

along Professor/Woodland Street anyways regardless of Council's decision. Gates concurred with Broadwell's comments adding that they have ascertained that there are over 500 parking spots on campus that are unused at any given time, so they were trying to promote the idea that the Oberlin campus is a walkable/bikable campus.

Soucy expressed her appreciation to the College for attempting to change the culture in the town and on campus. This was her first experience, on Council, where she felt the College had taken concrete steps in helping to address the issue of parking. She further commented that she would like to see this policy get approved, as it had been her experience - while delivering Meals on Wheels - that this stretch of Professor Street had always been a risky area for pedestrians crossing the street. It had always been a great concern of hers that she would injure a student while crossing to and from Stephenson's Dining Hall.

Burgess said that though he was happy to hear that the students would finally have somewhere else to park, he could not support the request to ban parking on North Professor Street. He was concerned that by banning the parking there wouldn't be enough parking available for residents going to see the concerts held in Tappan square. Furthermore he was greatly troubled by the idea of eliminating parking on public streets where residents were expected to go to participate in the democratic process, given that Philips Gymnasium had been designated as an official voting poll. He listed several areas of concerns where banning the parking could pose problems, including Fairchild, Finney Chapel, and the service building if parking was restricted on Woodland.

Linda Gates advised that she was sympathetic to the idea that they do need to maintain places for people to park when they go to vote at Philips Gym. One solution may be to have a one - day waiver where parking would be permitted on Election Day. Furthermore she commented that parking would open up for weddings held at Fairchild on the weekends since most of the parking in the Stephenson Hall parking lot was reserved for faculty and students. Finally, Gates expounded on earlier comments from Soucy, stating that it was nothing short of a miracle that students hadn't been seriously injured in the past while crossing between cars to get to the dining halls as well as to the admissions building. She felt that by eliminating parking on the street altogether it would make pedestrians more visible to drivers passing through.

Pilacky asked Gates if she felt there where adequate parking behind the Admissions building? Gates responded that said location was where they should be parking and it was her understanding that additional parking spots for admissions were underway. Pilacky commented that she had never seen an open parking spot on North Professor Street and she wondered if maybe having a few 15 minute parking spaces for people, who want to go to Admissions, would help in addition to adding a crossing walk. She was concerned that people would start driving faster going down N. Professor Street if there were no cars on the street at all.

Peterson struggled with efforts to ban parking on the proposed streets in its entirety, commenting that he would support the appeal of Pilacky to at least permit parking on a limited basis.

Gates said that any trip to Admissions will take longer than 15 minutes, so while she appreciated Pilacky's attempt to mitigate the issue, it was her opinion that better signage - directing visitors where to park - would be the avenue to take. She further stated that she was in support of the implementation of crosswalks and even speed bumps, but it was her opinion that if they had any parking on the streets it would defeat the purpose of having a clear view on where people should park.

Soucy commented that the College was redoing the entrance to the Admissions Office and she was sure that as part of that, there will be signage to direct people to parking as well.

City Manager Norenberg added that funds had not been budgeted this year to address the reconfiguration of the street. However Issue II Funding, for next year, would be applied for and if the application was approved then they would reevaluate which items previously discussed would need to be incorporated into the reconfiguration

of the streets at that time. At this time staff was only prepared to honor the recommendation of staff and the College to eliminate the parking.

Burgess appreciated the suggestion of speed bumps on the street. He felt this would go a long way towards slowing traffic. He further asked, what would need to be done to put a 4 – way traffic sign at the corner of Union and N. Professor Street? Norenberg responded that a traffic study would need to be done. Burgess advised that if parking was going to be eliminated on that street then he would like to see a considerate effort made to find a way to slow traffic down, something more than a 25 mph speed limit sign. A 4-way traffic sign could help to manage a potential speedway.

Broadwell said if people are going to speed they will speed regardless of whether there is parking or not.

Shirley R. Johnson Oberlin resident said that she felt that the proposal to prohibit parking on N. Professor Street between Lorain and Union Streets was a good one. She felt that if the goal was to put the ban in place before the students came back then they should put the ban in place for all three streets (N. Professor, Union, and Woodland) at the same time. She felt that crosswalks were useless, unless the City set parameters that would encourage crossing the street at a designated crossing zone. Finally Johnson felt that once the proposal was approved and the parameters had been set, the City and College would need to work together to come up with a way to enforce the changes.

David Sonner, 107 Groveland Street said that it seemed odd to him that after all of the discussion about not having enough parking that the City was now considering making even less parking. From a safety perspective, it is an urban planning principle that the more parking there is on the street the calmer the traffic will be. The proposed changes would allow a straight shot from Lorain to Butternut Ridge road or vice versa. He advised that Burgess was correct in that the approval of the proposal would create a speedway hazard that could potentially have a negative impact on the safety of pedestrians attempting to cross the street.

David Ashenhurst, 260 Sumner Street said that he felt that the idea of changing student culture on the basis of changing parking on public streets was backwards. He would like to see the culture change but he didn't like the idea of eliminating public streets from parking. He advised that in Chicago around every Starbucks that is on a corner there are 15 minute flasher zones. He felt that having this done in front of the College's admissions office would allow visitors an opportunity to check where parking should be and to pay bills at the bursar's office. Since parking around the admission's building was so limited. He reiterated that he was not in favor of eliminating parking altogether but he was in favor of short term parking that allowed for 15 minute parking to take place. He felt that to change the culture of students on the backs of everyone in Oberlin, for any purpose other than parking all day was inappropriate.

Sloane asked if parking was addressed in the literature sent to prospective students. Gates understood that: in cases where the students and their families had inquired ahead of time, information related to parking, was provided. However, if it were a walk-in visit then parking information would not be given at the time of the inquiry unless it was specifically requested.

Robert Coan, 256 Kendal Drive was impressed by the recent efforts made by the College. He advised that there were some residents who have a problem with long distance walks especially for those who have handicaps. He felt that eliminating parking in almost any area in town is something that should be very seriously considered. He suggested that if Council eliminated the parking from N. Professor Street then they should take it off of Union Street as well, since it was not only a pedestrian hazard, but a driver hazard as well.

Meadows felt that if they made the changes before the students returned to campus, and it is enforced then word will get out that the changes have been made. She further commented that handicap parking was something that needed to be further addressed between the College and the City.

Harold Gibson recalled dealing with parking issues during his tenure on Council in the 1950's, he found it interesting to see that the issue was still being debated at this time.

Motion to instruct the City Manager not to proceed with the proposed parking plans was moved by Burgess and seconded by Peterson.

Roll Call:	3 Ayes	4 Nays	Motion Failed
	(Peterson, Burgess, Pilacky)	(Soucy, Broadwell, Meadows, Sloane)	

(g.) Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Law Director Severs asked that Council postpone appointing Eugene Simons to the Underground Railroad Center Implementation Team until the revised resolution could be reviewed. He explained that there were different parameters set for ad hoc committees established by the City Manager than there were for City Boards and Commissions. He wanted to make sure that the appointment process remained in compliance with the City charter if the committee had been formalized by Council. With the consent of Council the request to postpone the appointment was granted.

2. Any concerns that are not on the agenda may be brought to the attention of Council at this time

Margaret Christian, 244 East Lorain Street, informed Council of a plan to restore and preserve federal monuments in the Westwood cemetery, beginning with the fifteen lots located in the Soldiers Rest area. She advised that two local artists, Elizabeth Meadows and spouse Nicolas Fairplay would be training local high school students in the art of restoration. This was an endeavor that she had been trying to get accomplished for the past 7 years, one she felt would be increasingly needed as they began to discuss sustainable living concepts in open spaces and cemeteries.

Broadwell commented that he was very interested in discussing this further. As a liaison to the Historic Preservation Commission, he had heard a great deal of discussion related to the preservation of memorials located in Oberlin's cemetery. These same concerns had been echoed throughout the community. He hoped that Christian's proposal would be the spark needed to finally get the issue resolved. He advised that he would be in touch with Christian's and hoped that she would be willing to come to a Historic Preservation meeting to share her vision with its members.

3. Old Business

(A). (D). Ordinance No. 10 – 49 AC CMS – An Ordinance to Approve and Adopt the Current Replacement Pages to the Codified Ordinances. (2nd)(E)

The Clerk read by number and title only.

Motion for passage on second reading moved by Burgess, seconded by Meadows.

Clerk Anderson advised that the only addition to the discussion held during the ordinances first reading, would be the memo that was provided to Council. The memo listed all of the ordinances that had been included in the proposed replacement pages to the Code Book. She advised that if Council had no further questions related to this information then at its discretion it could either pass the ordinance on second reading or suspend the three readings and elevate the ordinance to an emergency in order to get the information out to the public on an immediate basis.

Burgess asked if there were departments in the City that were candidates for used equipments from other communities due to their low usage. Norenberg advised that they were looking for efficiency and it was determined that to be more efficient it would be best to consolidate the equipment. They really didn't look for opportunities to explore purchasing used equipment.

Nagy advised that they opted to consolidate all new equipment so that the systems could be integrated. He advised that by putting in all new equipment everyone will be consistent across the board. The software could be used to put safeguards in place that can control how items are printed and what can be printed if it seems that the use of the equipment is being abused. In addition since the City will be printing in color more often than in the past then they will save a lot more since the cost of printing in color in new equipment is drastically cheaper than it was in older equipment. Lastly as equipment gets older the cost of servicing that equipment gets higher.

Following the discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Soucy, seconded by Broadwell.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(C). Ordinance No. 10 – 53 AC CMS – An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with ComDoc, Inc. of Broadview Heights, Ohio, for the Service and Maintenance of Various Copying/Printing/Scanning Equipment and Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Meadows moved to have the ordinance read by number, title and substantive portions only, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

The Clerk read as directed.

Motion for passage on first reading moved by Meadows, seconded by Broadwell.

City Manager Norenberg advised that this was for the three year service and maintenance agreement. At this time there was no additional information.

Foregoing discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Soucy, seconded by Broadwell.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(D). Ordinance No. 10 – 54 AC CMS – An Ordinance to Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with Finley Fire Equipment, Inc., of McConnellsville, Ohio, through the State Office of Purchasing for the Purchase of a Pierce 1500 GPM Fire Rescue Pumper for the Oberlin Fire Department Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Meadows moved to have the ordinance read by number, title and substantive portions only, seconded by Broadwell.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

The Clerk read as directed.

Motion for passage on first reading moved by Soucy, seconded by Meadows.

Eric Norenberg advised that he would have Fire Chief Dennis Kirin make a few comments related to the ordinance and then they could take questions.

Chief Kirin advised that based on the needs assessment of the community and the desire to maintain an appropriate level of fire department response, an Equipment Replacement Schedule was prepared for the Oberlin Fire Department. This assessment was initially developed in 1995 and has been updated every five years.

Under the Department's replacement program, a fire engine has an expected 20 year life cycle, serving 10 -12 years as primary response vehicle and then reverts to a reserve category for the remaining 8-10 years. At the end of its life cycle, the reserve engine is used as trade for the new unit.

He provided an overview for the process used to purchase the Pierce 1500 GPM. He advised that first a poll from personnel was taken to determine what equipment would be needed. They felt that this vehicle needed to meet the same capabilities as the primary vehicle met today. It just needed to be a newer vehicle so that the current vehicle could be moved to reserve status and replace the 1990 vehicle (Engine 42).

The Pierce model was a new style that had a shorter wheel barrel which made it easier to move in and out of tighter spaces, while still maintaining all of its necessary components. After reviewing the specifications one of the key drivers for purchasing the new equipment was realizing that Engine 41, which was purchased in 2001, received just as much time on the road (at 27,953 mi) as engine 42 which was purchased in 1990 - its odometer reading 29,827 miles. This was a strong indicator that the fire station services had increased dramatically and new equipment was necessary to keep up with demand.

Soucy asked for an explanation of the financial contribution made by the College. Kirin advised that the college has contributed \$150,000 to be paid over a 5 year period which will be used to pay down the bond issuance.

Broadwell asked why the first line truck was going out so much more in the last ten years. Kirin explained that they have seen more alarm activity and service activity and the truck is better equipped therefore is sent more than other vehicles.

Pilacky asked if there was a way to get more than the \$7,000 for the trade-in vehicle. Kirin advised that he didn't think so, the \$7,000 was the trade-in value for the vehicle and the downfall was that the technology was outdated.

Following the discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Broadwell, seconded by Burgess.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension/Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried

recommendation is to change the effective date for the CPI change, Because of the problem with adjusting the compensation and Position Classification Plan based on the true (December 31) annual adjustment in March (versus January 1) it is proposed that City Council amend the ordinance to make pay grade adjustments linked to the CPI effective March 1, using the cumulative annual CPI change for the prior year. Staff also proposes that a one-time pay grade adjustment be made to mirror the budgeted/contracted 3.5% adjustment. The change will ensure those employees whose performance merits an increase, may receive the appropriated adjustment in 2010.

Following a brief discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Meadows, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension of Rules/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(G). Ordinance No. 10 – 57 AC CMS – An Ordinance Accepting the Bid of R.A. Bores Excavating, Inc. of Monroeville, Ohio for the City of Oberlin East College Street Water Line Improvement Project and Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Meadows moved to have the ordinance read by number, title and substantive portions only, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

The Clerk read as directed.

Motion for passage on first reading moved by Broadwell, seconded by Meadows.

Baumann advised that this section of the water main had been on the Public Works Department’s list since before he became the public work’s director. This 6” cast iron line has been repaired numerous times both as a result of actual breaks and also due to leaks at the connections between lengths of pipe. A new 8” line will provide reliable service not just to residents on East College but will also help to reinforce services to residents on Thomas St., Kimberly Circle and Willowbrook Drive.

Baumann advised that there were seven bids received for the project all of which were within 10% of the City Engineer’s estimate of \$216,543.

Soucy asked if the incentive route would be used with this project as well. Baumann advised that it would not.

Burgess asked if the City covered the charge of installing a new line to a customers home when it is responsible for compromising a connection between a resident’s home and the main. Baumann advised that in the 9 years that he has been the public works director that issue had never come up. Generally it is the customer’s responsibility to repair the line from the curblawn into the house.

Following the discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Soucy, seconded by Burgess.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension of Rules/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(H). Ordinance No. 10 – 58 AC CMS – An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Submit an Application to the District 9 Public Works Integrating Committee for Ohio Public Works Commission Issue II Funding for North Professor, Union and Woodland Street Paving Improvements and Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Broadwell moved to have the ordinance read by number, title and substantive portions only, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

The Clerk read as directed.

Motion for passage on first reading moved by Broadwell, seconded by Meadows.

Baumann provided background related to the ordinance. He advised that the proposed application would be in the amount of \$348,000: 50% would be received as a grant and the remaining amount would be in the form of a no interest loan.

Following a brief discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Broadwell, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension of Rules/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(I). Ordinance No. 10 – 59 AC CMS – An Ordinance Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract with Kelly Brothers Construction, Inc., of Elyria, Ohio, for the City of Oberlin South Main Street Water Line Improvement Project and Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Meadows moved to have the ordinance read by number, title and substantive portions only, seconded by Peterson.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

The Clerk read as directed.

Motion for passage on first reading moved by Burgess, seconded by Pilacky.

Norenberg provided background.

Following the discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Broadwell, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension of Rules/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(J). Ordinance No. 10 – 60 AC CMS – An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with Warwick Communications of Cleveland, Ohio, for the Upgrade of the Telephone System for the City of Oberlin and Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Meadows moved to have the ordinance read by number, title and substantive portions only, seconded by Broadwell.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

The Clerk read as directed.

Motion for passage on first reading moved by Broadwell, seconded by Soucy.

Talarico advised that the recommendation to upgrade the remaining city installation to the CS-5000 platform will provide the City current technology with connections for existing telephones, lines, etc. which will maintain the existing investment we have in the telephone sets and infrastructure. The current Axxess system hardware is no longer manufactured. Our software, central processing unit (CPU) and voice mail hardware are not supported.

Recently, Mitel created a migration program that allows existing Axxess users to upgrade to a CP-5000 system at a greatly reduced cost. This will upgrade the “brains of our system” to the most recent version and give us a platform that will be supported going forward. The voicemail system that we currently use is PC based and uses Windows NT operating systems, which is no longer supported by Microsoft. Voice mail is built in as a core part of the system in the CS-5000 system so running Windows NT will no longer be required. The total cost for the upgrade will be \$60,243.92. Staff recommends that the ordinance be approved on emergency so that they can schedule and install the upgrade system as soon as possible.

Following a brief discussion a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings, and elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Soucy, seconded by Broadwell.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension of Rules/ Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried
(1st Final)

(Break for 10 minutes recess)

(K). Ordinance No. 10 – 61 AC CMS – An Ordinance Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Bonds in the Maximum Principal Amount of \$5,135,000 for the Purpose of Paying a Portion of the costs of (i) Constructing Two Public Streets from East College Street to South Pleasant Street, Including Constructing Sidewalks and Installing Water Lines, Sanitary Sewers, and Storm Drainage Improvements and Related Street and Streetscape Improvements in the Existing East College Street and South Pleasant Street Rights of Way, and all Related Improvements, Together with the Acquisition of Land and Interests in Land Related thereto, (ii) Constructing a Park Area and Storm Drainage Facilities therein and Acquiring Land and Interests in Land Related thereto, and (iii) Adding to, Renovating, Remodeling, Furnishing, Equipping and Otherwise Improving the City’s Existing Fire Station, Including Parking Areas, Driveways and all Necessary Utilities and Appurtenances, and Improving and Equipping its site, and Declaring an Emergency. (1st)(E)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried
(1st, Suspension)

Motion to elevate the ordinance to an emergency was moved by Burgess, seconded by Soucy.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried
(1st, Emergency)

Roll Call: 7 Ayes 0 Nay Motion Carried
(1st Final)

5. Other New Business: None

6. Council Communications: None

(A). Referrals

(B). Advocacy

(C). Correspondence

(D). Reports

7. City Managers Report:

- Approved for CHIP Funding.
 - Kick off meeting for that process on September 8, 2010
- City wide outage with OMLPS on Sunday.
- Qualify for \$1700 in rebates for the copier machines.

8. Finance Director's Report: None

- Levy are on the ballot requested letters be written to the Oberlin News Tribune.

9. Public Participation:

10. Adjournment: Being that there was no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 12:45:00 a.m.

Attest:

BELINDA B. ANDERSON, CMC
CLERK OF COUNCIL

Approved: 9/20/2010

SHARON F. SOUCY
VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Posted: 9/21/2010