Unauthorized Items

1. 2017 Position Allocation Ordinance (Draft # 16-112)
Liz Zorc and Dave Coffee have requested Council’s authorization of the 2017 City position allocation ordinance that formally establishes the positions approved and funded in the 2017 Operating Budget.

Administration Recommendation
I recommend Council’s authorization of the proposed 2016 position allocation ordinance as approved in the 2017 City Operating Budget.

Council Actions
Approve the 2017 position allocation ordinance for 2017.

2. 2016 Budget Appropriations Amendments (Draft # 16-113)
Dave Coffee has been working with the department heads to reconcile the approved 2016 budget line items and he has prepared the necessary appropriations amendments to close out the end of the 2016 fiscal year.

Administration Recommendation
I recommend Council’s authorization of the end of year 2016 budget amendments.

Council Actions
Approve the proposed the final 2016 budget appropriations amendments.

3. Proposed Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Rate Increases for 2017 (Draft #’s 16-114, 16-117, 16-118)
The 2017 Capital and Operating Budgets that were approved by Council included a 3% sewer rate increase (estimated $1.18/month), 8% water rate increase (estimated $1.31/month) and 3% solid waste rate increase (.15 cents/month). In addition to your approval of those rates in the budget, Jim Silver requests your authorization of those rates as stand-alone actions.

Administration Recommendation
I recommend Council’s authorization of the proposed 3% sewer rate, 8% water rate and 3% solid waste rate increase effective with the first billing cycle in January 2017.

Council Actions
Authorize the proposed sewer, water and solid waste rate increase for 2017.

4. Public Safety Forces Radio Upgrade Grant Application (Draft # 16-116)
Chief Lee and Chief Tosko have requested Council’s authorization to submit a joint grant for up to $100,000 that is available through the Ohio Department of Development Services to begin to convert the City’s safety forces radio system to the State MARCS system for improved radio reliability and inter-operability. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation
Conversion to the State MARCS radio platform would solve limitations in our current radio system and ensure the City meets the State goal to use the MARCS system as a shared statewide radio platform. If awarded, this grant would enable the public safety forces to begin to make the conversion and I recommend Council’s support.

Council Actions
Authorize the staff to submit the public safety radio grant application.