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The Work Session meeting of Council held November 5, 2018 was called to order at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers. The following members of Council were present: First Ward Chris Jones, Second Ward Lisa Keller, Third Ward Jim Browning, Fourth Ward Kyle Rohrer, At-Large George Hellinger, Vice-Mayor Kent Shafer and Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle who presided.

Staff Present: Darren Shulman, City Attorney, Dean Stelzer, Finance Director, Sean Hughes, Economic Development Director, Lee Yoakum, Community Affairs Coordinator, Jackie Walker, Assistant City Manager and Tom Homan, City Manager

ITEM 2: DISCUSSION OF THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACCESS DELAWARE INITIATIVE

Mr. Homan reviewed the purpose of the Work Session and reviewed the previous work for the Access Delaware Initiative. He discussed the survey results in which 47% surveyed requested more public input regarding road and transportation needs. Mr. Homan discussed the need for citizen input and education.

Mr. Ferrigno discussed previous efforts to have public meetings and citizen engagement. He discussed the need to use different social media platforms to receive public feedback and have the public help design the levy.

Vice-Mayor Shafer recommended the use of civic engagement programs. Mr. Homan informed Council that the City has a contract with POLCO to create online polls and surveys. Mr. Yoakum discussed the POLCO format and how it allows for residents to have a way to provide feedback to a specific questions. Council requested a demonstration on POLCO.

Mr. Hellinger discussed introducing a levy that is 5 years with an increase to be used for road repairs only and not for construction of new roads. He discussed the need to repair East Central Avenue.

Mrs. Keller voiced the need to have information available in a more user friendly format. She discussed citizen engagement programs that are used to help citizens understand the budget.

Mr. Browning recommended moving forward with a levy on the May ballot and have a deadline on the levy of five years. A discussion was held on the current levy issues for the City of Gahanna and Powell.

Mr. Rohrer discussed that previous input from citizens that were against the prior road levy was related to the proposed permanent increase.

ITEM 3: PUBLIC COMMENT

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Brett Latta
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Mr. Latta recommended that Council not rush a levy on the May ballot and create a citizen task force. He also requested information on the use of

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pervious pavements. Mr. Ferrigno discussed the use of the pervious pavement at Cherry Street and Blue Limestone Park.

ITEM 4: NEXT STEPS

Mayor Riggle recommended to start with a demonstration on citizen engagement programs and how it can be utilized towards a levy and budget process and follow up with a citizen let committee. Mrs. Keller and Vice-Mayor Shafer were in agreement to start with citizen input before moving forward with a levy.

ITEM 5: ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice-Mayor Shafer motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.



Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle / Vice Mayor Kent Shafer



Elaine McCloskey, Council Clerk