

**CITY OF SPRINGBORO
320 W. CENTRAL AVENUE, SPRINGBORO, OH**

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022

5:30 PM

**(CITY COUNCIL BEGAN THE WORK SESSION AT 5:30 PM
TO ACCOMMODATE THE 5-YEAR CIP PRESENTATION.)**

CITY COUNCIL

**John Agenbroad, Mayor
Becky Iverson, Deputy Mayor/At Large
Stephen Harding, At Large
Janie Ridd, Ward 1
Dale Brunner, Ward 2
Jack Hanson, Ward 3
Jim Chmiel, Ward 4**

CITY STAFF

**Chris Pozzuto, City Manager
Greg Shackelford, Assistant City Manager
Gerald McDonald, Law Director
Lori Martin, Clerk of Council**

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Agenbroad called the Springboro, Ohio City Council Work Session to order on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 5:30 PM in the Community Room at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio.

ITEM 2. ATTENDANCE. Council: Mr. Chmiel was absent. **Staff:** Mr. Pozzuto, Mr. Shackelford, Mr. McDonald and Ms. Martin were present. **The following staff members were present for the 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (2023-2027) presentation/discussion:** Jonathan Hudson, Finance Director; Beth Eaton, Assistant Finance Director; Joannie Kingseed, Assistant Finance Director; Jeff Kruithoff, Police Chief; Dan Bentley, Police Lieutenant; Elmer Dudas, Development Director; Vince Murphy, Public Service Director; Matt Lang, IT Director; Mike Eaton, Facilities Manager; Tom West, Golf Course General Manager; Dan Walter, Golf Course Superintendent.

ITEM 3. PRESENTATION. – 5-Year Capital Improvement Program.

The 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (2023-2027) was presented as follows:
(A copy of the CIP is on file for reference.)

Mayor Agenbroad opened the presentation by expressing his appreciation to staff for their continuity and the hard work they do each and every day for the City. Council is appreciative of staff's efforts and of all the great things the City is doing with the current staffing levels, which is a compliment to all of staff.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that staff, as always, has done a wonderful job of trying to keep the CIP parred down to essential projects the City needs as far as streets, water, sewer, parks, etc. Mr. Hudson and Ms. Eaton coordinated the preparation of the CIP after meeting with department heads to discuss departmental needs over the past month.

At this time, Mr. Pozzuto prompted Mr. Hudson to provide a general overview of the CIP, and department heads will provide information as necessary during the presentation.

Mr. Hudson presented a brief overview of the 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Mr. Hudson's comments are summarized as follows:

Due to the current economy, inflation and supply chain issues, staff wanted to get back to basics in this cycle of the Capital Improvement Program, i.e., safe roads, safe water, safe parks, to make sure the City has quality infrastructure in place in the CIP for residents to use safely and at their leisure throughout the year. The City's capital funds include General Improvement, Street, Park, Water, Sewer, Trash, Storm Water Utility, and Golf.

Over the 5-Year CIP, the City is investing \$16.1 million in streets, \$7.1 million in water, which does not include the proposed water softening project, and \$4 million in parks. Total 5-Year CIP is \$46 million. Not all of that is City money; some of the funds come from grants and other federal funding. Again, the majority of the City's capital investments over the next five years is in streets, general improvements, including safety improvements, water and parks. Some of the larger projects include street resurfacing, which the City has expanded; however, the cost to resurface those miles of streets keeps increasing. Also included are water main upgrades, irrigation projects, park upgrades, and intersection upgrades.

General Improvement Fund: There is a fund balance of \$6M, which is the result of the City's issuance of \$10 million in bond anticipation notes earlier this year for irrigation projects, the new fire station land, and Wright Station improvements. Most of those projects will be completed next year, but by borrowing that money early the City saved significant interest. The City's effective rate on that borrowing is 2%. If the City went to the market right now, the rate would be 5-7%. Again, borrowing that money just a few months early saved the City hundreds of thousands of dollars in interest. Most of the projects in the General Improvement Fund have been discussed previously.

Mr. Pozzuto noted that the Interstate Aesthetics and Safety Upgrades project at I-75 and SR73 has been delayed. The City previously submitted a required deposit of \$400,000 to the Warren County Transportation Improvement District (TID). The TID just requested bids for that project and received one bid at \$550,000 just for Springboro's side of the interchange. Franklin's estimate for their side of the interchange was \$150,000 and the bid they received was \$330,000. It was bad timing for these particular improvements in light of the current economy. Bids were requested from six contractors and the TID received one bid for the project. The plan now is to delay the aesthetics portion of the project until the roadway safety upgrades are completed, and hopefully, the delay will result in better prices for the project.

Mr. Hudson continued with General Improvement Fund projects by commenting that the Irrigation Projects will take place throughout the community including along SR741 and the golf course. The Fire Station Land Acquisition under the coterminous agreement will provide for the construction of a new fire station by the Clearcreek Fire District, and Wright Station Common Area Improvements and other general upgrades in the community are also included in the General Improvement Fund.

Street Fund: Mr. Dudas' comments concerning the Street Capital Improvement Fund are summarized as follows:

The budget for street resurfacing has been increased over last year by a couple hundred thousand dollars, but the prices the City received this year were at least 25% higher than we expected. The hope is to continue with the same level of service and the same amount of streets next year with this funding, but it is difficult to tell at this point. Next year's funding also includes the Clearcreek-Franklin Road project. This project will not begin until 2024, but funds have been encumbered in 2023 to sell the project. There are also a number of projects listed for funding in the 2024-2027 years.

Mr. Hudson asked Mr. Dudas to comment on the suspension of the Joint Repair Program until 2025.

Mr. Dudas commented that due to the cost of that program, staff thought it would be prudent to push that program back a couple of years. The City has done really well these past few years to keep up with the program and are even a little ahead; therefore, the program could be pushed off a few years to save some money and put that money toward resurfacing.

Mr. Hudson commented that the more resurfacing the City does the less joint repair is needed, i.e., one alleviates the need for the other over time. However, if there are areas that need repair work there is usually a little room in the budget to adjust if necessary.

Mr. Brunner commented that he would encourage staff to include the Joint Repair Program in the capital budget each year. Mr. Brunner further commented that Lytle-Five Points in particular is pretty bad.

Mr. Pozzuto asked if \$200,000 is enough to cover the program each year.

Mr. Dudas commented that they would do as much as they can for \$200,000. In past years, the budgeted money went pretty far, but it is not going as far in the current economy.

Mr. Brunner asked if there was any new technology to repair the joints.

Mr. Dudas replied no, everyone is doing the same thing the City is. The joints are grinded down and filled with the mastic material and paved over. There are different theories about what actually causes the joints; it is the pavement, it is the paving process, etc. Mr. Dudas commented that he thinks it has more to do with the heating and cooling of the pavement and the movement of the soil underneath, but it is still uncertain.

Mr. Brunner asked if there is anything that could be done at the base level of the asphalt to prevent the joints from appearing.

Mr. Dudas explained that when the joints started appearing on Lytle-Five Points, the City cored those cracks, which continued down into the base underneath the asphalt in the ground, which is why he thinks it starts from below the asphalt. Mr. Dudas commented that they do their best to retard the joints when paving in order to extend the life of the pavement. This problem occurs everywhere; it is not just one specific street.

Mr. Brunner reiterated that he would like for some money to be budgeted for this program each year assuming staff would have time to do this program, which he is not sure about.

Mr. Dudas commented that staff would make time for the program and it could be budgeted at \$200,000 as it is for the future years (2025-2027).

Mr. Pozzuto asked for Council's consensus regarding the budget for the Joint Repair Program. Mr. Pozzuto commented that they moved some of that money into street paving, but some of the money could be moved back into the Joint Repair Program.

Mr. Murphy explained that when the City originally started the Joint Repair Program, the work was done in-house, but eventually the work was contracted out because it is so time and labor consuming for staff. However, they can pick up a street here or there and possibly continue that in-house, but they would still incur the cost of material. Mr. Murphy added that long stretches like Lytle-Five Points, it is a lot different than Darby Court from a service department standpoint.

Mr. Hudson commented that they would add those monies for joint repair in 2023-2024 to the appropriations that Council will be asked to approve in December.

Mr. Dudas continued his comments concerning street projects by stating that they added one new project, which is the East Central Avenue Resurfacing funded in 2025. This project is the remainder of the resurfacing on the major thoroughfares including North and South Main Street and West Central Avenue.

Mr. Hudson noted that there is no money being spent in the Permissive Use Tax fund in 2023 and 2024. The plan is to save that money from permissive tax on licenses and apply it to the SR73 corridor because that it going to be a large number in a few years. Again, those tax monies will be set aside to apply toward those improvements on SR73. Those funds are restricted and can only be used for certain projects, and the SR73 project qualifies.

Mr. Hudson also mentioned some bike paths and multi-use trail projects in the out years of the capital plan, which are tied to grant applications. As grant money becomes available, those projects will move up to 2024, 2025 or 2026. There are no bike trail projects in the next two years, but City Planner Dan Boron is actively working on grant applications to line up those projects with grant programs.

Park Fund: *Mr. Hudson commented that the biggest upgrade in park capital is scheduled for 2023, which is the North Park Improvements project.*

Mr. Pozzuto commented that he presented this proposal to Council at a previous work session and staff has already engaged The Kleingers Group for the project. Staff should receive a preliminary draft of the proposed plan after Thanksgiving. Once the plan is fine-tuned, it will be reviewed by both City Council and the Park Board. Once the plan is approved, staff can begin getting estimates for the equipment and upgrades and hopefully begin construction in the spring if possible.

Mr. Hudson added that the North Park upgrades will be completed in phases over time and the \$1.4 million budgeted in 2023 probably will not cover everything, but it covers the initial phases of the project. Mr. Hudson further added that the City continues to seek grant funding for various projects.

Mr. Hudson continued by briefly reviewing future park projects included in the capital plan over the next five years.

Water Fund: *Mr. Hudson commented that Water Main Replacements are budgeted throughout the five years in conjunction with the Street Resurfacing Program. Mr. Hudson further commented that one of the largest projects budgeted under the Water Fund is the Water Softening Improvements at \$1.5 million in 2023, which is for the design and study of the proposed water softening system.*

Mr. Pozzuto commented that design services for the Water Softening Plant are estimated at \$1.5 million, but staff will not know the exact cost until they receive the responses to the RFPs. Design of the Water Softening Plant is estimated to take 12-18 months. The estimate to actually build the plant is between \$15-25 million, and they will not know the actual cost until the design is roughly 80-90% finished. At that point, staff will have some options to consider concerning how the Water Softening Plant could be funded. Even if the cost comes in too high to even consider, the design plans can be shelved for future consideration and tweaked at a later date based on new EPA rules, etc. Mr. Pozzuto further commented that it is prudent to move forward with the design with the available funds and then decide when the project should be considered for construction and how the City will pay for it.

Mr. Dudas concurred that the minimum time for the design would be 12-months. Generally, it would depend on when the design process begins and the availability of the engineering companies. Mr. Dudas expects to get the Request for Proposals (RFPs) out the first of the year, which would put the design phase starting in mid-April.

Mr. Brunner asked how much the City could save in its water/sewer account by then.

Mr. Hudson commented that assuming no generators break and nothing major happens to the water system, the City could have \$5 million available or even more. In 2023, the final water debt payment is made, i.e., the water fund is debt free in 2023, which should allow the City to set aside more money. Mr. Hudson further commented that there would be a discharge from the Water Softening Plant that the sewer system has to absorb; therefore, the sewer fund can contribute a portion to this project, and we will also be able to save sewer funds for the project as well. To reiterate, the plan is to save \$5 million as a minimum and hopefully more, which means less passed on to the water customer.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that it is similar to when we budgeted for the new City Building, the City saved 50% for the project. The building was estimated at \$7 million and the City saved \$3.5 million before constructing the building.

Mr. Hudson commented that, as we build out these projections, whatever charge is passed on to the water user would show as a separate capital charge on the bill; once that debt is extinguished, the charge would go away. We want to make sure that the charge does not become a permanent part of the water rates going forward; it should be set aside and identifiable for this project. Again, once the debt is paid off, the charge drops off the water bill permanently.

Mr. Pozzuto added that the separate charge for the water softening system would have a sunset provision.

Mr. Brunner confirmed that if Mr. Dudas gets the RFPs for design back in April, then we would have it back in August.

Mr. Dudas clarified that if the design phase begins in April, the earliest the City might have design plans would be the end of 2023, but it would more likely be mid-2024. It will be a 12-18 month time frame depending on how long it takes the EPA to review it, etc. Mr. Dudas added that there are a lot of unknowns in the timeline.

Mr. Hanson asked Mr. Hudson if there were any hypothetical calculations concerning the user fee and how long the fee would be charged based on the potential cost of the project.

Mr. Hudson answered that it is estimated to be somewhere between \$8-\$20 per month, but they are trying to target the \$10-\$12 range and what can be done to get to that \$10-\$12 number. For example, how much cash do we need, what interest rate do we have to borrow at, etc. When we first started discussing this project a year ago rates were super low, but rates have gone up since then. What helps us is that we have general obligation debt that we can apply to it as a backing to the revenue bonds, i.e., there are some ways we can weight our credit to help us leverage that, but no matter what we do the interest rates are still higher. There are programs that we can look into involving state or federal funds, and while they are not grants, they will loan you the money at a much more attractive rate. Normally, those programs are for safety projects. Our water is clean and safe and would not qualify for a water quality project.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that Miami University helped the City with a survey, which was sent to 1,500 residents. Seventy percent of those surveyed indicated that they would pay \$12-\$15 per month for the water softening system. That is the rate we are targeting based on the survey. However, we will not actually know what that number will be until we have the design phase completed, which is why we will try to save as much money as we can in the water and sewer funds.

Mr. Hudson commented that one of the options, which Council has authorized before, is manuscript debt, where the City is the lender to its own fund. We take our investments from other funds and lend it to ourselves (to the water fund) at a lower, more favorable rate and pay

it off over time so we leverage our investments that way. We do not want to do too much of that because it becomes risky if we have too much money invested that way, but we can maybe supplement a little of the cost. We will try to bring any ideas to Council concerning options to pay for the project when the time comes.

Mr. Hudson continued comments concerning the overall capital funds by pointing out that there are always costs for vehicles and equipment incorporated into the fund budgets.

Sewer Fund: *Mr. Hudson commented that a lot of these funds include Generator Replacements and Emergency Capital to keep the water and sewer systems running in case there is an accident or something breaks. This money helps to ensure that the systems are as close to 100% reliable at all times. Outside of that, there are no major projects in the Sewer Fund.*

Mr. Pozzuto commented that emergency capital and generators are the kinds of costs we have to look at whenever we are trying to save cash in those funds, as we still have to protect against these types of emergencies.

Mr. Hudson pointed out that in future capital programs there are a couple of million dollar generators planned. Mr. Hudson asked Mr. Eaton what the lead time on generators is now.

Mr. Eaton answered that the lead time is about a year and a half on the larger ones and we have to request bids for design before we know what the actual expense will be, but the generators are critical to continuing service during a power outage or emergency.

Trash Fund: *Mr. Hudson commented that there are no capital trash upgrades. Trash capital upgrades mostly come from the actual trash operating fund, such as recycling toters.*

Storm Water Utility Fund: *Mr. Hudson commented that most of the Storm Water capital projects such as Catch Basin Replacement are done in conjunction with street projects and the street resurfacing program.*

Golf Fund: *Mr. Hudson pointed out that last year was a heavily budgeted year with some floodway improvements, maintenance building and other work at the golf course. In 2023, there is an irrigation project, which was discussed previously under the General Improvement Fund, but the rest of the capital is invested in fairly routine projects and emergency capital for unexpected repairs. Some equipment is included in the golf capital budget as well.*

Mr. Brunner asked if the irrigation project has begun at the golf course.

Mr. Hudson commented that the design work has begun, but again it is a process before work actually begins.

Mr. Walter commented that the project will go out to bid and be back by March of 2023, but the install will not start until August of 2024. Right now, a contract needs about 18 months lead time because there are only about six contractors in the country that do installs on golf courses. We are doing the first phase, which would be the pump station, will be installed next winter in 2023 and finished by 2024.

Mr. Hudson confirmed that the 12-18 month lead time for projects is occurring everywhere across the board. Mr. Hudson continued by stating that the golf capital consists of a few routine projects in the out years such as Fan Installation and Replacement, Landscape Renovation and Collar Renovations. Mr. Hudson added that there are a lot of drainage issues at the golf course that we are working on.

Vehicles and Equipment: *Mr. Hudson commented that it is a light year in equipment as we trying to focus a lot of the capital money on the large infrastructure projects. Vehicles*

purchases include three new police vehicles on regular rotation, golf and park equipment and a dump truck.

Mr. Murphy commented that they are replacing a 2007 dump truck.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that we try to get at least 15 years out of them. In past years, we were replacing 1998 vehicles.

Mr. Murphy commented that the problem they are running into now is that the vehicles have reached an age limit where it is difficult to find replacement parts. It is difficult to find replacement engine and transmission parts for vehicles that are 10, 12, 15 years old or antiquated from a vehicle standpoint.

Mr. Hudson also pointed out that the wait time on vehicles is long and you have to place your orders early in order to get the vehicles you want.

Mr. Murphy commented that the vehicle currently in the capital plan they hope to receive in 2023. Mr. Murphy added that they are still waiting to order two pickup trucks that were approved in last year's capital budget. The next date they are able to order a 2022 vehicle is November 17, which will actually be a 2023 pickup truck.

Mr. Hudson concluded his comments regarding the Capital Improvement Program by stating that the focus of the program is core infrastructure, core services, which will carry through to the 2023 budget that will be presented to Council on November 17. Again, staff is really trying to focus on the core residential services that the City provides. Mr. Hudson offered to answer any questions.

There were no further questions or discussion regarding the City's 5-Year CIP.

Mr. Hudson thanked all of the department heads for putting these capital fund programs together. Mr. Hudson commented that the departments do a good job of managing their capital budgets and do not spend monies that they do not need.

Ms. Iverson asked if there is anything that is not included in the CIP that we want to talk about. Ms. Iverson commented that this is the capital plan, but what is on the wish list that we would like to do if we could.

Mr. Hudson answered that staff has actually started an unfunded projects list. The list has not been completed; however, one of the big items on that list is how do we fix S. Main Street or that junction point with all of the schools in the same general area.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that the number was estimated at approximately \$30M.

Ms. Ridd asked how it would be fixed; what could be done.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that it would include various improvements such as widening the road, signalization, metering of traffic and many other things. One option is widening the road, which is not very realistic, and he received an approximate \$30M price tag on that.

Mr. Hudson commented that Mr. Dudas suggested the rear access road on the north side of SR73 behind the fast food restaurants, a connection generally from Edwards Drive west to Greenwood Lane.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that Lytle-Five Points probably needs to be widened at the intersection of SR741 at some point, which would cost at least \$3M. Mr. Pozzuto reiterated that staff has started a wish list that they can share with Council

Ms. Iverson reiterated that she was interested in a list of projects all over the City; projects that we would like to do if we could.

Mr. Hudson commented that staff would like to have that list put together soon because a list like that also helps with state and federal grant applications. The list would demonstrate that the City has considered certain projects, but needs funding to pay for them.

Ms. Iverson commented that she was at the Chamber Breakfast this morning and the Superintendent talked about the schools and the cost of maintaining their infrastructure and she thought of the City's buildings and what we do to keep them maintained let alone keeping up with the growth.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that Mr. Eaton and staff do a great job of keeping up with the maintenance of their buildings. We are doing incremental maintenance to help keep up with those types of things. For example, the City Building is only 13 years old, but we are already beginning to do things on the exterior to make sure the building lasts many years into the future. Mr. Pozzuto explained that schools are restricted by their budget year and revenue from levies whereas we can budget for ongoing maintenance.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that the City tries to consistently maintain its buildings by replacing roofs when needed or making exterior improvements. Mr. Pozzuto commented that staying ahead of that maintenance helps to avoid large lump sum costs. Mr. Pozzuto reiterated that they will share the wish list mentioned previously with Council as soon as they can.

Mayor Agenbroad commented that he works in Lebanon every day and he sees what some of the other cities struggle with. Mayor Agenbroad further commented that where we are and what we are able to do as a City is a tribute to everyone in this room. We are always doing something to give back to the people who live here through programs and services. On behalf of Council, Mayor Agenbroad thanked staff for their CIP presentation, which is slated for approval at tonight's Regular Meeting.

Mr. Brunner thanked Mr. West and Mr. Walter for what they did for the OHSAA Golf Tournaments. Mr. Brunner commented that it was an unbelievable effort that really showcased the golf course and it was an unforgettable experience for the student athletes who participated.

Mr. Walter thanked Mr. Brunner for his comments and commented that the entire City volunteered so it was a huge team effort.

Mayor Agenbroad commented that the City always receives accolades about what a first class course it is and how they love to play it, and that is a real tribute to the golf course staff.

Mr. Pozzuto thanked City Council for their support; it makes staff's jobs a lot easier.

Mayor Agenbroad commented that we all work together as a team.

There was no further discussion regarding the 5-Year Capital Improvement Program.

(Council continued the Work Session discussion after a brief break.)

ITEM 4. LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. – Review legislative items slated for November 3.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE CITY OF SPRINGBORO 5-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2023-2027).

No discussion.

- 1) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL IJA FUNDS THROUGH THE MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

No discussion.

ITEM 5. CITY MANAGER. – Issues/Reports.

Mr. Pozzuto reported on the following items:

Annual Leaf Collection Program: Leaf collection is approximately two days behind schedule due to the volume of leaves being raked to the curb, but the service department thinks they will be done with Area 1 tomorrow. The service department is operating all three leaf vacuums; whereas, usually at this time, we only have one leaf vacuum operating.

Mr. Hanson commented that he knows staff does a good job of publicizing the leaf collection program and schedule, but he still receives a lot of questions concerning leaf pick-up times. Mr. Hanson asked if the program is ever advertise on the video sign at the corner of SR73/SR741. Mr. Hanson suggested that it might not be a bad idea to advertise leaf collection times on the sign.

Mr. Pozzuto replied yes, they could advertise it on the video sign possibly advertising collection times by area. Mr. Pozzuto added that the schedule is published on a separate page in the newsletter for people to remove and pin on the refrigerator. The information is also posted on the City's website.

Heatherwoode Golf Course Projects: The golf course bridge replacement project from Holes 10 to 11 will begin in two weeks. The maintenance and chemical storage building should be completed in two weeks, and that project is ahead of schedule and under budget.

North Park Upgrades: The Kleingers Group is working on the North Park master plan and should have a proposed plan for the equipment upgrades, etc. after Thanksgiving.

Street Repaving Program: The annual repaving program is complete for 2022 except for some base repairs on SR73. The budget for that program was increased by approximately \$600,000 for this year allowing the City to resurface 10-12 additional streets. The hope is to continue this increase in the program into the foreseeable future.

Mr. Shackelford reported on the following items:

Downtown DORA: The expansion of the DORA to the downtown area is now in effect. Various signage installations designating the DORA boundaries are in the process of being completed. All of the specially labeled DORA cups have been delivered to the City Building. The main goal was to have the DORA ready for the Christmas in Springboro festival.

Mr. Pozzuto added that both establishments in the downtown district have been notified that they are holding a liquor permit within a DORA, which is now included as part of their liquor permit.

ITEM 6. CLERK OF COUNCIL. – Issues/Reports.

Calendar Updates: Veterans Day will be observed on Friday, November 11 (City Offices Closed). Christmas in Historic Springboro Festival will be held November 18-20 with the Tree Lighting at 6:45 PM in Friday and Santa's Parade at Noon on Saturday. Details regarding Council's participation in the parade will be provided at the next Work Session on November 17. Thanksgiving Holiday will be observed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 (City Offices Closed).

In addition, the City's 2023 Budget will be presented on Thursday, November 17 in the Council Work Session beginning at 5:30 PM in the Community Room.

ITEM 7. CITY COUNCIL. – Issues/Reports.

Mr. Harding – No reports.

Mr. Hanson – Mr. Hanson will present a Tree Authority report at tonight's Regular Meeting under Reports.

Mr. Brunner – Mr. Brunner recently attended an Eagles meeting and commented that they do a great job in the community; we are lucky to have them. The Eagles volunteer a lot and raise funds for the community.

Mayor Agenbrood commented that we are showcasing the Eagles, the Optimists and Lions Club in the upcoming newsletter. The Eagles donated \$5,000 to Officer Eric Ney's family, the Optimists donated \$1,000 and the Lions Club donated \$1,000. (Clearcreek Township Police Officer Eric Ney was shot during a domestic disturbance call in Clearcreek Township in July and is currently rehabilitating.)

Ms. Ridd – No reports.

Deputy Mayor Iverson – Ms. Iverson thanked Mr. Pozzuto for asking the fiber companies to stop installation work on Halloween at 5:00 PM in order to avoid Trick-or-Treat from 6-8 PM, and it made a difference. In addition, Ms. Iverson commented that at the chamber breakfast this morning the School Superintendent was speaking about the fact that they finally have a strategic plan, which was planned for five years ago, but shelved for a few years. The message she took away from the Superintendent's comments is that they want to work with the City and the Township. Ms. Iverson further commented that the biggest issue that we hear is traffic and it is not just a City problem, as the traffic does not stop at the City borders. Ms. Iverson stated that she is very excited to work with them and they are very excited to talk with the City. Ms. Iverson also stated that she thinks it is vital to take advantage of the fact that the schools want to talk to the City and are open to discussion.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that the schools are having a strategic plan meeting in early January and have invited him and Township Administrator Matt Clark to attend to talk about City and Township issues, which is a step in the right direction.

Ms. Iverson commented that if Council cannot physically be there they can be part of the discussion before or after, but she does not want to lose momentum because they are open to discussion and the City has been trying for a long time to have that conversation. Ms. Iverson further commented that it is not only about traffic, but it is all of these problems that they are trying to solve as well and that do not occur in a vacuum, and she was very encouraged to hear them speak today.

Mr. Shackelford commented on some statistics that were reported at the chamber breakfast including that Springboro was the fifteenth highest income per capita out of 617 public schools and our business tax base only creates about 13% of their revenue, and how important it is for the families to give back to the schools. The other statistic that the Superintendent shared was that out of 617 public schools, Springboro was 611th in the cost per student at approximately \$8,300; whereas, Franklin, for example, was in the top 15 or 20, at approximately \$11,500 per student. The Superintendent explained that a lot of that had to do with teacher ratios to classrooms.

Ms. Iverson commented that she thinks it would be good perhaps to have the schools speak to Council because what she heard today she would like to hear again. Ms. Iverson suggested

that they could arrange some kind of meeting if that would be of interest to everybody, but she thinks it is vital and she would like to know how we can work together with the schools.

Mr. Pozzuto replied yes, if that is Council's desire, they can work with the schools to set it up.

Mr. Shackelford commented that the Superintendent said they were looking at a deficit in 2027.

Ms. Iverson commented that the schools received those COVID related funds, but over time there is going to be a deficit.

There was no further discussion concerning this topic.

Mayor Agenbroad – *Mayor Agenbroad commented that he presented the City's sponsorship check of \$2,500 on behalf of Council to the Christmas Festival Committee on Tuesday, which will be featured in the upcoming newsletter. (Mayor Agenbroad confirmed Council's parade transportation with the committee, which will be a tractor-drawn vehicle this year.)*

ITEM 8. ADJOURNMENT. *With no further discussion, Mayor Agenbroad adjourned the Thursday, November 3, 2022 City Council Work Session at approximately 6:40 PM.*



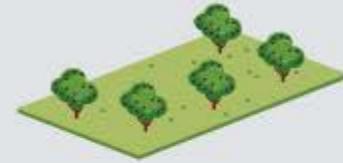
2023-2027 Capital Program



Safe Roads



Safe Water



Safe Parks

Funds

- General Capital Improvement Fund
- Street Capital Improvement Fund
- Park Improvement Fund
- Water Capital Improvement Fund
- Sewer Capital Improvement Fund
- Trash Capital Fund
- Storm Water Utility Capital Fund
- Golf Capital Improvement Fund

Highlights



Roads

\$16.1 million

Water

\$7.1 million*

Parks

\$4.0 million

**5 Year
Investment**

\$46 Million

5 Year Capital Investment



THANK YOU!

CITY OF SPRINGBORO
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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022

7:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL

John Agenbroad, Mayor
Becky Iverson, Deputy Mayor/At Large
Stephen Harding, At Large
Janie Ridd, Ward 1
Dale Brunner, Ward 2
Jack Hanson, Ward 3
Jim Chmiel, Ward 4

CITY STAFF

Chris Pozzuto, City Manager
Greg Shackelford, Assistant City Manager
Gerald McDonald, Law Director
Lori Martin, Clerk of Council

- ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Agenbroad called the Springboro, Ohio City Council Regular Meeting of Thursday, November 3, 2022 to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio.
- ITEM 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Mayor Agenbroad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation by Council Member Jack Hanson.
- ITEM 3. ROLL CALL.** Agenbroad, Present; Brunner, Present; Chmiel, Absent; Hanson, Present; Harding, Present; Iverson, Present; Ridd, Present. Staff: Mr. Pozzuto, Mr. Shackelford, Mr. McDonald and Ms. Martin were present.

Mayor Agenbroad called for a motion to excuse Council Member Chmiel.

Ms. Iverson motioned. Mr. Harding seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Brunner, Yes; Ridd, Yes; Iverson, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Hanson, Yes; Harding, Yes. [6-0]
- ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** No Minutes were submitted for approval.
- ITEM 5. PRESENTATIONS:** No Presentations.
- ITEM 6. LEGISLATION:** City Council held a Work Session at 5:30 PM tonight for approximately one hour and 10 minutes to discuss the City's 5-Year Capital Improvement Program and the following legislative items as well as other City business.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE CITY OF SPRINGBORO 5-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2023-2027).

Mayor Agenbroad called for a motion to approve the City of Springboro 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) 2023-2027.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council.

Ms. Ridd thanked all of the staff who prepared this year's CIP and for their efforts to keep the program budget in line with operational needs.

Ms. Ridd motioned. Mr. Harding seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Brunner, Yes; Ridd, Yes; Iverson, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Hanson, Yes; Harding, Yes. [6-0]

- 1) **RESOLUTION R-22-39:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL IJIA FUNDS THROUGH THE MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, was read by the Clerk of Council. Mr. Pozzuto's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes an application for federal IJIA (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act). This application for funding would support the construction of a 3,800 foot long, 10-foot wide extension of the existing trail at E. Milo Beck Park. This is the next segment of the Central Greenway project and will connect the trail at E. Milo Beck to the City limits on West Factory Road. Through the City's Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan, the Central Greenway will ultimately connect every neighborhood from the northeast portion to the southwest portion of the community. This application would allow the City to receive up to 80% of the \$559,000 estimated cost of the project.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions or comments.

Mayor Agenbroad called for a motion to adopt Resolution R-22-39.

Ms. Iverson motioned. Ms. Ridd seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Iverson, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Hanson, Yes; Harding, Yes; Brunner, Yes; Ridd, Yes. [6-0]

- ITEM 7. REPORTS: Mayor's Report** – Election Day is Tuesday, November 8; polls are open 6:30 AM-7:30 PM. Please contact the Board of Elections with any questions concerning voting at 513.695.1358 or visit vote.warrencountyohio.gov. Veterans Day observed Friday, November 11 (City Offices Closed). Christmas in Historic Springboro festival will be held November 18, 19 & 20 with the Tree Lighting at 6:45 PM on Friday and Santa's Parade at Noon on Saturday. Thanksgiving Holiday will be observed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 (City Offices Closed).

The next City Council Work Session will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2022 beginning at 5:30 PM to accommodate the budget presentation/discussion followed by the Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

City Manager's Report –

Leaf Collection Program: The program is approximately two days behind schedule due to the volume of leaves being raked to the curb. The City has all three leaf collection vehicles working to pick up leaves. Typically during this time of year, the City only has one leaf collection

vehicle working. Crews will pick up everyone's leaves as soon as they can. The leaf pick up schedule is included in the City newsletter, on the City's website and social media. Updates to the schedule are being provided through those various communication outlets.

North Park Upgrades: The City has recently proposed upgrades to North Park, which would include new playground equipment, Pickleball courts and upgrades to the amphitheater area. City staff has met with The Kleingers Group, who is working on the new plans for the park with a preliminary plan to be submitted sometime after Thanksgiving.

Committee Reports –

Mr. Harding – No reports.

Mr. Hanson – The Tree Authority will again be sponsoring the tree raffle this year at Christmas in Springboro. Everyone is encouraged to stop by the SPARC and Go on S. Main Street during the festival to enter the raffle and receive a free tree sapling.

Mr. Brunner – Mr. Brunner commented that he had an opportunity to speak at the Eagles a couple of weeks ago and stated that we are very fortunate to have them in our community for all of their volunteerism and all of the good they do for the community.

Ms. Ridd – No reports.

Deputy Mayor Iverson – No reports.

ITEM 8. OTHER BUSINESS. Mayor Agenbroad called for a motion to accept the resignation of Mark Davis from the Planning Commission, with a vote of thanks.

Ms. Iverson motioned. Ms. Ridd seconded the motion.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for discussion.

Mr. Harding commented that Mr. Davis has done a great job serving as a member of the Planning Commission, and appreciates all of the work he did as a commission member.

Ms. Iverson agreed with Mr. Harding's comments adding that Mr. Davis always listened and had great things to offer, and we wish him well in Arizona.

No further discussion.

VOTE: Iverson, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Hanson, Yes; Harding, Yes; Brunner, Yes; Ridd, Yes. [6-0]

ITEM 9. FINAL COUNCIL AND MANAGER COMMENTS. Deputy Mayor Iverson thanked all of our veterans including Mayor Agenbroad, a marine and Purple Heart recipient. Ms. Iverson further commented that she is very humbled to live in this country and to have had so many people serve and protect us.

Mayor Agenbroad also thanked Council Member Jack Hanson for his military service.

In addition, Mayor Agenbroad offered accolades to the staff for hosting the third grade student government day here at the City Building. Mayor Agenbroad commented that staff has received some really good comments regarding the program and hopefully it will be highlighted in the newsletter. The many students and teachers were wonderful to meet with; it is a great reflection on the City.

ITEM 10. GUEST COMMENTS. No Guest Comments.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION. No Executive Session.

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT. Mayor Agenbroad thanked the MVCC for tonight's telecast and scheduled rebroadcasts of this Springboro City Council Meeting.

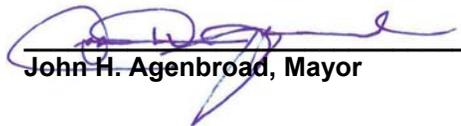
Mayor Agenbroad called for a motion to adjourn the Thursday, November 3, 2022 Springboro City Council Regular Meeting at approximately 7:10 PM.

Mr. Harding motioned. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Harding, Yes; Brunner, Yes; Ridd, Yes; Iverson, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Hanson, Yes. [6-0]

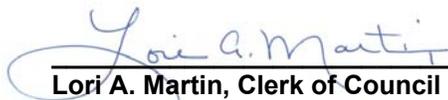
—MEETING ADJOURNED—



John H. Agenbroad, Mayor

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Presiding Officer



Lori A. Martin, Clerk of Council