



Just a reminder that on March 21st we will have both a Regular Council meeting, starting at 7:15, and a Committee meeting at the conclusion of the Regular meeting.

Unauthorized Council Items

1. Zoning Text Amendment – Swimming Pool Fences



In December the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing to consider a text amendment to the Kent Zoning Code. The proposed amendment expands the space allowed in pool fencing from 3" to 4" between panels. The Planning Commission voted 4-0 in favor of the Amendment.

Administration Recommendation

Support staff's recommendation to amend the zoning code.

Council Action

Authorize the proposed text amendment changes.

2. Housing Revolving Loan Fund Agreement



Gary Locke has requested Council's authorization to renew the Housing Revolving Loan Fund Administration Agreement between the City and the Ohio Department of Development. The Agreement lays out the terms of the City's administration of the revolving loan funds for use in Kent to improve affordable housing stock and provide for the housing needs of low-and-moderate income persons. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

Support staff's recommendation to renew the Agreement.

Council Action

Authorize renewal of the Agreement.

Health and Safety Committee Items

1. Downtown Parking Changes



The Parking Action Committee has made recommendations to change some of the parking restrictions downtown that has been forwarded for Council approval. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

Support staff's recommendation to adopt the changes as noted.

Council Action

Adopt the recommendations proposed by the Parking Action Committee.

Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee Items



2. Traffic Signal Installation Policy

The Transportation, Engineering and Safety Committee has developed a draft policy for evaluating new traffic signal installations for Council's consideration. The policy establishes a process and criteria, e.g., warrants, safety, funding, etc., for staff to apply when evaluating requests from residents for the installation of new signals. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

It is important to develop standard criteria and a consistent process for evaluation of new traffic signal requests that can cost upwards of \$100,000 per site, and I believe this policy achieves both of these objectives.

Council Action

Adopt the traffic signal installation policy.