

On Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 8:31 a.m., the Dayton City Commission met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of City Hall.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mims called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Shaw gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Mims led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken, and Mayor Mims, Commissioners Joseph, Shaw, Fairchild and Turner-Sloss were present. The Clerk of Commission, Ms. Regina D. Blackshear, The City Manager, and Ms. Shelley Dickstein were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 30, 2022, meeting. Commissioner Fairchild seconded the motion. The previous meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no communications or petitions.

SPECIAL AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS

AFICA Arab Americans

Mayor Mims invited Mr. Youssef Elzein, Chair, Salfit Committee, Sister Cities and Mr. Ismail Gula, Community Activist, to the podium for recognition on Arab American Month.

Mr. Elzein said he gets goosebumps every time he hears the proclamation being read. He said a few years ago, he would have never imagined he would hear from the governor's office all the way down to the City of Dayton.

Mr. Elzein said there are over 600 businesses in the city of Dayton that are owned by Arab Americans. He said Arab Americans list their nationality as White on the U.S. Census application which deprives their community of many benefits and resources under the Procurement Enhancement Program (PEP).

Mr. Gula said he has been in the City of Dayton since 1979 and has resided in all neighborhoods. He said in every area of the City of Dayton there is an Arab business established. He said he hopes to continue building partnerships with the City of Dayton and the Arab community.

Mayor Mims said it was good to see the many different contributions that are made by different nationalities in the City of Dayton.

Commissioner Turner-Sloss thanked Mr. Elzein and Mr. Gula for their commitment to the Dayton community.

Commissioner Fairchild said thanked them for their leadership and for bringing light to the impact the Arab community has on the City of Dayton.

Commissioner Shaw thanked them for their work and said he looks forward to continuing a relationship.

Commissioner Joseph thanked them for their personal commitment and determination.

The Clerk of Commission, Ms. Regina Blackshear, read the proclamation.

Reorganizing and Restructuring of the Police Department

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, invited Police Chief Kamran Afzal to the podium for a presentation on the Restructuring of the Police Department.

Chief Afzal said the reorganization is needed because the Dayton Police Department is facing challenges related to attrition and there is an increased need for additional officers to respond to calls for service and to further enhance community policing efforts. He said after examining current staffing, approximately 50 percent of sworn officers are assigned to patrol. Chief Afzal said best practices state 60 percent should be in patrol to respond to calls for service. He said patrol staffing levels are also reaching a critical level and the current recruit class (26 recruits) does not complete initial field training until September 2022.

Chief Afzal said through police reform there is a need to ensure transparency, accountability, and training. He said the focus is on community engagement, minority recruiting/diversity. He said the Police Department must create an organizational structure that aligns and responds to current community needs to address public safety challenges.

Chief Afzal said the restructure will add approximately 30 patrol officers to respond to calls for service, place all patrol officers and districts under one Division/Major, make officers and sergeants responsible for smaller geographic areas (patrol beats) to enhance community policing. Increase the department's focus on community engagement, minority recruiting, training (officers and community members), and employee development by placing these resources under the newly created Community Services Division, which will work closely with the Planning Department's - Division of Community Engagement.

Chief Afzal said the restructure will also create the Operations Support Division that will have additional uniform personnel to assist patrol with special event planning, parking complaints, traffic complaints, long-term community problems, and the Mobile Crisis Response Team. He said the Operations Support Division will also work closely with Dayton Mediation Center's Alternative Response Program. He said it will move all investigative personnel under the Investigations Division, which will allow for career progression of detectives and flexibility with how cases are assigned/investigated.

Chief Afzal gave an overview of the current structure and what the new structure will look like.

Commissioner Turner-Sloss thanked Chief Afzal for his presentation and work on the restructuring. She asked when the reorganization would be fully executed.

Chief Afzal said the reorganization would be fully executed on June 1, 2022.

Commissioner Turner-Sloss asked about cross over training.

Chief Afzal said there would be cross over training for all officers.

Commissioner Turner-Sloss asked if the Prosecutors Office has been involved in the re-organization of the Police Department.

Chief Afzal deferred to supporting police department staff in attendance and staff confirmed that the Prosecutors Office is aware of the departments' re-organization.

Commissioner Turner-Sloss asked about equipment and cruisers.

Chief Afzal said the correct amount of equipment will be available. He said there is a back order on cruisers.

Commissioner Fairchild thanked Chief Afzal for his work and attention to police reform work. He asked about leadership in the five divisions.

Chief Afzal said in each division the leadership is Major.

Commissioner Fairchild asked about the solution to the low number of police officers.

Chief Afzal said the solution is to try and get a class size of 30 recruits.

Commissioner Shaw thanked Chief Afzal for his approach to the reorganization. He asked for an update on the reorganization in the future.

Commissioner Joseph said he doesn't want to lose the outreach from the Police Department that his neighborhood association has been receiving. He said he has received positive feedback from it.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE CALENDAR

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, asked for the deletion of calendar items number 10 and 11 from this week's calendar. She said they will be added back next week.

DISCUSSION OF CALENDAR ITEMS

Calendar Item No. 4. Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc.- Service Agreement

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, said this is a continued long-term partnership with Miami Valley Fair Housing. She said it is an opportunity for them to administer fair housing education and outreach and provide training to the community and organizations.

Calendar Item No. 6. AKA Construction, Inc.-Award of Contract

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, said this item exceeded participation goals. She said this contract is for renovations to the airport hangar for a new aircraft maintenance training center ran by Sinclair Community College. She said this is significant workforce development with our airport.

Commissioner Turner-Sloss thanked staff for their work at the airport. She also highlighted and uplifted the work of the Human Relations Council.

Commissioner Joseph highlighted and thanked staff for the new Sinclair Training Facility at the Dayton International Airport.

Mayor Mims thanked staff for the Sinclair Training Facility at the Dayton International Airport.

Calendar Item No. 7. John R. Jurgensen- Award of Contract

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, said this item exceeded participation goals. She said the calendar item is for residential asphalt resurfacing which is being paid with Issue 9 funding. She said the project completion date for our residential resurfacing is always in October before the asphalt plants close.

Commissioner Joseph highlighted the \$4M in Residential Asphalt Resurfacing.

Calendar Item No. 8. L.J. Dewese Company- Award of Contract

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, said this item exceeded participation goals. She said this contract is for bike lanes on Broadway Street. She said the project should be complete by August 2022.

Calendar Item No. 9. Outdoor Enterprise, LLC- Award of Contract

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, said this item exceeded participation goals. She said they will be rebuilding North Avenue to West Riverview.

Commissioner Fairchild said he was excited about the Salem Avenue Reconstruction. He also he is happy about the bike lanes which will give him more opportunity to tour the city and speak with citizens.

REPORTS

1. Purchase Orders, Agreements and Contracts:

(All contracts are valid until delivery is complete or through December 31st of the current year).

FIRE

A1. Horton Emergency Vehicles Company (emergency vehicle parts, materials and supplies as needed through 12/31/22) **\$15,000.00**

FIRE

A2. State of Ohio – P0220843 (radio communication user fees as needed through 12/31/25) **\$740,480.00**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

B1. Comptech Computer Technologies Inc. (temporary staffing services as needed through 12/31/22) **50,000.00**

PLANNING, NEIGHBORHOODS AND DEVELOPMENT

C1. Agold Services, Inc. dba Pro TitleUSA (property ownership and title reporting services as needed through 12/31/22) **15,000.00**

C2. Cellco Prtnshp dba Verizon Wireless (cellular phones and tablets as needed through 12/31/22) **19,649.65**

C3. Dell Marketing LP (computers and accessories) **35,392.25**

C4. Friends Service Company, Inc. dba FriendsOffice (office furniture including delivery and installation services as needed through 9/30/22) **10,201.93**

C5. Ohio Newspapers, Inc. dba Dayton Daily News (legal publication services as needed through 12/31/22) **35,000.00**

C6. Parr Public Safety Equipment (two mobile dispatch tablets with docking stations and installation services)	15,409.94
C7. Tri-State Paralegal Service LLC (property ownership and title reporting services as needed through 12/31/22)	15,000.00

POLICE

D1. Kiesler Police Supply (ammunition)	27,849.30
D2. POWERDMS, Inc. (renewal of software maintenance services as needed through 12/31/25)	59,067.44
D3. SERT LLC (eighty (80) tactical carbine rifle cases)	12,000.00

PUBLIC WORKS

E1. Baldwin & Sours, Inc. (one hundred (100) uninterruptible power supply (UPS) batteries)	24,950.00
E2. CHWR, Inc. dba CHW Mechanical Services (heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) preventative maintenance and repairs)	50,000.00
E3. Lake Erie Construction Company (guardrails and attenuator products and repair services as needed through 12/31/23)	279,000.00

RECREATION

F1. Total Tennis, Inc. (tennis court resurfacing and reconditioning as needed through 12/31/22)	12,525.00
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WATER

G1. The Belting Company of Cincinnati dba CBT Company (annual software maintenance agreement as needed through 12/31/25)	202,586.95
G2. PVS Technologies, Inc. (bulk Ferric Chloride solution as needed through 12/31/24)	2,050,000.00
G3. State of Ohio – P0220830 (annual sewage, sludge and landfill permit fees as needed through 12/31/25)	78,197.44
G4. St Croix Sensory, Inc. (odor testing and assessment as needed through 12/31/23)	30,000.00
G5. Kendall Electric, Inc. (150 KVA Square Padmount Transformer)	22,522.00
G6. Southeastern Equipment Company (one lowboy trailer with accessories)	66,163.00
G7. TEMCO, Inc (eighteen (18) universal IV level transmitter systems)	54,684.00
G8. Everett J Prescott, Inc. – P0220833 (fire hydrants as needed through 12/31/22)	100,000.00
G9. Everett J Prescott, Inc. – P0220834 (fire hydrant replacement parts and accessories as needed through 12/31/22)	30,000.00
-Depts. of Fire, Information Technology, Planning, Neighborhoods and Development, Police, Public Works, Recreation and Water	Total: \$4,050,678.90

- ETC Institute – Service Agreement** – to design and perform the City’s annual Resident Opinion Survey– Department of Procurement, Management and Budget.
\$170,235.00
(Thru 12/31/24)

2. **The Kleingers Group – Service Agreement** – for professional surveying services in connection with the North Main Street Safety Improvements Project – Department of Public Works/Civil Engineering.

\$34,900.00
(Thru 12/31/26)

3. **Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc. – Service Agreement** – CDBG Subrecipient Agreement to administer the Fair Housing Education and Outreach (FHEO) Program – Department of Planning, Neighborhoods and Development/Development.

\$50,000.00
(Thru 12/31/22)

4. **Michael Baker International, Inc. – Service Agreement** – for FEMA Levee Accreditation, Interior Drainage Analysis Project – Department of Water/Water Engineering.

\$60,000.00
(Thru 12/31/23)

B. Construction Contracts:

5. **AKA Construction, Inc. – Award of Contract** – Dayton International Airport Hangar A Renovation (15% SBE Participation Goal/16.18% SBE Participation Achieved) - Department of Aviation/AP Admin & Finance.

\$893,848.00
(Thru 12/31/23)

6. **John R. Jurgensen Co – Award of Contract** – for 2022 Residential Asphalt Resurfacing I (10% SBE & 10% MBE Participation Goal/10.05% SBE & 10.05% MBE Participation Achieved) – Department of Public Works/Civil Engineering.

\$4,078,718.50
(Thru 10/28/24)

7. **L.J. DeWeese Company, Inc. – Award of Contract** – for Home Avenue Bikeway (6% DBE Participation Goal/13.15% DBE Participation Achieved) (Federal TA Funds) – Department of Public Works/Civil Engineering.

\$352,214.30
(Thru 8/1/24)

8. **Outdoor Enterprise, LLC – Award of Contract** – Salem Avenue Reconstruction – Phase 2 (8% DBE Participation Goal/9.28% DBE Participation Achieved) (Federal STP Funds) (State Issue I Funds) - Department of Public Works/Civil Engineering.

\$5,546,713.75
(Thru 6/1/25)

E. Other – Contributions, Etc.:

9. **Crown Personnel Service, Inc. – Payment of Voucher** – for payment of invoices for temporary staffing services – Clerk of Commission.

\$5,764.00

10. **Ohio Newspapers, Inc. dba Dayton Daily News – Payment of Voucher –** for payment of invoices for mandatory publishing services – Clerk of Commission. **\$5,686.02**
11. **Scott T. Kidd, Psy.D – Payment of Voucher –** for second forensic/competency evaluations on Defendants for Court – The Municipal Court. **\$1,400.00**

CITIZENS’ COMMENTS ON CALENDAR ITEMS

There were no citizen comments on calendar items.

APPROVAL OF CITY MANAGER’S REPORTS

Commissioner Joseph made the motion to approve the City Manager’s Reports Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion. The City Manager’s Reports were approved with a 5-0 vote. Voting in the affirmative were Mayor Mims, Commissioners Joseph, Shaw, Fairchild and Turner-Sloss.

LEGISLATION

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

Emergency Ordinance No. 31974-22- Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Parcels Located at the Southwest Corner of W. Third Street and Edwin C. Moses Boulevard to Montgomery County for the Relocation of the Wright “B” Flyer Statute, and Declaring an Emergency.

Commissioner Joseph moved that this being an emergency measure for the immediate consideration of the Ordinance. Commissioner Turner-Sloss seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a 5-0 vote. Voting in the affirmative were Mayor Mims, Commissioners Joseph, Shaw, Fairchild and Turner-Sloss.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION – FIRST READING

Emergency Resolution No. 6639-22- Authorizing the City Manager, or Her Designee, to Apply for, Accept, and Enter into H2Ohio Grant Funding Agreements Administered by the State of Ohio on Behalf of the City of Dayton, Ohio for Construction and/or Design Projects.

The question being shall Emergency Resolution No. 6639-22 be adopted. A roll call vote was taken resulting in a 5-0 vote. Voting in the affirmative were Mayor Mims, Commissioners Joseph, Shaw, Fairchild and Turner-Sloss. The Emergency Resolution was adopted.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE – SECOND READING

Emergency Resolution No. 6639-22- Amending Section 95.33 of the Revised Code of General Ordinances of the City of Dayton Concerning the Authority to Waive Parking Meter Closure Fees with the Pop-Up Patio Program, and Declaring an Emergency.

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

Ordinance No. 31973-22- Amending Section 34.01 of the Revised Code of General Ordinances Relating to the Divisions of the Department of Police, and Declaring an Emergency.

BOARD APPOINTMENT

Commissioner Fairchild made the motion to appoint Gabriella Pickett to the Community Appeals Board for term ending January 1, 2025. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens comments.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

The City Manager, Ms. Shelley Dickstein, had no closing comments.

COMMENTS BY THE CLERK OF COMMISSION

The Clerk of Commission, Ms. Regina D. Blackshear, said the Work Session regarding Sustainability will began following the City Commission meeting.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Turner-Sloss

Commissioner Turner-Sloss thanked staff for their work at the airport. She also highlighted and uplifted the work of the Human Relations.

Commissioner Fairchild

Commissioner Fairchild highlighted Black Maternal Health Week. He highlighted the video "Toxic" A black Women's Story.

Commissioner Fairchild thanked Mr. Elzein and Mr. Gula for their work on Arab American Month.

Commissioner Fairchild said the Interfaith Forum is hosting a prayer service on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at Courthouse Square.

Commissioner Fairchild wished everyone a happy Holy Week.

Commissioner Shaw

Commissioner Shaw highlighted the Fly-In in Washington, D.C.

Commissioner Shaw highlighted the AFL-CIO graduation and encouraged City of Dayton citizens to apply for the program.

Commissioner Shaw asked citizens not to park their cars on curbs and on grass between the sidewalk and the street. He said it lowers property values.

Commissioner Joseph

Commissioner Joseph thanked the AFL-CIO for their work. He said it was a fun evening speaking with young people who will be starting their careers.

Commissioner Joseph highlighted the Iftar with the Ambassador from Turkey.

Mayor Mims

Mayor Mims said the Mosque on Valley Street and the renovations.

Mayor Mims highlighted the Festival of Arts Gala at Wright State University.

Mayor Mims highlighted Vietnam Veterans Day on March 29, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr.
Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk of Commission