

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE AVON LAKE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Avon Lake City Council was called to order on September 22, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber with Council President Fenderbosch presiding.

Mr. Shahmir led Council, staff, and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Councilmembers Zach Arnold, Jennifer Fenderbosch, Amy Gentry, David Kos, Rob Shahmir, Geoff Smith, and K. C. Zuber; Mayor Mark Spaetzel; Law Director Gary Ebert; Finance Director Beth Krosse; Public Works Director Jon Liskovec; and Clerk of Council Valerie Rosmarin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular Council Meetings held on September 8, 2025, were approved as prepared and published.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence or communications were received:

1. Mr. Shahmir reported on a phone call he received from a resident on Brunswick Drive regarding an Airbnb that hosted approximately 200 people this past summer. He will contact the Police Chief to discuss this further.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was called to order at 7:02 p.m. upon the designation of the Red Aircraft Warning Beacon formerly mounted atop the Avon Lake Power Plant smokestack as a historic landmark.

Tony Tomanek, President of the Avon Lake Historical Society (ALHS), displayed the beacon light and explained that it was from Units 6 and 7 at the former Power Plant. He further stated that the Power Plant, constructed between 1925 and 1926 by the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, was once the largest of its kind in the world and served as a defining feature of the Avon Lake skyline for nearly a century. The red beacon, a Kraus-Heinz FCB-12 model installed in 1975 to comply with aviation safety standards, was one of a dozen lights positioned more than 500 feet high on the smokestack. It remained in service for 45 years, symbolizing the continued operation of the plant and its role as a major economic force in the community. Only two of these original beacons remain in existence, one privately owned and the other preserved locally through the efforts of the City, the ALHS, and the Avon Lake Historical Preservation Commission (ALHPC). This artifact represents one of the few remaining

tangible links to the City's industrial heritage following the plant's decommissioning and demolition.

Mr. Tomanek expressed appreciation to the City for recognizing the historical significance of the beacon and for ensuring its preservation as a lasting reminder of the generations who worked at the plant and the role it played in shaping Avon Lake's growth and identity.

Bobbe Rudge, Chair of ALHPC, explained that the warning beacon was the first artifact selected from the Power Plant because it holds special significance for so many. For years, Avon Lake residents, our neighboring communities, and especially boaters on Lake Erie have regarded these flashing beacons as a familiar landmark and a symbol of home. She further expressed her thanks and acknowledged the efforts of Dan Rogatto, former manager of the Power Plant, the ALHS, and the Avon Lake Public Library for their dedication in saving and preserving these artifacts.

Mr. Kos stated that while the beacon may not seem significant at first, understanding its story and its place in Avon Lake's history reveals its true importance. It was the light that called us home, whether we were boating, flying, or driving. Following those lights always symbolized home. He acknowledged the efforts of Tony Tomanek, Dan Rogatto, Chuck Frye, Matt Sarver, Bobbe Rudge, and William Rutger, former Director of the Avon Lake Public Library, to preserve artifacts from the Power Plant. It is hoped that this beacon light and many other artifacts will be displayed at the Library for the public to view.

Mr. Smith encouraged Council's support of this designation. He stated that many residents knew people who worked at the Power Plant, and that it helped provide electricity for our community. It's a meaningful part of our history and deserves to be remembered with appreciation.

The public hearing closed at 7:14 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT

1. Gerald Phillips, Avon Lake, announced that he received a copy of the 2023 Certified Annual Financial Report (CAFR) through a public records request and noticed an item labeled "intergovernmental receivable." This label alerted him because general funds cannot be co-mingled with sewer funds. He stated that sewer funds are business funds, and it is illegal to co-mingle them. This situation occurred in the City of Lorain, which led to a lawsuit. He contacted Bill Logan, Avon Lake Regional Water (ALRW) Business & Finance Coordinator, who clarified that the receivable, which was over \$11 million at the end of 2023 and is now \$14 million, is money owed by Lorain County Rural Wastewater District (LORCO) to the sewer fund. Mr. Phillips believed this to be a serious issue since this debt of LORCO will disappear with the Central Lake Erie Regional Water Reclamation District (CLERWTR) deal and will be a financial loss

for the City. Regarding the \$74 million purchase price in the CLERWTR deal, he stated that Mr. Shahmir asked about the net present value. If the Rule of 72 is applied to the present value, it will double every 10 years at 7%; therefore, the present value of \$74 million in 20 years equals about \$18.5 million. He believed that the City would be giving away \$100 million in assets based on the book value as of December 2023. The projected cash flow increase of 5% over 5 years amounts to about \$3 million, yet ALRW generates \$2.9 million annually. He concluded that the City would receive 1,603 LORCO customers, who do not pay, through the CLERWTR deal. He expressed outrage that he is subsidizing LORCO through his rates. In his opinion, the \$14 million receivable will affect the City's working capital ratio and financial health.

2. William Zimmerman, Avon Lake, expressed concerns regarding what he perceived to be a lack of transparency from the Administration related to the suspension¹ of Fire Chief Jeremy Betsa. He stated that he has made multiple public records requests seeking documentation required under Section 19A of the City Charter, including the cause, reason, and duration of the suspension, but has not yet received a satisfactory response. He also noted the timing of a recent document release and expressed frustration about communication delays. He questioned the Mayor's authority to suspend employees and raised concerns about leadership within the Administration.

Council President Fenderbosch requested that Mr. Zimmerman direct his comments to Council and avoid personal insults, adding that indecorous language is not permitted. She stated that he may continue if his comments relate to City business.

Mr. Zimmerman declared that his First Amendment rights permitted him to speak.

In response, Council President Fenderbosch explained that Council has its own rules in the Chamber, that his remarks were out of order, and that his remaining speaking time was forfeited.

GENERAL CONSENT

Council President Fenderbosch asked Council for general consent to move Resolution No. 25-153 to this portion of the agenda. Since no one objected, it was moved based on general consent.

LEGISLATION

First Reading:

¹ Fire Chief Betsa has been placed on paid administrative leave.

Resolution No. 25-153, A RESOLUTION TO PROMOTE AWARENESS AND EDUCATION ABOUT SUDDEN UNEXPECTED DEATH IN EPILEPSY (SUDEP) AND TO OBSERVE SUDEP AWARENESS ACT ON OCTOBER 18, 2025, was read by title only.

Council President Fenderbosch moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Council President Fenderbosch moved for passage of Resolution No. 25-153. This legislation promotes awareness of Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP), a leading cause of death among individuals with epilepsy, and encourages education to help reduce associated risks. The Ohio House of Representatives previously passed House Bill 229, the Brenna Brossard SUDEP Awareness Act, requiring healthcare practitioners to share information about SUDEP with patients diagnosed with epilepsy. October 15, 2025, is recognized internationally as SUDEP Action Day, and the City of Avon Lake will join other Northeast Ohio communities in declaring October as SUDEP Awareness Month to honor lives lost, support families, and raise community awareness.

Lou Brossard, Council President of North Olmsted and father of Brenna Brossard, thanked Council for their support of his efforts to bring awareness of SUDEP to the public. He shared his family's personal experience with epilepsy and described how his daughter, Brenna, passed away in 2022 as a result of SUDEP. He noted that, despite years of medical treatment for Brenna and his other children, who also suffer from epilepsy, the family had never been informed of the condition. Following her passing, the family partnered with the Epilepsy Association of Cleveland to raise awareness and support research, with more than \$30,000 donated in Brenna's memory.

He emphasized the importance of educating patients and families about SUDEP risk factors and preventive measures, such as seizure detection devices. He thanked Council for joining other communities in raising awareness through the adoption of the SUDEP Awareness Month legislation and expressed appreciation for the City's compassion and support.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Resolution No. 25-153 adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Spaetzel reported on the following:

1. Big Trucks event, on September 20, 2025, was very successful, drawing hundreds of attendees. Families enjoyed seeing City services and equipment. Thanks were extended to Council, the Fire, Police, Public Works, and Recreation Departments for their roles in making the event a success.
2. ALRW was recognized by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources, for water sustainability. They received an Ohio Water Conservation Excellence Award for innovation and dedication to responsible water use and were recognized for installing a large-scale wash water recycling system at the Water Filtration Plant, saving over 1.9 billion gallons of Lake Erie water since 2016.
3. Upcoming Events:
 - Homecoming Parade - Saturday, September 27, 2025, beginning at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Fall Fest at Bleser Park until 1 p.m.
 - The Library of Terror - Thursday, October 9, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m. at Avon Lake Public Library.
 - Boo by the Woods Family Trail/Trail of Haunted Tales - Saturday, October 11, 2025, beginning at 4 p.m. at the Kopf Family Reservation.
4. Lubrizol Corporation inadvertently discharged a diluted liquid that entered the stormwater system and flowed into Powdermaker Creek at the Lake Road culvert. The Public Works Department helped with recovery and mitigation. Lubrizol engaged private cleanup contractors and followed protocol by notifying the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Response Center, prompting responses from both the EPA and the Coast Guard. No risk to residents is anticipated, and updates will be provided as available.
5. On August 15, 2025, Fire Chief Jeremy Betsa was placed on paid administrative leave while the City reviews concerns related to grievances filed by the International Association of Firefighters Local 1361. Assistant Chief Steve Peter is serving as Acting Fire Chief. Fire Department operations will continue without interruption, and further details cannot be released until the Civil Service Commission completes its review of Fire Chief Betsa's appeal on a disciplinary action.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Council President Fenderbosch reported on the following:

1. The next Collective Committee Meeting is Monday, October 6, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber.
2. The next Council Meeting is Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

3. The 2026 Organizational Meeting of Council is Friday, January 2, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.
4. Following the recommendations of the Boards and Commissions Structure Review Ad Hoc Committee presented on September 15, 2025, Councilmembers were asked to return a questionnaire by September 24, 2025, regarding the committees they serve on. Responses will assist in developing committee concepts, balancing Council and Mayoral appointments, and ensuring staggered terms.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Public Works Director Liskovec reported on the following:

1. Avon Lake Play Space (ALPS)
Electrical and area lighting for the project have been installed and are operational; shade structures will be installed next.
2. Walker Road, Phase 5, Pavement Rehabilitation
The work zone lane was milled in preparation for the lane widening for the inclusion of bike lanes. Around the beginning of October, the work zone will flip its travel lane.

Mr. Zuber reported receiving complaints about several potholes on the south side of Avon Point Avenue and requested that Public Works Director Liskovec have staff from the Public Works Department investigate and fill them in.

Mr. Shahmir reported that the filter fabric is still covering some of the stormwater inlets on Brunswick Drive and recommended that they be removed to prevent flooding.

BUILDING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Gentry reported on the Building and Utilities Committee as follows:

1. Suspension of the rule requiring three readings on an emergency basis will be requested for Ordinance No. 25-155, regarding the purchase of a new HVAC system for the Safety Center.
2. FirstEnergy attended the Committee's meeting on September 17, 2025, and provided an update on the Wards 3 and 4 energy project. All designated poles on Electric Boulevard, Shoreman Drive, Parkwood Avenue, and Centennial Drive have been replaced. FirstEnergy will be replacing 62 poles on the rear lots of Moorewood Drive, Parkwood Avenue, and Beachwood Drive; additional poles will be replaced next year. The project is slated for completion in 2027.

3. The Committee forwarded discussion on the topic of Homeowners Association and Property Management registration to a future Collective Committee Meeting.
4. The Committee passed a motion in support of the Public Works Department action plan to address mold issues that were found in the City Hall basement.

Mr. Shahmir reported that he and Council President Fenderbosch were looking for files in the City Hall basement and discovered areas with safety and maintenance issues, including water leaks, mold growth, water intrusion near electrical panels, and general housekeeping concerns. He displayed pictures of these areas, which he categorized by risk level, with critical issues requiring immediate attention being identified. He recommended that an assessment audit be conducted by a third-party, identifying risks and developing a mitigation plan. He also recommended short- and long-term action plans (30-day, 90-day, one-year, and five-year) and suggested that an asset management program be conducted to prioritize safety, budget properly, and address high-risk items over time. Currently, the Administration is addressing these issues.

Mayor Spaetzel acknowledged the long-standing maintenance issues in the City's 50-plus-year-old building and noted that the Administration has been addressing them. He recognized the legitimacy of the concerns raised.

Public Works Director Liskovec reported that employee safety and protection of City infrastructure remain the top priorities. Following recent concerns, three mold mitigation contractors have been consulted, with proposals pending. Electrical contractors have been engaged to address issues near water intrusion, and a mechanical contractor is evaluating condensation and leaks related to the boiler/chiller system. Work is also underway to assess water intrusion on the eastern wall affecting electrical equipment. The Administration will review quotes and take necessary actions to remediate the issues and restore normal building operations.

COMMUNICATIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Shahmir reported on the Communications, Environmental, and Recreational Programming Committee as follows:

1. Suspension of the rule requiring three readings on an emergency basis will be requested for Ordinance No. 25-145, regarding the 2025-2026 Deer Management Plan with the United States Department of Agriculture, effective October 1, 2025.
2. The revised ALC-TV Rules and Regulations will be presented at the Collective Committee Meeting next week.

3. The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room.
4. The Parks Connectivity Survey is available on the City's website through September 30, 2025. The results will impact how the parks will be interconnected in the future and are an escalation of the intermodal studies previously completed.
5. Verdantas, the City's environmental contractor, and Deigan & Associates have begun reviewing the data collected from the demolition site of the former Power Plant. However, Council has not received any of the historical data used by Deigan & Associates for Phase 1 and Phase 2. Data was requested months ago, but until a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is signed and executed, the data will not be released. The MOU has been completed, and Mr. Shahmir expects information to be released soon.
6. The data-gap work was completed by Verdantas to allow for additional information that will be collected by Deigan & Associates. Council would like to see the scope of work and the data gap requirements that were identified as soon as possible to understand what is driving the additional work.
7. A release of approximately 6,600 gallons of a diluted Lubrizol product, Sancure™ 825, entered Powdermaker Creek near the former Power Plant and flowed toward Lake Erie. The release was identified by a resident, and the City promptly assisted with containment and recovery before Lubrizol engaged its response team. Initial containment by Lubrizol was inadequate, though subsequent effective measures were implemented. The release is believed to have resulted from human error, and the concentration of chemicals released is still under investigation. Follow-up actions will include a root cause analysis, sediment testing, and review of procedural controls to prevent future incidents. The City will also evaluate local industrial spill response capabilities to ensure preparedness for similar events.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Arnold reported on the Economic Development Committee as follows:

1. The Committee met on September 15, 2025, and was provided an update on the Administration's implementation and adoption of the Avon Lake Economic Recovery and Resiliency Plan. The Committee will continue to discuss this Plan over the next few months.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Zuber reported on the Finance Committee as follows:

1. Income tax collections were up 3.2%, or \$451,000, over last year at this time.
2. Suspension of the rule requiring three readings on an emergency basis will be requested for Resolution No. 25-152, regarding an opioid settlement.
3. The next Committee meeting is Monday, October 6, 2025, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Smith reported on the Human Resources Committee as follows:

1. The next Committee meeting is Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Kos reported on the Public Safety and Health Committee as follows:

1. The Committee met on September 16, 2025.
 - The agenda included a report from Mikayla Hyland, City Representative for the Lorain County Board of Health. The Board completed its state-mandated audit, receiving excellent results. Additionally, the Board is actively exploring measures to enhance beach and shoreline safety in response to recent high-profile water-related tragedies in the region and beyond. Police Chief Caleb Robinson and Assistant Fire Chief Steve Peter will collaborate with Ms. Hyland on grant opportunities through the Board.
 - An amendment to add a fee in the Fee Schedule for the cost to supply body cam videos was discussed. Based on a recent change in the Ohio Revised Code, the Committee recommended that a fee of \$75 per hour be assessed for reproducing videos, not to exceed \$750 per video.
 - A donation of a 2014 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor with over 123,000 miles from Southwest General Hospital will be accepted by a Council motion at the next Council Meeting. The Police Department intends to use this vehicle for range training.
2. Suspension of the rule requiring three readings on an emergency basis will be requested for Ordinance No. 25-154, regarding the purchase of two Police vehicles.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Smith reported on Planning Commission as follows:

1. The next Commission meeting is Tuesday, October 8, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Arnold reported on the Short-Term Rentals Ad Hoc Committee as follows:

1. The Committee met on September 18, 2025, to continue discussions on a proposed ordinance addressing short-term rentals. Key topics included potential limitations on the number and location of short-term rentals, enforcement mechanisms, and penalties for properties that become nuisances. Further dialogue is needed before the ordinance can be finalized or referred to the Collective Committee Meeting for consideration.
2. The next Committee meeting is September 30, 2025, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

TREE COMMISSION REPORT

Council President Fenderbosch reported on the Tree Commission as follows:

1. The next Commission meeting is Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 6 p.m. at the Old Firehouse and Community Center.

LEGISLATION

Third Readings:

Ordinance No. 25-139, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RULES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Smith moved for passage of Ordinance No. 25-139. This legislation will amend Civil Service Rule 14 to address the vetting and appointment process for lateral-entry Police Officer candidates. The amendment changes the appointment ratio from 2:1 to 1:1, allowing one lateral-entry candidate for every entry-level candidate. Also, Lateral candidates must disclose any prior separation from law enforcement due to disciplinary action or to avoid such action.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 25-139 adopted.

Ordinance No. 25-140, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEDICAL DIRECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE TACTICAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (TEMS) AND RELATED TRAINING TO THE EASTERN LORAIN COUNTY

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (ELCERT) COMPRISED OF THE CITY OF AVON, THE CITY OF AVON LAKE, AND THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE AND UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Kos moved for passage of Ordinance No. 25-140. This legislation will authorize the Mayor to enter into a Medical Direction Services Agreement with University Hospital for TEMS and ELCERT, a collaborative emergency response team composed of the cities of Avon, Avon Lake, and North Ridgeville. The group previously contracted with MetroHealth for medical support services. All three communities and their respective safety forces have agreed to transition their medical services contract to University Hospitals. Avon City Council has already approved the change, and North Ridgeville is in the process of review.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 25-140 adopted.

Resolution No. 25-143, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF AN UNNEEDED AND OBSOLETE VEHICLE FOR TRAINING PURPOSES AND SUBSEQUENT SALE OF SUCH VEHICLE FOR SCRAP, was read by title only.

Mr. Kos moved for passage of Ordinance No. 25-143. This legislation will authorize the use of a 2014 Ford Escape, which has been deemed unneeded and obsolete, for training purposes. The vehicle has reached the end of its useful life and was scheduled for replacement. Recently, it experienced a series of costly mechanical failures, and repair was determined to be economically unfeasible. Based on recommendations from the Administration and the Fire Department, the vehicle will be repurposed for invaluable training activities.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Resolution No. 25-143 adopted.

Second Readings:

Ordinance No. 25-145, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AVON LAKE AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE RELATED TO THE DEER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Shahmir moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Mr. Shahmir moved for passage of Ordinance No. 25-145. This legislation will authorize a Cooperative Service Agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in support of the City's comprehensive Deer Management Plan to cull up to 60 white-tailed deer at a cost not to exceed \$30,425.23 between October 1, 2025, and March 31, 2026.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 25-145 adopted.

Ordinance No. 25-148, AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE RED AIRCRAFT WARNING BEACON FORMERLY MOUNTED ATOP THE AVON LAKE POWER PLANT SMOKESTACK AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK, was read by title only.

This legislation will designate the red aircraft warning beacon, formerly located atop the Avon Lake Power Plant smokestack, as a historic landmark. Planning Commission approved the designation on September 3, 2025, following an application by the Avon Lake Historical Society. The Society preserved the beacon and other items before the plant's demolition due to historical significance. A public hearing on the designation is scheduled for September 22, 2025.

Ordinance No. 25-151, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR AVON CENTER ESTATES NO. 2, PHASE 6, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

This legislation will approve the improvement plan for Avon Center Estates No. 2, Phase 6, consisting of 48 single-family lots, located in the southwest quadrant of the City, within the R-1A, R-1B, and Legacy Pointe Planned Unit Development (PUD) Zoning Districts, as approved by Planning Commission on September 3, 2025. Said approval is contingent upon the final review and approval by the City Engineer and the renaming of "Turnberry Court" to avoid confusion with Turnberry Lane, as required by the Planning & Zoning Code.

First Reading:

Resolution No. 25-152, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE SECONDARY MANUFACTURERS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS PURSUANT TO THE ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Zuber moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Mr. Zuber moved for passage of Resolution No. 25-152. This legislation will authorize the Mayor to execute a settlement agreement with the following pharmaceutical manufacturers: Alvogen, Inc.; Apotex Corp.; Amneal Pharmaceuticals LLC; Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc.; Indivior, Inc.; Viatris, Inc.; Sun Pharmaceutical Industries, Inc.; and Zydus Pharmaceuticals (USA), Inc., pursuant to the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding on or before October 6, 2025. The amount of the settlement the City will receive is unknown.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Resolution No. 25-152 adopted.

Ordinance No. 25-154, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO FORD EXPLORER INTERCEPTORS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Kos moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Mr. Kos moved for passage of Ordinance No. 25-154. This legislation will authorize the purchase of two Ford Explorer Interceptors through the State Cooperative Program from Liberty Ford of Maple Heights, Ohio, for an amount not to exceed \$90,300.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 25-154 adopted.

Ordinance No. 25-155, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A TRANE HVAC ROOFTOP UNIT FOR THE SAFETY CENTER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Ms. Gentry moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Ms. Gentry moved for passage of Ordinance No. 25-155. This legislation will authorize the purchase of a Trane HVAC rooftop unit for the Safety Center from Gardiner of Solon,

Ohio, for an amount not to exceed \$41,265.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 25-155 adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Kos announced that tickets for the main event of the Halloween Festival on Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. have sold out. However, many free activities remain available to the public, and residents are encouraged to attend and participate. A complete list of free activities is available on the City website. Additionally, the Haunted Library will take place on Thursday, October 9, 2025, inside the Avon Lake Public Library. Tickets are still available online. The attraction is highly regarded and not recommended for the faint of heart.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Kos moved to adjourn to Executive Session in compliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) to discuss the discipline of a public employee.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Adjournment: 8:27 p.m.

RECONVENING OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

The regular meeting of Council reconvened at 9:32 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Zach Arnold, Jennifer Fenderbosch, Amy Gentry, David Kos, Rob Shahmir, Geoff Smith, and K. C. Zuber.

Mr. Kos moved for adjournment.

Yes: Shahmir, Smith, Zuber, Arnold, Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos

No: None

Motion passed.

Adjournment: 9:34 p.m.

Approved: /s/ Jennifer G. Fenderbosch
Council President

Attest: /s/ Valerie E. Rosmarin
Clerk of Council