## CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting

April 7, 2014

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Mader, Chair, at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes

Without objection, the minutes of the March 3, 2014 meeting were approved.

Agenda Items

Temp. Ord. A-12

An ordinance approving regulatory text amendments to Chapter 1115, Title I, Part 11; Chapter 1131, Title 3, Part 11, Section 1131.03(H)(13) and Table 1131-1 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls (General Development Code), and declaring an emergency.

The Chair appointed Mrs. Pyke to conduct a public hearing regarding the ordinance as required by C.O. §1113.06.

Planning Director Fred Guerra gave a staff report concerning the proposed ordinance. The ordinance amends the Codified Ordinances to make it clear that auto title lenders will be categorized with payday lenders and pawnshops and subject to the same zoning restrictions as these types of businesses.

No members of the public requested to be heard in favor or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mrs. Pyke closed the public hearing.

The Chair recognized Mr. Colavecchio, who asked the Law Director to explain what operations would not be allowed in the City. The Law Director stated that the ordinance prohibits lenders from evading regulation by setting themselves up as "brokers" of loans, and adds secured loans to the types of loans covered by the ordinance. Mr. Colavecchio asked if

other communities have similar ordinances in effect. The Law Director stated that many do.

The Chair recognized Mr. Pallotta, who asked if auto title lenders will be subject to the same proximity requirements as pawnshops. Mr. Guerra stated that they are.

There was no proponent testimony. There was no opponent testimony. There was no public comment.

Motion by Mr. Rubino to release Temp. Ord. A-12 with a favorable recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Weinhardt. Motion adopted by acclamation.

Non-Agenda Items

Adjournment

None.

Without objection, Chairman Mader adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Terry Mader, Chair

Paul A. Janis, Clerk of Council