The Delaware City Council Work Session meeting of September 30, 2019 was called to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Delaware City Council Chambers. The following members of Council were present: 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. Absent from the meeting was First Ward Chris Jones.

Staff Present: Dean Stelzer, Finance Director, Alycia Ballone, Budget and Management Analyst, Bill Ferrigno, Public Works Director, Blake Jordan, Public Utilities Director, Sean Hughes, Economic Development Director, Bruce Pijanowski, Police Chief, John Donahue, Fire Chief, Kyle Kridler, Assistant City Manager, and Tom Homan, City Manager

**Motion to Excuse:** Vice-Mayor Shafer motioned to excuse Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Keller. Motion approved by a 6-0 vote.

**ITEM 2: PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**
Brett Latta
376 North Sandusky Street
Delaware, Ohio

Mr. Latta requested that staff consider eco-friendly infrastructure and to look at bat friendly bridge designs. He discussed the benefits of bats to control bug population, such as, mosquitos and recommended installing bat boxes into the designs.

**ITEM 3: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION**

A. 2020-2024 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP)
   1. Police

Chief Pijanowski discussed that current police cruisers are utilized until they have approximately 100,000 miles on them and then they are often repurposed for the use of the school resource officers and city fleet. He discussed that they continue to look at the body cameras, but the cost and management of the system are still difficult. He discussed the cost for cruiser digital video recording system and that the current system falls out of maintenance in 2019. The new proposal will replace items out of warranty with new items that will be under a new five-year maintenance agreement. He provided information on the proposed new system for records management and that the vendor that was approved in 2018 has stopped selling the product, which has voided the contract. Staff is currently reviewing new vendor options.

2. Fire

Chief Donahue discussed the need to replace the 1989 pumper engine that is located at Station 302 and that they will be purchasing the new one locally at Sutphen. The department will be switching vendors from Pierce to Sutphen due to maintenance issues and concerns over the length of time for warranty repairs. He also discussed the need to replace staff utility vehicles. Also discussed was the projection beyond 5 years to need another fire station on the east side related to growth in the City. Mrs. Keller
discussed the Emergency Vehicle Preemption and that this is necessary technology.

3. Other Projects

Mr. Ferrigno discussed the expansion of Pennick Avenue and that staff continues to work with Delaware City Schools and does plan on the project moving forward. He also discussed the concerns voiced regarding curb repair at Wesleyan Woods. He recommends trying to extend pavement over gutter pan to face of curb and extend the current life of the curb.

A discussion was held regarding the request for a traffic signal at U.S. 36 and Carson Farms Blvd. He discussed that this area does meet the warrant for a signal relating to the 8 hour traffic volume condition. He discussed that the signal would work well with the Emergency Vehicle Preemptive technology. He discussed adding this project to the CIP with a schedule to look for a consultant in 2020 and construction around 2021/2022. He estimated the cost to be around $250,000.

Motion: Mrs. Keller motioned to include Carson Farms Blvd and U.S. 36 traffic signal in the 2020-2-21 CIP, seconded by Vice-Mayor Shafer. Motion approved by a 6-0 vote.

Discussions were held on Short Cut Alley and Hull Drive. Mr. Homan also discussed the arch bridge for Winter Street. Mayor Riggle continued to voice concerns over speeding on Pumphrey Terrace.

Mr. Ferrigno discussed the downtown sidewalk project and the need to advance the project, but that there will be fiber work by Verizon/MCI in which the sidewalks may be tore up. He discussed the need to coordinate with the project so sidewalks that need repaired are not within this project scope. He discussed making safety fixes in the meantime.

Mr. Homan discussed the potential for utility expansion on Sawmill Parkway's industrial area to help encourage developers to develop the area. Mr. Hughes discussed that there is 2000 acres of land that is not all currently up for sale. There is a pricing variation for the land and need to have a willing developer/land owner partnership. He discussed the need to relook at the area for what type of development the City would like in the area, i.e. white-collar jobs.

4. Review of Major Revenue Sources

Mr. Stelzer discussed the NCA South area.

ITEM 4: EXECUTIVE SESSION: pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (3) pending or imminent court action, Section 121.22 (G) (1) personnel, Section 121.22 (G) (5) matters required to be kept confidential by State statute, Section 121.22 (G) (2) acquisition of property for public purpose and 121.22(G) (8) consideration of confidential information related to a request for economic development assistance. (If necessary)
Executive Session was deemed not necessary.

ITEM 5: ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice Mayor Shafer moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Mayor Carolyn Kay Riddle

Elaine McCloskey, Council Clerk