INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

Office of the Assistant City Administrator

Springdale, Ohio

January 3, 2020

To:    Mr. Thomas Vanover
        President
        Springdale City Council

From:  Amanda Zimmerlin
        Assistant City Administrator

Re:    Report on Pending and Future Legislation

Item I
An Ordinance Adopting the Annual Appropriations/Estimated Receipts for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020

This ordinance, scheduled for the 01/08/2020 meeting, authorizes the approval of appropriations for current expenses and other potential expenditures of the City of Springdale, Ohio, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020. It also adopts the estimated receipts the City anticipates collecting in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020. Generally, the appropriations and receipts will be consistent with the 2020 Budget document, which was presented to Council at the 12/18/2019 meeting. The appropriations ordinance does not require an emergency clause and will go into effect immediately after adoption by Council and execution by the Mayor.

Item II
A Resolution Authorizing the Investment of Municipal Funds

Article III, Section G, Paragraph 6, (i) of the Charter requires the Clerk of Council/Finance Director shall “Invest any such funds as Council, by resolution, declares are not needed for any Municipal purpose for more than ninety (90) days.” At the beginning of the year, it has been Council’s long-standing practice to adopt a blanket resolution authorizing the Clerk to invest those funds she determines not to be needed for more than 90 days. Such a resolution for the year 2020 will be before City Council on 01/08/2020.
Item III
A Resolution Requesting Advance Payment from the County Auditor

At its first meeting each year, Council adopts a resolution requesting the County Auditor "pay to the Clerk of Council/Finance Director of the City of Springdale all funds currently available for distribution to said City of Springdale." If we fail to adopt such a resolution, the County will hold our property tax settlements as long as they can in order to derive the interest from the investment of such funds. As a result of this resolution, the County must distribute our property tax settlements as soon as the money is collected and available. The resolution covering 2020 will be before Council at the 01/08/2020 meeting.

Item IV
An Ordinance Allowing for the Issuance of Tickets Produced by Computer or Other Electronic Means by the Springdale Police Department and Declaring an Emergency

This year, the Police Department is making the transition from PAMET to the Sundance records management system. This system will allow for the filing of electronic tickets. In 2014, the Supreme Court of Ohio amended Traffic Rule 3 to allow police departments across the state of Ohio to issue citations for all moving traffic offenses, as well as parking and other equipment violations, using a ticket produced by a computer or other electronic means. The officer issuing the ticket would be able to affix a digital signature to citation. The individual receiving the citation would still receive a paper copy, but the citation would no longer require their signature. However, the ticket will conform in all other substantive respects, including layout and content, to the Ohio Uniform Traffic Ticket authorized by the Supreme Court of Ohio.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, allowing for the issuance of tickets produced by a computer or other electronic means by the Springdale Police Department will be before Council for consideration at the 01/08/2020 meeting.

Item V
An Ordinance Enacting and Adopting the 2019 S-21 Supplement to the Springdale Code of Ordinances and Declaring an Emergency

Each year, the State of Ohio adopts a number of amendments or supplements to the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). By law, cities (even Home Rule Charter cities) are required to adopt some of the supplements while others are at the option of the City whether they will be adopted. It is completely at the discretion of the organization. Historically, the City of Springdale has enacted or adopted the majority of these supplements.

Supplements to be considered by Council include the addition of the following sections: Section 74.11 ‘Electric Bicycles;’ Section 132.29 ‘Railroad Vandalism; Criminal Trespass; Interference with Operation of Train; Grade Crossing Device Vandalism;’ Section 134.23 ‘Nonconsensual Dissemination of Private Sexual Images;’ and Section 138.16 ‘Sale of Pure Caffeine Product.’
An ordinance, with an emergency clause, enacting and adopting the 2019 S-21 supplements will be before Council at the 01/08/2020 meeting. Due to the high number of pages expected to be associated with this ordinance, a copy of the supplements will not be attached to the legislation; however, they will be made available for inspection in the office of the Clerk of Council/Finance Director. The need for the emergency clause is to enact and adopt the 2019 S-21 Supplement at the earliest possible date to ensure immediate compliance with revisions made to local, state and federal laws since the last update.

**Item VI**

An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 153 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Springdale

At their December 10, 2019 meeting, the Springdale Planning Commission voted to recommend City Council amend the existing Zoning Code. At the December 18, 2019, City Council meeting, Council received a memo from Mr. Steven Galster informing that the Planning Commission had voted seven in favor to zero opposed, the approval of the text amendments. City Council subsequently set a first reading of the proposed amendments for the 01/08/2020 meeting and a second reading and public hearing for the 01/15/2020 Council Meeting. A table from City Planner Anne McBride listing the proposed amendments has been included in the electronic version of this report.

An ordinance amending various sections of Chapter 153 of the codified ordinances of the City of Springdale is scheduled before Council for a first reading at the 01/08/2020 meeting. A second reading and public hearing are scheduled for the 01/15/2020 meeting.

**Item VII**

An Ordinance Amending Sections 32.05 (E)(1) and (7) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Springdale, Ohio, and Declaring an Emergency

Currently, full-time employees of the City of Springdale are not permitted to use vacation days in their first year of employment. The City has sought ways to attract qualified lateral candidates for positions within the City’s Police and Fire Departments. The administration is requesting that Council consider amending Sections 32.05 (E)(1) and (7) of the codified ordinances of the City of Springdale. Sections 32.05 (E)(1) and (7) would be amended to allow employees hired laterally into the Police or Fire Departments to utilize vacation accrued from their prior years of public service employment during their first year of service with the City.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, amending Sections 32.05 (E)(1) and (7) of the codified ordinances of the City of Springdale, Ohio will be before Council for consideration at the 01/15/2020 meeting.
Item VIII
An Ordinance Creating Section 32.05 (F) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Springdale, Ohio, and Declaring an Emergency

As mentioned above, new employees of the City of Springdale are not currently permitted to use vacation days in their first year of service with the City. To aid in the recruitment and retention of department head level staff, the administration is requesting the creation of Section 32.05 (F) to allow the Mayor to have the discretion to allow department head level employees of the City of Springdale to use vacation time during their first year of employment.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, creating Section 32.05 (F) of the codified ordinances of the City of Springdale, Ohio will be before Council for consideration at the 01/15/2020 meeting.

Item IX
A Resolution Authorizing the City of Springdale’s Participation in Financing Public Improvements in Cooperation with the Port Authority and Authorizing the Execution of Documents to Effectuate Such Financing, and Declaring an Emergency

Since City Council passed the resolution to establish the Springrose Meadows Community Authority (“SMCA”), City Council will now be presented with a resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the SMCA and the Greater Cincinnati Redevelopment Authority (“Port Authority”) for the financing of the infrastructure in the Springrose Meadows Development. The Port Authority will issue the bonds for the financing. The obligations of the City of Springdale under this agreement shall not represent or constitute a debt or pledge of the full faith and credit or the taxing power of the City. The debt will be paid by homeowner fees established by the SMCA.

A resolution, with an emergency clause, authorizing the City of Springdale’s participation in financing public improvements in cooperation with the Port Authority and authorizing the execution of the documents to effectuate such financing will be before City Council for consideration at the 01/15/2020 meeting. The need for the emergency clause is to enter into the agreement at the earliest possible date.

Item X
Other Item of Interest

1. A Resolution of Appreciation will be presented to Police Chief Michael Mathis for his years of service - 01/15/2020 meeting.

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