

April 8, 2020



## Public Health & Safety Committee

### 1. Covid19 Staff Update (Joan)

Joan has requested Committee time to share an update with City Council on the staff progress to prepare for and contain the progress of Covid-19 in Kent.

#### *Administration Recommendation*

Receive the staff report, no action is needed.

#### *Council Action*

**Receive the staff report, no action is needed.**



### 2. Parks & Rec Request to Allow Alcohol Sales at Art in the Park (Kevin)

Kevin has asked for Committee time for Council's consideration of a Parks and Recreation request to authorize the sale of alcohol at the Art in Park event in September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> 2020. Kevin has invited 5 local wineries to participate in the weekend event. (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

Council has previously approved alcohol sales in City Parks for special events and I recommend Council's approval as presented.

#### *Council Action*

**Authorize the proposed sale of alcohol at the Art in the Park as presented.**

## Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee

### 1. Proposed ROW License Agreement for Barrio's (Jim)

Jim has requested Committee time to request Council's authorization of a request from the owners of the Barrio's restaurant on S. Water Street to be allowed to set up outdoor chairs and tables on the sidewalk outside the restaurant. Jim indicates that he believes that the sidewalk is wide enough to allow some chairs and tables without impeding safe pedestrian mobility. (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

Council has supported similar requests to occupy portions of the right for outdoor seating and it has proven to be very popular among customers. I recommend Council's approval of the proposed ROW license agreement as presented.

#### *Council Action*

**Authorize the proposed ROW license agreement for Barrio's as presented.**



## Community Development Committee

### 1. Haymaker Farmer's Market Sub-Lease Renewal (Bridget)

Bridget Susel has requested Committee time for Council to consider the renewal of the City's sublease with the Farmer's Market for the property that the City leases from the railroad along Franklin Avenue for the 2020 season. The sublease has been provided for \$1 per year and Bridget is recommending renewing that sublease again for 2020. (attachment)

*Administration Recommendation*

The City has historically provided the Farmer's Market with a lease to host the weekly Farmer's Market on the land along Franklin Avenue at a nominal fee and I recommend Council's support to renew that sublease.

*Council Action*

**Authorize the renewal of the sublease for the Farmer's Market.**



## Finance Committee

### 1. Authorize Parks & Rec to Submit an ODNR NatureWorks Grant (Kevin)

Kevin has requested Committee time for Council's approval for Park and Recreation to submit a grant request in the amount of \$22,500 to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources "Nature Works" program. Kevin reports that the funding is being sought for the repair of the basketball courts at Al Lease Park. (attachment)

*Administration Recommendation*

I recommend Council's authorization of the grant submission and acceptance and appropriation of the funding if approved by the State.

*Council Actions*

**Authorize Parks and Recreation to submit an Ohio NatureWorks grant in the amount of \$22,500; and authorize acceptance and appropriation of the grant funds if approved by the State.**



### 2. 2020 Budget Appropriations Amendment (Rhonda)

Rhonda has been working with the department heads to reconcile the approved 2020 budget line items and she has prepared the necessary appropriations amendments to reflect the changes needed to balance those line items. (attachments)

*Administration Recommendation*

I recommend Council's authorization of the appropriations amendments.

*Council Actions*

**Approve the 2020 budget appropriations amendments as presented.**



## Unauthorized Items

### 1. Authorize Acceptance of Covid-19 Related Donations (Hope) (Draft #2020-30)

Hope has requested Council's authorization to accept community donations made in support of the protection of public health from the Covid-19 virus.

*Administration Recommendation*

Authorize acceptance of donated items to protect against Covid-19.

*Council Action*

**Authorize acceptance of donated public safety items for Covid-19.**



## Information Items

### 1. Income Tax Report

Rhonda Hall has provided a summary of income tax collections thru the end of February 2020. Overall the City income tax collections are up 9.67% (\$221,260) from February 2019. Kent State University's collections thru the end of February are up 7.56% (\$63,107). (attachment)

### 2. Monthly Permit and Zoning Reports

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the monthly zoning and permit violations report for March 2020. Permit revenues were \$13,718.44 for March with the most permits being issued for Electrical Commercial (168 permits). There were 13 code enforcement items in March. (attachment)