notes from the last council meeting, there was discussion about if we did find somebody out, without their... the 21-year-old, we went to their house and the parents say, 'oh yeah, I gave them permission.' One of the things that we had talked about was written permission for that child to be under... and I am just wondering, are we letting that go, or is that something that we are still concerned about, that the parent may just say, oh yeah, I had him.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Does anybody from the administration have an answer?

MAYOR BRADLEY: That was my suggestion, that it be in writing, so if you want to... a second amendment would be after the word, who is duly authorized, in writing, to have custody of the minor, by the minor's parent or legal guardian.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: Can that be part of the... I will make that motion.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: We don't have a motion yet.

Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to amend the ordinance by changing the age from 21 to under 18.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is amended.

Moved by Ms. DuVall, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to amend the ordinance, by adding the words in writing.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is amended.

Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance, with both amendments.

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

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

Ordinance 189-25

j.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance approving the Chief of Police, through the Mayor of the City of Lorain, to accept the award of the 2026 Safety First Grant, from Norfolk Southern and declaring an emergency.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: For informational purposes, I was able to ask a few questions about that and those additional funds going for this item are coming from the LETF, which I believe are the... the Law Enforcement Trust Funds, so that is where those funds are coming from, they are not coming out of the General Fund. I think that will be very useful and helpful for our Police Department.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I had a question about how many of the incidents, it talked about safety during rail incidents, how many of those have we had in Lorain?

SAFETY/SERVICE DIRECTOR CARRION: We are not quite sure of the numbers, but we can certainly find out through our Police Department and also with the railroad.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 190-25

k.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director to enter into a contract for the purchase of 10 (ten) L3 Harris Radios through the State Of Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program without bid, pursuant

to Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04, not to exceed forty-six thousand, four hundred sixty-six dollars (\$46,466.00) and declaring an emergency.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 191-25

1.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance authorizing the Clerk of Court to accept a grant from the Ohio Attorney General to fund the implementation of Integrated Electronic Reporting of Dispositions to the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigations and execute all necessary documents associated to its award and declaring it an emergency.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I believe last year, we were directed that every court system had to report who came in and who came out, we had to get software for that. Is this software different than that? Or is it compatible with that, or is there any change? Do we have to have training on that? What is the cost to the city?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I don't see anybody here from the courts, however, we can relay that question onto them and get you that answer. I don't have a better answer this evening for you.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I just wondered, the courts had submitted a tentative budget, and so if this is a big expense over that, I wondered if they are already paying some contingency things. Nobody knows?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: No, they are not here.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: My understanding of this is that the court will fund the upkeep for the software, I believe, I am trying to search for it now, I think the total for... I thought it was a 5-year period was \$49,000, I am assuming it is \$6,000 for the upkeep, but I am trying to find that, it is in the accompanying documentation, and this is for submitting to the state, which they currently mail in those documents. It is not exactly the software that runs the day to day, it is for inputting the dispositions and various information to the Ohio Attorney General. That is my understanding.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I was just assuming that they are asking ___ software for that and...

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Your mic is not on.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I did read that they were going to fund it for a while, I just wondered if everything is synchronized so that we don't have any walls between our communications.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: In the executive summary, it does state that the project... the cost associated with this project will be averaging around \$9,740 per year, for five years. I don't know if that helps you.

MAYOR BRADLEY: The executive summary from the court indicates that this is an upgrade of the current system that they have. I guess this is going to upgrade their reporting, that is required, to the State of Ohio. They were all going to have to assume the cost of maintenance and upkeep, which is going to be an additional \$9,740 per year. There is money appropriated out of the General Fund for the upkeep and maintenance, but this actually helps them pay for the upgrade to the system to better report this information to the State of Ohio.

SAFETY/SERVICE DIRECTOR CARRION: It should also be noted that any type of expenditures, _____ equipment, platforms, software, those are all vetted also through our IT Department to assure that there is compatibility, to assure that issues with firewalls are not... will not impact one program over the next. All of the information, whether it be elected officials or not, _____ good report with IT Director to make sure that everything syncs.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 192-25 m.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director to accept the donation of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) for the Second Harvest Food Bank 'Harvest for Hunger' Program from Brilliant Source Cares.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 193-25 n.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director to enter into an agreement with Coldwater Consulting, LLC, for professional services related to the Black River Dredge Material Reuse Facility – 2026 Facility Management.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 194-25 o.) Introduced by Mr. Dimacchia, an ordinance amending ordinance 127-25, and declaring an emergency.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 195-25 p.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety/Service to enter into an agreement for the acquisition of real property and declaring an emergency.

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

AYES- 9 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo.

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

REMARKS: MAYOR BRADLEY: I'd just ask Council to look at the third whereas, it indicates the address is 1069 West 45th Street, it needs to be amended to Place. It is also... the purchase agreement, the same thing, the third paragraph needs to be Place instead of Street.

Moved by Ms. Kempton, supported by Ms. Spellacy, to refer the matter to committee.

AYES- 4 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Kempton, Spellacy.

NAYS- 6 Messrs. Springowski, Henley, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo. The motion to refer to committee is defeated.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: On paragraph six, concerning utilities in the purchase contract, I was curious as to perhaps why, maybe I am just not understanding the verbiage there, why there is not like a whole ____ for water and sewer fees just in case the city does get stuck with those fees at time of transfer. Also, I do believe it states about the second to last paragraph, buyer shall be liable for all unpaid utility charges that have been incurred during their occupancy of the property, which obviously makes sense, but that would be after transfer. Then it goes on to say, including but not limited to any utility charges that have or may hereafter accrue prior to actual transfer of the title of the property to buyer. Does that mean that once this is signed, the city could potentially have to take care of some of the unpaid utilities? Because it says including and then prior... before the transfer. Am I just misunderstanding?

LAW DIRECTOR RILEY: The ordinance, as it's written, provides for my authority to make modifications to the document prior to closing. As late as this morning, Safety/Service Director Carrion and I have addressed the issue of utilities with the perspective buyer. For your information, there is a sum of \$2000 or more, unpaid water bill there. You can be assured that the closing will also require that monies be held back, as we discussed with the buyer this morning, all utilities including the amounts owed to the City of Lorain. That issue, I am glad you brought it to the public's attention but it has been addressed and I will make those modifications accordingly.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Thank you, sir, I appreciate that. Also, I do support that this does pass, I think there were some questions, some concerns perhaps from some of the council members and possibly future council members concerning this, but no one had signed up for statements or what not, so I know obviously it was defeated to send it to subcommittee, but at this time, my understanding is that there is that support, so I would make the move for passage if there is no other comments. I want to make sure that that's...

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: I am going to need a motion to amend it though.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: I will. Just in case, after, there are any other comments, sir.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to amend the ordinance, correcting the address from Street to Place.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance is amended.

MAYOR BRADLEY: I just want to remind everyone that we had five properties in Lorain that were hotspots, and four of those properties were addressed by the Law Department, where they were going to file for nuisance on those properties. They contacted the owners of those properties, because they were rental properties, all four owners agreed to evict the tenants, so we didn't have to file a lawsuit. This was the only property of the five that was an owner-occupied property. This matter was discussed by council in committee, and it was my understanding that because of a Town Hall that was held on this particular property several years ago, because there had been numerous shootings, numerous drug transactions, the neighbors... one neighbor actually said that her husband had to like crawl on his hands and knees to

get into his vehicle because he was so afraid of being shot. That is how often gunfire was taking place at this residence. This was the fifth, and I think in a category of one of the worst, and so our solution was get out of dodge. Our Law Department was able to accomplish that and hopefully we are eliminating a problem because this family is no longer going to be living in the City of Lorain, they are moving to, I think, Kentucky. This is good for the city, this is good for the residents in that area, I think it is going to help them increase their property values, it is a very nice area of the City of Lorain that needs to be safe for our citizens. We are not going to do this... this is not a regular thing, this is like a one-shot deal, and I think it is warranted in this particular case.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to pass the ordinance, as amended.
AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.

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

Ordinance 196-25 q.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety/Service to purchase gasoline, fuel, oil, and other petroleum products all needed for various city departments as listed in Section 1, through the State of Ohio cooperative purchasing program, or from a vendor whose pricing is at or below Ohio State term pricing, without bid, pursuant to ORC section 735.053, commencing January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: MAYOR BRADLEY: I read in the newspaper all the time about county offices giving back money to the county commissioners, well, our departments do give money back occasionally, to the General Fund and this is one of those cases where because gas prices went down, the amount of money that was budgeted last year in 2025 for petroleum products, actually was under what was budgeted. Lori Garcia informed me this morning at the manager's meeting that she is actually giving money back. Hopefully gas prices continue to be down, she will be able to do that again next year. This is a yearly expense, but we get money back too. I wanted you to know.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 197-25 r.) 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- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I noticed on that list there were a couple of duplicates, and that made me think, do we have LLCs or other corporations or things that are abusing the city's, or stretching the city's resources to cleaning up their property over and over and over again? I wondered if there was a way that if it is a person that constantly violates this and it has to be cleaned up by the city, of invoking the nuisance ordinance against them?

SAFETY/SERVICE DIRECTOR CARRION: That is something that we have discussed, looking for repeat offenders. So far in this program, this is a ___ program, we haven't seen many, even though you see some that are duplicate, it

can be a duplication based on the date when a cleanup was required, or in one particular case, two different properties under the same name. We are keeping a close look at that. Normally, through our Public Properties Department, if we see over the course of a year a particular group having three or four, that is when we start really looking at it with a closer eye. Those are things that we will certainly discuss, we can try to meet with our Law Department and determine at what threshold do we want to consider something kind of veering off into the nuisance area.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 198-25

s.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director to enter into a one-year agreement with Clariti Cloud (USA), inc. (f.k.a. Camino Technologies, Inc.) for professional services and software implementation, and declaring an emergency.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: Is this the contract for the Building and Housing Department?

BHP DIRECTOR MATT KUSZNIR: Yes, it is.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: Since you are up there, at the mic, could you explain just a little bit of what this will accomplish for your department?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: This software will allow the Building Division of the Building, Housing and Planning Department to do a lot more online processing of permit applications, annual licenses, electronic plan review, so it will really get the Building Division up into the 21st Century in terms of how we operate as a department. It will definitely increase operational efficiencies, which is the entire goal. I could really dive into what it is going to do, but that in a nutshell is what we hope to accomplish with this.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: Always reminding the citizens that the people we have here at this building, are really, really working for their good.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 199-25

t.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance authorizing the City of Lorain to enter into a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Abatement with Absolute Machine Tools Holdings and declaring an emergency.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

REMARKS: COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Could we get a little more information on this specific ___? I understanding is that the investment being made, the \$1.8M, obviously we always appreciate any business investing in building the City of Lorain, that building is built and complete, and are they currently already operating within the facility with those 8... 12... 12 employees?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Yes, they are.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: With this, I just don't fully understand why we would want to use this mechanism, obviously this is something to incentivize individuals

to obviously invest, to build, to come to the city, I am just not sure why it applies to a district where they already are building, investing and coming into the city. I don't want to stifle business, obviously that is not my goal, just what I am trying to ask, can you sell me on this? I am not sure if I see the need for if it is already built, already running and already employing the individuals to then give them this tax.

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: In addition to the idea that this is an incentive that we provide any kind of expansion, whether it is industry or any kind of commercial building, we do want to build the City of Lorain, what do ___ establish ourselves to have ___ the reputation that we are easy to do business with and also that when you come to the City of Lorain, we can offer a variety of incentives to encourage economic development and any kind of investment into the city. That in a nutshell, in addition to the additional \$1M of annual payroll that they are going to generate, we feel like it is more than warranted to provide this kind of incentive. I should note that Absolute Machine is eligible for a higher incentive for a longer term, but they have opted to go to the 50% threshold as opposed to the 100% threshold in an effort to be good partners, not only with the city, but with the Firelands School District, which is where the business is located. In maybe not so ordinary circumstances, I can see where you are coming from Councilman, but at the same time, given the fact that they have made the significant investment, they are bringing another \$1M of annual payroll that will come directly to the City of Lorain via income taxes and they are not asking for the full amount, it is something that we can definitely get behind.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Can I ask... like I said, this isn't a conversation to stifle investment in the City of Lorain, can I ask is there any fear, I guess, of losing this manufacturer in the City of Lorain, because the purpose of these questions, honestly, yes, we want to incentivize businesses to come here, but the business is already here and it is already operating, and it is already profitable, and is already willing to invest and to build, and to hire, yes, we want to do what we can to help them, but I feel like maybe some of those dollars could be used to attract new... do you see what I am saying? Is there...

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: The other side of that coin is we also want to retain that business in future years. We have seen, whether it is the City of Lorain, or the City of Elyria, we have seen businesses come and go. Whether they move to Avon or whether they move to Cuyahoga County, we want to make sure that when they do their next couple million-dollar expansion, that they do that here in the City of Lorain and they don't look elsewhere.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: Did they come to the city before plans were drawn up and approved for this, or after it was already done? I am curious.

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: They came to the city seeking the abatement while they are under construction.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: In the process?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Correct. During the process.

COUNCILMEMBER NUTT: They are at the 50%, not the 100%?

DIRECTOR KUSZNIR: Correct.

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

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

NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance 200-25

u.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance amending ordinance 76-24 exhibit "A", Section 6.1 establishing the compensation of the Auditor and declaring an emergency.

Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.

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

NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.

- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to amend to add the Treasurer and remove the emergency clause to the ordinance.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to pass the ordinance, as amended.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously, as amended.
- Ordinance 201-25 v.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, an ordinance transferring 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. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Mrs. Springowski, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.
- Ordinance 202-25 w.) Introduced by Mr. Nutt, 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. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to suspend the statutory three reading rule.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The rule was suspended.
- Moved by Mr. Nutt, supported by Ms. DuVall, to pass the ordinance.
- AYES- 10 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Springowski, Henley, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 0 None. The ordinance passed unanimously.

LEGISLATION – SECOND READING:

- Withdrawn Ordinance a.) Introduced by Mr. Arroyo, an ordinance amending ordinance no. 266-74 which establishes Chapter 509.12 Curfew- of Chapter 509 of the Lorain Codified Ordinances.
- Moved by Mr. Arroyo, supported by Ms. DuVall, to withdraw the item.
- AYES- 8 Messrs. Dimacchia, DuVall, Kempton, Carter, Nutt, Moon, Arroyo, Spellacy.
- NAYS- 2 Mrs. Springowski, Mrs. Henley. The ordinance is withdrawn.

LEGISLATION – THIRD READING: None.

COMMITTEE CALLS: None.

MISCELLANEOUS CONCERNS FROM COUNCIL:

COUNCILMEMBER MOON: When is my last day that I can email people and when do I turn my phone in? I have until December 31st or is it December 15th? Also, on the curfew, how are we going to get that out into the community to let parents know? I have been talking to some of the students and letting them know

that they need to behave. Hopefully we can get that out into the community. When do I turn my phone in?

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM DIMACCHIA: Bre will send all of that information to you.

COUNCILMEMBER HENLEY: I just wanted once again to thank everyone and to wish everyone Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and good health, and much happiness in the new year.

COUNCILMEMBER ARROYO: I just want to say it has been an honor to serve with Ms. Moon, my road dog, I am going to miss you, you made it fun on council. Mr. Nutt and Ms. Spellacy, it has been an honor to serve with you too. Mrs. Henley, definitely been an honor to serve with you, you have been probably one of my biggest supporters outside of council. I appreciate you and wish you guys the best. As far as, I guess maybe a question for... maybe a solution for Ms. Moons question with the parents, Mr. Dimacchia, if maybe the schools are able just to send out a letter as they do for other stuff going on in the city, just to the parents, give it to the parents as a text message or what not, this is a new ordinance and go that way. As far as the city, I would like to first, I would like to give an appreciation for Kevin and the street workers, I have been on council previous and I got the complaints of why don't we plow the streets or why don't we do this street or that street, but I never took it upon myself to reach out to actually jump in the trucks. This past weekend I jumped in the truck with Kevin, one of the street workers, and I give them a lot of respect for what they do. I guess one of my concerns is, maybe moving forward, the parking ban, obviously I know that is going to be hard, but I know that we are really good at parades and towing vehicles on Broadway. One of the big things I have seen, one of the streets he went down there was probably 6" between two vehicles, it was a learning experience, I was able to post some of the pictures and videos, and a lot of the citizens actually started to see some of the obstacles that these men and women go through. Hopefully in the next parking ban we are able to actually enforce that so they are able to do their job, and any city vehicles that are taken home, that they also oblige and take those vehicles off the streets so they are not parked on the street. I think if we are able to do it with our city vehicles off the street, it will let the citizens know that they take their vehicles off the streets so our streets can be cleaned. If I am able to get a number of what it would cost the city, I know it has been probably about 20 years since they did all of the streets, one of the questions that I get all the time is, how come we don't salt all the streets. If I am able to get a number so I can give the constituents of what we actually spend on salt and how much more it would cost us, that would also educate them to understand why we don't do some of those side streets.

COUNCILMEMBER SPRINGOWSKI: I had some residents calling me today about all of the solicitations that they are getting with Brightspeed and other utility companies, even when they have no solicitation up on their doors or posted on their property. They are getting a lot, especially Brightspeed. We have had one person that called me today, said that in the last 90 days, he has been visited by Brightspeed no less than 7 times. He works from home, it has been very disruptive to him and they wanted to know, what are the rules with the city regarding this. I said I would bring it up tonight. I got the call later in the day. People do not want to have all of the solicitations.

COUNCILMEMBER DUVALL: I would like to thank the community for putting me in this seat for two years. It was an honor, and it was a learning experience. Again, I want to encourage everyone to continue to pray for our city and really respect the work that our elected officials and our departments do in the city. I also will tell you, I will be back, revisiting flashing lights crossing for Hawthorne, I will be back, and a couple of other places, especially on Leavitt Road and 21st Street, there is a lot of foot traffic there. I think that it is worthy of having a sign there, it is a little more than just stop sign. I do want to thank you for the bicycle lanes, that was a learning experience for me, in how citizens can complain about things, but I think it worked out very well and I want to commend the Building and Planning

for thinking about the future health of our community. I am leaving you all with my best wishes and that you do well, that you stay safe, you stay healthy and continue to do your hard jobs.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mrs. Springowski, supported by Mrs. Henley, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with one dissenting vote from Mr. Dimacchia, the meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM OF COUNCIL



Clerk of Council

Accepted: January 5, 2026