

**TOWNSHIP OF O'HARA
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2017
Immediately Following Public Hearing
AGENDA**

I. OPENING PROCEDURES

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Council Workshop – November 8, 2017
- B. Council Regular Meeting – November 14, 2017

III. FINANCE

- A. Vouchers – November 2017
- B. Receipts and Expenditures Records – October 2017
- C. Treasurer's Report

IV. REPORTS

- A. Other Organizations and Agencies Reports
- B. Monthly Departmental Reports
- C. Manager's Report

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Ordinances – Second Reading and Adoption
 - (1) Adopting the Township Budget for the Year 2018 B-55-2017
 - (2) Enacting the Real Estate Tax Levy for the Year 2018 B-56-2017
 - (3) Enacting the Earned Income Tax Levy Under Act 62 for the Year 2018 B-57-2017
 - (4) Enacting the Real Estate Transfer Tax Levy Under Act 62 for the Year 2018 B-58-2017
 - (5) Establishing a Real Estate Tax Rebate Program for the Year 2018 B-59-2017

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

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| (1) | Prohibiting Category 4 Casinos in the Township | B-61-2017 |
| (2) | Granting Conditional Use Approval to the Fox Chapel Area School District New Kerr Elementary School Building | B-63-2017 |
| (3) | Granting Minor Subdivision Approval to the Fox Chapel Area School District New Kerr Elementary School | B-64-2017 |
| (4) | Granting Preliminary Land Development Approval to the Fox Chapel Area School District New Kerr Elementary School Building | B-65-2017 |
| (5) | Implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS) | B-66-2017 |

B. Motion

- (1) Certifying the List of Eligible Volunteers at Volunteer Fire Company/Department and Emergency Medical Service Agency to Receive a Local Tax Credit

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Citizens
- B. Council
- C. Staff

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Agenda Information – December 12, 2017 Council Regular Meeting
(a) **denotes attachment**

I. Opening Procedures

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. Council Workshop – November 8, 2017
- B. Council Regular Meeting – November 14, 2017

A motion will be needed to approve the subject Minutes, followed by a second to the motion and a **voice vote**.

III. Finance

- A. Vouchers – November 2017

A motion will be needed to approve the subject Vouchers, followed by a second to the motion and a **voice vote**.

- B. Receipts and Expenditures Records – October 2017

A motion will be needed to approve the subject Expenditures Records, followed by a second to the motion and a **voice vote**.

- C. Treasurer's Report

Ted Curran, Township Treasurer, will be giving a brief report concerning the status of the Township's finances.

IV. Reports

- A. Other Organizations and Agencies Reports

Individual Council members may have reports for the rest of Council and audience concerning certain organizations and agencies (North Hills COG, etc.).

- B. Monthly Departmental Reports

Council may have questions or comments concerning the written monthly reports at this time.

C. Manager's Report

Council may have questions or comments concerning the Manager's written monthly report at this time, or the Manager may have additional information to report.

V. Old Business

A. Ordinances – Second Reading and Adoption

- (1) B-55-2017: Adopting the Township Budget for the Year 2018 (a)

The attached ordinance adopts the proposed year 2018 Township budget of \$17,081,929. As proposed, this will be the 17th straight year without a tax increase. A motion will be needed to adopt ordinance Bill No. B-55-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (2) B-56-2017: Enacting the Real Estate Tax Levy for the Year 2018 (a)

The attached ordinance establishes the year 2018 Township real estate tax rate at 1.725 mills per the proposed year 2018 Township budget, which is the same millage rate as in 2017. A motion will be needed to adopt ordinance Bill No. B-56-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (3) B-57-2017: Enacting the Earned Income Tax Levy Under Act 62 for the Year 2018 (a)

The attached ordinance establishes the year 2018 earned income tax levy under Act 62 at .3%, the same rate as in 2017. Act 62 requires that the earned income tax levied under the Act be enacted each year. The Township also levies an earned income tax of .5% under Act 511, which does not have to be enacted each year. A motion will be needed to adopt ordinance Bill No. B-57-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (4) B-58-2017: Enacting the Real Estate Transfer Tax Levy Under Act 62 for the Year 2018 (a)

The attached ordinance establishes the year 2018 real estate transfer tax levy under Act 62 at .5%. Act 62 requires that the transfer tax levied under the Act be enacted each year. The Township also levies a real estate transfer tax of .5% under Act 511, which does not have to be enacted each year. A motion will be needed to adopt ordinance Bill No. B-58-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (5) B-59-2017: Establishing a Real Estate Tax Rebate Program for the Year 2018 (a)

Per Act 77 of 1993, as amended, the Township established a real estate tax rebate program for the last several years. The attached ordinance establishes the same program in 2018 as we had this year. Research has not produced a program that would be more beneficial to Township residents, as the laws are limited. The program as proposed allows for an eligible

resident to receive a rebate of 25% of the increase in 2018 Township real estate taxes paid over the amount of taxes paid in 2017. A motion will be needed to adopt ordinance Bill No. B-59-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

VI. New Business

A. Resolutions

- (1) B-61-2017: Prohibiting Category 4 Casinos in the Township (a)

The attached resolution prohibits Category 4 casinos in the Township. Category 4 casinos are defined as “mini” or “satellite” casinos owned by current casino licensees. Act 42 of 2017 authorizes the placement of ten (10) Category 4 casinos in the Commonwealth, but also grants municipalities the authority to prohibit the location of a mini or satellite casino. If acceptable, a motion will be needed to approve resolution Bill No. B-61-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**. A copy of the approved and executed resolution will be provided to the Gaming Control Board by year end.

- (2) B-63-2017: Granting Conditional Use Approval to the Fox Chapel Area School District New Kerr Elementary School Building (a)

The attached resolution grants conditional use approval to Fox Chapel Area School District to construct a new school along Kittanning Pike, which is located in the CD-1 Zoning District. Schools are a conditional use in the CD-1 Zoning District. The Township Planning Commission reviewed the application and has recommended that Council approve the conditional use. A Public Hearing was conducted by Council prior to this regular meeting to receive public comments. If acceptable a motion will be needed to approve resolution Bill No. B-63-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (3) B-64-2017: Granting Minor Subdivision Approval to the Fox Chapel Area School District New Kerr Elementary School (a)

Fox Chapel School District, owners of parcels 286-M-110 and 286-S-125 located along Kittanning Pike, Pittsburgh, PA 15215, are proposing the consolidation of the two parcels into one parcel. Both parcels are located in the CD-1 zoning district. The Township Planning Commission reviewed the application and has recommended that Council approve the Plan. If acceptable, a motion will be needed to approve resolution Bill No. B-64-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (4) B-65-2017: Granting Preliminary Land Development Approval to the Fox Chapel Area School District New Kerr Elementary School Building (a)

Fox Chapel School District, owner of Kerr Elementary School located at 341 Kittanning Pike, Pittsburgh, PA 15215, is proposing the construction of a 72,519 square foot elementary school, including the necessary parking accommodations, landscaping, lighting and stormwater management controls. The existing school building will be demolished once the new building is operational to provide for additional parking. The Township

Planning Commission reviewed the application and has recommended that Council approve the Plan subject to the remaining six (6) conditions listed in the attached proposed resolution. If acceptable, a motion will be needed to approve resolution Bill No. B-65-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

- (5) B-66-2017 Implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS) (a)

The attached proposed resolution authorizes the Township to implement NIMS. FEMA released a refreshed National Incident Management System (“NIMS”) doctrine in October. NIMS provides a common, nationwide approach to enable the whole community (individuals, families, communities, the private and nonprofit sectors, faith-based organizations, and local, state, federal governments, etc.) to work together to manage all threats and hazards regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity. If acceptable, a motion will be needed to approve resolution Bill No. B-66-2017 followed by a second to the motion and a **roll call vote**.

B. Motion

- (1) Certifying the List of Eligible Volunteers at Volunteer Fire Company/Department and Emergency Medical Service Agency to Receive a Local Tax Credit (a)

Attached is a List of Eligible Volunteers for the Local Tax Credit in accordance with Act 172 of 2016. If acceptable, a motion is requested to certify the list followed by a second to the motion and a **voice vote**.

VII. Communications

- A. Citizens
- B. Council
- C. Staff

VIII. Adjournment

IX. Executive Session – Labor Matters