



MINUTES

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Village Green Municipal
Building Council Chambers
47 Hall Street
April 2, 2018
6:00 p.m.

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. Those present included:

Committee Members and Council: Frank Bertone, Chairman; Mayor Jon Bennehoof; Daniel Swartwout, Councilman; Steve Lutz, City Manager; Dave Betz, Development Director; and Karen J. Mitchell, City Clerk. Shawn Boysko, P&Z Representative and Chris Shear, Citizen Representative, were absent.

The Committee moved into Executive Session per Ohio Rev. Code Section 121.22(G)(1) Employment Matters to interview for the Citizen Representative position.

Regular Session began at 7:05 p.m. In addition to those already present at Executive Session, the following people joined Regular Session:

Staff/Others: Jim Hrivnak, Powell CIC Chair; Don Emerick, Planning & Zoning; Mike Linehan, Powell CIC; Brian Lorenz, Councilman; Brendan Newcomb, Councilman; Melissa Riggins, Councilwoman; Rocky Kambo, Assistant Director of Development; and other interested parties.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of March 6, 2018 were approved.

Today's Business

- **Review of Proposal by VSI for a Strategic Business Development Plan and Housing Market Study:** Mr. Betz reviewed the proposal of Vogt Strategic Insights for a strategic business development plan and housing market study for the Development Department. This plan is one of the next steps recommended by the Comprehensive Plan in an effort to utilize City resources more efficiently. This plan will help the City determine what it should be doing and looking at within the community moving forward to attract businesses and housing. The Powell CIC is also interested in the study because it goes along with their core purpose and, therefore, is willing to share the expense of this study.

ACTION ITEM: Committee approved moving forward jointly with the Powell CIC to contract with VSI for the strategic business development plan and housing market study with the CIC picking up 60% of the cost and the City 40% of the cost. Assuming Powell CIC approves the funding at its next meeting, an appropriation will be presented to Council at its April 20th meeting.

Old Business

- **Review of Any Changes to the Committee Goal Spreadsheet:** Mr. Betz requested that any changes, feedback, or additions to the goals be sent to him as soon as possible.

Adjournment - Having no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.