

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Public Affairs Committee Meeting
May 21, 2012

Members: Don Walters, Chair
Carrie Snyder
Carol Klinger

Mr. Walters called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes from the April 16, 2012 Committee meetings were approved as submitted.

Legislation Discussed:

Temp. Ord. A-56

Temp. Ord. A-57

Discussion

Temp. Ord. A-56

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an intergovernmental agreement known as the Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and Tax Revenue Sharing, as amended, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Truby stated this ordinance is the 2012 version of the agreement created by the County four years ago. In the four years the City has been a member, there were two locations affected. Edwin Shaw is in its third year of tax sharing between Lakemore and the City, and this year, Ultratech moved from the City to Ascot Park in Akron, for which the City will receive taxes for three years. Changes to the agreement include a requirement that communities provide their total income tax bases. There was also language added regarding JEDD and JEDZ areas. The City has only one JEDD with Boston Twp. By being a member, the City received 12 bonus points on its LTP applications. Members need to give a 60-day notice to get out of the agreement. June 30 is the deadline to sign. As of today, Twinsburg and Sagamore Hills have passed legislation. Everyone else is in the process of passing legislation. Mr. Walters asked if the County would monitor income tax more now or would the City do it itself. Mrs. Truby stated it would be done by both but this would allow the County to track it. Mr. Walters asked if County Council could force all communities in the County to sign. Mrs. Truby stated it is optional for now. Mr. Janis stated state law would have to require that all communities join, which it does not. Mr. Rubino asked if individual income tax information would be listed in what was reported to the County. Mrs. Truby replied it is just one lump sum amount.

Mrs. Snyder moved to bring out A-56 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mrs. Klinger. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-57

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to issue an encroachment permit to Barbara S. Dieterich dba Diamond Deli for the purpose of installing and maintaining outdoor seating and food service activities in the public right-of-way of Front Street, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Syx stated that in the past Council has approved agreements to allow outdoor dining in the mall area. The City is requesting one more for the Diamond Deli at 2202 Front Street. It is owned by the same owners of the Akron location. Business is doing well but space is tight. There is a 12 x 18 foot area he

can use out front which would accommodate two tables with four chairs each. They would only be using the area when the business is open. It will not be fenced in. The permit would be in the name of the property owner. Mr. Barnhart asked if smoking would be permitted in the outside area. Mrs. Syx stated there is nothing in place that prohibits smoking outside. Mr. Janis added there is nothing that would regulate smoking in the public right-of-way.

Mrs. Klinger moved to bring out A-57 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mrs. Snyder. Motion passed (3-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.