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CITY OF NORTH CANTON, OHIO  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**TRANSCRIPT OF  
AUGUST 23, 2021, MEETING**

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Transcript of Proceedings of the North Canton  
City Council, taken by me, the undersigned, Laurie Maryl  
Jonas, a Registered Merit Reporter and Notary Public in  
and for the State of Ohio, at the North Canton Civic  
Center, 845 West Maple Street, North Canton, Ohio, on  
Monday, August 23, 2021, at 7:53 p.m.

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APPEARANCES:

- Daniel Jeff Peters, Council President, Ward 2
- Daryl Revoldt, Council Vice President, At Large
- Doug Foltz, Ward 1
- Stephanie Werren, Ward 3
- Dominic Fonte, Ward 4
- Mark R. Cerreta, At Large
- Matthew Stroia, At Large
- Patrick A. DeOrion, Director of Administration
- Jina E. Alaback, Director of Finance
- Robert G. Graham, Engineering Services
- Catherine A. Farina, Deputy Director of  
Administration and Development
- Stephan B. Wilder, Mayor
- Martin Van Gundy, IV, Chief Building Officer
- Benjamin R. Young, Clerk

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1 MR. PETERS: Okay. At this time I'd like to  
2 call to order the North Canton regular city council  
3 August 23, 2021. The time is 7:53.

4 Mark, would you like to lead us in prayer.

5 MR. CERRETA: Sure.

6 Lord, thank you for bringing us here this  
7 evening with your good mind and healthy bodies.  
8 Thank you for giving us the honor to represent our  
9 community with these certain matters. Help us to  
10 move forward in your will. Help us to listen, to  
11 understand, and help us to be out front and making  
12 sure that our community stays safe and healthy and  
13 running in a good position.

14 In God's name we pray. Amen.

15 (The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.)

16 MR. PETERS: Ben, please call the roll.

17 MR. YOUNG: Member Revoldt.

18 MR. REVOLDT: Present.

19 MR. YOUNG: Member Fonte.

20 MR. FONTE: Here.

21 MR. YOUNG: Member Cerreta.

22 MR. CERRETA: Here.

23 MR. YOUNG: Member Peters.

24 MR. PETERS: Here.

25 MR. YOUNG: Member Foltz.

1 MR. FOLTZ: Here.

2 MR. YOUNG: Member Werren.

3 MRS. WERREN: Here.

4 MR. YOUNG: Member Stroia.

5 MR. STROIA: Here.

6 MR. YOUNG: Seven present.

7 MR. PETERS: All right. For your  
8 consideration, I need a motion and a second to  
9 approve as presented the minutes from June 21,  
10 committee of the whole; the minutes from June 28,  
11 city council; minutes from July 12, city council;  
12 minutes from August 3, city -- or special council;  
13 minutes from August 4, special council; and minutes  
14 from August 5, special council, and July 21 finance  
15 report.

16 MR. FOLTZ: Motion to approve as presented.

17 MR. REVOLDT: Second.

18 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

19 ("Aye" in unison.)

20 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

21 MR. CERRETA: Cerreta abstains on a couple of  
22 those. We were not here. Several of us were not  
23 here.

24 MR. PETERS: I'm going to abstain as well.

25 Who else were we missing?

1 MR. FOLTZ: Some of the special council  
2 meetings, right, Mark wasn't here.

3 MR. REVOLDT: Neither was I.

4 MR. FOLTZ: Yeah.

5 MR. PETERS: So we got Members Cerreta,  
6 Revoldt.

7 MR. CERRETA: Will abstain from the special  
8 city council meetings.

9 MRS. WERREN: You were here.

10 MR. PETERS: I was here. That's right.  
11 Good.

12 Okay. Moving on, I need a motion and a  
13 second not to request on the hearing of new D4  
14 permit, liquor permit, to 721 North Main Street.

15 MR. REVOLDT: Who is the applicant?

16 MR. PETERS: Ben.

17 MR. YOUNG: The Elks, I believe.  
18 Massillon-North Canton Elks Lodge 2029.

19 MR. PETERS: Elks Lodge.

20 MR. REVOLDT: Elks Lodge.

21 MR. FONTE: Isn't that right up the street  
22 from Seventh Street there just north a bit on the  
23 west side?

24 MR. CERRETA: I don't know where they are  
25 now.

1 MR. FONTE: It's a new place; correct?

2 MR. PETERS: 721. Did they purchase that  
3 property? Ben? Do you know?

4 MR. YOUNG: I do not. I mean, I presume, as  
5 they are listed as the property owner by the board of  
6 liquor control. They will still have to pass a vote  
7 of the electorate for this to be issued.

8 MR. FOLTZ: Is that the old hair salon?

9 MR. FONTE: It used to be a hair salon.  
10 LeBeaus used to own it. It was a hair salon.

11 MR. PETERS: It will still have to go to the  
12 vote for the precincts.

13 MR. YOUNG: Yes. We are just being given the  
14 option to request a hearing.

15 MR. REVOLDT: I move that we not request a  
16 hearing.

17 MR. PETERS: Second.

18 MR. REVOLDT: Waive the hearing.

19 MR. PETERS: Yeah, waive the hearing. We  
20 have a motion. Is there a second?

21 MR. STROIA: Stroia seconds.

22 MR. PETERS: Stroia seconds.

23 All in favor, say "aye."

24 ("Aye" in unison.)

25 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

1 All right. At this time if you wish to  
2 address council, please step forward, state your name  
3 and address for the Record. Brad?

4 Okay. All right. At this time we have a  
5 special presentation of the results of the '21  
6 biannual North Canton Community Survey conducted by  
7 the office of city council. Ben.

8 MR. YOUNG: I'm very glad I cut this down.

9 So as you all know, we conducted our biannual  
10 survey this year from May 15 to August 14. We got  
11 the second-highest response rate ever, driven largely  
12 by online responses, which had a very large rise.  
13 This gave us a 2 percent margin of error for anything  
14 you're about to see tonight, and 89 percent of them  
15 were homeowners.

16 So, demographics. As usual, we had a nice  
17 spread from all of the wards. Fairly even. Also, as  
18 usual, we had a oversampling of individuals age 55  
19 and over. To put what oversampling means in context  
20 to you, these two green lines are our population  
21 measured by the census. These blue lines are our  
22 traditional response pools. The red line is the  
23 responses from this year. As you can see, the higher  
24 end of the age spectrum has high responses. What is  
25 interesting is that if we only looked at the online

1 responses we would have a slightly more  
2 representative demographic sample.

3 MRS. WERREN: Cool graphic. Thanks.

4 MR. YOUNG: City overview. General questions  
5 that we asked about the city. Quality of life  
6 change. So Question 6 asked respondents how they  
7 felt the quality of life was changing in the city of  
8 North Canton. 45 percent said it was staying the  
9 same, 40 said it's getting better. That's about an  
10 85 percent majority saying that it's either better or  
11 the same.

12 Question 7, to follow that up, then asked are  
13 you happy with whatever direction you just identified  
14 in Question 6. And 60 percent said they are happy,  
15 indicating that probably the 40 percent who thinks  
16 it's getting better and 20 percent of people who  
17 think it's staying the same are happy about it.  
18 17 percent of people said they were displeased with  
19 the direction the city is going overall. Good value  
20 for taxes.

21 Question 8. We saw an increase of 2 percent  
22 this year. That was largely taken from the "No  
23 Opinion" category. What I think is kind of the  
24 penultimate question, Do you plan to stay for the  
25 next five years. Overall, yes, we did see a decline,



1           though, and that was set by a rise in "Maybe"  
2           responses but thankfully "No" did not go up. This  
3           was largely driven by the fact that we reached he  
4           more younger people this year. So as this next chart  
5           will show you, somewhere between 18 and 34 people are  
6           making the decision of whether or not they're going  
7           to stay here in our community. If they make the  
8           decision to stay, they're probably staying. You'll  
9           see it plateaus off at, you know, high 70, 80. So  
10          this sort of demographic, 34 and younger, is kind of  
11          the key where we need to be focusing on, are we going  
12          to keep people or are they going to leave our  
13          community.

14                       For the sake of brevity tonight, we're just  
15                       going to look at the citywide composite rating. So  
16                       we traditionally ask a series of 14 rating scales on  
17                       various city services. A full PowerPoint will be  
18                       available tomorrow morning on council's Web page for  
19                       anybody watching who wants to see all the ratings  
20                       individually but this is the composite score for the  
21                       whole city. We did go down a little this year. We  
22                       were expecting a slight decline because we eliminated  
23                       the "Excellent" option, so Excellent and Good were  
24                       combined in into one rating option, which more than  
25                       likely pushed some people to answer "Fair" who would

1 have otherwise said "Good." We think this is a more  
2 accurate picture, though, having eliminated that  
3 "Excellent" option. Thankfully, "Poor" responses did  
4 not noticeably increase.

5 Public information. Do we communicate  
6 effectively. We had a strong 10 percent increase  
7 from 2019. It is my best guess that this reflects  
8 efforts that have been made by council's office and  
9 the administration to improve the website, improve  
10 social media usage, improve live streaming, things  
11 like that. It is still, unfortunately, below  
12 50 percent but we are climbing steadily and we can  
13 only keep getting better.

14 Our website usage. We changed this question  
15 as well this year. Traditionally you have only been  
16 able to say "Yes" or "No." This year we added a "I  
17 have not used the website option" because lots of  
18 people wrote in the margins "I have not used it" on  
19 the previous surveys so we think this is a much more  
20 accurate picture. And what this tells us is that  
21 about half of our population has used our website and  
22 the vast majority of those who have used it find it  
23 helpful. What is less used from our website is the  
24 alert notifications, which send things about the city  
25 direct to your e-mail or as a text message. But this

1 year we add the option of "Would you sign up if we  
2 made it easier" and we got a large, fairly large  
3 chunk of 22 percent who said yes, so that indicates  
4 to me that with some better marketing we could  
5 probably boost how many people are using the alerts.

6 Prefer methods of communication. We changed  
7 this question as well this year. We let people rank  
8 the methods instead of just picking one. And what  
9 resulted was this lovely chart in front of you  
10 showing reference scores. This chart in particular I  
11 think really demonstrates the sort of technological  
12 divide between the generations.

13 MR. PETERS: Yeah. No doubt.

14 MR. YOUNG: So as you can see, the older you  
15 get the more likely you are to prefer a paper mail  
16 newsletter, and the younger you get the more likely  
17 you are to prefer social media. What is very  
18 fascinating to me is that e-mail and website scored  
19 exactly the same in every single age category, which  
20 implies that they're sort of interchangeable to each  
21 other. So, in other words, whether it's available on  
22 the Internet or comes to their inbox, they don't  
23 really mind one way or the other. Overall, what this  
24 indicates is, at least for now, to have the most  
25 effective communication possible the city needs to

1 pull from all sides. So digital and paper  
2 communications to reach the most number of people.

3 That is kind of further reinforced by the  
4 next question where we asked people, How do you  
5 currently get information about our community.

6 MR. FONTE: Newspaper.

7 MR. YOUNG: So the newspaper was the number  
8 one answer at 22.1 percent. Overall, 27.7 percent of  
9 our community primarily gets information from news  
10 media. 27.4 percent gets it from their peers, either  
11 through word of mouth or social media. Only  
12 20.4 percent get it directly from us. So about a  
13 fifth of the city get information directly from us.  
14 And the most surprising statistic to me from this  
15 data was that 43.2 percent of our population relies  
16 on information showing up in their mailbox. Whether  
17 it's the newspaper, a newsletter, Our Town, in the  
18 utility bill, that's their primary method. Which  
19 kind of indicates they don't go looking for it, but  
20 if it comes to them they will read it.

21 This year we asked a specific question about  
22 the Canton Repository and how many people read it.  
23 So sort of interesting. You saw the primary method  
24 of communication, people said the newspaper. Yet  
25 more than half of our population said that they don't

1 currently have a subscription to the Canton  
2 Repository, our most common newspaper.

3 MR. FONTE: Hey, Ben, I have a question. So  
4 a lot of times, people are online with the Repository  
5 versus a paper hard copy so they might not have  
6 distinguished the difference when the question was  
7 asked.

8 MR. YOUNG: Well, we asked them, Do you have  
9 an online subscription, do you have a paper  
10 subscription, do you have both or do you have none.

11 MR. DEORIO: 10 percent, online only.

12 MR. PETERS: I'd say more than that.

13 MR. DEORIO: That's shocking.

14 MR. YOUNG: That's the question where the  
15 oversampling of the older population really comes  
16 into play. So when we looked at this on age spread  
17 and then applied that to our actual demographic  
18 percentages, only about 25 percent of our population  
19 subscribes to the Canton Repository. And four-fifths  
20 of that 25 percent are over the age of 65.

21 MR. PETERS: Oh, my.

22 MRS. WERREN: I think 25 is high.

23 MR. FONTE: Can you repeat that again? I'm  
24 trying to let it settle in. Say it again.

25 MR. YOUNG: So we asked this question because

1 the city spends a fair amount of money on required  
2 advertisings in the Canton Repository. And according  
3 to the information gathered from the survey, about  
4 25 percent of our population applied out to a more  
5 reasonable age demographic. Has a subscription, a  
6 paper subscription to the Canton Repository where  
7 they would receive our legal advertisement. And then  
8 of that 25 percent, four-fifths are over the age of  
9 65.

10 MR. PETERS: 80 percent.

11 MR. STROIA: But they all read the legal  
12 section; right?

13 MR. PETERS: You know, we spend a significant  
14 amount of money. We're required by the general  
15 assembly. Are they looking at stuff like that?

16 MR. YOUNG: So, well, we, in response to  
17 this, you'll be seeing some legislation later this  
18 year to remove some of those publishing requirements  
19 from our local ordinances. Our biggest expense is  
20 publishing the ordinances you all pass, and to  
21 eliminate that would require a charter amendment.

22 MR. PETERS: Oh, really.

23 MR. FONTE: It's like, bring back the  
24 newsletter, h'm.

25 MR. DEORIO: I think it makes another

1 interesting observation is we're required to  
2 advertise job openings in a newspaper in which, you  
3 know, 80 percent of the population of this city is  
4 over -- that are reading the newspaper are over age  
5 65 that wouldn't be eligible for the position anyway.  
6 So it does make it very challenging to us.

7 MRS. WERREN: And the people you are  
8 recruiting, which would be high school kids, college  
9 graduates, that's not where they're going.

10 MR. PETERS: Yeah, that's not it.

11 MR. YOUNG: That's one of the requirements  
12 that will be coming to you later this year for  
13 elimination.

14 MR. FONTE: Hey, going to a observation.  
15 What's surprising to me is we have this killer  
16 website that has these electronic notifications. I  
17 get them all the time. They're text notifications.  
18 You know, or you can get e-mail, I mean, and you know  
19 exactly what's going on in the city. I'm shocked  
20 that more people don't know that. So that means that  
21 we're not getting it out enough and letting people  
22 know how simple and easy it is and it's not the case  
23 it's called they don't really know.

24 MR. PETERS: They don't know.

25 MR. FONTE: Because I don't know how to set

1           it up but it's magically set up so I don't know how  
2           that happened. So thank you, administration.

3                   MR. PETERS: Notification on the paper water  
4           bill so they get it.

5                   MR. YOUNG: You know, our last section here,  
6           we asked a couple questions on specific policy  
7           priorities that you all in administration identified  
8           as wanting answers about this year. First up was  
9           what people would like to see in the parks. The top  
10          answer was "Nothing." And 80 percent of people who  
11          said "Nothing" were over the age of 65. So these are  
12          the next six responses. 30 percent of people said  
13          walking paths. 24.5, splash pads, gardens, dog  
14          parks, benches, water features. The kind of things  
15          we find ourselves talking about a lot.

16                   MR. FONTE: This is a home run, really.

17                   MR. YOUNG: When you look at them by age,  
18          they just kind of reinforce each other. So these are  
19          the top five choices for each age group. And what --  
20          altogether what this tells us is that people are  
21          generally happy with sort of the amenities in the  
22          park. So they're happy with the playgrounds and the  
23          ball fields. What they want from us at this point is  
24          better connection from the parks with walking paths,  
25          and then and nice things to look at while walking on



1 the walking paths.

2 MR. FONTE: Benches.

3 MR. YOUNG: And then finally, more -- no  
4 people will ever say no to more spaces to play with  
5 your kids and your pets.

6 MR. PETERS: Got you.

7 Ben, go back to that one more real quick.

8 MR. YOUNG: Uh-huh.

9 MR. PETERS: So age 45 to 54, No. 4 choice  
10 was amphitheater and I don't see it anywhere else in  
11 the list.

12 MR. YOUNG: They were the only age group  
13 where it made it into the top 5.

14 MR. FONTE: Obviously pets are important.  
15 Walking paths are important. Which we know this and  
16 that's why everything got changed up.

17 MR. YOUNG: Yeah. So splash pads tend to  
18 become more important as you get into the young  
19 family generation and then again as you start to have  
20 grandchildren.

21 MR. FOLTZ: These are parents.

22 MR. YOUNG: Yeah.

23 MR. FOLTZ: 25 to 44 are parents of young  
24 children. They'll use it.

25 MR. PETERS: Okay.

1                   MR. FOLTZ: But walking paths are top 2, 1 or  
2 2 for everything 'til 65.

3                   MR. PETERS: Right.

4                   MR. YOUNG: Any other questions on parks  
5 before I move on?

6                   And then finally, the lovely comment section,  
7 which I know you all eagerly await. Comments are  
8 hard to decipher and congregate, but if you go to  
9 this URL you can all look at the comments for  
10 yourselves right now. And as you can see on the  
11 screen within a screen in front of you, our software  
12 creates this word cloud, it calls it, and if you  
13 click on any word in the word cloud, so in our  
14 example here I clicked on Parks, it will filter out  
15 all of the responses that talk about parks. So you  
16 can either go online and look at all of the comments  
17 or you can pick out a word from the word cloud and  
18 look at just the ones who talk about that word.

19                   So I encourage you all to explore that to the  
20 best of your ability. You all had a draft of my  
21 final report in your packets. That will likely be  
22 published by -- a final version of that will probably  
23 be published by the end of this week pending, you  
24 know, requests from you all to add more information.  
25 Daryl has already given me three today.

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Any final questions for me?

MR. DEORIO: I would like to comment. I just am finding it hard to breathe over here. The oxygen is being sucked out of the room. Do you even understand what just happened here? The magnitude of the data analytics that have gone into the survey for the first time? I'm so grateful for the city council for, you know, entrusting this important process to the clerk. More than capable. Turning this more into a policy research tool for the council. Compared to what it has been in its historical past is, you know, part of the -- what even was that called we did. State of the city. I mean, it's a separate function. Should be. This is very important to know as you all are making policy decisions where we're going, and to have someone in the clerk's office that is able to put this together in the way that he did is just kudos to everybody: To the council for working on the questions, garbage in, garbage out; right, guys? Gals? So you put the right questions together and you got some important information and look forward to, you know, Ben working on this and maybe it's something that the council should consider more than every other year because it's a very informative piece of information

1           that we get. I know when I served on council in the  
2           past I wasn't a big fan of the newsletter because we  
3           tended to ask questions that didn't give us any value  
4           to formulate policy. But I think you've really  
5           turned the corner, so congrats.

6                       MR. FONTE: Pat, when I see that survey with  
7           the way it spread it out like that with amenities and  
8           things people want, it's like what we already know  
9           and we're changing everything to represent that. And  
10          I think a true testament was last week we had an  
11          unbelievable experience here in the city. And I was  
12          out with a lot of people during the day and then in  
13          the evening. I'm talking about our festival, our  
14          Main Street Festival. That was huge. Home run out  
15          of the park. And I'll tell you, man, I had so many  
16          positive comments. And I know that may come up at  
17          the end here, but that plays right along in the game  
18          plan of what the theme is in the city, Moving  
19          Forward, even as us 60-plus-year-old people are  
20          trying to enjoy it.

21                      MR. DEORIO: Especially you.

22                      MR. PETERS: Yeah. Ben, outstanding work.

23                      MR. YOUNG: Thank you very much.

24                      MR. PETERS: That really was incredible.

25                      MR. STROIA: Yeah, excellent.

1 MR. PETERS: Based on what Dom said, that  
2 Main Street Festival, we got momentum.

3 MR. FONTE: Yeah. You're not a 'kiddin'.

4 MR. REVOLDT: Mr. Peters.

5 MR. PETERS: Yes.

6 MR. REVOLDT: I think what we have, and I  
7 think Ben has done a terrific job, obviously. I  
8 think many of you know also that he is taking the  
9 lead on the assisting of a better policy drill-down  
10 on our master plan. You've all seen the little cards  
11 that he has. And again, to provide us with better  
12 information. I think what's particularly important  
13 and timely is the administration now is working  
14 through its budget. I think there are, in this  
15 particular document, some items that may give us some  
16 policy initiatives or some activities. For example,  
17 a dog park. You know, that's a conversation we could  
18 have. And, you know, if we get one or two really  
19 good ideas out of it, we can get them into a budget,  
20 I think we've -- we've acted on community input.

21 MR. PETERS: I agree.

22 MR. REVOLDT: So, Ben, thank you.

23 MR. YOUNG: Thank you.

24 MR. PETERS: Thank you, Ben.

25 Any other comments from council?

1 MR. FONTE: Very informative. Thank you,  
2 thank you, thank you. It was awesome.

3 MR. YOUNG: Data will -- data and reports and  
4 this PowerPoint will go up over council's Web page  
5 over the course of the week. For anyone that really  
6 wants to dive in right now, all of the data is  
7 publicly available in this link on the screen, which  
8 is the exact same link you went to to take the  
9 survey. So just go back to the same place.

10 MR. PETERS: Thank you, Ben. All right. All  
11 right. Good stuff.

12 All right. Moving on. New business. I  
13 need -- excuse me. I need a motion and a second to  
14 suspend Council Rule 24 and allow consideration of  
15 what will be ordinances 50-21, 51-21, 52-21 without a  
16 committee report.

17 MR. REVOLDT: Motion to suspend the rules for  
18 committee reports for the aforementioned ordinances.

19 MR. PETERS: Is there a second?

20 MR. STROIA: Stroia seconds.

21 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

22 ("Aye" in unison.)

23 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

24 Okay. May I have a motion and a second to  
25 read by title only Ordinance 50-21.

1 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

2 MR. STROIA: Stroia, second.

3 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

4 ("Aye" in unison.)

5 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

6 Ben.

7 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the  
8 mayor of the City of North Canton to execute the  
9 participation agreement for the OneOhio Subdivision  
10 Settlement with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal  
11 Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergen Corporation  
12 pursuant to the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding  
13 regarding the pursuit and use of potential opioid  
14 litigation settlement funds and consistent with the  
15 material terms of the July 21, 2021, proposed  
16 National Opioid Distributor Settlement Agreement  
17 available at the link and declaring the same to be a  
18 emergency.

19 MR. PETERS: Thank you.

20 Chairwoman Werren.

21 MRS. WERREN: Yeah, basically it is what it  
22 says. We were asked to be part of a class action  
23 lawsuit regarding opioids. And it is on emergency,  
24 and we had consensus, I believe, over break to move  
25 forward. And, Pat, if there's anything else you want

1 to say.

2 MR. DEORIO: Just the latest report that you  
3 may have seen in the newspaper is that 99.9 percent  
4 of all entities eligible to sign up for this have  
5 signed up for this.

6 MRS. WERREN: Okay. Okay. No other  
7 questions, I move to adopt on emergency.

8 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt seconds.

9 MR. PETERS: That's for the first reading.  
10 All in favor, say "aye."

11 ("Aye" in unison.)

12 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

13 May I have a motion and a second to suspend  
14 the rules of council requiring three readings.

15 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

16 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

17 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

18 ("Aye" in unison.)

19 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

20 May I have a motion and a second to adopt  
21 Ordinance 50-21 under suspension of the rules.

22 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

23 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

24 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

25 ("Aye" in unison.)



1 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

2 May I have a motion and a second to read by  
3 title only Ordinance 51-21.

4 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

5 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

6 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

7 ("Aye" in unison.)

8 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

9 Ben.

10 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the  
11 mayor of the City of North Canton to enter into a  
12 Capital Improvement Community Park  
13 Recreation/Conservation Project Pass-Through  
14 Agreement with the State of Ohio Department of  
15 Natural Resources to provide the city with a \$500,000  
16 grant for North Canton Park Upgrades, a project to  
17 develop recreation facilities at Maple Street Park,  
18 Bitzer Park and the Dogwood Park, all more fully  
19 described in Exhibit A to the agreement, both  
20 attached hereto and incorporated herein, and  
21 declaring the same to be an emergency.

22 MR. PETERS: Thank you.

23 Chairman Foltz.

24 MR. FOLTZ: As it reads. Pat, Cathy, you  
25 want to make any other comment?

1 MR. DEORIO: Yes. This was just paperwork  
2 catching up with the process. We did receive the  
3 grant from the State of Ohio, and as part of that we  
4 have to make sure that these grant agreement  
5 documents get returned to them. So we're at that  
6 stage where we need to get that done.

7 MR. FOLTZ: Okay. And these are great  
8 projects for the city. We saw them still underway  
9 and discussed, so I'm very excited if we get half a  
10 million dollars you can put it towards recreational  
11 amenities, that's a great huge win for this  
12 community, great for the administration for this and  
13 the state with the grant dollars.

14 MRS. WERREN: And very in line with the  
15 survey. From benches to walkways to parks. That  
16 makes sense.

17 MR. FOLTZ: I'll make a motion to pass the  
18 first reading.

19 MRS. WERREN: Werren seconds.

20 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

21 ("Aye" in unison.)

22 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

23 May I have a motion and a second to suspend  
24 the rules of council requiring three readings.

25 MR. REVOLDT: Motion.

1 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

2 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

3 ("Aye" in unison.)

4 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

5 And finally, a motion and a second to adopt  
6 Ordinance 51-21 under suspension.

7 MR. FOLTZ: Foltz motions.

8 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

9 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

10 ("Aye" in unison.)

11 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

12 May I have a motion and a second to read by  
13 title only Ordinance 52-21.

14 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

15 MR. CERRETA: Cerreta seconds.

16 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

17 ("Aye" in unison.)

18 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

19 Ben.

20 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the  
21 mayor of the City of North Canton to enter into a  
22 performance agreement with AMC Land Company LTD for  
23 the construction of streets, stormwater management  
24 facilities, drainage improvements, and sewer  
25 improvements for the Monticello Phase 8 Development,

1 and declaring the same to be an emergency.

2 MR. PETERS: Thank you.

3 Chairman Fonte.

4 MR. FONTE: It's basically Phase 8 of  
5 Monticello and it's 539,909.65 and it's their  
6 commitment to make sure they conform to all the rules  
7 when they were putting in the utilities, the streets,  
8 drains, sewers, so forth. And I move that we approve  
9 the first reading.

10 MR. CERRETA: Cerreta seconds.

11 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

12 ("Aye" in unison.)

13 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

14 May I have a motion and a second to suspend  
15 the rules of council requiring three readings.

16 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

17 MR. FOLTZ: Foltz seconds.

18 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

19 ("Aye" in unison.)

20 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

21 Finally, a motion and a second to adopt  
22 Ordinance 52-21 under suspension of the rules.

23 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

24 MR. CERRETA: Cerreta seconds.

25 MR. PETERS: All in favor, say "aye."

1 ("Aye" in unison.)

2 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

3 All right. Moving on to departmental  
4 reports. Deputy Director Farina.

5 MR. DEORIO: I paid for this microphone.

6 MS. FARINA: We're sharing it. He broke his.

7 Thank you, Mr. President. I'll just give a  
8 quick update.

9 Dogwood Park, everybody wants to know what's  
10 going on. Some say they don't see anything going on.  
11 Well, there is a lot. I'll tell you what is going  
12 on. Orchard lot, the parking lot, the Mason lot, the  
13 excavation is completed there. We are currently just  
14 waiting for catch basins to be made and then  
15 delivered, and then once the catch basins are put in  
16 place then that's when the -- you know, we can move  
17 in for the asphalt and concrete contractors. They  
18 have -- the asphalt and concrete contractors have put  
19 the stakes in place. So that's what's done over  
20 there on the Orchard lot.

21 As far as in the Dogwood Park, the old  
22 bathroom facility that was there was demolished, so  
23 that's gone. There's nothing left but a pad right  
24 now. They capped the old sanitary off of Seventh and  
25 ran a new water line off of -- or, I'm sorry, the old

1 sanitary is off of Dogwood and the new water line is  
2 off of Seventh. So some people saw some road  
3 closures there the past week, and got that ready.  
4 The new precast restroom facility is in the process  
5 of fabrication and will be delivered to us.

6 And the new pavilions, that's the new metal  
7 roofs and new poles for the new picnic pavilions, one  
8 on the Mason lot and one inside the playground, those  
9 are in their fabrication state and ready to start to  
10 ship.

11 The playground equipment has arrived and that  
12 is in storage.

13 The fence that goes around the playground,  
14 that's also been ordered and should be getting a  
15 shipping date on that.

16 We've also had upgrades, or we're doing  
17 upgrades to the electrical panel and, you know, the  
18 biggest piece is just the moving of the dirt. Where  
19 we're at now is there are some regulatory compliance  
20 issues. Any time you displace more than an acre you  
21 have the EPA involved, and Stark Soil and Water  
22 Conservation District specifically, has to review  
23 something called a SWPPP, an SWPPP, a stormwater  
24 pollution protection required by the EPA. We are  
25 displacing more than 4 acres in the Dogwood area so

1 that's something that your architectural firm has to  
2 put into the civil plans and they are responsible for  
3 calculating not just the water volume but also the  
4 water quality. So when you are displacing that much  
5 land and you're taking impervious -- I'm sorry,  
6 pervious surfaces and making them impervious  
7 surfaces, so you're taking grass and putting down  
8 concrete for a parking lot, and then also part of the  
9 playground is turf. It does have undergrains, so  
10 it's still also considered an impervious surface.  
11 You have to account for, in these civil drawings,  
12 where all the water is going, what volume of that  
13 water, and then also how is that being treated, the  
14 quality of it.

15 So that is up to the architectural firm and  
16 they have to submit that to the county. The county  
17 manager of that has to review it, send it back,  
18 calculations go back and forth. We can't put a  
19 shovel in the ground until we get approval that we  
20 are allowed; that the SWPPP has been approved. So  
21 that's where we are on that.

22 MR. PETERS: I do have a question to that.

23 MS. FARINA: Yeah.

24 MR. PETERS: Have they indicated how -- more  
25 specifically, the retention basin over on Orchard,

1 have they said how they're going to displace that at  
2 all?

3 MS. FARINA: Yes, there is a plan. And as  
4 far as that, the volume, we're okay there, you know,  
5 that's a huge retention basin so it's not a lot of  
6 volume, that can hold a lot, it's really been hung up  
7 on the quality, having to put in bioswales,  
8 vegetation swales, drawing those into the plan on how  
9 the water will kind of filter through that before  
10 getting into the catch basins.

11 MR. PETERS: I know. He said he was talking  
12 Orchard. You are talking Dogwood.

13 MS. FARINA: Oh, I'm sorry. Over on Orchard  
14 side? Rob.

15 MR. PETERS: Yeah, the reason I asked -- the  
16 reason I asked is I saw there was, after that big  
17 rain, we had a lot of water.

18 MS. FARINA: It did its job, didn't it?

19 MR. PETERS: We might have put a fence there  
20 because it could have been --

21 MR. GRAHAM: What they did is because this  
22 Orchard parcel is actually under an apron that is  
23 owned by the Masons, they let us do the work there  
24 because they're treating it as a separate piece of  
25 property, which it is. So we didn't have to do the