

CITY OF CLYDE
COUNCIL WORK SESSION
November 22, 2022

The regularly scheduled work session of Clyde City Council was held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room, Clyde City Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio 43410.

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Brent Stanley
Vice Mayor Chris Shay
Council Member Scott Black
Council Member Steve Keegan
Council Member Doug McCauley
City Manager Justin LaBenne (Not voting)
Clerk of Council Janet Dickman (Not voting)
Deputy Clerk Jackie Hoppe (Not voting)
Finance Director Frank Weasner (Not voting)
Solicitor Zachary Selvey (Not voting)

Absent/

Excused:

Visitors signing in can be referenced in the record book supplement.

6:33 p.m. Council Member Scott Black joined the meeting.

The following agenda items were presented for discussion:

1. 2023 Sidewalk Program
2. Façade Improvements
3. Zoning Code Enhancements

Mr. McCauley shared photos of current situations whereby vehicles are parked in front of a residence, in non-driveway areas. There is nothing in our Ordinances/Codes to prohibit parking in a front yard. This situation negatively affects the aesthetics of the City. Samples of language that other municipalities use to address this issue were reviewed. Mayor Stanley noted it will also need to be addressed regarding where driveways can be located. Mr. McCauley suggests that if this is not addressed, it will continue and will increase in occurrences. His hope is to educate residents and to remove these eye sores.

Another issue is related to RV's. In addition to the location on a property where a RV should be permitted, there is the issue of RV's that are used more as a "storage unit" than as a RV. Samples of legislation related to RV's was reviewed. We do have an Ordinance addressing the licensing of vehicles; enforcement of this Ordinance is the issue. The current Zoning Code 1149.02 needs revision. Mr. Black questioned if exemptions could be issued, as appropriate and if approved, for

residents who have needs that would have them be in violation of new Ordinances. Mr. McCauley would like to address RV's that are parked and never moved.

The next issue is disabled cars/trucks, sometimes multiple vehicles, on a property and remaining there for long periods of time. Additional junk/garbage seems to then accumulate around the disabled vehicles.

Mayor Stanley suggests that revision language legislation be brought to Council. Mr. Selvey suggests proposing discussion, including a strategy/process for dealing with offenders, prior to proposing legislation. We need to ensure the process is fair and equitable to all. Mr. Selvey suggests to consider using some budgetary funds to assist residents with hardship situations for clean-up efforts. This would apply to residents who voluntarily want to have their property cleaned up.

Mr. Selvey questioned if a definition of a driveway is included in our zoning codes. Mr. LaBenne stated new legislation would be comprehensive with definitions and process revisions. Nuisance properties could be taken by the City, if the property owners do not respond to our efforts to encourage them to address the property issues.

Mr. McCauley's objective is to improve the City.

Mr. LaBenne began discussions about a sidewalk program. Funds for a program are included in the budget. Council will need to decide how the funds would be used, how much of the program will be enforced and how much will be deferred. Administration has been revising the letters that are sent to residents, trying to encourage residents to contact the Zoning office to discuss multiple options to address their issues.

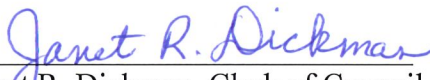
Administration has a meeting tomorrow to further discuss a program whereby community members can submit photos of problem areas/enforcement issues.

Mr. Winke noted the enforcement process does take time, and the issue cannot be turned around overnight.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Stanley announced the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Brent Stanley, Mayor

Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council