



City Manager's Report

For
City Council Meeting
November 2, 2015

To: The Honorable President and
Members of City Council
From: Anthony Carson, City Manager
Date: October 29, 2015

There will be an Executive Session immediately following the Regular Council meeting to discuss personnel.

LEGISLATION:

- 1. Ordinance Amending Vacant Property Exemptions.** The Lake County Land Reutilization Corporation (LCLRC) has been very active in the City of Painesville and has worked with the City to demolish sixteen (16) properties to date with four (4) more scheduled to be demolished late this year or early next year. In addition, LCLRC contributed \$254,774 to the demolition of the hotel. They are also working with WRDCD to rehabilitate properties in the City, specifically 668 North St. Clair Street. Executive Director John Rogers has asked the City consider exempting LCLRC from vacant property registration and fees. Staff is recommending approval of legislation that would exempt any building or structure that is acquired by the LCLRC from vacant property registration and fees. We are requesting that it be passed on first reading in order allow the utilities to be turned on to facilitate the rehabilitation of the property listed above. This is the second reading.
- 2. Ordinance Amending Section 191 Relating to Income Tax to be in compliance with House Bill 5, and Declaring An Emergency.** House Bill 5, which deals with income tax collections, was adopted by the Ohio House and Senate at the end of 2014 and goes into effect January 1, 2016. In order for the City to be in compliance with HB5, the City has to amend the City Code dealing with income taxes and it has to be approved no later than December 7, 2015. If this ordinance is not approved then the City will be in violation of HB5 and it can negatively affect the City's income tax collections. Also with this are two attachments that explain some of the differences with this ordinance and why the City should also include the part about the land lords in this ordinance as well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Prairie State Power Plant
2. Sidewalk Replacement Program

NEW BUSINESS: None

PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL: Economic Development Department – Cathy Bierterman

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Law Director and City Manager