



## Community Development Committee

### 1. Pilot Tool Rental Program

As part of the neighborhood enrichment initiative, the Code Enforcement Officer has recommended starting a pilot tool rental program that is modeled after a similar program used in Brunswick, Ohio. The program makes a few common yard and property maintenance tools available to be borrowed by residents at no charge. The idea is to provide residents a convenient and inexpensive means to get the tools they may need to keep their property in good shape. (attachment)

#### *Administrative Recommendation*

Our Code Officer has worked hard to increase enforcement of problem properties and I appreciate his proposal to complement that effort with this new service which residents can use to stay out in front of any maintenance problems at their residence. At a project expense under \$500 dollars I recommend Council's support of this trial program.

#### *Council Action*

**Authorize staff to proceed with a pilot tool rental program.**

### 2. Exterior Property Maintenance Code

Also as part of the City's neighborhood enrichment initiative, Community Development staff have continued to work on issues related to the possible implementation of the exterior maintenance code. We are hopeful that staff from the City of Tallmadge will join us to talk about their experience adopting the maintenance standards plus our staff will review the work they have completed since Council last reviewed this item and discuss possible next steps. (attachment)

#### *Administrative Recommendation*

Discuss the issues and direct staff accordingly.

#### *Council Action*

**Discuss the issues and direct staff accordingly.**

### 3. Downtown Redevelopment Update

Staff wanted an opportunity to provide Council with an update on the status of the downtown redevelopment projects, including the hotel/conference center, the Phoenix Project, and the greater downtown reinvestment plan.

## Finance Committee Items

*Administrative Recommendation*  
Receive the staff report.

### 2. Income, Property and Tax Discussion Continued

#### *Council Action*

**No action required.** Council requested more Committee time to further discuss matters of income and property tax related to the Blue Ribbon Panel recommendations. In particular, Council asked to consider a possible resolution that would affirm Council's commitment to re-adjust the income tax credit if the proposed income tax rate increase were to pass on the May 2009 ballot.

#### *Administration Recommendation*

Discuss the issues and direct staff accordingly.



