

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

Office of the Assistant City Administrator

Springdale, Ohio

June 15, 2012

To: Mrs. Marjorie Harlow
President
Springdale City Council

From: Derrick Parham
City Administrator

Re: Report on Pending and Future Legislation

Item I

A Resolution Adopting The Tax Budget Of The City Of Springdale For The Year January 1, 2013 Through December 31, 2013

The 2013 Tax Budget will be presented to City Council for consideration on 06/20/2012. Based on State regulations, the Tax Budget must be adopted by City Council on or before **07/20/2012**. With the implementation of the City Council summer schedule, the only meeting in July is scheduled for **07/18/2012**. By holding the public hearing notice at the June meeting and not the late July meeting, if any issues arise, it provides the City time to address them prior to the deadline. A legal advertisement announcing the date of the Public Hearing for the 2013 Tax Budget has been published.

A resolution approving the 2013 Tax Budget in conjunction with the required Public Hearing is scheduled to be before City Council for consideration on **06/20/2012**.

Item II

An Ordinance Directing The Hamilton County Board Of Elections To Submit To The Electors Of The City Of Springdale, Ohio, At The November 6, 2012, General Election, A Revision To Article VI, Section A, Paragraph 1, And Section B, Paragraph 1, Of The Charter Of The City Of Springdale

Currently, the Charter of the City of Springdale mandates that the City's Planning Commission and the City's Board of Zoning Appeals shall have two (2) members of City Council to serve on each board. One of the two Council members must be elected to Council as an at-large member and the other is to be elected from one of the districts. The Charter further states that these members of Council shall

serve on the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals for the duration of their term on Council (4 years). If this ordinance is approved by City Council, it will place a ballot issue on the November 6 election to reduce the number of years that the Council members are required to serve on these boards and commissions from four (4) years to two (2) years.

The proposed Charter language does not prohibit the Council members from serving on these boards for more than two years. In other words, if two members of Council are appointed to one of the two bodies for the first two years of his/her term, they can also be appointed for an additional two years during that same term or any future terms in which they are elected to City Council.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, directing the Hamilton County Board of Elections to place an issue on the November 6 General Election will be before Council for consideration at the **06/20/2012** meeting.

Item III

An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Enter Into an Agreement with the Lowest and Best Bidder for the Merchant Street Rehabilitation Project and Declaring An Emergency

Merchant Street is one of the most important roads in the City's Office Park area. A great deal of the curbs and gutters are deteriorating on Merchant Street and are in need of repair.

The proposed project will replace curbs and gutters along the majority of Merchant Street, install underdrains, as well as resurface the entire road. The Engineer's estimate for the project (minus the addition of the underdrains) was \$390,000. The City submitted an application for SCIP funding to assist with the project and was successfully awarded funding for 50% of the original cost (\$390,000). The City is scheduled to receive \$195,000 in SCIP funding for this project. Construction engineering costs for this project will be covered by the City at 100%.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the lowest and best bidder for the Merchant Street Rehabilitation Project will be before Council at the **07/18/2012** meeting.

Item IV

An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Renew its Participation in the Center for Local Government Benefits Pool (CLGBP) for 2012 and Declaring An Emergency

Beginning August 1, 2010, the City of Springdale joined the Center For Local Government Benefits Pool (CLGBP) in an effort to reduce its cost for Health Insurance.

The Board members of the Pool have worked closely with the insurance brokers to identify ways of reducing the overall medical costs for the members.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, authorizing the City to renew its participation in CLGBP for year 2012 is scheduled before Council at the **07/18/2012** meeting.

Item V

An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Fund the Employees Health Savings Accounts in 2012 and Declaring An Emergency

When the City joined the Center For Local Government Benefits Pool to provide Medical Insurance Coverage for all full-time City employees, Council passed legislation to fund each employee's Health Savings Account (HSA) in 2010 at 100% of the employee's deductible (\$2,000 - single coverage and \$4,000 - family coverage) and 50% in 2011 (\$1,000 – single coverage and \$2,000 – family coverage).

The City Administration is recommending that Council continue to fund each employee's HSA at the 50% rate for 2012.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, funding the HSA accounts for all full-time City employees on the City's Health Insurance Plan, will be before Council at the **07/18/2012** meeting.

Item VI

Anticipated Legislation For Future Consideration

- 1) An Ordinance Amending the Notification Requirements for certain BZA Actions, conditional permitted uses, and Zoning Code Amendments - **TBD**.
- 2) An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Participate in a Group Rating Program for Workers' Compensation for 2013 and Declaring An Emergency – **August 15**;
- 3) An Ordinance Renewing the 3 year Agreement with NextStep Networking and Declaring an Emergency - **July 18 or August 15**;

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