PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

TIME: ______________

ROLL CALL: ALEXANDER, HENRY, HURST, KUMIN, LENTINE, LEWIS, URSU

PRESENT: _____ ABSENT: _____

Motion was made by _________ seconded by _________ to excuse ___________

ROLL CALL: ALEXANDER, HENRY, HURST, KUMIN LENTINE, LEWIS, URSU

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion, which motion suspends the Council’s rules requiring three separate readings of legislation, and there will be no separate discussion of these items when so adopted. If any Councilperson desires discussion, the particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately by Council with full discussion and individual action therein.

1. Minutes of the City Council Meeting from December 10, 2019.

MOTION

Motion was made by __________ seconded by __________ to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted.
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REPORTS:

Mayor David H. Roche:

Fire Chief, Marc Neumann:

Police Chief, Thomas Wetzel:

Building Commissioner, Jim Urankar:

Finance Director, Jim Teknipp:

Recreation Director, Rick Dula:

Economic Development Director, Brian Gleisser:

City Engineer, Lee Courtney:

Service Director, Donald Kerniskey:

Audience:
OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO.: 115-2019, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR ROCHE, 3rd READING (as amended 12/17/19)
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS FOR A PROJECT TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS AND/OR IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE CITY.

SUSPENSION: ___________ ___________
PASSAGE: ___________ ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO.: 125-2019, INTRODUCED BY ALL OF COUNCIL, 2nd READING (as amended 12/17/19)
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS TO ENTER INTO A MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ON AGING FOR OLDER ADULT SERVICES.

SUSPENSION: ___________ ___________
PASSAGE: ___________ ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO.: 130-2019, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR ROCHE, FIRST READING
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH I.E. LEWIN, P.E. AND ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING CONSULTATION SERVICES.

SUSPENSION: ___________ ___________
PASSAGE: ___________ ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO.: 131-2019, INTRODUCED BY KUMIN, FIRST READING
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LOCATION CARPET INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW FLOOR COVERING FOR CITY HALL.

SUSPENSION: ___________ ___________
PASSAGE: ___________ ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE
ORDINANCE NO.: 132-2019, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR ROCHE, FIRST READING
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY’S POLICE PROSECUTOR.
SUSPENSION: ___________  ___________
PASSAGE: ___________  ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO.: 133-2019, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR ROCHE, FIRST READING
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CITY PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE DIVISION OF POLICE BY INTERNET AUCTION WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE OR IS OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH IT WAS ACQUIRED.
SUSPENSION: ___________  ___________
PASSAGE: ___________  ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO.: 134-2019, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR ROCHE, FIRST READING
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY FOR JAIL SERVICES FOR CITY PRISONERS.
SUSPENSION: ___________  ___________
PASSAGE: ___________  ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO.: 135-2019, INTRODUCED BY URSU, FIRST READING
AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
SUSPENSION: ___________  ___________
PASSAGE: ___________  ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO.: 136-2019, INTRODUCED BY URSU, FIRST READING
SUSPENSION: ___________  ___________
PASSAGE: ___________  ___________
KEPT ON: ___________ READING IN ___________ COMMITTEE
Motion to extend the 2019 service agreement with Senior Transportation Services through January 31, 2020.

ADDITIONS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

ADJOURNMENT:
MOTION WAS MADE BY __________ SECONDED BY __________ TO ADJOURN THIS DECEMBER 17, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT __________ P.M.
RESOLUTION NO.: 115-2019 (As Revised 12/17/19)
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS FOR A PROJECT TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS AND/OR IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the City has been advised by the Department of Development for the County of Cuyahoga that it is eligible to participate in a competitive application process for awarding of Community Development Supplemental Grant Program funds for Fiscal Year 2020;

WHEREAS, the City is permitted to submit one or more projects as part of its application, provided the aggregate total of the funding does not exceed $50,000 for the Supplemental Grant Program;

WHEREAS, the grant encourages the City to make a local match to the grant in the form of direct monetary payments and/or in-kind services for the project(s) and it is determined by this Council that a required City match to the grant through a combination of a direct monetary payment and in-kind services will be made;

WHEREAS, a public hearing related to the City’s participation in the Community Development Supplemental Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2020 was held by the City on November 14, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and this Council determine to apply for the supplemental grant funds for the necessary public improvement project of continuing to renovate the City of Richmond Heights’ community meeting and event facility, known as the “Kiwanis Lodge”, and to authorize the required local City match consisting of a combination of a monetary payment and in-kind services.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The following public improvement project for the purpose of improving safety, accessibility to, and usefulness of the City of Richmond Heights community meeting, event and gathering venue – the Kiwanis Lodge -- is approved for inclusion in the application to be submitted by the City in response to the competitive application process undertaken by the Department of Development of Cuyahoga County for Community Development Supplemental Grant funds:

Renovations to, and updating of, the City’s Kiwanis Lodge, its meeting, event and
gathering venue by adding an emergency generator, expanding the proposed outdoor event space (deck/patio) and interior and exterior lighting, making it more safe for use, accessible to handicapped persons and overall more useable by the public;

and this Council commits to making the required local City match to the grant through a combination of direct funding and in-kind services.

Section 2: The Mayor is authorized to submit the application for the aforesaid public improvement project on behalf of the City to the Department of Development of Cuyahoga County no later than January 3, 2020.

Section 3: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time permitted by law.

PASSED:_________________________________________ David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED:_________________________________________

ATTEST:_________________________________________
Betsy Traben
Clerk of Council

Eloise Cotton-Henry
President of Council
RESOLUTION NO: 125 - 2019 (As Revised 12/17/19)
INTRODUCED BY: All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS TO ENTER INTO A MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ON AGING FOR OLDER ADULT SERVICES.

WHEREAS, Community Partnership on Aging (“CPA”) is a nonprofit social service agency that has been in existence since 1978 and provides programs and services to support the independence, community involvement and wellbeing of older adults in the Hillcrest area through an agreement with a regional council of governments under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 167 that currently includes as members the local municipalities of: South Euclid, Lyndhurst, Highland Heights, Mayfield Heights and Mayfield Village (the “COG”);

WHEREAS, approximately one-third of the population of Richmond Heights is over age 60 and another third of the population is between ages 39 to 59, creating a steady stream of persons into the over age 60 category and whose needs for support often increase with aging;

WHEREAS, a full membership in CPA will entitle Richmond Heights residents to the complete range of programs and services of CPA, as more fully set forth in the membership proposal to Richmond Heights from CPA that is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, this Council supports the City’s full membership in the COG in 2020 as furthering the health, safety and general welfare of its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. This Council authorizes the City of Richmond Heights to enter into a full membership agreement with the regional council of governments as set forth in the recitals of this Resolution to participate in the Community Partnership on Aging as set forth in the membership proposal dated November 26, 2019 and the COG agreement on file with the Clerk of Council, to commence on January 1, 2020, and for a membership fee in 2020 not to exceed $80,459.

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time permitted by law.

PASSED: _______________________   ________________________
    David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: ______________________

ATTEST: ________________________   _________________________
    Betsy Traben     Eloise Cotton-Henry
    Clerk of Council     President of Council
RESOLUTION NO.: 130-2019  
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH I.E. LEWIN, P.E. AND ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING CONSULTATION SERVICES.

WHEREAS, this Council has requested the City administration to engage professional structural engineering services to provide an analysis of the loading capacity of the house at the City’s Greenwood Farm for various events and for accessibility needs for disabled persons;

WHEREAS, the City’s Director of Public Service and Properties has obtained a quote from a qualified structural engineering firm to perform the examination and prepare a written report of its findings from I.E. Lewin, P.E. and Associates for $14,445 to perform these necessary professional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with I.E. Lewin, P.E. and Associates for the services set forth in the recitals to this Resolution in an amount not to exceed Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Five Dollars ($14,445.00).

Section 2: If necessary, the Director of Finance is authorized and directed to appropriate a sum sufficient to cover the cost of the agreement referred to in Section 1 above.

Section 3: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: ____________________________ _________________________________  
David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: ________________________  
ATTEST:_____________________________ ________________________________  
Betsy Traben     Eloise Cotton-Henry  
Clerk of Council    President of Council
RESOLUTION NO.: 131 -2019  
INTRODUCED BY: Kumin

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LOCATION CARPET INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW FLOOR COVERING FOR CITY HALL.

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Service and Properties obtained price quotations from various vendors of floor coverings for City Hall and Location Carpet Inc. was the lowest quotation to sell and install floor coverings at City Hall in an amount not to exceed Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($11,500.00);

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 101-2019, adopted by this Council on October 22, 2019, an amount of $27,000 was authorized to purchase and install floor coverings for both the City’s Kiwanis Lodge and City Hall by Location Carpet Inc., the purchase and installation of floor coverings at the Kiwanis Lodge has been accomplished and the City has been invoiced therefor in the amount of $18,500, and it has since been determined by this Council that a better grade of floor covering is needed, so an additional $3,000 is needed to be authorized by this Council to complete the purchase and installation of separate floor covering at City Hall;

WHEREAS, Council’s Committee of the Whole has reviewed and recommended that Council authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Location Carpet Inc. for the aforesaid purchase and installation of floor covering for City Hall;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with Location Carpet Inc. for the purchase and installation of floor coverings at City Hall in an amount not to exceed Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($11,500.00).

Section 2: If necessary, the Director of Finance is authorized and directed to appropriate from the Capital Fund a sum sufficient to cover the cost of the agreement referred to in Section 1 above.

Section 3: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: ____________________________ _________________________________
David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: ________________________
ATTEST:_____________________________ ________________________________
Betsy Traben  Eloise Cotton-Henry  
Clerk of Council  President of Council
ORDINANCE NO.: 132 -2019
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY’S POLICE PROSECUTOR.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 70-2016, adopted by this Council on August 9, 2016, and pursuant to Article V, Section 5, and Article VI, Section 2, of the Charter and Section 135.05, Michael Cicero was appointed as the City’s Police Prosecutor and a contract was authorized for his legal services as City Police Prosecutor at that time that included an annual salary as an employee of the City of Richmond Heights in the amount of $24,000;

WHEREAS, the municipal court jurisdiction within which Richmond Heights is included is the Lyndhurst Municipal Court and that Court has notified, in writing, the Mayor, Chief of Police and Prosecutor of its intent to increase by more than double the Richmond Heights court time for its cases in 2020 to accommodate an increase in pretrial conferences in those cases, to accommodate speedy trial concerns, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Ohio Supreme Court to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: Council hereby authorizes the compensation of the Police Prosecutor of the City, effective January 1, 2020, to be as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF LAW
ASEx 1 – Police Prosecutor (Retainer) $30,000 salary per annum (paid in equal monthly installments)

Section 2: Except for the yearly salary provisions approved by this Council in Section 1 of this Ordinance, all other terms of the appointment of Michael Cicero as Police Prosecutor, as authorized by Ordinance No. 70-2016 of this Council, remain in full force and effect.

Section 3: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary for the Council to provide continuing criminal prosecution services for the City; therefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of five members of the Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:_________________________________________ ________________________________

David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED:_______________________________________

ATTEST:__________________________________________ ________________________________

Betsy Traben, Clerk of Council Eloise Cotton-Henry, President of Council
RESOLUTION NO.: 133-2019
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CITY PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE DIVISION OF POLICE BY INTERNET AUCTION WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE OR IS OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH IT WAS ACQUIRED.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code §721.15 authorizes this Council to adopt a resolution to authorize the sale by internet auction of personal property owned by the City, including motor vehicles, and other personal property equipment referenced in §721.15 which are no longer needed for public use or obsolete or unfit for the use for which they were acquired and, pursuant to Resolution No.28-2019, adopted by this Council on February 26, 2019, this Council authorized such sales in 2019 by internet auction through GovDeals.com;

WHEREAS, at this time, this Council wishes to authorized the sale of the items of personal property of the City’s Division of Police that are listed in Exhibit A to this Resolution which are not needed for public use, or are obsolete or unfit for the use for which they were acquired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The items of personal property listed in Exhibit A to this Ordinance are determined to be not needed for public use, and/or are obsolete or unfit for the use for which they were acquired and may be sold by internet auction through GovDeals.com.

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 6: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: ____________________________
David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: ____________________________

ATTEST: ____________________________
Betsy Traben
Clerk of Council

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Eloise Cotton-Henry
President of Council

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RESOLUTION NO.: 134 -2019
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY FOR JAIL SERVICES FOR CITY PRISONERS.

WHEREAS, the Mayor/Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Police recommend that it will be a more efficient use of police officer time and there will continue to be long-term cost savings for the City of Richmond Heights after having stopped using its jail facilities in 2017 and contracting with Cuyahoga County to use its jail facilities on a per day per prisoner cost basis;

WHEREAS, the County has full service jail facilities available at its main jail facility in downtown Cleveland by contract for municipalities at a per diem cost that is reasonable – i.e., $105.26 per day in 2020;

WHEREAS, this Council accepts the recommendations of the Mayor/Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Police in this regard as an efficient and economical use of City resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The Mayor is authorized to execute a contractual agreement with the County of Cuyahoga for a three-year commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2022, at the cost to the City of $105.26 per prisoner per day under such other terms and conditions as determined to be reasonable by the Mayor/Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Police and in proper legal form as determined by the Director of Law.

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting or meetings of this Council, that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with all legal requirements, including, without limitation, those set forth in Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: ___________________________  _________________________________
                                      David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: __________________________

ATTEST: ____________________________  _________________________________
        Betsy Traben                     Eloise Cotton-Henry
        Clerk of Council                 President of Council