



Unauthorized Items

1. Donation from the Ohio Department of Public Safety (Draft #15 -154)

As a result of the Kent Police Department participation in the State "Click it or Ticket" program, the Ohio Department of Public Safety has donated a new laser speed measuring device (valued at \$1,295) to the Kent Police Department. Council is being asked by staff to accept the donated laser unit. (attachment)



Administration Recommendation

I recommend Council accept the donation.

Council Action

Authorize acceptance of the donation.

2. Public Defender Contract (Draft No. 15-155)

Staff is requesting Council's authorization to renew the City's contract with the Portage County Office of the Public Defender for the purposes of legal counsel to indigent persons for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.



Administration Recommendation

This is an annual contract renewal that Jim Silver and I recommend for Council's authorization.

Council Action

Authorize the renewal of the Portage County Public Defender's contract for 2016.

3. Donation from the Ohio Attorney General (Draft #15 -156)

As a result of the Ohio Attorney General's successful antitrust lawsuit brought against the rock salt suppliers Cargill and Morton, a settlement was reached and the Attorney General's Office has provided the City of Kent with \$15,931.03 representing the City's share of the settlement. Council is being asked by staff to accept the settlement distribution funds. (attachment)



Administration Recommendation

I recommend Council accept the settlement funds.

Council Action

Authorize acceptance of the settlement funds.

4. Transfer of Property Taxes From the County (Draft No. 15-157)

In order for the County to transfer the tax proceeds for 2015 to the City, Council must adopt an ordinance authorizing the transfer to be made from the County Treasurer to the Director of Budget and Finance for the City of Kent. (attachment)

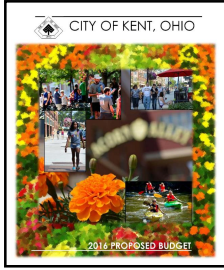


Administration Recommendation

Adopt the resolution authorizing the transfer of tax proceeds.

Council Action

Adopt the resolution authorizing the transfer of tax proceeds.



Finance Committee Items

1. Proposed 2016 City Operating Budget

The staff and I will present City Council with the proposed 2016 recommended operating budget for Council's consideration. The proposed budget is too large to mail so it was hand delivered it to your homes.

Administrative Recommendation

I would recommend Council's approval of the budget so that we can ensure continuity of City operations in January when our 2015 budget expires.

Council Action

Review, modify and approve the proposed budget for 2016.

Information Items

1. Health Board Department Statistics

Jeff Neistadt has provided copies of the statistical report for October 2015. Health Department revenues are up 20% (\$69,202) and permits are down 16% (76 permits) in 2015 from 2014. (attachment)

2. Monthly Permit and Zoning Reports

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the monthly zoning and permit violations reports for October 2015. Permit revenues were \$20,905 for the month of October. Most permits being issued for residential HVAC (26 permits). There were 83 code enforcement items in October, most of which were related to unsheltered storage. (attachment)