

**MINUTES
NOVEMBER 8, 2023
COUNCIL MEETING
PARMA COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6:44 PM**

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by President of Council Vito Dipierro presiding:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:	ALLAN DIVIS LINDA A. KOHAR KEVIN KUSSMAUL DEBORAH LIME KAMMY SHUMAN MONICA WILSON KELLY ZACHARIAS MARK CASSELBERRY
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COUNCIL MEMBER EXCUSED:	ROB EUERLE
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Mrs. Saban – Mr. Chairman, the Roll of Council has been called, and I find a quorum of Council members present:

The following officials and department heads were also present: Mayor Timothy DeGeeter, Staff Attorney Jennifer Meyer, Auditor Brian Day, Service Director Tony Vannello, Safety Director Bob Coury, Building Commissioner Dan Kulchytsky, City Engineer Hasmukh Patel, Recreation Commissioner Mickey Vittardi, Chief of Staff Rich Summers, and Clerk of Council Kristin L. Saban.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Clerk of Council Kristin L. Saban.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VOICE VOTE:

	RESOLUTION NO. 169-23	11/8/23
BY:	R. EUERLE , A. DIVIS, L.A. KOHAR, K. KUSSMAUL, D. LIME, K. SHUMAN, M. WILSON, K. ZACHARIAS, M. CASSELBERRY	

A RESOLUTION HONORING JEREMY BURNETT 2023 COACH OF THE YEAR
YOUTH SOCCER

Motion made by Councilman Divis seconded by Councilman Kussmaul to adopt Resolution No. 169-23. Motion carried.

Resolution, Proclamation, and certificates presented by Councilwoman Shuman and Mayor DeGeeter.

Council recessed at 6:52 P.M. to return to Committee Meetings.
Council reconvened at 7:42 P.M.

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL

Mr. Dipierro – Stated, you have before you the Minutes from the October 16, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. Asked if there were any additions or corrections? Stated, hearing none, the Minutes will stand as approved.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 167-23

11/8/23

BY: M. CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Human Resources Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO
ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR
CITY EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Dipierro – Said Ordinance to be referred to the Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 168-23

11/8/23

BY: M. CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Human Resources Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO
ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR GROUP LIFE, AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH
AND DISMEMBERMENT (AD & D) INSURANCE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Dipierro – Said Ordinance to be referred to the Finance Committee.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 154-23

10/16/23

BY: D. LIME

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 630.04 "CURFEW" WITHIN
CHAPTER 630 "MINORS" RELATING TO CURFEW PENALTIES FOR
MINORS WITHIN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to
refer Ordinance No. 154-23 back to the Public Safety Committee. Motion carried.

BY: M. CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Mayor)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF ZASHIN & RICH CO., L.P.A. FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR LABOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH VARIOUS BARGAINING UNITS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Lime to refer Ordinance No. 157-23 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

SECOND READING SUSPENSION:

Mr. Dipierro – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 48 requiring the full and distinct reading of Ordinance 152-23 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; motion carried.

BY: M. CASSELBERRY, A. DIVIS, L.A. KOHAR
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARCHITECT AGREEMENT TO AUTHORIZE REMAINING BASIC SERVICES FOR THE NEW EVENT CENTER/CLUBHOUSE AT RIDGEWOOD GOLF COURSE IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Shuman to amend Ordinance No. 152-23 by accepting Exhibit "A". Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 152-23 as amended.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; Ordinance No. 152-23 is adopted as amended.

THIRD READING:

BY: A. DIVIS

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND RATIFYING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PARMA AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, REPRESENTING CORRECTIONS SUPERVISORS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4117 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

BY: D. LIME
(By Request – Auditor)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 197-22 RELATIVE TO THE
HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY

Auditor Day – Ordinance No. 197-22 was approved on 11/9/22 but one of the necessary fund numbers was not included in that Ordinance. Stated that this legislation adds the additional fund number to the legislation so that the City can move forward.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 159-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; Ordinance No. 159-23 is adopted.

BY: K. KUSSMAUL, A. DIVIS
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT
AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC)
STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR
THE BROADVIEW EMERGENCY PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN
THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilwoman Lime – Asked when this work would be completed?

Service Director Vannello – Stated that the work has already been completed and this is an application for reimbursement through a grant program.

Mayor DeGeeter – Applauded the Engineering Department for finding this grant opportunity.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 161-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; Ordinance No. 161-23 is adopted.

BY: K. SHUMAN
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO
ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF
PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12550 SPRAGUE ROAD IN THE CITY OF PARMA,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Auditor Day – Stated this Ordinance, as well as Ordinance No. 164-23, are in relation to the properties mentioned in Ordinance No. 159-23 that he spoke about earlier in the meeting.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 163-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; Ordinance No. 163-23 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 164-23

11/8/23

BY: K. SHUMAN

(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11601 WEST PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 164-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; Ordinance No. 164-23 is adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 166-23

11/8/23

BY: M. CASSELBERRY

(By Request – Auditor)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY AUDITOR'S POST CERTIFICATION OF REQUISITIONS AS DETAILED IN EXHIBIT "A" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Resolution No. 166-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.

No: None; Resolution No. 166-23 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 170-23

11/8/23

BY: M. CASSELBERRY

(By Request – Auditor)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN THE 2023 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 170-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.
No: None; Ordinance No. 170-23 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 171-23

11/8/23

BY: K. SHUMAN
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT WITH NOPEC/NEXTERA ENERGY FOR THE PROVISION OF NATURAL GAS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 171-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.
No: None; Ordinance No. 171-23 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 172-23

11/8/23

BY: **K. SHUMAN**, D. LIME
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) FOR THE CITY TO USE ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 172-23.

Yes: Divis, Kohar, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman, Wilson, Zacharias, Casselberry.
No: None; Ordinance No. 172-23 is adopted.

PUBLIC SESSION

Barbie Thomas of Southpark Blvd – thanked the Safety and Service Departments for putting up traffic signs at the intersection of Southpark Blvd and Snow Road.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor DeGeeter – No comment.
Safety Director Coury – No comment.
Service Director Vannello – No comment.
Auditor Day – No comment.
Staff Attorney Meyer – No comment.

Councilman Divis – No comment.
Councilwoman Kohar - No comment.
Councilman Kussmaul – Thanked the Auxiliary Police staff for patrolling during Trick or Treat on Halloween.

Councilwoman Lime – No comment.

Councilwoman Shuman – Stated there will be a meeting with NEORS D regarding the projects in Ward 7 on November 30. More information will be coming soon.

Councilwoman Wilson – No comment.

Councilwoman Zacharias – No comment.

Councilman Casselberry – No comment.

REPORT ON ABSENT MEMBERS

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilwoman Shuman to excuse Councilman Euerle from said meeting. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adjourn said meeting at 8:07 P.M. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kristin L. Saban, Clerk of Council for the City of Parma, Ohio do hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on Wednesday, November 8, 2023.

/s/ Kristin L. Saban
Kristin L. Saban
Clerk of Council

/s/ Vito Dipierro
Vito Dipierro
President of Council

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