**BEACHWOOD CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M. AT BEACHWOOD CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM A, 25325 FAIRMOUNT BOULEVARD, BEACHWOOD, OHIO 44122.**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Council President Martin S. Horwitz.

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| ROLL CALL: | Present: | J. Berns, M.S. Horwitz, M.M. Jacobs, B.B. Janovitz, B. Linick, |
| | Absent: | A. Isaacson, J. Pasch |
| | Also Present: | Mayor Gorden, H.L. Jones, M. Kaplan, T. Turick |

1. Holding an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters regarding the Employment and Compensation of Personnel.

Moved by M.M. Jacobs, seconded by B. Janovitz to go into Executive Session at 5:31 P.M.

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| ROLL CALL | Yes: | J. Berns, M.S. Horwitz, M.M. Jacobs, B.B. Janovitz, B.H. Linick |
| | Abstain: | None. |
| | No: | None. |
| | Not Voting: | None. |
| | | MOTION ADOPTED |

Moved by J. Berns, seconded by M.M. Jacobs to go back on the record.

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| ROLL CALL | Yes: | J. Berns, M.S. Horwitz, M.M. Jacobs, B.B. Janovitz, B.H. Linick |
| | Abstain: | None. |
| | No: | None. |
| | Not Voting: | None. |
| | | MOTION ADOPTED |

BACK ON RECORD AT 5:36 P.M.

2. Mayor's Reports

None.

3. Discussion regarding the 2017 Budget

Ms. Kaplan presented the proposed 2017 Budget which is attached for the official record.

Ms. Kaplan stated that there was a $330,000.00 surplus but also pointed out that the Capitol Improvement budget was not currently included.

Mr. Berns asked if the new proposed Fire Station #2 is included in the budget presented.

Ms. Kaplan stated that project will be included in the Capitol Improvement Budget.

Ms. Janovitz asked how much was in the Capitol Improvement Fund currently.

Ms. Kaplan stated that there was $14.2 Million unencumbered.

Mr. Berns asked if Ms. Kaplan could explain some of the cost savings measures that were made to the budget presented.

Ms. Kaplan stated that equipment from service and personnel were cut from the proposed budget.

Mayor Gordon stated that personnel are the biggest expense for the City.

Mayor Gordon stated that the City needs additional personnel in Police, Fire, and Service.

Mr. Berns stated that he was aware that the Police Department needed two new employees.

Mayor Gordon stated that he and the Police Chief were discussing that matter.

Mayor Gordon also stated that it was his goal to have a new Police Chief hired by January.

Ms. Kaplan also stated that the Police Department desired to hire in Assistant Clerk of Court and a Dispatch Supervisor.

Mayor Gordon stated that the Police Department was down five personnel.

Mr. Horwitz asked if Ms. Kaplan could conceptually explain local taxes.

Ms. Kaplan stated that she used the former Finance Director's historical projections which were 3%.

Ms. Kaplan stated that another cost-saving measure was changing the price of permits.

Mr. Jacobs asked Ms. Kaplan what the projected reimbursement for EMS services would be.

Ms. Kaplan stated that it is projected that reimbursement will be $1 million.

Mr. Horwitz stated that EMS reimbursements always go to the General Fund.

Mr. Jacobs asked if the senior trips offered by the City come out as a wash.

Ms. Kaplan stated that the trips come out as a wash for the participants.
Ms. Janovitz asked how many years were left on the debt service.

Ms. Kaplan stated that debt service would go to 2024.

Mr. Linick asked if there would be any change in the numbers after the salary ordinance is approved.

Ms. Kaplan stated that no, the budget was developed with a salary increase in mind.

Mr. Berns asked if the City Engineer position was in the budget.

Ms. Kaplan stated yes.

Ms. Janovitz asked if there would be any revenue from Economic Development or other professional services.

Ms. Kaplan stated that there would be revenue from the Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Mr. Horwitz asked if there would be any revenue decrease.

Ms. Kaplan stated there would be none.

Mr. Horwitz asked if Ms. Kaplan could talk about some of the Capital Improvement projects.

Ms. Kaplan stated that those projects included: Fire Station #2, the proposed Dispatch Center renovation, southbound Richmond Road improvements, and the proposed Connector Road.

Ms. Kaplan explained that there was $16 million in the Capital Improvement fund for 2017.

Ms. Turick stated that it was her desire to have the 2017 budget on the December 5th City Council meeting agenda.

Ms. Turick also stated that any further questions should be directed to Ms. Kaplan.

Mr. Horwitz asked if there were any further questions.

There were none.

At this time a motion was made to go back into Executive Session.

Moved by B. Linick and seconded by, J. Berns at 6:26 P.M. to enter into an Executive Session.

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| ROLL CALL | Yes: | J. Berns, M.S. Horwitz, M.M. Jacobs, B.B. Janovitz, B.H. Linick |
| | Abstain: | None. |
| | No: | None. |
| | Not Voting: | None. |
| | | MOTION ADOPTED |

Moved by B. Janovitz and seconded by, M. M. Jacobs at 6:50 PM to adjourn the Executive Session.

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| ROLL CALL | Yes: | J. Berns, M.S. Horwitz, M.M. Jacobs, B.B. Janovitz, B.H. Linick |
| | Abstain: | None. |
| | No: | None. |
| | Not Voting: | None. |
| | | MOTION ADOPTED |

Back on the record at 6:51 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by B. Janovitz, seconded by B. Linick at 6:52 P.M. to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Executive Session to the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

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| ROLL CALL Yes: | Present: | J. Berns, M.S. Horwitz, M.M. Jacobs, B.B. Janovitz, B. Linick, |
| | Abstain: | None. |
| | No: | None. |
| | Not Voting: | None. |
| | | MOTION ADOPTED |

Approved:

Merle S. Gorden

Merle S. Gorden, Mayor

Whitney M. Cook

Clerk of Council