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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2019

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145 North Main Street, North Canton, Ohio, on  
Thursday, March 21, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.

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APPEARANCES:

- Daniel Peters, President
- Doug Foltz, Vice President
- Mark Cerreta, Member
- Daryl Revoldt, Member
- Marcia Kiesling, Member
- Dominic Fonte, Member
- Laura Brown, Director of Finance
- Timothy L. Fox, Director of Law
- Patrick DeOrio, Director of Administration
- David Held, Mayor
- Robert Graham, PE, City Engineer
- Catherine Farina, Deputy Director

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P R O C E E D I N G S

MR. PETERS: I'd like to call to order  
the Special Council meeting, Thursday, March  
21st, 2019, 5:00 p.m.

Laura, will you please call the roll.

MS. BROWN: Peters.

MR. PETERS: Here.

MS. BROWN: Foltz.

MR. FOLTZ: Here.

MS. BROWN: Cerreta.

MR. CERRETA: Here.

MS. BROWN: Revoldt.

MR. REVOLDT: Here.

MS. BROWN: Kiesling.

MS. KIESLING: Here.

MS. BROWN: And Fontes.

MR. FONTES: Here.

MR. PETERS: Thank you. Motion to excuse  
Member Werren.

MR. FOLTZ: So moved.

MR. CERRETA: Second.

MR. PETERS: All in favor?

(All say aye.)

MR. PETERS: Opposed?

(No response.)

1 MR. PETERS: Motion carries.

2 Okay. Before we get to recognition of  
3 visitors, this is a special council meeting.  
4 We are only allowed to discuss the items on  
5 the agenda. I'm going to ask that any  
6 comments be specific to these agenda items.  
7 If not, you have the second and fourth Monday  
8 of every month.

9 So with that being said, if you wish to  
10 address council regarding this agenda, please  
11 step forward, state your name and address for  
12 the record.

13 MR. TRIPP: Larry Tripp, 1127 East Maple,  
14 North Canton.

15 Messrs. Fontes and Revoldt, along with  
16 Chairwoman Kiesling, what has this council  
17 been discussing the better part of the past  
18 seven months? Yes, Main Street Business  
19 District or Main Street Business or whatever  
20 it's called, supposedly a tool to drive new  
21 business into North Canton along Main Street,  
22 but still unfinished after seven months. So  
23 what does the City do?

24 MR. PETERS: Mr. Tripp, this is not on  
25 the agenda tonight. Main Street Business

1 District is not on the agenda.

2 MR. TRIPP: No, but the bottom part, it  
3 ties into the last item.

4 MR. PETERS: Is there anything you wish  
5 to speak about regarding --

6 MR. TRIPP: It ties into the last item.

7 MR. PETERS: Make it quick.

8 (No response.)

9 MR. PETERS: Thank you, Mr. Tripp.  
10 Anyone else wish to discuss the items that  
11 are on this agenda? Chuck.

12 MR. OSBORNE: Chuck Osborne, 307 Fairview  
13 Street, Southeast, North Canton, Ohio.

14 Ordinance 21-2019, tax abatement for 331  
15 Harmon Street, a brand-new house that was  
16 built in the city, the only one in my  
17 lifetime up here of nearly 20 years that got  
18 a tax abatement for 15 years.

19 Nobody knows how it was given. This  
20 council has -- I guess is not in tune enough  
21 of what's going on. They weren't even aware  
22 of it. And then when it was brought to this  
23 housing council, they just let it fly.

24 This family --and I have nothing against  
25 about the individual. It's a young family.

1           They can come to this city, have children,  
2           enroll them in school, they can go through  
3           twelve years of education in our school  
4           system and have never contributed to the  
5           support of the schools. I think over the  
6           lifetime of this abatement, it's \$30,000.

7           Then we go to the next one. We went  
8           round and round with this a year or so ago, a  
9           40-unit apartment complex. Mr. Held claims  
10          he was never aware of the abatement, as his  
11          highly praised economic development director  
12          Dave, as well as this whole council, a  
13          million dollar tax abatement.

14          And by the way, go back to Harmon Street.  
15          In my whole life span up here in town, I  
16          don't know of any new home that's built  
17          that's got a tax abatement. This is the one  
18          and only.

19          LMD Realty, I believe that's Mr. DeHoff.  
20          Why are we giving multi-million dollar  
21          developers tax abatements?

22          Insight Realty. And Mr. Cerreta, I'll  
23          have to give you a little pat on the back  
24          here. You tried to curtail this, at least  
25          the amount of abatement. And I think you

1           stated at the time half of their clientele  
2           already comes from here in North Canton. Why  
3           none of your peers joined in with the same  
4           kind of concern, but you gave them an  
5           abatement. I bet you they won't give you an  
6           abatement on your bill if you go there for an  
7           eye test or treatment.

8           The last one, the City's move to the  
9           Civic Center, the council. This should have  
10          been come before this public body, and they  
11          should have addressed the pros and cons of  
12          this.

13          This just came out of nowhere, Mr.  
14          DeOrion's plan. And I commend him for the  
15          problems he has observed having a lot of the  
16          city staff remotely located and not knowing  
17          whether they're giving 100 percent of their  
18          workday to the citizens of the City or not.  
19          And word is they have not for years.

20          And I think in part that's why the sudden  
21          mysterious disappearance of our former city  
22          engineer. He got out of Dodge before he  
23          realized weight was coming down on him. And  
24          I won't say more than that. But you had  
25          given him a hire -- a rehire, you had given

1           him raises.  What more could anybody want  
2           who's working for a living?  And then  
3           suddenly he resigns quietly.  I think people  
4           know up here what happened.

5                     But again, so I don't know how any of  
6           y'all can feel good about what you do up  
7           here, feel like you're serving your  
8           constituents, which I doubt if any of you can  
9           spell it because you're certainly not  
10          representing them.  You greet us every time  
11          we come in here with disdain, hostility,  
12          vindictiveness; and as I said Monday night,  
13          we're just reflecting back how we're being  
14          treated out here.

15                    To get back to the relocating to the  
16          Civic Center, Mr. Cerreta asked who's going  
17          to be setting up all the equipment for us,  
18          and Mr. DeOrio responded, "Our staff will,"  
19          and then he also added, "We know you meet on  
20          Monday nights."

21                    MR. PETERS:  Mr. Osborne, you've reached  
22          your five-minute time limit.

23                    MR. OSBORNE:  Has anybody realized that  
24          planning and zoning also will need this  
25          setup?



1 MR. PETERS: Thank you, Mr. Osborne.

2 MR. OSBORNE: You're going to be setting  
3 this up multiple times.

4 MR. PETERS: I appreciate the comments.

5 MR. OSBORNE: Abusing and beating up this  
6 equipment.

7 MR. PETERS: You may take your seat now.  
8 Thank you, sir.

9 MR. OSBORNE: That was a quick five  
10 minutes.

11 MR. PETERS: Five minutes.

12 MR. OSBORNE: Is your clock fast?

13 MR. PETERS: Thank you, sir. Thank you.

14 MR. OSBORNE: It's a terrible move.

15 MR. PETERS: Please take your seat.

16 MR. OSBORNE: You ought to be building  
17 another floor onto this building.

18 MR. PETERS: Please take your seat.  
19 Thank you, Mr. Osborne. I appreciate the  
20 comments. Moving on to new business --

21 MR. OSBORNE: That's the third time we  
22 have moved engineering.

23 MR. PETERS: Mr. Osborne, take your seat  
24 now.

25 MR. OSBORNE: That's the third time we

1 have moved engineering.

2 MR. PETERS: Take your seat.

3 MR. OSBORNE: Very gentle and very nice  
4 way to handle this.

5 MR. PETERS: Moving on to new business.  
6 May I have a motion and a second to read by  
7 title only first reading of Ordinance 21-19?

8 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

9 MS. KIESLING: Second.

10 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

11 (All say aye.)

12 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

15 MR. FOX: I believe Mr. Revoldt for these  
16 first four had suggested that in the section  
17 where we have the Ohio Development Service  
18 Agency that he recommends that it read  
19 Development Services. And so for that,  
20 actually for all four of those, I believe  
21 that he would have a better term of art for  
22 what we're describing, as having served there  
23 in that capacity.

24 It's not a substantive change. We're  
25 still, of course, sending it to the proper

1 authority. But the term of art that he had  
2 recommended was instead of Ohio Development  
3 Service Agency is Development Services, and  
4 we put that both in our second "Whereas," and  
5 then in Section 2, we'll call it the Ohio  
6 Department -- we'll call it the Development  
7 Services Agency, and then in Section 3.  
8 We're going to do that on -- it's actually  
9 exactly the same on all four.

10 So what I would be reading is only the  
11 first paragraph. It doesn't have any of that  
12 section.

13 MS. KIESLING: So it's not necessary.

14 MR. FOX: But understand that for all of  
15 the next four that we're going to have, we're  
16 going make those changes. Mr. Revoldt has it  
17 there, and we have it in the ordinance for  
18 the Mayor.

19 And if you will permit me, I'll go ahead  
20 and read the --

21 MR. DEORIO: So we're calling them Ohio  
22 Development Services, is that what we're  
23 going to say?

24 MR. REVOLDT: Yes. Back in I believe  
25 2011 or 2012 when JobsOhio was created and

1 the economic development functions moved from  
2 Development to JobsOhio, the remaining  
3 entit -- the remaining organization was  
4 renamed Ohio Development Services Agency.  
5 The Ohio Department of Development as a legal  
6 entity disappeared.

7 So what these suggestions or corrections  
8 do are just simply align our language to the  
9 existing structure. That's it. Development  
10 Services Agency.

11 MR. DEORIO: So it's Ohio Development  
12 Services?

13 MR. REVOLDT: Services plural.

14 MR. DEORIO: Dropping the Agency?

15 MR. REVOLDT: Well, it's ODSA.

16 MR. DEORIO: Isn't that what it says?

17 MS. KIESLING: You must have a new copy.  
18 The copy that came through Monday didn't have  
19 it that way.

20 MS. BROWN: We corrected it.

21 MS. KIESLING: So you probably have a  
22 fresh copy, yeah.

23 MR. DEORIO: Sorry. No wonder I -- -

24 MR. REVOLDT: Corrected copy right here.

25 MS. KIESLING: Yeah. Sorry. We have the

1 not corrected. You all have the corrected.

2 MR. REVOLDT: And I apologize. Stacey  
3 and Tim got the e-mail at about 3:30 this  
4 afternoon.

5 MS. KIESLING: And I --

6 MR. FOX: We were able to quickly  
7 because --

8 MR. REVOLDT: It's a technical  
9 correction.

10 MS. KIESLING: I appreciate you catching  
11 it. Yeah, I would have no idea, so that's  
12 good.

13 MR. FOX: For the legislation before the  
14 Mayor, and so that the copies that you would  
15 have provided for read it as amended, because  
16 it's slightly different, again  
17 nonsubstantive, of what you had in committee.  
18 And it won't be contained in this opening  
19 paragraph, but following our rules is a  
20 summary, and I'll go ahead and it reads as  
21 follows: An ordinance continuing the  
22 Community Reinvestment Area Tax Incentive  
23 agreement between the City of North Canton  
24 and 331 Harmon Street, Southwest, and  
25 declaring the same to be an emergency.

1           MR. PETERS: Thank you. Chairman  
2           Kiesling.

3           MS. KIESLING: Yes. This gave us the  
4           address. It's the new home that was built  
5           back in 2006. It's a 15-year, 100 percent  
6           abatement. I motion we adopt, as we have all  
7           other years, but Pat has a question or a  
8           comment. Go ahead.

9           MR. DEORIO: Madam Chair, if you don't  
10          mind, I would just like to make sure it's  
11          clear for the record that the timing of us  
12          having to pass this and to get it done, the  
13          Ohio Development Services wants these  
14          agreements back, approved by city council by  
15          March 31st. That's their deadline. If we  
16          fail to meet it, we get fined every month  
17          that we don't comply.

18          We do not set the date that the tax  
19          incentive review council meets. That is done  
20          by the county commissioners. Their  
21          discretion. They do this all over the county  
22          for all their jurisdictions. On the date  
23          they happened to set this, before they  
24          arrived at our office they had already  
25          started at the City of Alliance and did

1           theirs, the City of Louisville and did  
2           theirs, and then showed up here at North  
3           Canton to do ours on that date.

4           So when we get notice of that, we gear  
5           everything that we do administratively to  
6           have everything ready so that not only the  
7           CRA Housing Council, which needs to meet  
8           before the TIRC in order to include the  
9           materials in for the TIRC, the TIRC then  
10          meets and then provides a recommendation to  
11          the council, the council then needs to act  
12          and act in this way.

13          It's not something that's designed or a  
14          fault of the administration. This is  
15          circumstances beyond our control. We're  
16          being dictated to what the terms of  
17          engagement are, and we're just doing our best  
18          to meet them, and we have done that.

19          MS. KIESLING: And I appreciate you  
20          bringing that up on Monday or we probably  
21          wouldn't have known, so --

22          MR. FONTES: Well, this is what -- we  
23          were talking about this today, that I get  
24          frustrated because these are renewals every  
25          year. And so I said, "Why are we having a

1 special meeting? Why can't we just do at our  
2 regular meeting?" And then he proceeded to  
3 explain that exact scenario, which now makes  
4 super sense; that they wait until the last  
5 minute and then they jam it on our schedule  
6 so we don't get fined 500 bucks a month;  
7 right?

8 MR. DEORIO: Mm-hmm.

9 MR. FONTES: So thanks for explaining  
10 that so we all know that we're on top of it.  
11 Thank you.

12 MR. PETERS: Okay. So there's a  
13 motion --

14 MS. KIESLING: Yep.

15 MR. PETERS: -- to adopt. Is there a  
16 second?

17 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

18 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

19 (All say aye.)

20 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Can I have  
23 a motion and a second to suspend the rule of  
24 council for three readings?

25 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.



1 MS. KIESLING: Second.

2 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

3 (All say aye.)

4 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

5 (No response.)

6 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. And  
7 finally, a motion and a second to adopt under  
8 suspension of the rules.

9 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

10 MS. KIESLING: Second.

11 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

12 (All say aye.)

13 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Thank you.

16 A motion and a second to read by title only  
17 first reading of Ordinance 22-19.

18 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

19 MR. REVOLDT: Second.

20 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

21 (All say aye.)

22 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

23 (No response.)

24 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

25 MR. FOX: You'll recall this will have

1 the same amendment as the 21-2019, and it  
2 reads as follows: An ordinance continuing  
3 the Community Reinvestment Area Tax Incentive  
4 agreement between the City of North Canton  
5 and 1303-1305 North Main Street, and  
6 declaring the same to be an emergency.

7 MR. PETERS: Thank you. Chairman  
8 Kiesling.

9 MS. KIESLING: Yes. This is the property  
10 up on North Main, it's known as North Ridge.  
11 It has a 12-year, \$100,000 abate -- a 100  
12 percent abatement. It's been approved in the  
13 years past. I motion we accept.

14 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

15 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

16 (All say aye.)

17 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. I need a  
20 motion and a second to suspend rules of  
21 council for three readings.

22 MR. FOLTZ: So moved.

23 MS. KIESLING: Second.

24 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

25 (All say aye.)

1 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

2 (No response.)

3 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. And  
4 finally, a motion and a second to adopt under  
5 suspension of the rules.

6 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

7 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

8 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

9 (All say aye.)

10 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Okay. May  
13 I have a motion and a second to read by title  
14 only first reading of Ordinance No. 23-19?

15 MR. FOLTZ: So moved.

16 MR. CERRETA: Second.

17 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

18 (All say aye.)

19 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

20 (No response.)

21 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

22 MR. FOX: An ordinance continuing the  
23 Community Reinvestment Area agreement between  
24 the City of North Canton and LMD Realty, LLC,  
25 for the real property located at 825 South

1 Main Street, and declaring the same to be an  
2 emergency.

3 MR. PETERS: Thank you. Chairman  
4 Kiesling.

5 MS. KIESLING: Yes. This is one of our  
6 personal properties. It is a 50 percent,  
7 12-year abatement. I motion we adopt. It  
8 was approved by the TIRC committee.

9 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

10 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

11 (All say aye.)

12 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Motion and  
15 a second to suspend the rules of council for  
16 three readings?

17 MR. FOLTZ: So moved.

18 MS. KIESLING: Second.

19 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

20 (All say aye.)

21 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 MR. PETERS: Motion carries.

24 And finally, a motion and a second to adopt  
25 under suspension of the rules.

1 MR. FOLTZ: So moved.

2 MS. KIESLING: Second.

3 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

4 (All say aye.)

5 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Okay. May  
8 I have a motion and a second to read by title  
9 only first reading of Ordinance No. 24-19?

10 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

11 MS. KIESLING: Second.

12 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

13 (All say aye.)

14 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

15 (No response.)

16 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

17 MR. FOX: An ordinance continuing the  
18 Community Reinvestment Area agreement between  
19 the City of North Canton and Insight Realty,  
20 LLC, for the real property located at 1605  
21 Portage Street, Northwest, and declaring the  
22 same to be an emergency.

23 MR. PETERS: Chairman Kiesling.

24 MS. KIESLING: Yes. This is another  
25 commercial property. It is a 15-year, 50

1 percent abatement. It was also approved by  
2 the committee, and I motion we adopt.

3 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

4 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

5 (All say aye.)

6 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

7 (No response.)

8 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. May we have  
9 a motion and a second to suspend the rules of  
10 council for three readings?

11 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

12 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

13 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

14 (All say aye.)

15 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

16 (No response.)

17 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. And  
18 finally, a motion and a second to adopt under  
19 suspension of the rules.

20 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

21 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

22 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

23 (All say aye.)

24 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

25 (No response.)

1           MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Okay. May  
2 I have a motion and a second to read by title  
3 only first reading of Ordinance No. 25-19?

4           MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

5           MR. CERRETA: Second.

6           MR. PETERS: All in favor?

7           (All say aye.)

8           MR. PETERS: Opposed?

9           (No response.)

10          MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

11          MR. FOX: An ordinance authorizing the  
12 City of North Canton to adopt a General Fund  
13 balance policy.

14          MR. PETERS: Thank you. Chairman Werren  
15 is absent. Laura, do you have anything  
16 further to add?

17          MS. BROWN: No. I think we covered this  
18 earlier this week. It's just a policy to put  
19 a reserve in place.

20          MR. PETERS: Okay.

21          MR. REVOLDT: It is a widely-recognized  
22 management tool; correct?

23          MS. BROWN: That's correct. Recognized  
24 by the debt rating agencies, as well as the  
25 Government Finance Officers Association

1 nationally.

2 MR. PETERS: Very good.

3 MR. FOLTZ: Motion to adopt.

4 MS. KIESLING: Second.

5 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

6 (All say aye.)

7 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. May I have  
10 a motion and a second to read by title only  
11 first reading of Ordinance No. 26-19?

12 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

13 MS. KIESLING: Second.

14 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

15 (All say aye.)

16 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

19 MR. FOX: An ordinance authorizing the  
20 use of a "Then and Now" certificate for park  
21 expansion expenses, and declaring the same to  
22 be an emergency.

23 MR. PETERS: Thank you. Laura, a quick  
24 synopsis before we vote?

25 MS. BROWN: Sure. As we stated, this is



1           some expenses that were undertaken prior to  
2           getting a purchase order, so in order to  
3           correct that we used a "Then and Now"  
4           certificate after the fact.

5           MS. KIESLING: I like it. Motion we  
6           adopt.

7           MR. FOLTZ: Second.

8           MR. PETERS: All in favor?

9           (All say aye.)

10          MR. PETERS: Opposed?

11          (No response.)

12          MR. PETERS: Motion carries. May we have  
13          a motion and a second to spend the rules of  
14          council for three readings?

15          MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

16          MS. KIESLING: Second.

17          MR. PETERS: All in favor?

18          (All say aye.)

19          MR. PETERS: Opposed?

20          (No response.)

21          MR. PETERS: Motion carries. And  
22          finally, a motion and a second to adopt under  
23          suspension of the rules.

24          MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

25          MR. CERRETA: Second.

1 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

2 (All say aye.)

3 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

4 (No response.)

5 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. May I have  
6 a motion and a second to read by title only  
7 first reading of Ordinance No. 27-19?

8 MR. REVOLDT: So moved.

9 MR. CERRETA: Second.

10 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

11 (All say aye.)

12 MR. PETERS: Opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 MR. PETERS: Motion carries. Tim.

15 MR. FOX: An ordinance appropriating  
16 funds from the unappropriated resources of  
17 the General Fund to the General Government  
18 Professional Services account for the purpose  
19 of moving the City's Engineering Department  
20 from the Civic Center to City Hall, and  
21 moving the City Council's Chambers to the  
22 Civic Center, together with upgrading the  
23 Civic Center's audiovisual equipment for City  
24 Council and other City boards, commissions,  
25 and rentals for meeting services.

1           MR. PETERS: Okay. And I move the  
2 chairman -- I'll make a couple quick  
3 comments. Is it safe to assume, Director  
4 DeOrio, that this wasn't just thrown away --  
5 thrown together at the last minute?

6           MR. DEORIO: Yes, sir. This has been a  
7 project that's been underway I think for the  
8 last 24 months, I think. It was one of the  
9 first projects that we started on,  
10 consolidating everything back to here. That  
11 was the purpose of the drive-up lane out  
12 front, you know, the vision towards one-stop  
13 shopping for North Canton's residents.

14          MR. PETERS: Okay. And since you are the  
15 direct supervisor of all those services, to  
16 have them all under one roof under your  
17 supervision I think would be prudent.

18          MR. DEORIO: It's a huge management tool.  
19 I mean I just can't tell you every day the  
20 issues that come up that arise because we are  
21 not on site.

22          MR. PETERS: So the move wasn't taken  
23 lightly. Let the record reflect that.  
24 Daryl.

25          MR. REVOLDT: You know, when you look at

1           this square footage, this is actually very  
2           expensive real estate. We have six meetings  
3           a month in this space, four from council, one  
4           from the planning commission, one from zoning  
5           board of appeals in the evenings. During the  
6           day the chamber's empty.

7           I think many of the issues -- and this is  
8           my own personal view --- many of the issues  
9           and challenges that we face, including some  
10          of those that were referenced tonight by Mr.  
11          Osborne, may stem from the fact that we place  
12          our personnel at satellite offices beyond  
13          supervision.

14          So would you rather have better  
15          government concentrated in this space or  
16          continue to operate in the fashion we have in  
17          the past? And I would argue that it makes  
18          better sense to have our team here where they  
19          can be managed and supervised, as opposed to  
20          having them some other -- at another campus.

21          MR. PETERS: Hard to argue that.

22          MR. REVOLDT: It's -- yeah. I mean I can  
23          tell you, I mean it's my own personal view, I  
24          think some of the issues that we've discussed  
25          and we've grappled with as a council, and

1           you've grappled with the council, stem from  
2           the fact that we didn't have personnel in the  
3           building. Whereabouts and activities  
4           unknown. And this will address that.

5           So in a roundabout way, we're coming back  
6           to what Mr. Osborne has raised earlier. And  
7           those matters frankly are settled. They were  
8           settled by previous council, they're done.

9           MR. PETERS: Agreed.

10          MR. REVOLDT: Whether you agree or  
11          disagree, they're done.

12          MR. PETERS: Mayor.

13          MR. HELD: You know, as we're looking at  
14          the consolidation, another point to keep in  
15          mind, too, because you know we've got --  
16          presently we've got really good employees in  
17          place, so it really wasn't exclusively, you  
18          know, a supervisory issue, but that's a  
19          positive. But also, there's synergy. When  
20          you have somebody who is, you know, right  
21          next to you, you know, just 20 feet away and  
22          you've got to get something accomplished, it  
23          makes it a lot more efficient than calling  
24          them, leaving them a message, driving down  
25          there in a car.

1           So really, what the administrator has  
2           done and also the finance director is  
3           bringing everybody together. Just like when  
4           we moved the council clerk and the law  
5           director all over on that side of the  
6           building and opened up more room for the  
7           permits, it's just amazing the exchange of  
8           information now. It just, it moves the  
9           process along at a hyper speed.

10           Even when you come in this evening before  
11           the meeting, you know, you run into everybody  
12           all at one location, whereas in the past you  
13           may never have run into them unless you went  
14           down to that office. So yeah, this has  
15           really, really transformed how the operation,  
16           how the City services move along. So it's a  
17           lot more efficient, just bringing people  
18           together.

19           MR. PETERS: Agreed. Okay. Any other  
20           comments, questions?

21           MR. FONTES: No. Good to go.

22           MS. KIESLING: Motion we adopt.

23           MR. REVOLDT: First reading.

24           MR. FOLTZ: Second.

25           MR. PETERS: All in favor?

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(All say aye.)

MR. PETERS: Opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERS: Motion carries. And that concludes our agenda. Motion to adjourn?

MR. FOLTZ: Motion to adjourn.

MS. KIESLING: Second.

MR. PETERS: All in favor?

(All say aye.)

MR. PETERS: Opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERS: We're adjourned.

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(Proceedings concluded at 5:25 p.m.)

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