## **NEW LEGISLATION**

January 23, 2012

The following legislation has been temporarily assigned to the below-stated committee by the Clerk of Council:

Temp. No.	Introduced	Committee	Description
A-5	1/23/12	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the purchase of certain materials, supplies, and equipment for use by the Electric Division during 2012, and declaring an emergency.
A-6	1/23/12	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for concrete and masonry repairs to the City-owned parking garage located at 2035 Old Town Loop and known as the "Blue" Parking Deck, and declaring an emergency.
A-7	1/23/12	Fin	An ordinance amending Sections 921.01, 921.02 921.03 and 921.06 of Title Five, Part Nine of the Codified Ordinances, relating to utility accounts and customer deposits, and declaring an emergency.
A-8	1/23/12	PA	A resolution expressing support for and urging passage of Issue 10, the Woodridge Local School District tax levy, at the primary election to be held on March 6, 2012, and declaring an emergency.

# **CALENDAR**

# January 23, 2012

The following legislation will be up for passage at the Council Meeting on January 23, 2012.

Temp. No.	Introduced	Committee	Description
A-1	1/9/12	PI	A resolution declaring the necessity of and intention to appropriate certain interests in real property necessary for the improvement of State Road between Graham Road and Steels Corners Road, and declaring an emergency.
A-2	1/9/12	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract and/or contracts without competitive bidding with Kenmore Construction Co., Inc. for emergency repairs to the road embankment supporting Akron-Peninsula Road north of Ira Road, and declaring an emergency.
A-3	1/9/12	PA	An ordinance amending Section 1 of Ord. No. 103-2011 to approve and adopt the final council ward descriptions and ward map associated with the redistricting of City Council wards as determined therein, and declaring an emergency.
A-4	1/9/12	PA	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement with the City of Tallmadge, Ohio for the provision of prisoner confinement services, and declaring an emergency.

# PENDING LEGISLATION

January 23, 2012

Temp. No.	Introduced	Committee	Description
B-70	6/27/11	PA	A resolution urging the Ohio General Assembly to promptly enact pending legislation which would regulate dangerous hallucinogenic substances that are currently being marketed as bath salts and plant food, by adding such substances to the list of controlled substances identified in Section 3719.41 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency.
B-72	7/11/11	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to issue an encroachment permit to the Judith Loving Trust for the purpose of installing and operating a private sanitary force main sewer in Quick Road, and declaring an emergency.
A-1	1/9/12	PI	A resolution declaring the necessity of and intention to appropriate certain interests in real property necessary for the improvement of State Road between Graham Road and Steels Corners Road, and declaring an emergency.
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Codified Ordinances.

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<u>Section 5</u>. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or

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public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the

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(5) An Owner who is deemed a Customer at any Premises solely by operation of division (2)(B) of this subsection shall be deemed a Customer only with respect to the water and sewer services used there.

#### 921.02 ESTABLISHING UTILITY SERVICE.

- (a) Customers may establish <u>a</u> utility <u>account</u> service with the City by application providing such information as the City determines necessary, and paying the appropriate deposit as provided herein. The City shall not provide a utility account to any person who has an <u>delinquent</u> unpaid balance on any other utility account with the City, <u>unless the same is subject to an order of relief</u>, or has been discharged, in <u>bankruptcy</u>.
- (b) Water and sewer accounts will be established and shall remain in the name of the owner of the premises served thereby, and the owner of any premises shall be and remain primarily liable for water and sewer charges incurred there. However, water and sewer accounts may additionally be placed in the name of a tenant or other customer who agrees to be secondarily liable for water and sewer charges incurred at the premises served. Water and sewer bills may be combined with other utility service bills in order to produce a single combined bill to be provided to a tenant or other customer who is not the owner. The combination of bills in this manner shall not affect the owner's primary liability for water and sewer charges. Unless otherwise requested by the payor at the time of payment, payments made on a combined bill will be apportioned to the various utility account balances at the City's discretion. Utility customers who are renting the premises to which utilities utility services are to be provided shall provide the City with a copy of a signed lease, rental agreement, or other document, valid as of the date of the application, which sets forth, as between landlord and tenant, their respective obligations to pay utility bills. to the premises in the customer's name. The City may require proof of ownership before creating an account in the name of an owner.
- (c)(b) By having establishing a utility account, the customer assents, is deemed to agrees and commits himself to all rules and regulations governing utility services and to pay all lawful charges related to the furnishing of any City utilityies services to the customer's premises.

### 921.03 DEPOSITS, SERVICE CHARGES.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, Uutility customers shall pay the following applicable deposits indicated in the following table upon application for any utility service. Except as provided in subsections (b) and (d) below, once a deposit has been placed on account for any utility service at any Premises, no further deposit shall be required of that customer for that account. Deposits will not earn interest.

104	Type of Premises	Type of Customer	<u>Deposit</u>
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106	Residential Apartment	<del>Property Owner</del>	No Deposit
107		Renter	\$200.00
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109	Residential Single Family, Townhouse	<del>Property Owner</del>	No Deposit
110	or Duplex	Renter	\$250.00

112 113 114	Residential All Electric	Property Owner Renter	<del>No Deposit</del> \$250.00
115 116 117	Commercial (Small/Medium) (GSS and GSM electric schedules; water meters less than 1")	Owner/Renter	Lesser of 2 Months usage or \$1,000, but
118 119 120			not less than \$250.00
121 122 123 124	Commercial (Large/Distribution) (all other commercial electric schedules; water meters 1" or greater)	<del>Owner/Renter</del>	Lesser of 2 Months usage or \$10,000

- (b) Required deposits must be received by the Utility Billing Department before new service or a new account will be established. Notwithstanding subsection (a), but subject to subsection (d) below, the following conditions shall apply to any request to establish new service, open new account, or re-establish service after involuntary termination:
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(1) A deposit will not be required of a bona fide owner-occupant of a residential premises, unless the customer has twice been delinquent on a utility account within the prior two years.

- (2) A deposit will not be required of an Owner to secure water and sewer accounts if a tenant or other customer has placed a deposit on the account or is exempt from placing a deposit pursuant to subsection (b)(3) below.
- (3) A deposit will not be required of any prior customer whose immediate past account history with the City is twenty-four (24) consecutive bills each paid in full by the due date.
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- (c) The dDeposits will be held in trust for the customer's account and will be applied to the account and/or refunded to the customer as follows upon:
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- (1) When all accounts held by a customer at a premises are voluntarily closed, any deposit on those accounts will be applied to the final bill, and a refund of any remaining balance will be paid to the depositing customer. Discontinuance of utility service and settlement of charges to the final meter reading (2) When any utility service is involuntarily terminated, or the Premises
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- served by a delinquent account is vacant or abandoned, the customer's accounts at that premises may be closed if the customer does not reestablish service within fourteen (14) days of termination, or bring the account current within fourteen (14) days' notice to do so. In that event a final bill shall be prepared, any deposit on those accounts will be applied to the final bill, and a refund of any remaining balance will be paid to the depositing customer.
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- (3) When a customer pays each of twenty-four (24) consecutive bills at any premises in full by the due date, the customer's deposit on accounts at that premises shall be refunded to the depositing customer. Said deposits shall be due on the opening of each new account. If a customer opens a new account and has a record with the City of paying all utility charges in full and on time for the most recent twelve month period of any prior account, the Director of Public Service may waive the deposit required herein.
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- (4) The accounts of a customer who becomes a petitioner in U.S. Bankruptcy Court shall be closed, with final charges prorated as of the petition date. Any deposit held on the accounts will be applied to any outstanding pre-petition balances of that customer, and any remaining balance will be paid to the depositing customer.
- (5) Notwithstanding divisions (1) through (4) of this subsection, a deposit placed by an Owner solely to secure water and sewer accounts at a tenant-occupied premises shall not be applied to settle outstanding balances on any account except water and sewer accounts at that premises. A deposit placed by a tenant or other customer shall not be applied to settle outstanding water and sewer account balances unless there are no other outstanding account balances at that premises and the tenant or other customer has previously agreed to be responsible for water and sewer charges. Application of tenant deposits to water and sewer charges does not affect the Owner's primary liability for water and sewer charges that remain unpaid.
- (d) Any new account opened by a bankrupt customer or a customer that has been a petitioner in bankruptcy in the previous six (6) years shall be subject to the deposit requirements of Subsection (a) of this Section, without regard to the deposit waiver provisions of Subsection (b). Charges on a new account opened at the same location by the bankrupt customer shall be prorated forward from the petition date. A bankrupt customer who does not open a new account and pay a new deposit in accordance with this subsection within twenty (20) days of the order for relief issued in the customer's bankruptcy case shall be subject to termination of service.

(b)(e) The following service charges shall apply to all customers:

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190	SERVICE	CHARGE
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199	Connection, reconnection or disconnection	\$100.00
200	of any utility <del>customer's</del> service at the request of	,
201	the customer on <u>Saturdays</u> , Sundays and holidays,	
202	and after 5:00 p.m. (in addition to full	
203	payment of unpaid utility balance)	
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205	Connection, Reconnection or of service after	\$50.00
206	disconnection of any utility service at	
207	the request of the customer for nonpayment	
208	on regular business days from 8:00 a.m. to	
209	5:00 p.m. (in addition to full payment of unpaid	
210	utility balance)	
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212	Electric and water meter testing at the	\$25.00
213	request of the customer. Should the meter	
214	be found to register more than two percent	
215	high, the fee shall be returned to the customer.	
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217	Late payment penalty, charged for each	10% of bill
218	bill that is not paid in full by the due date	
219	shown on the bill. For purposes of this	
220	provision, a bill is considered paid	
221	when the payment is received by the City.	

224	Charge for NSF or Account Closed	Check \$30.00
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226	Nonrefundable Application Initiation	<del>on</del> Fee \$10.00
227	to establish Account	
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229	(f) The fees provided for under Su	bsection (e) shall be waived as follows:
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		rgency such as fire, flood, or storm damage
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239		tion fee shall be waived if the customer has
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242	<u>months.</u>	
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244	921.06 TERMINATION OF SERVICE, (	ENERALLY.
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246		ce to any premises, in accordance with the
247	-	related rules and regulations, for any of the
248	following reasons	
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250	(a) Non-payment of a bill; or	
251	(b) Request of the customer; or	
252	(c) Tampering with a meter for the pre-	mises by the customer or consumer; or
253	(d) Failure to install remote reading	meters in accordance with ordinance and
254	related rules and regulations; or	
255	(e) Failure of the customer or consum	er to permit the City access to the meter(s); or
256	(f) Emergency termination for repairs	or for the protection of the health, safety and
257	welfare of others; or	
258	(g) Failure to install meters within te	n days after purchase and/or failure to have
259	the installed meter inspected; or	
260	(h) Failure of a customer to place a	deposit or pay a service charge required by
261	Section 921.03; or	
262	(i) Failure of a bankrupt customer	to open a new account and place a deposit
263		r for relief in the customer's bankruptcy case.
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265	Section 2. Existing Sections 921.0	1, 921.02, and 921.03 of the Codified
266		9-2007, passed June 18, 2007, are hereby
267		Codified Ordinances, as re-enacted by Ord. No.
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270	Section 3. Any ordinances or resolution	ons or portions of ordinances and resolutions
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and confirmed.

 $\underline{\text{Section 4.}}$  It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting

inconsistent herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified

resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances. Section 5. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law. Passed:\_\_\_\_\_ President of Council Clerk of Council Approved\_\_\_ Mayor 1/23/12

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#### CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.

- 2012

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR AND URGING PASSAGE OF ISSUE 10, THE WOODRIDGE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVY, AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 6, 2012, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Woodridge Local School District has caused a proposed tax levy to be placed on the March 6, 2012 primary election ballot as Issue 10, and

WHEREAS, funds generated by the five-year, 6.83-mill levy are necessary to help fund the current expenses of the Woodridge Local School District, and

WHEREAS, the sustained value and appeal of housing in communities is directly related to the success of the school districts, and

WHEREAS, the Woodridge Local School District has consistently provided excellent academic, co-curricular and extracurricular programming for its students, and

WHEREAS, the uncertainty of state funding for public education continues to place a burden on the district's ability to maintain said programs and services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit and State of Ohio, that:

<u>Section 1</u>. This Council expresses its support for the Woodridge Local School District and urges the passage of Issue 10 at the March 6, 2012 primary election.

<u>Section 2.</u> 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 Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

<u>Section 3</u>. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed:	
	President of Council
	Clerk of Council
Approved	·
	Mayor