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*(Recording begins as follows):*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Congratulations to you, sir, and we wish you the very best. We're looking forward to working with you.

UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Our next member, new member, is Kevin Hall. Kevin. *(Applause)* Our Ward 6 Council Member, and that's Dave Dougherty's old spot, which is a huge, huge hole to fill, but I know you're up to it, and congratulations, and we wish you all the best. Thank you. Congratulations to both. *(Applause)* And so welcome, ladies and gentlemen. With a quorum being present, the Chair does call this meeting of Canton City Council to order. Roll call vote, please, Mr. Clerk.

ROLL CALL TAKEN BY CLERK DOUGHERTY:

11 COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: (FRANK MORRIS, CHRIS SMITH, JAMES BABCOCK, TOM HARMON, BILL SMUCKLER, GREG HAWK, NATHANIEL CHESTER, JASON SCAGLIONE, ROBERT FISHER, KEVIN HALL & JOHN MARIOL)

ELEVEN COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT. *(Note: New Members, Nathaniel Chester and Kevin Hall, did not participate in the roll call voting)*

CLERK DOUGHERTY: One absent, Mr. President.

**EXCUSING MEMBERS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we excuse Member Mack from tonight's meeting.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to excuse Member Mack from tonight's meeting. Any remarks? I will only say for the record that I know Member Mack has a significant trial tomorrow starting early in the morning obviously, and that's the reason he could not be here. He's in preparation. Any other remarks? Uh, hearing none...

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL 9 YEAS, 0 NAYS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Motion carries and Member Mack is excused from this evening's meeting. Tonight our invocation will be given by my good friend and Ward 1 Council Member, Greg Hawk. If you'll all stand, though, and remain standing for our Pledge of Allegiance.

*The regular meeting of Canton City Council was held on January 23, 2017 at 7:30 P.M. in the Canton City Council Chamber. The roll call was taken (see above) by Clerk of Council, David R. Dougherty. The invocation was given by Ward 1 Council Member, Greg Hawk. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Schulman.*

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Member Hawk. I think that represents the three thousands... uh, Member Hawk's...

MEMBER HAWK: Sixteen years.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Sixteen years.

MEMBER HAWK: *(Inaudible)*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It was good then, and it's equally good today.

**AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Agenda Corrections and Changes. Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move Rule 22A be suspended to add second readings, Ordinances #7 and 9 through #16.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to suspend Rule 22A to add second reading Ordinances 7 and 9 through 16 to this evening's agenda. Any remarks?

MEMBER MORRIS: Yes, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes.

MEMBER MORRIS: Ordinance #8 will be retained in committee.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: And Ordinance #8 will be retained in committee. Any remarks? Hearing none, roll call vote, please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL 9 YEAS, 0 NAYS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Rule 22A is suspended, and the Ordinances 7 and 9 through 16 are a legal part of your agenda. And Ordinance #8 is retained in committee.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We now turn to Public Hearings. We have none this evening.

**OLD BUSINESS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Turning to Pub... uh, Old Business. The Deputy Mayor has indicated we have no Old Business.

**PUBLIC SPEAKS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We now have Public Speaks, and we do have speakers tonight. We have four speakers, and our first is Georgiann Milan (*pronounced Mel-on*). And I hope I'm pronouncing your name...

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Milan? (*pronounced My-lon*) Sorry. Is she here? I want to make sure I'm... Georgiann Milan? Okay. She's not here. Uh, Eric Resnick? Mr. Resnick, as always, welcome to Canton City Council. If you'll step forward and give us your name and your local address.

ERIC RESNICK: Thank you, Mr. President. Eric Resnick, 1828 Grace Avenue NE. Mr. President, Members of Council, and especially the new members, Mr. Chester and Mr. Hall, who is my new Councilman. And... and welcome. Um, Members, I was very pleased that many of you took issue in committee with the idea of the... the tourism development district including a provision that would allow sales tax to be charged on Canton City School District events. Um, and I... and I'd like to speak to that. Um, I am a member of the Canton City Schools Board of Education, and I have to disclaim this by saying that the Board of Education has taken no action on this, but individual members have had conversations about it, and there is a lot of concern. Um, this is, from my perspective, a double burden on the Canton City School District family, and I would also argue the Plain Local School District family. You know, the... the Hall of Fame Village is in part financed by tax increment financing, a TIF, and it's a pretty substantial TIF. It's a thirty year TIF that the financial... the financial equivalent value versus the same development with no TIF. The loss to the Canton City School District alone is the equivalent of a 5.8 mill levy over thirty years. I was not on the school board when that was passed, but it was approved by the school board, and it was approved by City Council. But that's a lot of money, and it's a burden on the Canton City School District and also Plain Local School District, who has a stake in it. So this tax, which as I was sitting listening to the conversation, the thought that I had, well, it might not just be football either, because the Memorial Field House and the Natatorium are also inside that district. And none of it's acceptable, Members, and I... again, I appreciate your raising the concern, and I would... would implore you that you go forward with this... with this tourism development district without any tax or any penalty to either of the school districts because it's a burden on our families and it's the right thing to do. And I thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Resnick. Appreciate it. (*Applause*) Our next speaker is James Parker. Oh, Mr. Parker, you are here. I didn't see you. If you'll step forward, give us your name, as usual, and your residential address, and welcome and happy new year to you and your family.

JAMES PARKER: Thank you, and the same to you, President Schulman. Best wishes and happy new year's to everyone here. James Parker, 630 Penny Street SE, North Canton. Concerning the development of what's called Market Square, in the words of poet, Andrew Marvel, "how vainly men themselves amaze," or in the words of the poet, Robert Burns, "The man of independent mind, he looks and laughs at all that, and a man's a man for that and all that." What is Canton's mission statement or vision? It's hard to find on [www.cantonohio.gov](http://www.cantonohio.gov). Something about self image and history. What is the Pro Football's Hall of Fame mission statement? It's clear on their website. Take a page from their play book. Honor the heros of the game, preserve it's history, promote it's values and celebrate excellence everywhere. Does this fit the criteria for Market Square? Does it complement one another? Or is it the world's largest OJ squeezer meets a giant steel banana? Does spindly and extravagant come to mind? What about the lightning rod effect, potentiated by a mist of water inside it? And what happens if lightning strikes? Whamo, super charged lawsuits. LED light beams? Ooh, wow! High tech? Not! What happened to the CZB plan that you all approved of and voted on? That the Renkert Building should be the directional valet, the North Star, not the Kresge lot. I'll tell you, they're playing chess at the Hall of Fame and you're playing checkers with a Yahtzee guidebook. No one told these architects when they designed this to try and incorporate the Renkert Building and Market Square together like a Shinto wedding. But that's exactly what the plan calls for. The CZB plan quotes Renkert to be the North Star, the directional valet. Plan your work and work your plan. It's not polymorphic. I think what we have here is a failure to communicate. Where's the edginess, the attitude? I feel that's one

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thing your architecta... architectural elements lack, that and one major component, a true folk hero. In this regard, the legend, Jim Thorpe. How about a Jim Thorpe plaza? Or a statue? At least at the north central plaza. How about working off the already ten story Renkert Building? Video projection, video imaging could easily outdo the fourteen stories with far less cost and LED lights. It could be a real show stopper. Project onto the Renkert Building, the north and west sides. On the north side, the 1958 Colts-Giants game, sudden death, the greatest game ever played. And on the north wall, that, and then over the loud speakers instead of this elevator music, how about the 1958 Colts-Packers game or Hall of Fame enshrinees' speeches. You could switch games. But, at least have that as a mantel piece. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you very much, as always. (*Applause*) And you're always interesting and inspiring, and I appreciate your being here. Thank you.

JAMES PARKER: My pleasure.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Our... our next and last speaker is C. David Morgan, Reverend Morgan. Good evening, welcome, as always.

REVEREND MORGAN: Thank you, Mr. President. C. David Morgan, 922 27<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Canton. I'm here tonight because you're talking about a planner, and you're talking about plans, and tax breaks, and fee increases, and God knows what all else, and all supposedly to upbuild the core of our city. We hear a lot about downtown, but we're really talking about the core of our city, the core of our city which is in fact the Canton City School District where two thirds of the households have no one under eighteen living in them. Two thirds of the households have no one under eighteen living in them. And we're talking more and more about housing for young professionals who are singles and maybe couples, but certainly without children, housing for the elderly, halfway housing and supportive housing. I don't hear a lot of talk about developing housing on an affordable scale for middle class families with children. I don't hear much talk about dragging the Canton City School Board and Administration kicking and screaming into an understanding that we're planning for the city, and that includes the school district, and that if we don't have students, we don't need a school district. And we better take this seriously because we're getting to the point now that the taxes and the fees are basically being paid by people whose income is flat and marginal and one third of whom live below the poverty level. This is not a recipe for success in terms of funding our schools. It may work really well to bring high income people into the city for the income tax for the city, but if we don't have a good school system, we're gonna play hell attracting families and the next generation of Cantonians. So I beg you, please, include this in your plans, make it part of your priorities, work with your planner, and do your parts to enhance the way we develop our core to include families with children. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you. (*Applause*) I want to thank all of the speakers tonight very much. We appreciate it. We do listen to you by the way, all of you.

**INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Informal Resolutions. We have eight Informal Resolutions. Mr. Clerk, would you please begin with Informal Resolution #6.

6. COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE: COMMENDING STATE REP - 49<sup>TH</sup> OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT, THOMAS WEST, FOR HIS YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE. - ADOPTED

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we adopt Informal Resolution #6.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded that you adopt Informal Resolution 6. Any remarks? Hear...

MEMBER SMITH: Yes, Mr. President...

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes.

MEMBER SMITH: Could we have that read in its entirety, please?

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes, please. Yes.

CLERK DOUGHERTY: An Informal Resolution respectfully submitted by Council-as-a-Whole on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January. **Whereas**, Councilman Thomas E. West was born in Beaver Falls, PA, moved to Ohio to attend Mount Union College for Business Administration and took up residency in Stark County. Finding his purpose in life, to serve others, Thomas returned to school to receive his Bachelors and Masters in Social Worker Administration, became a master of his craft, and was published in collaboration with Dr. Hewitt Rusty Clark, from the University of Southern California, on Transition to Adulthood; and **Whereas**, in 2004, Thomas was elected to Canton City Council and served 7 terms, representing Ward 2. He has served on many committees and chaired the Grants & Development, Judiciary, Annexation, and Downtown Development Committees. He has sponsored and co-sponsored numerous legislation including Canton Amnesty Week, Roadside Memorials, and the Dumpster Legislation requiring landlords and tenants to purchase a dumpster in the event of evictions and moving. Thomas, along with Council Member Mack spoke before the legislative authority and local municipalities in support of the city's Downtown Outdoor Refreshment Area; and **Whereas**, his civic experiences have included serving on numerous boards, such as The Child & Adolescent Service Center, Community Services of Stark County, Greater Stark Co. Martin Luther King Jr. Commission, Stark Co. Minority Business Assoc., Special Improvement District and the Market Square Committee. Thomas served as an instructor for the University of Akron in the Social Work Department and is currently an adjunct professor there and at Case Western Reserve for students needing internships; and **Whereas**, Thomas is a member of Deliverance Christian Church Ministries, and the apple of his eye is his lovely wife Lisa, who is also a social worker for the elderly, and his teenage children, Telia and Thomas West; and **Whereas**, Thomas E. West has served 13 years in the political arena and more than three decades of social service expertise, from birth to death, in a menu of disciplines, and is currently serving as Ohio House Representative for the 49<sup>th</sup> District. Thomas is a true public servant. **Now therefore be it resolved** that we, the Members of Canton City Council, do hereby go on record honoring **Councilman Thomas E. West** for his achievements as Councilman for the citizens of Ward 2 and his many years of public service. Thank you, Thomas. *(Applause)*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: And before you speak, all those in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed no. Those opposed no. *(Laughter)*

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NO REMARKS

RESOLUTION #6 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Ayes have it. Motion carries. My friend, congratulations. *(Applause)*

MEMBER SMITH: Okay, Mr. West. Thomas E. West, it gives me great pleasure to present to you on behalf of Canton City Council, and all of your accomplishments. *(Inaudible) (Laughter)* So on behalf of Canton City Council, we present this to you.

THOMAS WEST: Thank you so much.

MEMBER SMITH: And we look forward to all the good things and all the money that you're gonna give back to us. *(Laughter)* Mr. West.

THOMAS WEST: Show me the money, huh. First of all let me thank you all for this plaque and this proclamation. Thank you, Jill and Chris, and all of you who put this together. I really appreciate it. Thirteen years sitting at this... at the table, at the circle, the horseshoe, and I have to say I enjoyed every moment of it. I enjoyed every moment of serving Ward 2 and the city of Canton. From the day taking the seat when the Kresge Building came down, to building downtown, to improving our roads, to improving the citizens... issues that the citizens brought to me... to my table. You know, I... I enjoyed every call, even the first call when someone asked me for five dollars. *(Laughter)* They said I... I voted for you, I need five dollars. But I tell you what, every call that you get, and you're able to satisfy that call, I enjoyed every moment of it. And every person that came up here with a complaint, some of them more harsh than others, but I enjoyed every one of them because we were here on behalf of the citizens. And as I step down from that seat, even though now I'm a state legislator, I'm still an individual. Even as a state legislator, when I step down I'm still an individual. I'm affected by the same laws that we do here at this horseshoe and that we do at the State. And we need to make certain that we understand that, and we always keep that forefront. Nate, I know that you will serve us proud in Ward 2. You have a good heart, a good family, and you've done stuff in our community. I know you'll continue to do that. Kevin Hall, I know you will do ha... do the same, bringing business and helping people get to the next level. I really appreciate you guys stepping up to serve, and each and every one of you. Community, you have good leaders here. Embrace them, support them, and believe me, they are working on your best behalf. Market Square... when we first started, Market Square, we were just... Dave Dougherty, we were just talking about putting up a flag pole. Now nine million dollars later... I'm dead serious, when we named it Market Square, am I wrong? We talked about just putting up a flag pole and a bench. Now they're talking nine million dollars worth of work to bring people to downtown Canton to help businesses flourish. That's good work. These people here gotta make those decisions on our behalf, partnering with the State to bring money back. So, let me thank you once again, and I'll shut up. And I also gotta thank my wife, Lisa. Lisa, please stand. *(Applause)* Some of you guys would never know I was married because she wasn't down here, but you know what? She raised my children, Talia and Thomas, my eighth gr... Thomas, stand. *(Applause)* Somebody mentioned that there ain't kids in this community. I live in the heart of downtown. My son is fourteen years old. He'll be in high school next year. He'll be going... hopefully he'll be going to early college, right? And he plays football for McKinley. And I'm proud of him. He just started working too at Napoli's. I'll collect rent next week. But I... I say that to the... to you, we have families in downtown Canton in Ward 2. More and more people live down. His kids are here. Your kids are here, right? Where's his kids at? See them little kids right there. Those are kids growing up in Ward 2. There's a lot of children in this community. Just keep advocating on behalf of them. Thank you. *(Applause)*

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you so much, Representative West. We really appreciate it. Appreciate all your public service over the years, and I know you'll continue to do an outstanding job on behalf of our community. We really feel... feel that. Uh, moving now to Informal Resolution 7.

7. COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE: COMMENDING JULIE SPARKS FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MAHONING ROAD CORRIDOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND STREETScape PROJECT. - ADOPTED

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we adopt Informal Resolution #7.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded that you adopt Informal Resolution #7. And I believe the Resolution will be read.

CLERK DOUGHERTY: An Informal Resolution respectfully submitted by Council-as-a-Whole on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2017. **Whereas**, Julie Sparks, lifelong resident of Canton, worked at JR Coleman Outreach Services from 2000 to 2015. Julie also served as the Community Economic Development Director from 2008 to 2015. She accepted the responsibility of Manager for the Mahoning Road Corridor Infrastructure and Streetscape Project. She was the frontline communicator for all the business owners on the corridor, and held annual business luncheons to communicate the progress of the project; and **Whereas**, Julie has been committed and dedicated to the City of Canton, especially Ward 6, by serving as President of NEAR Neighborhood Association, coordinating numerous demolitions, and greatly contributing to the renaissance of the neighborhood; and **Whereas**, for the first time in history a project this size was built from the grass roots up; not government down. Julie worked closely with several administrations and Ward 6 Councilman David Dougherty to drive home this Community Economic Development Project, while helping to raise over 20 million dollars; and **Whereas**, Julie's work on the Mahoning Road Corridor Project also influenced the 12<sup>th</sup> St. and Walnut Ave. infrastructure projects. She was the driving force for the construction of the Mercy Medical Center Clinic at St. Paul's Square and the Wellness Village at Midway. **Now therefore be it resolved**, that we, the Members of Canton City Council, do hereby go on public record recognizing **Julie Sparks** for her dedication to the city of Canton. Your invaluable contributions and your cherished vision for our community is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Julie, for making our city a better place in which to live, work and play.

UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Here, here. *(Applause)*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: By voice vote, all those in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed no.

NO REMARKS

RESOLUTION #7 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: The ayes have it. Julie, congratulations.

JULIE SPARKS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Like to hear from you.

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JULIE SPARKS: That's my guy.

CLERK DOUGHERTY: Julie, congratulations. You worked real hard on this project. I gave her some advice, some of it she took, some of it she didn't. But, I always told her, you know, just... uh, you know, those who are best organized are best served. And if... it's amazing what you can get accomplished when you don't care who gets the credit. So, she did a great job, very committed, made me look good each and every day. I came to visit her one time, she'll remember, and I walked in and first thing she said was, "what's wrong?" And I said what's... no, nothing's wrong. She said, "oh, thank goodness." I said... uh, just talked to her a few minutes and then on my way out I turned around and told her hey, it's okay to pat yourself on the back every now and then, don't worry about it, cause we had a roller coaster ride, that's for sure. So Julie, thank you Member Morris, for letting me present this tonight. Appreciate it. Thank you.

JULIE SPARKS: Thank you. *(Applause)* I appreciate it. Every time I've had the opportunity to come up here and talk with you guys, I have tried very sincerely to tell you how much I respect and value the work that you do, and recognize that's it hard work, and sometimes thankless work. So I just want to continue to make that point and tell you that I have nothing but respect for you in your roles. Um, it's been a privilege to be a Cantonian all these decades. It was a special privilege to be able to work in the neighborhood I grew up in, I was third generation, and then to watch that happen. And I was thinking about this just a little bit, and there were a lot... there are a lot of good things that are coming out of this project. And I looked on The Repository cause I remembered very clearly one winter day where above the fold there was this big picture, and it was David, me and Kirt Conrad from SARTA. On the 10<sup>th</sup> of... or in December of 2010, we had been awarded fifteen million dollars toward the project. That's a nice chunk of change, right? So, that was a big deal for us even though we had thirteen different sources. Anyway, so then on January of 2012, the front page picture is us not smiling. Thirteen million of that had been recalled to the State. But regardless of that, if you drive down Mahoning Road, it looks darn good. So, that's what you guys bring. That's what we had the privilege to bring, so that tenacity is the lesson for us, and you just cross the administrations and keep going. So, thank you very much for your acknowledgment. Peace. *(Applause)*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Great job, Julie. Thank you so much for your incredible spirit and hard work. We do appreciate it, and the community more importantly appreciates it. Thank you. Now we're going to go to Informal Resolutions, and there are quite a few of them, and I'm gonna ask that... oh....

CLERK DOUGHERTY: We have to do 8.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Number 8? Let's do #8.

8. COUNCIL PRES SCHULMAN: CONFIRMING APPTS OF MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE AND CHAIRMAN OF FINANCE COMMITTEE AS MEMBERS OF JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. - ADOPTED

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Are we gonna read them all? Are we gonna bunch them together?

CLERK DOUGHERTY: Well, the next ones we will.



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MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we adopt Informal Resolution #8.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: I never argue with the Clerk. You notice that? *(Laughter)* I didn't argue when he was also sitting where you are. *(Laughter)*

MEMBER MORRIS: *(Inaudible)*... to hang up on you or *(Inaudible)*. *(Laughter)*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: If I hear a motion...

MEMBER SMITH: We already said the motion.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Okay. Any remarks? Hearing none, by voice vote, all those in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed no.

NO REMARKS

RESOLUTION #8 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: The ayes have it. It's a big job, and congratulations to our next overseer. Now we're turning to Informal Resolution 9 through 13. And I would just ask that you read briefly and then we'll approve them all at one time.

9. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: CONFIRMING MAYOR'S RE-APPT OF MR. DAVID GRABOWSKI AS HVAC CONTRACTOR TO CANTON CONSTRUCTION BOARD FOR 3 YR TERM COMMENCING 1/1/17 THRU 12/31/19. - ADOPTED
10. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: CONFIRMING MAYOR'S RE-APPT OF MR. DAVE KIRVEN AS PLUMBING JOURNEYMAN TO CANTON CONSTRUCTION BOARD FOR 3 YR TERM COMMENCING 1/1/17 THRU 12/31/19. - ADOPTED
11. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: CONFIRMING MAYOR'S RE-APPT OF MR. JOSEPH FRIEDMAN AS HVAC CONTRACTOR TO CANTON CONSTRUCTION BOARD FOR 3 YR TERM COMMENCING 1/1/17 THRU 12/31/19. - ADOPTED
12. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: CONFIRMING MAYOR'S RE-APPT OF MS. DEBORAH SHAMLIN TO FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES BOARD FOR 3 YR TERM COMMENCING 1/1/17 THRU 12/31/19. - ADOPTED
13. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: CONFIRMING MAYOR'S RE-APPT OF DR. STEPHEN HICKMAN TO HEALTH BOARD FOR 5 YR TERM COMMENCING 4/1/17 THRU 3/31/22. - ADOPTED

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we adopt Informal Resolution #9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded that you adopt Informal Resolution 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13. Any comments? Any remarks? Hearing none, by voice vote, all those in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed no.

NO REMARKS RESOLUTIONS #9, #10, #11, #12 & #13 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: The ayes have it. I want to congratulate all the people that are contributing to our communi... community. And we're not trying to slight you, obviously, we're just trying to move the meeting along a little bit.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We now turn to Communications. Let the journal show that all Communications are received as read.

***NOTE: ALL COMMUNICATIONS WHICH FOLLOW, LISTED BY AGENDA TITLE, ARE ON FILE IN THEIR ENTIRETY IN THE COUNCIL OFFICE WITH THE AGENDA ITEMS FILE DATED JANUARY 23, 2017.***

22. AUDITOR MALLONN: CERTIFICATE OF TOTAL AMT FR ALL SOURCES FOR 2017. - RECEIVED & FILED
23. COUNCIL MBR SCAGLIONE: REQ LEGISLATION GIVING CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL AUTHORITY TO HAVE DESIGNEE TAG ILLEGALLY PARKED AND/OR ABANDONED VEHICLES IN THE CITY. - JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
24. DEPUTY MAYOR WILLIAMS: ESTABLISH AND DESIGNATE BOUNDARIES OF PROPOSED DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, NOT TO EXCEED TEN (10) CONTIGUOUS ACRES; APPROVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PROPOSED DRD; PURSUANT TO ORC SEC 5709.41, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, DECLARE AN IMPROVEMENT TO ONE OR MORE PARCELS OF REAL PROP LOCATED IN DISTRICT TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, EXEMPTING IT FR REAL PROP TAXATION FOR DESIGNATED PERIOD, PROVIDE FOR MAKING OF SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES BY OWNER OR OWNERS OF THE EXEMPTED PROP, REQUIRE MUNICIPALITY TO ESTABLISH AN URBAN REDEVELOPMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND INTO WHICH SERVICE PAYMENTS SHALL BE DEPOSITED, PROVIDE FOR AND DIRECT USE OF THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS; PURSUANT TO ORC SEC 5709.40 AND 5709.41, THAT COUNCIL FINDS AND DETERMINES THAT IMPROVEMENTS TO PARCELS WITHIN THE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BE EXEMPTED UP TO 70% FOR TEN (10) YEARS WITHOUT SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVAL; OR UP TO 70% FOR THIRTY (30) YEARS WITH EITHER (A) SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVAL OR (B) SERVICE PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT(S) EQUAL TO TAXES EXEMPTED; ESTABLISH AND DESIGNATE BOUNDARIES OF PROPOSED INNOVATION DISTRICT; WHICH SHALL BE IDENTICAL WITH BOUNDARIES OF DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND SHALL CONTAIN SAME PROP OWNERS AND PARCELS; APPROVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PROPOSED INNOVATION DISTRICT; SCHEDULE PUB HRG ON ORDINANCE AS REQUIRED BY AMENDED SUB HB233, AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE A VOTE TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE, WITH REQUISITE NOTICE TO ALL

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25. FINANCE DIR CROUSE: AMEND APPROP O#257/2016 (\$20,000.00 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 4501 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TO 4501 102001 POLICE ADMIN - OTHER) TO REPLACE BULLETPROOF VESTS FOR CPPA AND FOP; EMERGENCY. - PUBLIC PROPERTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
26. FINANCE DIR CROUSE: AMEND APPROP O#257/2016 (\$8,353,850.00 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 4581 12<sup>TH</sup> ST BRIDGE REPL FUND TO 4581 202091 12<sup>TH</sup> ST BRIDGE REPL - OTHER, \$273,297.00 FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2113 MUNICIPAL ROAD FUND TO 2113 202091 12<sup>TH</sup> ST BRIDGE REPL - OTHER) TO RE-CREATE APPROPS ESTABLISHED WITH O#200/2016 AND ALLOW FOR CHANGE TO TEMP BUDGET; EMERGENCY. - PUBLIC PROPERTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEES
27. LAW DIR MARTUCCIO: REQ AUTHORITY TO PREPARE ORDINANCE APPROVING EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES ADOPTED FR DECEMBER 3, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016, TO BE INCORPORATED INTO CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF CITY OF CANTON. - JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
28. MAYOR BERNABEI: LTR ADVISING OF APPTS TO CANTON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CCIC): MAYOR BERNABEI, CHRIS SMITH , TOM HARMON, AND FONDA WILLIAMS FOR TERM EX-OFFICIO; ALLEN SCHULMAN, MICHAEL GILL, JOHN MARIOL, EMIL ALECUSAN, ROBERT THOMPSON, AND DAVID DOUGHERTY FOR 2 YR TERM COMMENCING 1/18/17 THRU 12/31/18. - RECEIVED & FILED
29. MAYOR BERNABEI: LTR ADVISING OF APPT OF MS. NENYA ROSS TO STARK METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 5 YR TERM COMMENCING 2/1/17 THRU 1/31/22. - RECEIVED & FILED
30. MAYOR BERNABEI: LTR NOTIFYING COUNCIL THAT CITY OF CANTON REC'D \$1,748,091.54 FROM HISTORIC ONESTO LLC IN PAYMENT IN FULL OF OUTSTANDING BAL ON THE \$2 MIL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE. - RECEIVED & FILED
31. PLANNING COMMISSION: AUTHORIZE REPLAT AND RENUMBERING OF 1012 4<sup>TH</sup> ST SW BEING PART OF LOTS 6538 & 2460, AKA PARCELS 236323 AND 216763, FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, IN WARD 4. - PUBLIC SAFETY & THOROUGHFARES COMMITTEE
32. PLANNING COMMISSION: AUTHORIZE REPLAT OF LOTS 22429 AND 22430, AKA PARCELS 232785 AND 232786, LOCATED @ 2222 8<sup>TH</sup> ST NE, FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, IN WARD 4. - PUBLIC SAFETY & THOROUGHFARES COMMITTEE
33. SERVICE DIR BARTOS: AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO PROF SERVS CONTRACT WITH CTI ENGINEERS, INC; MAKE \$19,189.00 SUPP APPROP FR

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UNAPPROP BAL OF 5410 SANITARY SEWER FUND TO 5410 206319 13<sup>TH</sup> ST NW LIFT STATION ELECTRICAL PANEL REPLACEMENT, GP 1254-OTHER; AUTHORIZE AUDITOR TO DRAW WARRANTS UPON RECEIPT OF VOUCHERS; EMERGENCY (PUMPING STATION @ 2412 13<sup>TH</sup> ST NW). - FINANCE COMMITTEE

34. SERVICE DIR BARTOS: DECLARE PARCELS OF CITY OWNED PROP TO BE VACATED; DECLARE INTENT OF COUNCIL TO SELL PROP; AUTHORIZE MAYOR, SERV DIR AND/OR DESIGNEE, ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL, TO GIVE NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL PROP; AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO SELL PROP; AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO ANY AND ALL PROF SERV CONTRACTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CONTRACT(S) WITH ONE OR MORE PROF AUCTIONEERS, TO EXECUTE SALE OF PROP; RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZE ANY ACTIONS ALREADY TAKEN IN FURTHERANCE OF SALE OF PROP; EMERGENCY (200 ECONOMY CT. NE - PARCEL #281969, 252 LAWN AVE SW - PARCEL #281827, 1030 LAWN AVE SW - PARCEL #281829, 740 MARION AVE SW - PARCEL #281813, WAYNESBURG DR. SE - PARCEL #1380091). - PARKS & RECREATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEES
35. SERVICE DIR BARTOS: AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR PURCH OF ONE (1) CATERPILLAR 926M WHEEL LOADER AND (1) CARGO VAN; ALTERNATIVELY AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE PURCH OF SAID ITEMS IN ACCORD WITH ANY COOP PURCHASING PROG OR PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE AUTHORIZED BY LAW; AUTHORIZE AUDITOR TO DRAW WARRANTS UPON RECEIPT OF VOUCHERS; EMERGENCY. - PUBLIC PROPERTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
36. SERVICE DIR BARTOS: AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO AGMT WITH TASOS ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. FOR STORM SEWER CONNECTION AND PRIVATE DRAINAGE EASEMENT; EMERGENCY. - ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE
37. SERVICE DIR BARTOS: AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR AND/OR CANTON BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS TO ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD, AND ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS NECESSARY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PIONEER TRAIL; AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR AND/OR CANTON BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS TO ENTER INTO CO-OP AGMT WITH STARK PARKS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PIONEER TRAIL; AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO AGMT WITH MALONE UNIVERSITY, OR ASSOCIATED ENTITY, FOR EASEMENT REQUIRED FOR PIONEER TRAIL; AUTHORIZE AUDITOR TO DRAW WARRANTS UPON RECEIPT OF VOUCHERS; EMERGENCY. - PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
38. TREASURER PEREZ: RPT OF PARKING METER REV FOR DECEMBER 2016. - RECEIVED & FILED
39. TREASURER PEREZ: RPT OF DEPOSITS AND PAY INS FOR AMBULANCE LOCK BOX FOR DECEMBER 2016. - RECEIVED & FILED

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We now turn to First Reading Ordinances and Ordinances... Formal Resolutions for their First Reading. Mr. Clerk, if you'll please begin with Ordinance #1.

***NOTE: PRESIDENT SCHULMAN CALLED UPON CLERK DOUGHERTY TO READ ORDINANCES #1 THROUGH #6 FOR THEIR FIRST READING BY TITLE AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, AS FOLLOWS:***

- #1. (1<sup>ST</sup> RDG) A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATEMENT OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER IN THE HOF VILLAGE #3 ANNEXATION AREA, THE APPROXIMATE DATE SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED, PROCEDURE TO RECONCILE INCOMPATIBLE ZONING USES UPON ITS BEING ANNEXED TO CITY OF CANTON; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY  
Referred to Annexation Committee
- #2. (1<sup>ST</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 257/2016; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (\$10,500.00 APPROP TRF FR 2760 102001 FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUND - OTHER TO 2760 102001 FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUND - PERSONNEL)  
Referred to Finance Committee
- #3. (1<sup>ST</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE OHIO HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE PROGRAM; TO DEMOLISH AND MAINTAIN ACQUIRED, BLIGHTED PROPERTIES; TO ENTER INTO VARIOUS CONTRACTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS ENTITIES TO EFFECTIVELY ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY  
Referred to Community & Economic Development Committee
- #4. (1<sup>ST</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO PAY A MORAL OBLIGATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,323.00 TO C.R.S. GENERAL CONTRACTING; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (DEMO 617/619 CHERRY AVE NE)  
Referred to Finance Committee
- #5. (1<sup>ST</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 257/2016; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (\$234,600.00 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2530 PARK OPERATING FUND TO 2530 401040 J BABE STEARN CENTER - OTHER - \$76,000.00 TO 2530 401045 EDWARD PEEL COLEMAN CENTER - OTHER - \$136,600.00; TO 2530 401060 SPECIAL PARKS - OTHER - \$22,000.00)  
Referred to Finance Committee

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***(COUNCIL RECESSED AT 8:06 P.M. FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS ORDINANCE #6; RECONVENED AT 8:07 P.M.)***

#6. (1<sup>ST</sup> RDG) **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 9/2017** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO PAY A MORAL OBLIGATION TO THE J. BABE STEARN COMMUNITY CENTER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,676.00; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (2016 CERTIFIED LEVY REVENUES)  
Referred to Finance Committee

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: At this time the Chair would declare an in-house recess so that the Finance Committee can meet in regard to Ordinance #6. You are in recess.

(RECESS)

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Council will now convene after its recess. Uh, Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we suspend Rule 22A to place Ordinance #6 back on this evening's agenda.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to suspend Rule 22A to place Ordinance #6 on this evening's agenda. Any remarks? Hearing none, roll call vote, please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL 9 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK DOUGHERTY: Nine yeas.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you. Motion carries. Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we suspend Statutory Rules for Ordinance #6.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to suspend the Statutory Rules on Ordinance #6 . Any remarks? Hearing none...

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL 9 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK SHOWES: Nine yeas, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you. You've heard the three readings, Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Mr. President, I move we adopt Ordinance #6.

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MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded that you adopt Ordinance #6. Any remarks?  
Hearing none, roll call vote, please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL 9 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK SHOWES: Nine yeas, Mr. President.

**#6 ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 9/2017**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Motion carries, and it is adopted.

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**ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We now turn to Second Reading Ordinances.

***NOTE: PRESIDENT SCHULMAN CALLED UPON CLERK DOUGHERTY TO READ ORDINANCES #7 THROUGH #16 FOR THE SECOND READING BY TITLE AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, AS FOLLOWS (ORDINANCE #8 RETAINED IN COMMITTEE):***

- #7. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AS A CABINET-LEVEL POSITION UNDER THE MAYOR, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE STEERING COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF CANTON; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #8. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) ***RETAINED IN COMMITTEE*** A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CANTON TO RECEIVE ANNUAL PAYMENTS FROM STARK COUNTY AND THE STARK AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY EQUAL TO THE INCREMENTAL SALES TAX GROWTH FROM VENDORS LOCATED WITHIN THE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5739.213 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #9. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE NINE OF THE TAXATION CODE OF THE CITY OF CANTON TO ESTABLISH CHAPTER 187 ADMISSIONS TAX, OF FIVE PERCENT IN THE AREA OF THE CITY DESIGNATED AS A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF REDEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE AREA OF THE CITY DESIGNATED AS A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND IN SUPPORT OF THE HOF VILLAGE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #10. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL FUND TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE "HOFV FUND"; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT)

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- #11. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 185.14 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CANTON IN ORDER TO AUTHORIZE THE REALLOCATION OF EXISTING TRANSIENT LODGING TAX FUNDS TO SUPPORT REDEVELOPMENT OF THE HALL OF FAME VILLAGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY OF CANTON'S TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #12. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FOSTERING AND DEVELOPING TOURISM IN THE AREA OF THE CITY OF CANTON DESIGNATED AS A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 715.014(D) AND 5739.101 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, LEVYING A TAX ON THE PRIVILEGE OF ENGAGING IN THE BUSINESS OF MAKING CERTAIN TYPES OF SALES IN THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #13. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ROLLIN SEWARD, AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, TO RECEIVE TEN (10) DAYS OF VACATION PER YEAR BEGINNING IN 2017, UNTIL HIS CITY ACCRUED TIME CORRELATES WITH THE APPLICABLE CITY VACATION SCHEDULE; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #14. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD, AND ENTER INTO ANY AND ALL CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) RESTROOM UNIT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$70,000.00; OR TO ALTERNATIVELY PURCHASE SAID UNIT PURSUANT TO ANY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT OR PURCHASING PROCESS AUTHORIZED BY LAW; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY
- #15. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 55/77, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE CITY OF CANTON ZONING ORDINANCE; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (CITY WIDE, 1525 HENRY AVE SW, 4<sup>TH</sup> ST & WARNER RD NE, BELLFLOWER AVE SW & W TUSC)
- #16. (2<sup>ND</sup> RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO: MAKE APPLICATION FOR THE 2016 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$73,145.00 AND ACCEPT THE CITY'S PORTION OF THE FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$36,572.50; AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO RENAME FUND 2770 TO THE 2016 LOCAL SOLICITATION BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT; AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 257/2016; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY (\$36,572.50 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2770 2016 LOCAL SOLICITATION BYRNE GRANT FUND TO 2770 102001 POLICE ADMIN - OTHER)

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.



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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Ordinances and Formal Resolutions for the Third, Final Reading and Vote, and we have none this evening.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: So now we turn to Announcement of Committee Meetings.

MEMBER MARIOL: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes, Chairman.

MEMBER MARIOL: Finance will meet Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6:45 here in Council Chambers.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Chairman.

MEMBER MARIOL: Thank you.

MEMBER SMITH: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes, Madam Chair.

MEMBER SMITH: CD will also meet at the same time.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you. Anyone else?

CLERK DOUGHERTY: Need Annexation.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Annexation?

MEMBER MORRIS: Yeah. Mr. President, Annexation will meet at the same time, same place.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Leader. Anyone else? Okay.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We now turn to Miscellaneous Business. Is there any Miscellaneous Business tonight?

MEMBER SMUCKLER: Mr... Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes, Member Smuckler.

MEMBER SMUCKLER: I'd like to call everybody's attention to Communication #30, and I think this is important. Um, in 2014 we loaned out two million dollars on a ten year loan. The money has been paid back in full three years later. *(Applause)* The important thing is, is yes, he paid another year's interest cause he let it go another month, and the money can't be used to Hercules now till April 29<sup>th</sup>, is that it? But, he's been the cog in redevelopment of downtown, and I... this was stated time and time again when he was here, and I think that is an indication of what's going on at the Onesto, what's going on at Bliss Tower, and I think Mr. Coon

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deserves all the credit in the world for paying this back in three years on a ten year loan. Thank you.  
(Applause)

MEMBER MARIOL: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Member Smuckler. Yes, Member Mariol.

MEMBER MARIOL: I'd like to kinda piggyback on Member Smuckler. Um, when the Onesto development came to City Council there was some, and most of us heard this, that said downtown Canton living, that this type of development would not be successful. And this has proven to be such a success that, as Member Smuckler said, he paid it back early. Uh, the Bliss Tower now is under development, and we're looking at the Hercules, and hopefully many more of these projects coming. So, downtown development has worked around the country in cities, it can work in Canton, and it is working in Canton, and we need to continue to look at these projects, continue to invest in these projects. Um, this is part of the city re-establishing itself as a... as a real leader in northeast Ohio. So I'm really excited about this, and I'm excited for the new projects to come down the pipeline. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Chairman.

MEMBER HAWK: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Anyone else?

MEMBER HAWK: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes, Member Hawk.

MEMBER HAWK: I think that this is... proves that Council used very good judgment when they decided to make this loan. I mean, put forth some stipulations that weren't put forth before. We asked for a personal guarantee, which we got, and shows you that when everybody works together and does the right thing, money reinvested in downtown Canton does work and does work well. And I think there's one other person you need to look at and thank in this downtown, is our own President Schulman who invested quite a bit of money keeping his own law offices downtown by renovating a very historic building, the Carnegie Building, the Carnegie Library Building. These are the kind of things that make our city grow. They could have fled and gone somewhere else, but they chose to stay here with us. I've been downtown a long time. I've watched it grow. It's on the right... it's going in the right direction. It was ignored for a period of time. It was left on the back burner. But now we've put it forward again, and I think this is a great asset to our city and our community. I thank everybody for participating in it and voting for it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Member Hawk. Any other remarks? Hearing none?

MEMBER MORRIS: Uh, Mr. President, first off I'd like to thank Mr. Resnick from Canton City Schools for bringing up the point about the Field House and the Natatorium. Law Director, I would... I would like an answer as soon as possible whether the school system is going to be exempt from this, and if by chance they are not, I would like an amendment to this legislation that clearly states that any school system that has children that live within the city of Canton are exempt from these taxes for any athletic or function within the school system's property in this district. So meaning whether it be a swim meet, a basketball game, or a football game that our students, their families, our teachers, and the people in this community that support our schools are not

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paying an admissions tax, they're not paying a parking tax, and we don't have to worry about a two percent tax on anything that the families in this community, who are going there to support their children, pay. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you very much, Leader. Any other remarks? Leader.

MEMBER MORRIS: Move to adjourn.

MEMBER SMITH: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to adjourn. Mr. Clerk.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL 9 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK DOUGHERTY: Nine yeas.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you. *(Gavel falls)* Meeting is adjourned. Thanks for coming, everybody. Be careful on your way home.

ADJOURNMENT TIME: 8:16 P.M.

ATTEST:  
DAVID R. DOUGHERTY  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:  
ALLEN SCHULMAN  
PRESIDENT