#### **COUNCIL MINUTES**

March 2, 2020 Council Chambers 7:00 P.M. **7:00 P.M.** - President Ellington called the March 2, 2020 Newark City Council Meeting to order

ROLL CALL - Mr. Fennell, Ms. Hall, Mr. Harris, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Rath, Mr. Blake, Mr. Bubb

# **INVOCATION** – Pastor Corbin Huffman

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - President Ellington**

# CAUCUS: Motion made by Mr. Lang to excuse Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Labutis. Motion carried by acclamation.

**MINUTES of February 18, 2020** Motion by Mr. Labutis to approve the February 18, 2020 Newark City Council Minutes as presented and the reading be dispensed with in view of the fact each member of Council has received written summary of same, second by Mr. Lang. **Motion carried by acclamation** 

# **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Finance – Received & Filed Service – Received & Filed Capital Improvements – Received & Filed Personnel – Received & Filed

# **REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

Tax Administrator- Barb Jobes Income tax revenue reports for the periods ending January 31, 2020 and February 15, 2020. Received and Filed

# COMMUNICATIONS

**Fairfield Homes** – regarding Chilcote Manor senior housing development N. 21<sup>st</sup> St - **Received & Filed Ohio EPA**-Notice of receipt of Clean Water Act, Section 401 application on North Fork Licking River- **Received & Filed** 

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Newark City Council shall at a later date to be determined and announced hereafter take action on Ordinance 19-37. Said Ordinance is subject to the proposing amendment to the Zoning Ordinance 8-33A which would allow the changing of the zoning classifications of certain real properties generally described as 905 Hollander Street, City of Newark, Ohio, Licking County from that of GO-General Office District to MFR-Multi-Family Residence District.

**19-37** AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 905 HOLLANDER STREET, CITY OF NEWARK, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, FROM THAT OF GO-GENERAL OFFICE DISTRICT, TO MFR- MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO.

#### **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

William Porter- 758 Hollander Street The first and foremost problem I have with this zoning change is that myself and some of my neighbors that are within 300 feet of the property were not notified by letter originally so we were unable to make the first meeting. We have a lot of crime in our neighborhood some of us have security cameras and we have videos. Some of the crime we can almost certainly trace back to the apartment buildings that already exist there. I understand that part of the argument is that these are duplexes not apartments. Well I understand there is not a whole lot of difference with who is living in them. I also understand that these are not zoned as low income duplexes however I do know that at any point and time that can be changed. I have lived at my address for 33 years I have invested a lot of time and money in my property. At my age I am not really interested in moving due to the crime we have experienced from the existing tenants from the apartments on our street. I guess that I would just ask as you make a decision tonight that you put yourself in our shoes, we have been there for a long time and now it's my understanding that there are 32 units with single one and two bedrooms. That would probably equate to at least eighty people, eighty new neighbors within a block of our house. If you could imagine as to where you currently live in your house and all of a sudden you inherit eighty new neighbors and at any time could be changed to lower income level and add to the crimes you already have in your neighborhood. That's all I have, thank you.

**Don Ellington-President of Council**- I should have mentioned that David Rhodes, Head of Planning Commission, The Planning Commission did approve the amendment of 905 Hollander to a Multi-Family Residence District with certain screening and etc. criteria.

Julie Miracle Gravely-802 Hollander Street We have the house between the apartments and the Goodwill folks. I can't tell you how many times I have called because people are down in our yard, multiple people at multiple different times. Goodwill told us we could use that part of the yard. Many times I have called the police and between us and the people living beside the people that are dealing drugs. My husband will leave for work at 3:00 a.m. and there are bikes and backpacks all up and down the streets and at that point I was leaving at 4:30 a.m. At any point if this could be turned into low income housing you are killing us. You are killing the people my house is the first house that my dad ever built. The neighborhood has changed so drastically that I can't even express how much it has changed. Potentially eighty people in my back yard, it is so busy now, it is not the place it use to be and having to put cameras out. I know you would not want to be there. Our packages may or may not be there when you go to get them. It needs to be a place kids can play not more housing, so they are not learning how to deal drugs.

**Frederick Briggs-749 Hollander Street** I don't have a lot to say but wanted to let you know that this will profoundly change the neighborhood. I want each of you to think how much you would enjoy having this in your back yard, thirty new automobiles on your quiet little residential street every morning and every night. I would like to point out that single dwelling units are not family dwellings. If you would keep that in mind when you take your vote.

Justin Thomas-766 Hollander Street I found out about this meeting from my neighbors and I am well within 300 feet of the property. I have lived here for three years I have met my neighbors who have lived here way longer than I have. In the three years I have lived there I have had my car broken into twice and multiple packages stolen out of my front yard. I have used the cameras my neighbors have installed, and I am thinking about installing my own cameras. It seems like at this time adding a place like that will add multiple people to our neighborhood. We don't have the street surface alone to take up the street traffic. Getting out of my driveway at certain times of the day is pretty outrages. I back my car into my garage. I have had to pull in wait for traffic to dissipate then back my car into my garage. We are looking at a situation of people who have lived there for thirty years or more and are now thinking of leaving the area because this will cause more crime and more drugs. We have a stop sign that I can sit on my porch any given day in the summer and watch people run it or spin their tires. I'm a car guy I love that kind of stuff but I really don't want it sitting in front of my house. If we are looking at what this going to create if I want to sell my house. I am looking at revamping my house, I'm in a great neighborhood with great neighbors, now I'm hearing there is going to be an apartment complex right down the street that at any time could be turned into low income housing. Like she was saying you can watch bikes going up and down the street at 3 a.m. go down the street with empty backpacks come back with the afternoon with stuff in them. I don't know what they are doing or where they are getting that so I am not making any conclusions. But it worries me for the safety of me, my wife, my son and my neighbors and what it is going to create and develop in our neighborhood.

# **ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING**

#### By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Cost, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Marmie

19-37 AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 905 HOLLANDER STREET, CITY OF NEWARK, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, FROM THAT OF GO-GENERAL OFFICE DISTRICT, TO MFR- MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO.

# Motion to adopt Ordinance 19-37 by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Bubb

**Mr. Rath**-I appreciate you guys coming forward and giving us your opinion. I know the Planning Commission did extensive research on this area. They are recommending that we go with their general recommendation. I do know that it is going to be a decent development and I do know that it is going to be fair market value price as far as rent goes, it's not going to be a low rent district. I just have a hard time excepting that because you have an apartment complex that produces crime that all apartment complexes produce crime. I find that is not necessarily the case. Right now it is just an empty lot. It would be great to make that a play area for the kids but unfortunately that does not generate revenue. There is an actual owner of this property it is not the city. This is a way for them to use this for a business. It is now classified as a general business. Which means they could move almost anything in there and we would have absolutely no control or say. As it is now they are going to do a multimillion dollar investment in the neighborhood on the property. I think it will be a good thing for the neighborhood, I hope it is. With that I would recommend that everyone pass this.

**Mr. Fennel**-I have given this a lot of thought. I have been contacted by other positions as well. This has been a really difficult piece for me to look at. I understand your concerns, and understand that this is in many ways a gamble potentially in your minds for whether or not this development will or will not be good for your neighborhood. I do applaud all of you coming tonight to address this. I have spoken with individuals and I do believe that this will not damage your neighborhood but it will change it. I do believe that it will help eventually and it will help your property value. I don't necessarily believe this housing development will be bringing in people that cause trouble in your neighborhood. If you do have trouble that is what we are here for, contact us.

**Mr.Marmie**-The Ohio Revised Code is very specific on what we can and cannot do when it comes to zoning changes. There are some different things that go into play as far as you cannot spot zone and things like that. Property owner rights are very important in the State of Ohio and the City of Newark. Your property owner rights are very important because you have ownership of your property is to your benefit. You can make changes alterations to your house you can do different things on your own property. This owner has property rights also, therefore we cannot just vote against something because we don't like what the property owner is going to do. If it conforms with our zoning codes and matches up with the zoning surrounding it and we have to deal with this all the time. Does it match up and if it fits in, it is hard for us to go against that. Of course if it is something that doesn't fit in we can say no, usually the planning commission will research. If someone was trying to put an industrial or commercial business in the middle of a neighborhood or something like that we could say no. So we have to be very careful how we vote and our decisions. Although we know that it is your neighborhood, there are things in my neighborhood I don't like but it's the law. Therefore sometimes we vote to make sure we are following the law.

Motion passed by a vote 9-0.

# **Comments from Citizens**

**Nancy Welu -7441 Stewart Road** First I would like to thank some councilmen. I would like to thank Mr. Fennell for coming out to the Newark Homeless Outreach last month and the weather was less than inviting, it was cold and rainy. Mr. Fennell did a great job interacting with the people, serving food and he helped with taking down the tent. I think we saw about fifty people that day. I also want to thank Mr. Lang this evening. I believe it was late last summer that Mr. Lang donated a bicycle to the Newark Homeless Outreach and I have stored the bicycle in my husband's garage waiting to give it to someone who needed it really badly. I am happy to report last Saturday a gentleman who got a new job and needed transportation. I brought the bike to the outreach center and gave it to the gentleman. My husband put some air in the tires and we were good to go. I

wanted to thank you for that and let you know how much that meant to that gentleman. Each week the Newark Homeless Outreach serves low income and unsheltered in our community. Each week I walk away with surprise of the need, which I talked to Mr. Fennell that day. I think last Saturday we served over seventy people. We had a lot of food donated, including a gentleman from Granville who brought minestrone soup which was really good on a cold day. It was cold last Saturday not wet but cold. I also wanted to let you know if you didn't hear The Disciple Factory and the Crossroads Crusaders opened up a warming shelter for three nights. The temperatures were low plus we had rain which makes it more miserable. I am part of the warming center taskforce I came on board last April because Linda Mossholder and I are the only ones who can make the Friday seven thirty meetings. I fully support what the taskforce is doing. We are so thankful not only to The Disciple Factory and the Crossroads Crusaders, but to the Licking County Foundation who allows us to meet there. They are managing all of the donations that are coming in and I am also thankful for the people of the taskforce. There are some grass root members mostly social service agencies, Sean Grady from EMA is chairperson. We have done a lot of work this year I believe there is a lot of work to be done for next year to serve the unsheltered community. We have some wonderful caring people in this community we really do. With that said I want to bring up a topic of hate speech. Last week a friend brought to my attention a mailing she received from a political action committee raising funds for a candidate running at the state level to represent this area. After reading through the mailer I was appalled and disgusted at the language being used to raise money for this candidate. To my knowledge the candidate has not renounced the mailer. All last week I kept thinking about the words that were used in this mailer. Quite frankly I have never seen anything like it. Words like crazy, abomination, devious and demented. When you are talking about a minority community, in this case the LGBT community in order to further ones agenda then we all need to speak out against it and say we won't stand for it. We don't need this type of politics and hate speech in our community. There is enough going on in the world today we don't need this in our community. If we don't see ourselves as part of the group being negatively impacted then it is not on our radar. It doesn't affect me so why should I care? I believe this is and should be on people's radar. According to an FBI report of 2018 of the hate crimes reported nearly nineteen percent stem from LGBT bias. Nineteen percent it's appalling. It should not be the responsibility of the ones being victimized to point out this kind of hate behavior. For me there is no neutral space in this argument. There is right and wrong and this mailer was wrong. In 2016 most of you who are sitting up here passed legislation that prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. The vote on this legislation was unanimous and I applaud you. I would urge everyone here tonight and others to stand up and say our community will not stand for this type of hate speech from anyone. Especially from someone who wants to represent us in Columbus at the State House. We do not believe by passing this legislation in Newark that it created more activism or that passing that legislation it created special rights. Our country has long history of bias against minority and it needs to stop and we can do that here and now. Lastly, you might find this funny, but I follow Jay Hottinger on Facebook, I looked at it this morning because I didn't know if I was going to come to council tonight. Jay quoted Martin Luther King and he wrote, "our lives begin to end the day we become violent about the things that matter". I guess that was my sign to come to council tonight. Then Jay wrote show up, stand up and speak up. I challenge all of you to show up, stand up and speak up when you see injustice and hate happening in our community speak up.

**Rochelle Bolen Smith-Violet Court** I wanted to thank Nancy for her words. When I saw the article in the Advocate I just couldn't believe it. Nancy you spoke so beautifully. I can't believe a representative would come up with something like that it is just galling and unbelievable that would happen in our society.

**Daniel Crawford-168 S. Second Street** I wasn't going to speak tonight but after Nancy spoke I felt compelled to speak. I didn't get the mailer myself but I have seen the ads on Facebook. I will just mention him by name Mark Fraizer who was on council has been the target of these attacks which I find them personally repulsive. I ran against him in 2015 and last year I have always found him to be a good person who will go out of his way to listen to people. I may not agree with the way he was sent to the state level but that does not mean he is a bad person. Fact is he made the right decision that day as did everyone else standing up for equal rights, equal protection. I have tried whenever the ad pops up to respond to inform people this is just wrong. We shouldn't tolerate this despicable behavior in this area. It does not reflect well on us on the national stage or the state

level. I am really hoping Mark can have a victory. I may not agree with all his politics but I know he will listen to the people. What you see of his opponent you know he will not be listening to everyone. I thank everyone who is up here that voted for the legislation at the time.

# By: Mr. Lang, Mr.Marmie, Mr.Rath, Mr.Blake, Mr.Labutis

**20-01** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 210 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR SETTING THE COMPENSATION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS Motion to adopt Ordinance 20-01 by Mr. Lang, second by Mr. Marmie Mr. Labutis- I think it is great common sense legislation and I applaud Mr. Lang for bringing it forth. Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

#### **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

**By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang 20-10** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SENIOR AUTOMOTIVE MECHANIC/EQUIPMENT OPERATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE, DIVISION OF STREET MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC CONTROL. **Held for a second reading on March 16, 2020** 

#### By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang

**20-11** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION, PAY RANGE AND DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION TABLES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE, DIVISION OF PARKS AND CEMETERY BY CREATING THE CLASSIFICATION OF **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER,** AND SETTING THE COMPENSATION THEREFORE.

Held for a second reading on March 16, 2020

# **RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING**

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang 20-06 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (100 General Fund-500.00-Bldg Grounds Maint) Motion to adopt Resolution 20-06 by Mr. Marmie second by Mr. Lang

Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

# By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Blake, Mr. Lang

**20-07** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEWARK TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020, COPS HIRING PROGRAM.

# Motion to adopt Resolution 20-07 by Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Rath

**Mr. Blake**-I attend block meetings and talk to people in my neighborhood and ward. Crime and drug addiction is still an issue and things need to be addressed. It is nice to see that we are going to have these three additional positions for the police department. I am thankful that the legislation was brought forward and we can eventually get some more officers hired.

Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

# By: Mr.Marmie, Mr. Lang, Mr. Labutis

**20-08** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEWARK TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR AN AWARD OF FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 FUNDING UNDER THE OHIO EMS TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT GRANT PROGRAM.

Motion to adopt Resolution 20-08 by Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Rath

Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang
20-10 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.
(335 Cap Improv Fund-17,000.00-Bldg Grounds Maint)
Motion to adopt Resolution 20-10 by Mr. Lang, second by Mr. Labutis
Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

#### **RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING**

**By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang, Mr. Marmie, 20-11** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION. **Held for a second reading on March 16, 2020** 

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang
20-12 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL
CORPORATION - EXPEDITE
Motion to waive the two day reading rule by Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Lang
Mr. Marmie- We have some payouts that we always expedite to make sure we get the funds to the employees and we also have another bill we need to get paid.
Motion to waive the two day reading rule passed by a vote of 9-0.
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 20-12 by Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Lang
Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

**By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang 20-13** A RESOLUTIONAPPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION. **Held for a second reading on March 16, 2020** 

**By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang 20-14** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION - EXPEDITE

Motion to waive the two day reading rule by Mr. Lang, second by Mr. Labutis

**Mr. Lang**- This is for construction work that we are going to be doing. We have a grant that will cover a portion of it but we need to front the nine thousand nine hundred dollars up front to pay for the construction then we will get reimbursed.

Motion to waive the two day reading rule passed by a vote of 9-0. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 20-14 by Mr. Lang, second by Mr. Labutis Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Lang

**20-15** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF HEATH, OHIO FOR THE PAVING OF BLUE JAY ROAD.

Motion to waive the two day reading rule by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Lang

Mr. Rath- We are doing this in conjunction with the City of Heath as well as ODOT and as always ODOT has deadlines we need to meet.

Motion to waive the two day reading rule passed by a vote of 9-0

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 20-15 by Mr. Rath, second Mr. Lang

Motion passed by a vote 9-0.

#### **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

None

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Mayor Hall** – I would like to congratulate the Newark High Girls Basketball team on winning the District this past weekend. They will enter the regionals this week. The Newark High boys and girls if they continue this week they will each have two games. I wish them the best of luck. Yesterday I attended the Eagle Scout induction ceremony, Troop 2 who has been in town for over fifty years had five scouts that became Eagle Scouts which is quite an accomplishment that takes a few years. There were around one hundred sixty people in attendance they did a nice job. I congratulated all those young gentlemen that worked hard to get that designation. They did a nice job of thanking their parents and the others involved partners and a few peers. It was all good stuff.

**Mr. Fennell** – Nancy I would like to thank you for coming out tonight and yes it was very cold and very wet. It did not help when you took the tents down and all the water went on you. Even after that I was freezing and all I could think of was the people that were still out on the streets. It was difficult it was impactful I do hope to join you again. I also do appreciate you speaking to the hate speech. The ordinance you spoke about is an example of what I thought about while deciding to run for office. I am sitting here tonight and why I decided to run is because I believe Newark is a place where anyone can be successful. I appreciate you speaking on those issues.

**Mr. Harris**- I attended the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast on Saturday and it was packed. I would like to thank Trinity for their Black History program Blake and Labutis were there but they left early and I stayed for the whole thing.

**Mr. Lang-** I would like to thank my colleagues for working with me to pass Ordinance No. 20-01. It was on my mind after the last round of adjustments of salaries and thought we could clear up our procedures for the future. Nancy thanks for coming back and letting me know about the bike. That was on my mind only because you said you would let me know. I am glad it was put to good use. We made a purchase over the holidays and ended up with an extra bike and I thought the homeless outreach could make good use of it and you certainly did.

Mr. Marmie-Called a Finance Committee meeting.

**Mr. Rath**- Called a Service Committee meeting for March 16 and to let you know Joe Ebel will be coming in to give us an update of the health of Licking County. It will be his final meeting he will be retiring. Congratulations to Joe. I am sure he will be updating us in depth regarding the Coronavirus. Nancy I just wanted to say well said and I appreciate everyone who talked about this topic and didn't mention his name, the bigoted hypocrite is an excellent name for him. I would like to thank Mr. Rhodes I understand we are not going to have a dog park at Forry Park which is okay because we are now going to have a dog park at Reddington Park which is actually in the third ward. He is committed to doing that sometime this spring. I will look forward to seeing that and using it as well. I also would like to thank Jonathan Lang for organizing the meeting this afternoon that was attended by myself, Dee Hall, Law Director, Doug Sassen and Safety Director, Steve Baum. We had an in-depth conversation regarding the noise ordinance not sure we solved any problems of the world but it was a good conversation with good information.

Mr. Blake- First I would like to say thank you to Pastor Huffman for coming and taking the time to pray for our meeting and our people. I understand this is your first council meeting we are right around forty minutes so it's not too long. I want to say to Nancy thank you for your comments, and working with the homeless and the warming centers. I did go through the training for the warming center with Sean Grady, Salvation Army and The Disciple Factory it was a very good training and appreciate everything they do for unsheltered population. I do want to mention that something came up in the service committee meeting about the paving schedule I went back and looked at the minutes because that is always an anticipated question. When I read the minutes from last year regarding pavement Mr. Rath asked the question, tonight Mr. Lang asked the question. I am hoping when they come through with the approval that they can provide the list and it seems like it is a regular pattern that has been occurring since we have been doing this. That would be nice since it seems it will be an anticipated question. So to just bring that forward instead of having to wait for a week or two to get the list would be a good idea. I am grateful Brian agreed to do something by providing some data on the roads that's encouraging. I will say that my mother was at the Trinity church service and we both sat there through the whole service. We won't say who left early. But it was a very good celebration and always a good time. Granted it is long but its once a year. Ending Black History month we also celebrate fifty years of walking across the Bridge and the civil rights movement and just remembering the people that walked across that bridge to bring civil rights to African Americans in our country the battle and the fight that continues even today for equal rights. It does remind me that just not with the color of our skin but with LGBT citizens in our community we need to continue to lobby for those that are marginalized. Once again Nancy I thank you for bringing that to the floor and to our attention. There are people in our community that do have love that do care for each and every one of us. I am thankful that this council passed unanimously the legislation

that I authored in 2016. I do believe there are good hearted people in our community that will take out those that are just unjust and hateful. The light will come out from the dark.

**President Ellington** –Our next council meeting will be March 16, 2020. Committees will start at 5:45pm and City Council will start at 7:00pm.

# ADJOURNMENT - Motion by Mr. Labutis, second by Mr. Lang