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THIS MEETING WAS HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM

Minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting held October 5, 2020 at 7:05 P.M. Present were Chairman Janik, Mr. Dembinski, Mr. Cowger, Mr. Van Treuren, Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Nahorn, Mr. Heberling. Also present were Council President Wasilk, Assistant Law Director Ward, Mayor Costilow, Auditor Pittak, Law Director Pecora, Treasurer Ramsey, Safety/Service Director Jeffreys.

A-20-37 Approve an economic development plan for the area near Rt. 2 and N. Lake Street interchange

Mayor Costilow discussed the traffic study that was done and infrastructure changes that would need to be made as the district is developed. This is the first step in the process. He explained further. He spoke to the map that was provided. The City of Lorain would be in favor of this development and is willing to partner with us on this plan. Mayor Costilow said TIF would generate tax money for Amherst only.

Mr. Ward commented that we would see legislation on the next phase that defines how much and the length of years it would be in place as this would be the next step for this plan. There are a few key components to this ordinance that will be worked out by the law department. The key components are to define the boundaries of the district and determining if there will be an overlay. He explained further.

Mr. Dembinski said as part of the plan, passing the economic development plan does not force us to rezone areas to a PDD although that may be what the city would prefer.

Mr. Nahorn mentioned the need to address traffic in the area as it has gotten much more used and thanked the Mayor for addressing the issue before parcels in the area are further developed. Mr. Janik agreed, especially with the new Akron Children's hospital coming to this area.

Mrs. Wasilk was pleased that the Mayor went out of his way to make sure schools are not impacted by this development.

Mr. Cowger motioned to send this to the floor or Council with the emergency. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 7-0 to send to the floor of Council.

Mr. Cowger motioned to adjourn. Second by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 7-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

David Janik, Chairman  
Community Development Committee