

MINUTES OF LIMA CITY COUNCIL  
LIMA, OHIO

October 11, 2021

The Council of the City of Lima met in regular session at 7:00 p.m.

Attending were: Mayor David Berger; Tony Geiger, Law Director; Randall Bartels, Auditor; Steven Cleaves, Finance Director; Kari Keener, Dir. of Human Resources; Susan Crotty; Dir. Of DCD; Mike Caprella, Dir. of Util.; Howard Elstro, Dir. of Public Works; Chief Martin; and Dana Addis, Clerk.

The invocation was given by Councilor Gordon followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neepor and Nixon. Absent: Ehora.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Joe Braden with the Ohio Auditor of State's Office presented the City of Lima with the Auditor of State Award with Distinction. He explained the Auditor of State Award is presented to local governments and school districts upon the completion of a financial audit that meet certain criteria and a clean audit report. He recognized the City Council and the Mayor along with Randy Bartels and Sue Odenweller for their commitment to fiscal integrity. Randy Bartels emphasized the award is not just for the Auditor's office and everyone played a role because open meetings and public records are a big part of the award.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE PRESENTED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Minutes of the previous meeting not read since each received a copy.

Gordon moved, seconded by Dixon, that the Minutes of the previous meeting be amended to reflect the attendance of Sharetta Smith, Chief of Staff. Motion carried. Gordon moved that item "a" of the consent calendar be received, filed, and approved as amended, seconded by Wilkerson, motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS WERE PRESENTED:

1. From the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding a liquor permit transfer for 238 W. Grand Avenue. Gordon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the communication be received, filed and the Clerk authorized to file with the Ohio Division of Liquor Control with no objections. Motion carried.

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THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS 2-21 WERE PRESENTED:

2. From the Executive Director of Visit Greater Lima regarding renewal of the annual agreement with the City of Lima.
3. From Judge David A. Rodabaugh requesting legislation to purchase goods and services from various funds during the 2022 fiscal year.
4. From the Fire Chief regarding legislation to donate expired equipment to Apollo Career Center.
5. From the Chief of Police regarding legislation to enter into contract with Civica North America Inc.
6. From the Chief of Police regarding legislation to enter into an agreement with Crossroads Crisis Center.
7. From the Finance Dir. regarding legislation to amend the 2021 annual budget.
8. From the Chief Technology Officer regarding legislation to allow the Data Systems Group to dispose of numerous old equipment through govdeals.com.
9. From the Chief Technology Officer regarding legislation to Purchase a subscription for 375 Cisco Duo CLDS Access Edition licenses.
10. From the Utility Operation Manager regarding legislation to enter into an agreement with Jones & Henry.
11. From the Utility Operation Manager regarding legislation to enter into an agreement with Smith-Boughan Mechanical.
12. From the Utility Operation Manager regarding legislation to purchase and install two Variable Frequency Drives.
13. From the Dir. of Utilities regarding legislation to amend Ordinance 164-21.
14. From the Dir. of Public Works regarding legislation to amend Ordinance 156-21.
15. From the City Engineer regarding legislation to amend an agreement with CMT for the Main St. Corridor Improvements.

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16. From the City Engineer regarding legislation to distribute funds to Allied Construction.

17. From the Dir. of Public Works regarding legislation to grant an easement in the 100 block of South Main Street.

18. From the Dir. of Public Works regarding legislation to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Heaphy Harmony Real Estate LLC.

19. From the Deputy Dir. of Parks, Recreation and Forestry regarding legislation to receive and expend funds from the Johnny Appleseed Cooperative Parks Improvement Grant Program.

20. From the Dir. of Public Works regarding legislation to apply for Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021.

21. From the Dir. of Community Development regarding legislation to proceed with PLAYWITHYOURFOOD, LLC Energy Special Improvement District Application.

Councilor Dixon moved, seconded by Thompson, that communications no. 2-21 be received and filed and the Law Director authorized to prepare any necessary legislation. President Nixon clarified Communication No. 12 lists a price for two variable frequency drives at \$17,979 and that should be for each unit. Motion carried.

22. From the Dir. of Community Development regarding the recommendation of the City Planning Commission to approve the proposal of the Downtown rezoning. Thompson moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the communication be received and filed; that the Law Director prepare the necessary legislation; that the Clerk cause publication of the legal ad notifying the public of the Public Hearing to be held on November 22, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS 23 & 24 WERE PRESENTED:

23. From the Dir. of Community Development regarding legislation to place tax assessment on premises in the City of Lima, Ohio.

24. From the Law Dir. regarding legislation to enact Chapter 246, Establishing authorized employment positions.

Councilor Wilkerson moved, seconded by Neepser, that communications no. 23 and 24 be received and filed. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICIALS:

Howard Elstro, Dir. of Public Works, presented the Central Business District Streetscape Expansion. He explained there are three phases to conquer the east side of the Central Business District which the City has previously not been able to reinvest in. He believes the investment is significant to Downtown and they have estimated it will bring in approximately 260,000 visitors to the area. He explained Phase 1 will address the needs of the 100 block of Spring Street and will be designed to feature pedestrian aesthetics and comforts. He explained Spring Street could be closed off at both ends and become a pedestrian mall. He further explained the easement that is on Councils' docket is for the area of the sidewalk to be utilized for customer seating by John Heaphy. John Heaphy believes there has been a collaboration of many people downtown for many years that are just now coming to fruition. He expressed his excitement to be a part of the grander vision of what has transpired over the past 36 months in the Southeast Quadrant of the Central Business District. He used Grand Rapids Michigan as an example of a group of individuals investing in a blighted downtown and turning the area into something to be desired. He explained once someone such as Rhodes State College makes the move to invest in downtown, it sparks interest for other investors. He complimented the other efforts being made in Lima such as the projects on North Main Street and Elizabeth Street. He provided Council with examples of blighted buildings that have been removed in downtown over the last few years. He pointed out the properties that he has acquired and explained the improvements that he has planned for the properties. He presented Council with renderings of the Spring and Main Street Building and explained the Phase 1 Streetscape Project pulls together investments that have been made by Rhodes State College, himself and the amphitheater and will bring a great sense of community. Tracie Sanchez explained the Amphitheater Park project started in 2017-2018 when the Rotary Club was looking for something big to help spark the revitalization in Downtown Lima. She explained the goal was to be as close to Rhodes State College as possible and also help to develop a stressed and run-down part of the City. She explained project started off small, but quickly grew to be able to accommodate the Lima Symphony Orchestra and other concert bands. She provided examples of what the Amphitheater could be utilized for. She presented renderings of the Amphitheatre and pointed out the many features of the property. She advised the Civic and Convention Center has agreed to manage the event calendar and schedule all events to take place at the facility. She further advised the final goal is to donate the property to the City and establish a maintenance fund. She provided a timeline of the amphitheater project including a completion date by November, 2022. She explained part of the Phase 2 Streetscape Project involves a city block from Elm Street to Spring Street on Central Ave. which includes three distressed buildings that will be transformed into the Central District. She provided renderings of the Central District project after completion and provided a timeline for completion. She pointed out the future Bark Park which has a completion date towards the end of 2022. Howard Elstro thanked John Heaphy and Tracie Sanchez and explained there are many other investors and donors who have shown interest in Lima. He explained the next steps for the City and informed Council of the resources for funding and the approximate amount of each Phase. He asked Council for their support in the project going forward. Discussion was held regarding the timeline and President Nixon expressed the

importance of accelerating the process. Mayor Berger emphasized the roles that Heaphy and Sanchez have played and they are folks putting their money where their mouths are in major ways. He advised of the role John Heaphy and his partner played in acquiring land for the Borra Center. He thanked both Tracie Sanchez and John Heaphy. (A complete copy of the presentation is on file in the Council office).

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE PRESENTED:

019-21 A Resolution approving the Petition for special assessments for special energy improvement projects. Dixon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the Resolution be adopted on the first reading after having been read. The Clerk read the Resolution. The following vote was recorded on the motion: Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the resolution was adopted on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES WERE PRESENTED:

218-21 An Ordinance levying special assessments for property maintenance code charges on premises in the City of Lima. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

219-21 An Ordinance amending the 2021 Annual Budget. Neeper moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

220-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with New Lima-Housing for the Future. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

221-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with New Lima-Housing for the Future. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

222-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with New Lima-Housing for the Future. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

223-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with New Lima-Housing for the Future. Thompson moved, seconded by Gordon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

224-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with West Ohio Community Action Partnership. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

225-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with West Ohio Community Action Partnership. Moved by Thompson, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

226-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with West Ohio Community Action Partnership. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

227-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Rhodes State College for Career Pathways in Advanced Manufactured Services. Thompson moved, seconded by Gordon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

228-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Bradfield Community Association. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

229-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Lima City Schools for My Brother's Keeper Youth After-School Program Services. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

230-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Soldiers of Honor. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

231-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with GL Theatrix CTA. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

232-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Trinity UMC. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

233-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with the Lima Area Chamber Foundation. Thompson moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

234-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to determine to proceed with the acquisition, construction, and improvement of certain public improvements in cooperation with the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District. Gordon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

235-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to amend Chapter 220 of the Codified Ordinances. Wilkerson moved, seconded by Thompson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

236-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enacting Chapter 246 of the Codified Ordinances. Wilkerson moved, seconded by Gordon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

237-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Crossroads Crisis Center. Nixon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, to amend the Ordinance in Section 1, the end of the last sentence should read “to be paid from ARPA Funds”. Motion carried. Nixon moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

238-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Civica North America, Inc. Dixon moved, seconded by Thompson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

239-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract for the purchase of a subscription for 375 Cisco Duos CLDs Access Edition Licenses. Gordon moved, seconded by Neeper, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

240-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with govdeals.com. Gordon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.



241-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Rumpke of Ohio, Inc. Gordon moved, seconded by Neeper, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 6; Gordon, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, 1; Wilkerson. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 6-1 vote.

242-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to amend a contract with MS Consultants as authorized in Ord. 164-21. Gordon moved, seconded by Neeper, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

243-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Jones & Henry. Gordon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

244-21 An Ordinance authorizing the purchase and installation of two variable frequency drives. Gordon moved, seconded by Neeper, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

245-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Smith-Boughan Mechanical. Gordon moved, seconded by Wilkerson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

246-21 An Ordinance amending Chapter 1040 of the Codified Ordinances. Gordon moved, seconded by Dixon, that the Ordinance be placed on a second reading. Motion carried.

247-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to make a payment to Allied Construction. Glenn moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

248-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Heaphy Harmony Real Estate, LLC. Glenn moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

249-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Easement Agreement with Good Food Incorporated, Heaphy Harmony Real Estate, LLC and Main & Spring, LLC. Glenn moved, seconded by Dixon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

250-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to amend the contract with CMT as authorized in Ordinance 118-21. Dixon moved, seconded by Thompson, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

251-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to amend Ordinance 156-21. Dixon moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

252-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to apply for, accept and administer grant funds from Johnny Appleseed Cooperative Parks Improvement Grant Program. Neeper moved, seconded by Gordon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

253-21 An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to apply for, accept and administer funds from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021. Neeper moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 7; Gordon, Wilkerson, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by a 7-0 vote.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilor Thompson explained the community has experienced some negative things but it was good to see over the course of the weekend she saw people come together as a community including the first TEDx. She thanked the Property Maintenance Department for handling a constituent who had not only property maintenance issues but mental health issues as well. She explained they handled the issue timely, considerately and with much compassion. She specifically thanked Angie Rex. She thanked Ms. Sanchez and Mr. Heaphy for their presentations. She explained it took a moment for her to see the big picture but now that it is coming together in her head, she believes there is nothing but good that is coming from the investments.

Councilor Dixon welcomed residents of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward to the Peace Maker Neighborhood Association meeting on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at St. James Church. He thanked Lima Police Department, Lima Fire Department and LACNIP for hosting National Night Out. He congratulated and thanked Megan Horton for hosting a Small Business Pop-up Shop at the Bradfield Center. He reminded everyone that this month is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and asked everyone to pay attention to their bodies and get their exams. He announced this month is Domestic Violence Month and asked the public to lend a listening ear and show those in need a positive route to go.

Councilor Glenn thanked everyone who attended the Rhodes State Borra Center Celebration. He thanked Ms. Sanchez and Mr. Heaphy for their investment in the City. He announced there will be Trunk or Treat at the American Legion on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. He referenced the Eureka Street garbage change and announced he will be meeting on the issue. He thanked the gentleman who helped a child when he was in a car accident over the weekend.

Councilor Neeper expressed his appreciation for the National Night Out which was a great outing hosted by the Lima Police Dept., the Lima Fire Dept. and LACNIP. He thanked Tracie Sanchez and John Heaphy for their vision, perseverance and continued support for the City. He explained he got into local politics because he wanted to help improve the City.


Councilor Gordon explained the Rhodes State Borra Center is an amazing facility and remembered when the project started. He said it was nice to see the project come to fruition. He thanked John Heaphy and Tracie Sanchez for their investment in the City. He said now is the time to start thinking BIG. He explained Lima is changing and the people in the room are visionaries which is what Lima needs. He expressed his excitement for the future of Lima. Gordon moved, seconded by Glenn, to authorize the absence and salary of Councilor Peggy Ehora. Motion carried. He reminded people to be good to each other.

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Councilor Wilkerson expressed his excitement for what is happening in our community. He expressed Rumpke has been a sore subject for him since he has taken office. He explained he wouldn't be doing his constituents a service if he didn't speak on the issue. He believes Rumpke has a lot of explaining to do to the residents on what their plan is in the future. He reminded everyone to be good to each other.

President Nixon thanked John Heaphy, Tracie Sanchez and Administration for their efforts. He explained it has always been a concern as families pass away, will the succeeding generations have the same civic devotion. He expressed it is good to see the South East Quadrant getting developed and moving forward means a lot to him because he knows where both Ms. Sanchez and Mr. Heaphy came from and it wasn't particularly wealthy families. He appreciates their contributions to the community.

Gordon moved that Council adjourn until October 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Dixon, motion carried.



John G. Nixon, President



Dana Addis, Clerk