

Roll Call: Ayes: Mrs. Moore, Mr. Roeder, Ms. Anne Williams
Ms. Carmella Williams, Mr. Earl Williams
Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Malone

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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The Mayor invited members of the audience to comment on any of the agenda items.

No comments were offered.

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Ordinance No. 20-14, by Mr. Zimmerman, recognizing the appointment of Mayor David E. Weiss to the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (“GCRTA”) and his representation on said Board of the City’s interests, as well as the interests of all citizens of this City and of Cuyahoga County.

William M. Ondrey Gruber, Law Director, stated that in the past Council has appointed both mayors and staff of the City to represent the City’s interests on non-profit boards where there could be a conflict of interest because the City has or may have a contractual relationship with those organizations and that can run afoul of Ohio law regarding having an interest in an unlawful, pecuniary or fiduciary interest in a public contract. In order to avoid any possible conflict and any appearance of conflict, he recommends that Council approve legislation recognizing the appointment of Mayor Weiss on the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) and his representation on the Board of the City’s interests as well as those of course of all citizens of this City and Cuyahoga County. In December 2019 Mayor Weiss was elected by the Cuyahoga County Mayor’s and City Managers Association to the Board of Trustees for a term commencing on March 3, 2020. There are three members of that Board who are appointed by the Cuyahoga County Mayor’s and City Managers Association. The City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County also appoints members to that Board. The City also has annual contracts with RTA for the provision of services by the City to maintain the landscaping along the rail lines and has other contractual interactions involving a transfer agreement from 1975, which is still invoked and interpreted. We recently had it amended for the Van Aken development. In order to avoid any possible claim of a conflict this Council may name the Mayor in his official capacity to represent the City’s interests.

Council member Mr. Earl Williams asked if there was any possibility of a conflict by the Mayor being a member of the Board.

Director Gruber responded only as a fiduciary. As long as the Mayor is representing the City’s interest on that Board it is an exception to any possible conflict under state law.

It was moved by Mr. Zimmerman, and seconded by Ms. Anne Williams, that the rule requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and Ordinance No. 20-14 be placed upon its final enactment.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mrs. Moore, Mr. Roeder, Ms. Anne Williams
Ms. Carmella Williams, Mr. Earl Williams
Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Malone

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Mr. Zimmerman, and seconded by Ms. Anne Williams, that Ordinance No. 20-14 be enacted as read.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mrs. Moore, Mr. Roeder, Ms. Anne Williams
Ms. Carmella Williams, Mr. Earl Williams
Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Malone

Nays: None

Ordinance Enacted

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Ordinance No. 20-15, by Mr. Earl Williams, approving and authorizing execution of a Purchase Agreement under the City's Side Lot Program, for the sale of the City-owned property located at 3654 Daleford Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio, for a purchase price of \$50.00, authorizing the disposition of City-owned property without competitive bidding, and declaring an emergency.

Neighborhood Revitalization Department Director Kamla Lewis stated that Gregory Huffman of 3658 Daleford Road has applied to acquire the adjacent City-owned vacant lot at 3654 Daleford Road. He proposes to enclose it with an ornamental fence behind the City landscaping, maintain the beautiful tree at the front of the property with appropriate pruning and trimming, and remove the stump at the back of the property. He is offering \$50 for the lot and proposes capital improvements in the amount of \$5,906.

Director Gruber asked if this application will follow the new protocol for the proposed side lot program.

Director Lewis stated that she informed Mr. Huffman that staff can take this to the City Planning Commission on his behalf if he wishes, and it will include the new language regarding trees.

It was moved by Mr. Earl Williams, and seconded by Ms. Anne Williams, that the rule requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and Ordinance No. 20-15 be placed upon its final enactment.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mrs. Moore, Mr. Roeder, Ms. Anne Williams
Ms. Carmella Williams, Mr. Earl Williams
Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Malone

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Mr. Earl Williams, and seconded by Ms. Anne Williams, that Ordinance No. 20-15 be enacted as read.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mrs. Moore, Mr. Roeder, Ms. Anne Williams
Ms. Carmella Williams, Mr. Earl Williams
Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Malone

Nays: None

Ordinance Enacted

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The Mayor invited members of the audience to comment on any issues.

No comments were offered.

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There being no further business before Council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

DAVID E. WEISS, Mayor

JERI E. CHAIKIN, Clerk of Council