

**CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Council Meeting**

**May 28, 2024**

**Call to Order:** Mr. Balthis at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Mr. Ashton, present; Mr. Balthis, present; Mr. Brillhart, present; Mr. DeRemer, present; Mr. James, present; Ms. Loza, present; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, present; Mrs. Penta, present; Mr. Siegferth, present; Mrs. Spinner, present; Mr. Stams, present.

**Invocation:** Mrs. Spinner

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. James

**Approval of Minutes:** None

**Reports and Communications:** A Notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding New Permit Number 7401711 to River City Bar & Grille of Cuyahoga Falls, LLC, dba River City Bar & Grill, 2621 Bailey Road, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 44221.

**New Legislation**  
(First Reading)

**Temp. Res. A-54 (Public Affairs)**

A resolution approving and adopting the Summit County 911 Plan and declaring an emergency.

**Reports of Council's Standing Committees**  
(Third Reading)

**Planning & Zoning:**

No Report.

**Finance & Appropriations:**

**Temp. Ord. A-46**

An ordinance authorizing the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation to enter into a compensation agreement for the position of Inventory Control Manager, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-46, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-47**

An ordinance creating the non-bargaining position of Human Resource Coordinator and amending Exhibit A of Ordinance 132-2021, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-47, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-48**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a second modification of contract No. 8807 with Environmental Design Group, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-48, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public Improvements:**

**Temp. Ord. A-49**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, with Davey Resource Group to provide professional engineering services for the improvements to Barney's Busy Corners, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Penta moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-49, second by Mr. Stams. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-50**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, with a firm or firms, for concrete pavement repairs to various streets, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Penta moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-50, second by Mr. Stams. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public Affairs:**

**Temp. Ord. A-51**

An ordinance amending section 151.06 of the Codified Ordinances, relating to paid holidays, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Loza moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-51, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-52**

An ordinance to approve current replacement pages to the Cuyahoga Falls Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Loza moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-52, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Res. A-53**

A resolution declaring the month of May as ALS Awareness Month in the City of Cuyahoga Falls, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Loza moved to adopt Temp. Res. A-53, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Community Development:**

No Report.

**Schedule of Committee Meetings**

Planning & Zoning:	June 3, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.*
Finance:	Subject to Call.
Public Improvements:	Subject to Call.
Public Affairs:	June 3, 2024, at 6:35 p.m.
Community Development:	Subject to Call.

**\*Public Hearing on Temporary Ordinance A-42**

**Miscellaneous Business**

Mr. Hoffman stated that, in the General Fund Revenue side, the property tax first-half settlement was received the first week of May, so the numbers that reflect the first-half settlement numbers for property tax revenues will be next month. In the Admissions Tax, Blossom Music Center shows start today, those numbers will be starting. In the Interest Income Line Item is still on pace to be above the original budgeted amount at about a \$6 million for interest in the General Fund revenue side. In the Income Tax line item, the April 15th finalized numbers from RITA were not received until the first week of May, so those numbers will reflect the end of the individual filing deadlines for next month. Municipal Tax income is still showing strong numbers.

In the Street Construction Maintenance and Repair Fund, gasoline tax revenues are up 5.8 percent. They had a strong month in reporting for Hotel and Motel Tax, 3 percent over last year at this time. The total Hotel and Motel Tax did not include the eclipse, so that will be shown in next month's reporting. In the Leisure Time Fund, the Natatorium has increased revenue for charges for services at about 7.1 percent. Waterworks had a good pass presale and is up 11.1 percent. Brookledge was

up 6.5 percent. Downview Sports Center is up 17.2 percent. In the Self-Insurance Fund, they have seen elevated claims. In Hospitalization and Dental, they are seeing increased claims of about 10.9 percent and, in Prescription Drugs, they are seeing increase of almost 20 percent. Those 20-percent numbers in prescription numbers are gross. The City receives rebates on prescription drugs, so that is not a net number. They will continue to monitor those numbers, but those funds are still in good shape. If those elevated claim numbers continue through the year, they still have a large enough balance to be able to sustain that for next year.

Mr. James moved to excuse the absence of Ms. Nichols-Rhodes at the May 20, 2024 Council meeting, second by Mr. Brillhart Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Mr. James moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

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Russ Balthis, Council President

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Dana M. Capriulo, Clerk of Council