

# CITY OF TOLEDO

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## What Happened in the Toledo City Council Agenda Review and Special Council Meeting of 9-11-19

### SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING:

O-423-19 Amending the Toledo Municipal Code by repealing Sections 2101.01 & 2101.74 and enacting a new Toledo Municipal Code Section 2101.01 & 2101.74

**My Position: Support.**

**It adds a Deputy Director, expands the E range and adds a salary group called E5.**

O-410-19 Resolution Supporting the Appropriation of Increased Gasoline and Diesel Tax Revenues Exclusively to Residential and Commercial Storefront Street Paving.

**My Position: Support.**

**It raises gasoline and diesel fuel in Ohio from \$0.28 per gallon and \$0.47 per gallon respectively starting in July 2019. City of Toledo will use 20% of it for paving and maintenance of commercial storefront streets, the remaining 80% for residential streets.**

O-411-19 Ordinance Directing the Finance Director to Prepare a Bond Issuance for the Paving and Maintenance of Residential and Neighborhood Commercial Streets and Pledging Increased Gasoline and Diesel Tax Revenues in Repayment.

**My Position: Support.**

**Directs the Finance Director to prepare a bond issuance for \$25,000,000 for the paving and maintenance of neighborhood and residential streets with repayment made over 5 years from the gasoline and diesel fuel tax revenue.**

### COUNCILMAN WANIEWSKI PRESENTS:

TMP-4374 Recognizing University of Toledo Rocket Women's Softball team for their claim to the Mid-American Conference Tournament title.

**My Position: Support.**

**COUNCILMAN RILEY PRESENTS:**

TMP-4375 Recognize PFC Wilbur Lewis, 1950 - 1956 U.S. Army.

**My Position: Support.**

**APPOINTMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:**

TMP-4376 Appointments - Electrical Board of Control.

**My Position: Support.**

**The Mayor has recommended the reappointment Mr. Don Turner, Mr. David Desjardins, Mr. Josh Abernathy and Mr. Raymond Struffolino. Their terms expire on 10/31/22, 9/17/22, 9/17/22 and 10/31/22 respectively.**

TMP-4377 Appointment - Electrical Board of Control.

**My Position: Support.**

**The Mayor has recommended that Mr. Chuck Puhl replace Mr. John Ziegelhofer.**

TMP-4381 Appointments - Toledo City Historic District Commission.

**My Position: Support.**

**The Mayor has recommended the reappointment of Mr. Gary Hoffman and Ms. Danielle Steinhauser. The term for the former is 3 years expiring 9/30/22; and the term for the latter is 2 years expiring 9/30/21.**

**SECOND READING ITEMS:**

O-381-19 Amending Toledo Municipal Code Ch. 1760, Registration of Lead Safe Residential Rental Units, and enacting a new Ch. 1760, Lead-Safe Housing.

**My Position: Support.**

**This amendment of the original ordinance repeals the existing legislation and enacts a new one. The administration has taken a wait and see position along with a different version of a new law and the Law Department agrees with them. Law has advised City Council against repealing the current chapter of the Toledo Municipal Code and replacing it with one that addresses the**

**Injunction. No one is sure when a ruling will come. In the meantime, anyone may have their home tested for lead on their own.**

O-382-19 Authorizing the appropriation of \$75,000 from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund for the Lead Safe Home Program; authorizing the expenditure of said funds.

**My Position: Support.**

**The person hired in this position as an Assistant Auditor will deal specifically with administering all aspects of the program related to monitoring grants, obtaining lead test kits, education and marketing. This money will also provide funding for a lead conference.**

O-398-19 Granting a Special Use Permit, for a Residential Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center for a site located at 3132 Secor Road, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio; subject to certain conditions.

**My Position: Support.**

**Feedback from the public meeting was well attended on 9/11/19 and most people were in favor. Most concerns centered around the building's suitability. The site will be limited to use by women only with drug and alcohol treatment needs.**

O-413-19 Amending the Toledo Municipal Code by repealing Section 1111.0303, Mailed Notice; and enacting a new Toledo Municipal Code Section 1111.0303, Mailed Notice.

**My Position: Do Not Support.**

**This extends giving mailed notice far beyond the requirements of the current notice to residents (abutting or across the street) to a one quarter mile radius about proposed agricultural use of a property. The expense is an unwarranted additional expenditure from the budget.**

O-418-19 Authorizing the expenditure of \$3,000,000 per year from the Sewer Operating Fund; authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract for a period of five years with two additional two-year extensions for costs associated with the annual Biosolids Recycling/Disposal Program.

**My Position: Support.**

**This contract will provide for the disposal of the by-product produced by the water treatment process at the Bayview Wastewater Treatment Plant.**

O-421-19 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three-year contract for banking services; further authorizing the expenditures.

**My Position: Support.**

**Fifth Third Bank will be our depository and provide other necessary banking services.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT CHERRY AND THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL  
PRESENT:**

TMP-4378 Adopting a calendar for 2020 for City Council.

**My Position: Support.**

**This annual resolution sets our meeting schedule for next year.**

TMP-4393 Approving a Petition For Special Assessments for Special Energy Improvement Projects and a Project Plan for the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District under Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code; to authorize and levy special assessments for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and improving certain public improvements in the City of Toledo in cooperation with the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District; and to approve an Energy Project Agreement in connection with such improvements and special assessments.

**My Position: Support.**

**Mr. Mark Bastian will use this money to make \$16,325.00 of energy improvements at 3841 Rohr Dr.**

TMP-4394 Approving a Petition For Special Assessments for Special Energy Improvement Projects and a Project Plan for the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District under Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code; to authorize and levy special assessments for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and improving certain public improvements in the City of Toledo in cooperation with the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District; and to approve an Energy Project Agreement in connection with such improvements and special assessments.

**My Position: Support.**

**Ms. Christine Young will make \$8,013.00 in energy improvements at 3618 Watson Avenue.**

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:**

1. TMP-4383 Officially changing the name of Toledo Express Airport to the Eugene F. Kranz Toledo Express Airport; authorizing the Mayor to execute needed instruments to effectuate the name change.

**My Position: Support.**

**Mr. Kranz was born August 17, 1933 in Toledo and graduated from Central Catholic High School. Mr. Kranz became the Director of NASA Mission Operations in 1983 and retired in 1994. His career at NASA spanned 34 years. He is best known for the historic role he played as the Flight Director for the Apollo 11 Mission which landed the first man on the moon (Neil Armstrong) 50 years ago on July 20, 1969. Mr. Kranz was also the Flight Director for the agonizing Apollo 13 Mission where astronauts lives and their return to earth were jeopardized by an oxygen tank explosion. He directed their safe return and famously said “Failure Is Not An Option; for this he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Nixon. Another famous quote from that flight was “Houston, we have a problem”. Apollo 13’s 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary is coming soon, too. Renaming Toledo Express Airport for him would be a fitting honor for this native son.**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT:**

2. TMP-4370 Authorizing the Mayor to accept an Environmental Health & Radiation Protection Program grant from the Ohio Department of Health in the amount of \$300,000 as a pass-through to the Historic South Initiative for the purposes of residential lead hazard control work, health and safety work and rehabilitation/remodeling work; authorizing the deposit, appropriation and expenditure of funds in the Operation Grants Fund.

**My Position: Support.**

**To date over 50 homes have been rehabilitated or remodeled. This \$300,000 was matched by the Historic South Group, so \$600,000 was used. Now, there will be another \$600,000 for more work to be done.**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF FIRE & RESCUE OPERATIONS:**

3. TMP-4382 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a new agreement with the Village of Ottawa Hills for the continued provision of fire and emergency services; authorizing the acceptance of service payments.

**My Position: Support.**

**Toledo Fire & Rescue Department will continue to provide services but will not be housed in the Ottawa Hills building on Richards Road. For our firefighter services, Ottawa Hills will pay \$300,000.**

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW:**

4. TMP-4379 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a 36-month legal research subscription; authorizing the expenditure not to exceed \$1,000 per month subject to annual appropriations.

**My Position: Support.**

**The current subscription expires on 2/29/20. Lexis Nexus offered the best research service at the lowest price - \$814.30 monthly for the Law Department.**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:**

5. TMP-4366 Authorizing the mayor to enter into and execute cooperative agreements between the City of Toledo and the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (ODOT) and giving consent to ODOT to place a new concrete overlay wearing surface on the Veterans Glass City Skyway and replace the existing rail - PID 106163.

**My Position: Support.**

**Chloride has been seeping into the concrete on the bridge. We need to find out where it's coming from and correct it as well as remove the damaged surface and railing.**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE:**

6. TMP-4372 Authorizing the expenditure of \$156,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the design, construction and construction oversight of Gas Collection and Control System repairs, replacement and/or rehabilitation at the Hoffman Road Landfill; authorizing the Mayor to enter into contracts for said purposes.

**My Position: Support.**

**This work will be contracted out and it falls under the Project Labor Agreement with the Skilled Trades Union.**

7. TMP-4368 Authorizing the expenditure of \$75,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund for landfill equipment repairs; authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract to complete equipment repairs.

**My Position: Support.**

**These repairs will avert costly equipment breakdowns and unnecessary down time.**

8. TMP-4353 Authorizing the expenditure of \$225,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the replacement of the Family House HVAC system.

**My Position: Support.**

**They have no heat. The work has been bid out and the hope is that the work will be completed before winter starts.**

9. TMP-4364 Officially renaming Superior Park located at 1221 North Superior Street, Toledo, OH 43604, to "Paul William Alexander Park".

**My Position: Support.**

**Mr. Alexander is a Toledoan who is the founder of the YMCA - Y's Men International which promotes brotherhood and world peace globally. The request was made by the YMCA since this park is near the home where he was raised. He was also a judge.**

#### **OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:**

10. TMP-4367 Authorizing the Mayor to accept a FAFSA Initiative Grant in the amount of \$30,000 for the purpose of dispersing the funds to Toledo Public Schools (TPS) for their FAFSA Program.

**My Position: Strongly Support.**

**Toledo Public Schools will manage this fund. The program is expected to increase the Toledo Public Schools FAFSA completion rate to 68% for the class of Spring 2021 and 75% for the Class of Spring 2024. The plan is to increase FAFSA awareness, completion, reporting and data collection.**

#### **THE CLERK REPORTS:**

- TMP-4395 Declaring the intent to vacate the alley bounded by Collingwood, Tecumseh, Nebraska and City Park, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.

**My Position: Support.**

**The request was made to vacate this East-West alley running between Collingwood and City Park by lots adjacent to them.**

- TMP-4396 Declaring the intent to vacate a strip adjacent to Lots 5-7 in the Plat of West Central Stores, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.

**My Position: Support.**

**This is a realignment of ProMedica Parkway in the Plat of West Central Store.**

TMP-4397 Declaring the intent to vacate the 60-foot strip adjacent to Lots 7 and 8 in the Plat of West Central Stores and the 60 foot strip adjacent to Lots 181-184, 201 202 in the Plat of Kingston, AKA Briar Cliff Street Vacation, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.

**My Position: Support.**

**This is also involving more lots in the same Plat of West Central Stores and is a ProMedica Parkway realignment on Briar Cliff Road.**

TMP-4398 Declaring the intent to vacate part of Lot 20 in the Plat of Fairfax, AKA Kelly Avenue Street Vacation, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.

**My Position: Support.**

**This is a realignment of ProMedica Parkway involving the vacation of a portion of Kelly Avenue.**

TMP-4399 Declaring the intent to vacate a 50 foot strip adjacent to Lots 108-109 & 157-158 in the Plat of Kingston, AKA Rathbun Drive Street Vacation, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.

**My Position: Support.**

**This realignment of ProMedica Parkway necessitates the vacation of a portion of Rathbun Drive.**