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Committee of the Whole Afternoon Session

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Summary

- City Council passed a job tax credit incentive program.
- An ordinance regarding vacant lots in Ward 5 was held.
- Money was approved for a lead safety program.

Follow-Up Questions

- How often, if at all, does the city check on how the money it has allotted is being spent?
- Will an update on the job tax credit incentive program include numbers on how many people who live in the city are hired by companies receiving the incentive? Will this incentive actually help the city?
- Will higher-ups respond to Council Member Mike Polensek's question about why citizens are threatening council because of something the lead coalition isn't doing?

Notes

[Here is the agenda](#) for the Dec. 4 Committee of the Whole meeting. A recording of this meeting can be viewed [here](#). Below are the ordinances and whether or not they passed.

(Editor's note: Additional coverage of this meeting can be found in Documenter Marvetta Rutherford's [live-tweet thread](#).)

Public Works

Speaker: Director of the Mayor's Office of Capital Projects James DeRosa

[Emergency Ordinance 1182-2023](#)

Authorizing the director of Capital Projects to apply to the District One Public Works

Integrating Committee for state funding for constructing improvements to portions of Shaker Boulevard from Buckeye Road to the East corporation line.

A map of the affected area can be found [here](#).

Approved.

Emergency Ordinance 1273-2023

Authorizing the director of the Mayor's Office of Capital Projects to issue a permit to 1865 W 22ND, LLC to encroach into the public right-of-way of West 22nd Street by installing, using and maintaining new entrance staircases and an at-grade courtyard.

Property: [1865 W. 22nd St. Cleveland, OH 44113 - Realtor.com](#)

Approved.

Public Safety

Speaker: Director of Public Safety Karrie Howard

Emergency Ordinance 1293-2023

Authorizing the director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the FY 2023 Justice Assistance Grant – Local Solicitation; authorizing one or more contracts with Cuyahoga County and various cities; and authorizing the purchase by one or more contracts of one mobile security unit.

See the executive summary of this legislation [here](#).

Approved.

Emergency Ordinance 1298-2023

Change the maximum age to enroll to become a police officer from 39 to 54 for first appointment to the Division of Police.

Approved.

Emergency Ordinance 1300- 2023

Permits an award to be made for all items as a single contract or by separate contract for each or any combination of the items as the Board of Control determines.

Approved.

[Emergency Ordinance 1340-2023](#)

Authorizing the director of Public Safety or Law to apply for and accept grants from Cuyahoga County Public Safety and Justice Services for the FY 2023 STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) program.

For information on the program, visit [Violence Against Women Act \(VAWA\) | HUD.gov](#)

Approved.

Economic Development

[Emergency Ordinance 1345-2023](#)

Authorizing the director of Economic Development to create the Job Creation Income Tax Credit Incentive Program to provide economic development incentives for the purpose of creating jobs and improving the economic welfare of the people of the city as authorized in Art. VIII, Section 13 of the Ohio Constitution.

To see the amendments made to this ordinance, click [here](#).

For the presentation on the ordinance, click [here](#).

Approved as amended.

Community Development

[Emergency Ordinance 1184-2023](#)

Speaker: Director of Community Development Alyssa Hernandez

To amend the title and Sections 1, 2, 4, and 7 of Ordinance No. 490-2023, passed May 31, 2023, relating to professional services to establish, implement, and manage a revolving loan fund for a home repair and rehabilitation program for Cleveland's Southeast Side neighborhoods.

Approved as amended.

[Emergency Ordinance 1135-2023](#)

Speaker: Hernandez

Discontinuing the Divisions of Neighborhood Services, Neighborhood Development, and Administrative Services by repealing Sections 137.07, 137.08, 137.09, 137.10, 137.11 and 137.12

Approved as amended.

Emergency Ordinance 1286-2023

Speaker: Felicia Mayes

Authorizing the director of Community Development to enter into one or more grant agreements with various entities to assist with a lead safe program using a portion of the city's Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, as authorized under Ordinance No. 119-2022, passed May 23, 2022, as amended by Ordinance No. 995-2022, passed Oct. 24, 2022.

Approved as amended.

Emergency Ordinance 1285-2023

Speaker: Hernandez

Ordinance for three lots in Ward 5 to go back into the city land bank so that they are not abandoned.

Decision held.

Emergency Ordinance 1254-2023

Speaker: Hernandez

To amend the fourth clause and Section 1 of Ordinance No. 671-2023, passed June 5, 2023, relating to authorizing the director of Community Development to provide financial assistance to projects providing housing in the City of Cleveland.

Approved as amended.

Emergency Ordinance 1233-2023

Speaker: Hernandez

To amend Section 9 of Ordinance No. 371-2022, passed May 16, 2022, relating to conducting the Exterior Paint Program.

Approved.

Emergency Ordinance 1390-2023

Amend sections 86 and 41 of Ordinance 194-202 passed March 29, 2021, as amended, relating to salaries for various classifications.

Approved.

Emergency Ordinance 1372-2023

Designating West Clinton Avenue from West 58th Street to West 65th Street with a secondary and honorary designation of "Judge Raymond L. Pianka Way." The Pianka family owned the home at 6310 West Clinton Avenue.

Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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