

April 9, 2009



Unauthorized Items

1. Extension of the General Compensation Plan

Liz Zorc has been working with the Department Heads to update the terms of the General Compensation Plan consistent with the terms of the recently passed union agreements. The staff is preparing to bring the Plan modifications and recommendations to City Council in the next couple of weeks but in case there were any delays we're recommending Council's approval to extend the terms of the existing Plan through to June 28, 2009. (draft # 09-41).

Administration Recommendation

Recommend Council's support to authorize the extension for the General Compensation Plan.

Council Action

Adopt a resolution authorizing the extension of the General Compensation Plan.

Information Items

1. NOPEC Electric Pricing Update

Gene Roberts has provided an update from NOPEC regarding the agreement reached between Florida Power and Light and NOPEC for electric rates. The announcement forecasts energy savings to meet or exceed 5% for residential customers. (attachment)

2. Efficient Government Now Web Site

The regional initiative called Efficient Government Now has listed the Kent/Franklin Township JEDD as an example of smart, efficient government cooperation on their web site. I have printed a copy of the testimonial article for your information. We are also working on applying for EfficientGov Grant funds for some of our other collaborative efforts so hopefully this recognition will encourage funding support for our initiatives. (attachment)

3. Civil Service Commission Meeting

I have included a copy of the Agenda for next week's Civil Service Commission meeting (April 13, 2009) for your information. (attachment)

4. Health Department Statistics

John Ferlito has provided copies of the health department statistics for the 1st quarter of 2009. (attachment)

5. Meeting with Ohio's Stimulus Czar Ronn Richard

Last Friday Mayor Fender and I joined President Lefton in a meeting with Ohio's Stimulus Czar Ronn Richard in downtown Cleveland. Since our economic development funding requests, including the downtown hotel/conference center project, had not been selected in the initial round of funding awards we thought it was worth a visit to emphasize the importance of the Downtown Kent Revitalization Project to the City, the University and northeast Ohio. I've attached the documents that we provided to Mr. Richard for your information. (attachment)