CITY MANAGER'S REPORT December 9, 2024 Council Meeting

1. Last Week's Snow Storm:

- a. At last count, it was reported that we received approximately 50" of snow over Thanksgiving weekend.
- b. Under extremely difficult circumstances, I'm very proud of how our employees worked together to get us through probably the biggest snow storm we've seen in decades. With our Street Dept. leading the way, we're very appreciative of the assistance we received from other Departments, both internal and external, including:
 - i. City Water, Wastewater & F.D. Depts.
 - ii. ODOT
 - iii. Harpersfield Twp.
- c. Shortly after we had things under control, we began moving piled snow from Downtown and other areas to Depot lot, to assist with visibility and pedestrian traffic.
- d. Shortly after the County declared a State of Emergency, the city followed suit with our State of Emergency on Sat., November 30. The State soon followed with it's declaration of a State of Emergency for Ashtabula County, plus three other counties.
- e. Our primary objective under these circumstances (Level 2-3 Emergency), is to get our main roads open for emergency personnel/vehicles. Then, we'll move to the secondary roads and parking lots (followed by a repetitive cycle as needed).

2. W. Main Street Project:

- a. The Contractor has made significant progress over the past several weeks on curbing and drive aprons and is now looking to lay the base asphalt on the N. side of W. Main from Lockwood to Eagle (Circle K) possibly tomorrow or first part of next week, weather permitting.
- b. The snow storm considerably hurt our momentum, but we're pressing forward given the current conditions.
- c. Progress Meeting #9 is scheduled for Wednesday, December 11 at 10 AM.
- 3. Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP) Sub-Recipient Grant Agreement: (On tonight's agenda) The SRGA outlines the terms and conditions of grant funds disbursement requirements and reporting between the City and Eastgate. Executing the agreement will enable us to move forward with our Planner, CT Consultants, for Surveying, Engineering and Landscape Architecture for the updating of the conceptual design of our streetscape project. I request Authorization from Council to enter into the Agreement.
- 4. Ashtabula County Dept. of Environmental Services Contract Amendment: (On tonight's agenda) After numerous discussions with the county (DES), we're now in agreement with the terms and conditions as outlined in the Amendment to the Supply, Transmission and Storage of Water Agreement entered into on February 28, 2006. I request Authorization from Council to enter into the Amendment. (TABLED)

5. <u>Re-Scheduled Due to the Snow Storm</u>:

- a. Geneva Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner: Wednesday, January 15th, 2025, starting at 6 PM
- b. Annual GBA Christmas Parade: Friday, December 13, 2024, starting at 7 PM