

CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting

November 25, 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:** Mrs. Spinner
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the November 12, 2024 Council Meeting were approved as written.
- Reports and Communications:** None

New Legislation
(First Reading)

Temp. Ord. A-116 (Finance)

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Law to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan, & Aronoff LLP for legal services related to employment matters and collective bargaining; increasing appropriations in the general fund law department, and declaring an emergency.

Temp. Ord. A-117 (Finance)

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories for the purchase of automation controllers, advance recloser controls, and cellular routers for use in the Electric Department and declaring an emergency.

Reports of Council's Standing Committees
(Third Reading)

Planning & Zoning:

No Report.

Finance & Appropriations:

Temp. Ord. A-108

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Fidelity Security Insurance Company and/or its subsidiary Eyemed Vision Care for the administration of the City's self-

insured employee vision care services insurance plans, for a period not to exceed three years, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-108, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Temp. Ord. A-109

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract or contracts with Medical Mutual Services, LLC for the administration of the City's self-insured employee medical plans for a period not to exceed one year, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-109, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Temp. Ord. A-110

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract or contracts with Medical Mutual of Ohio for stop-loss insurance coverage for the City's self-insured medical and prescription drug plans, for a period not to exceed one year, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-110, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Temp. Ord. A-111

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract or contracts with Benefit Resource, LLC., for the administration of the Section 125 Flexible Spending Account Plan, Health Reimbursement Account Plan, Health Savings Account Plan, Retiree Medical Reimbursement Account Plans and COBRA services, for a period not to exceed three years, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-111, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Public Improvements:

Temp. Ord. A-112

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the Curtis Avenue sanitary sewer replacement, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Penta moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-112, second by Mr. James. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Temp. Ord. A-113

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the Cochran Road reconstruction, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Penta moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-113, second by Mr. James. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Temp. Ord. A-114

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with AT&T for telephone service lines which support alarms, elevators and dispatch non-emergency numbers throughout the city, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Penta moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-114, second by Mr. James. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Public Affairs:

Temp. Res. A-115

A resolution opposing Enbridge Gas Ohio's proposed 30% rate increase and requesting that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio deny Enbridge Gas Ohio's request for the same, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Loza moved to adopt Temp. Res. A-115, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Community Development:

No Report.

Schedule of Committee Meetings

Planning & Zoning:	Subject to Call.
Finance:	December 2, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.
Public Improvements:	Subject to Call.
Public Affairs:	Subject to Call.
Community Development:	Subject to Call.

Miscellaneous Business

None

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Russ Balthis, Council President

Dana M. Capriulo, Clerk of Council