SPECIAL AND CONTACT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES December 10, 2018

The Special and Contact Committee met Monday, December 10, 2018. At 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers at the Knisely Centre.

In attendance were Special and Contact Committee Members, Chairman Mr. Dan Lanzer, Mrs. Aimee May, Mrs. Cheryl Ramos, and Alternate John Zucal.

Guests were Mayor Joel Day, President of Council Sam Hitchcock, Law Director Marvin Fete, Council Clerk Julie Courtright, Safety Director Greg Popham, Councilperson Dean Holland, Councilperson Rob Maurer, Councilperson Kelly Ricklic.

The Special & Contact Committee meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers in regard to: A discussion about a liquor permit transfer from Buckeye Beverage to Oszust LLC.

Chairman Lanzer made the following comment:

They took over in October. They're paid up on their water and their taxes, everything's good there. The Health Department checked out there. The Police Chief doesn't have an issue.

MRS. MAY MOTIONED FOR A VOICE VOTE DURING THE COMMITTEE REPORT IN TONIGHT'S COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE THE REQUEST MRS. RAMOS SECONDED THE MOTION 3 YEAS THERE WILL BE A VOICE VOTE DURING TONIGHT'S COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER REQUEST

Chairman Lanzer made the following comment:

The next item on the Agenda is in regards to some questions about food truck licenses and fees, etc.

Mayor Day made the following comment:

This is more than just having us have a discussion about if we should limit where food trucks can park in the City and how they can park, not necessarily about licensing because that's already taken care of through the Health Department. We've had a couple incidents where some food trucks pulled up on sidewalks and blocked sidewalks, taken up parking spaces and caused traffic problems.

Chairman Lanzer had the following comment:

Are the food trucks paying any kind of license fee to be operating?

Law Director Fete had the following comment:

No.

Mayor Day had the following comment:

We want to discuss whether we need to assess a fee on food trucks for operating.

Chairman Lanzer had the following comment:

Most of these food trucks have employees so that would be tax dollars.

Mayor Day commented that they have to work ten consecutive days.

Safety Director Popham made the following statement:

I agree with the Mayor. It would be worth having something like a license. There should be something that goes along with that directs them where to park.

Chairman Lanzer had the following comment:

Cities such as Akron designated public parking spots that you had to get a permit for certain spots.

Treasurer Tom Gerber had the following comment:

Can't you just say "must be legally parked" rather than try to knit pick.

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

Columbus does a thriving food truck business. I would think that we should be able to look at some of their legislation.

Mayor Day had the following comment:

I'm not out to dissuade it, I want to encourage food trucks, but control it.

Mr. Zucal had the following comment:

We shouldn't treat food trucks any different than how we treat restaurants. So the issue becomes how do you treat the mobility of those, where they're allowed to park.

Mr. Holland had the following comment:

There is a fire code requirement. They require a fire inspection. The inspection fee should be considered.

Mrs. Ramos mentioned that fire inspection is part of the Ohio Revised Code.

Law Director Fete noted that food trucks have to have a State permit to operate but nothing from the City.

Mr. Zucal said currently food trucks operate with a license and they have to have a health inspection before they can conduct business.

Mrs. Ramos stated that we have to narrow down special events from scheduled food truck stops at businesses.

Mr. Lanzer said that another meeting will be scheduled to discuss this issue further.

With no other business to come before Committee Mrs. May made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Dan Lanzer, Committee Chairman Special and Contact Committee