

A virtual meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Mayor Mike Smith on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. The members participating were Jason Bracken, Glenn Ellerbe, David Prytherch, Chantel Raghu, William Snavelly and Edna Southard.

Staff members participating were: Mr. Doug Elliott, City Manager; Ms. Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager and Mr. Chris Conard, Law Director.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Smith requested the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Snavelly moved to approve the agenda. Ms. Southard seconded. The motion passed by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavelly
Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PROCLAMATION **"CREATIVITY CITY"**

Mayor Smith read the Proclamation noting it would be forwarded to staff members at Miami University.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following e-comments were received prior to the meeting:

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:45pm:

- **Name:** TaraShea Nesbit
- **Address:** 6072 Contreras Rd., Oxford, OH 45056
- **Email Address:** tarasheanesbit@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** face to face meetings
- **Comments:**

Given the knowledge that covid droplets can linger in air for thirty minutes and lots of new research on the highly contagious nature of this virus, I am writing to very strongly recommend this meeting, and future meetings, are not held face to face.

We particularly need our community leaders alive and well during a pandemic, and 10 people in a room, without N95 face masks and goggles, is risking their lives. We need you, stay home and stay safe, please!

Monday, April 6, 2020 - 9:33am:

- **Name:** Calvin Conrad
- **Address:** 5226 Westgate Dr
- **Email Address:** calconrad@aol.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** general
- **Comments:**

I fail to understand why the rental property owners, primarily in the mile square, are unwilling to clean up their properties. Most surely we have laws on our books that require those property owners to clean up even if their renters do not.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the March 17, 2020 City Council Meeting. (Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council)

Report regarding the March 12, Recreation Board Meeting. (Casey Wooddell, Parks and Recreation Director)

Mr. Snavelly moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The motion passed by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavelly, Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION

EVICITION PROCEEDINGS

A Resolution No. 7177 encouraging the Area I Court of Butler County to immediately suspend or delay for at least sixty (60) days after the Stay at Home Order is vacated, all evictions that occur due to economic hardship caused by the coronavirus pandemic. (Councilors: Bracken, Raghu and Snavelly)

Mr. Elliott advised the proposed Resolution encourages Area I Court to suspend or delay all court actions for at least 60 days after the Stay at Home Order is vacated all evictions. Mr. Elliott noted the Resolution was requested by Councilors Bracken, Raghu and Snavelly.

Mr. Elliott advised he has been in communication with Area I Court and noted there are 4 eviction cases in Oxford pending since the Governor declared a State of Emergency on March 9, 2020. Mr. Elliott noted none of the eviction hearings will be scheduled until after May 31, 2020. Mr. Elliott recommended passage of the proposed Resolution.

Mayor Smith advised Councilors received e-comments on the proposed Resolution which will be included in the meeting minutes.

(Public comments regarding the proposed Resolution are included in the minutes as Exhibit "A" beginning on page 15)

Ms. Raghu advised she was happy the court has decided to put a stay on evictions until May 31 noting she felt the question was what would happen after May 31 since rent will be due. Ms. Raghu advised Council's colleagues and the federal government were working on trying to get rent forgiveness and mortgage suspensions since we know when something goes into forbearance we are looking at mortgages with all of the money due at once. Ms. Raghu noted this could be a hassle for people out of work. Ms. Raghu advised she felt right now we were keeping people safe, in their homes and able to shelter in place for the sake of public safety and morality. Ms. Raghu noted she felt Council should consider what is going to happen after May 31 and inquired what Council's plan would be when people are situationally homeless. Ms. Raghu advised she felt Council needs to think about what moratoriums they will initiate once the emergency is over so people will not all of a sudden be evicted. Ms. Raghu noted Council should think about neighborhood preservation as she felt many people would begin buying property that other people can no longer afford. Ms. Raghu advised she looked forward to seeing how Council could be creative and try to anticipate what problems would come from the pandemic and how Council would respond to them.

Mr. Prytherch inquired what the practical implication was of Council sending a Resolution encouraging a county court to suspend evictions. Mr. Prytherch asked Mr. Conard to speak to what legal basis Council has to do so and what practical implication this Resolution is likely to have. Mr. Conard advised the Resolution was simply a statement of the will of Council. Mr. Conard noted the power to put a moratorium in place on evictions would have to come from the Supreme Court or the Ohio Legislature. Mr. Prytherch advised he agreed with the spirit of the proposed Resolution noting his hope Council was clear about what they are actually doing. Mr. Prytherch advised Council adopts Resolutions urging the legislature in Columbus to do certain things and it may or may not have practical influence on what the legislature does. Mr. Prytherch noted he wanted the public to understand Council was not directly influencing or changing eviction policies, they were just asking the courts to do so. Mr. Conard advised that was correct, as Council did not have the power to mandate.

Mr. Ellerbe noted he wanted to make sure Council was very specific regarding economic impact. Mr. Ellerbe advised based on research he has done the reason the eviction policies are in place the way they currently are in Butler County is because there are emergency evictions for items that are not financially related.

Mr. Ellerbe noted now that everyone is forced to stay at home there are real and present dangers regarding individuals in abusive households since there is no option to go to school or to work. Mr. Ellerbe advised the abuse can get bad enough to require an emergency eviction. Mr. Ellerbe noted he wanted to make sure Council does not use a broad based moratorium in any Resolutions they choose to pass.

Ms. Raghu noted the Resolution states it is for evictions occurring due to economic hardship cause by the coronavirus pandemic.

Mayor Smith advised he was sending a plea to landlords to continue to work with their tenants during this time. Mayor Smith noted he was only hearing good things at this point and advised he felt property owners want to keep their tenants at all levels, commercial and residential.

Mr. Snavelly moved to adopt Resolution No. 7177. Ms. Southard seconded. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavelly, Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

RESOLUTION **RLF RULES & PROCUDURES**

A Resolution No. 7178 repealing the City of Oxford's Revolving Loan Fund Rules and Procedures and adopting new City of Oxford Revolving Loan Fund Rules and Procedures. (Doug Elliott, City Manager)

Mr. Elliott read his staff report into the record as follows:

“ The current Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Rules and Procedures were amended by Resolution of City Council on May 5, 2009. The current Rules and Procedures only provide funding for the creation of new jobs for low to moderate income persons. The HUD eligible activities also includes the retention of jobs for low and moderate-income persons. I am recommending that the rules be revised to include the retention of jobs during an Emergency Declaration by the Governor of Ohio or the City Manager. The current fund balance of the RLF is \$550,000. The City through the CIC can provide loan assistance for the retention of jobs for low and moderate-income income persons working for our small businesses during this health and economic crisis.” Mr. Elliott recommended adoption of the legislation to amend the Oxford RLF Rules and Procedures.

Mr. Elliott read a public e-comment received this evening from Hueston Kyger of 17 Jeffrey Drive as follows:

“The revolving fund has been a successful program in Oxford. This is due, in part, to the stringent rules put in place to make sure that the projects for which the funds are being used are strong business plans and things Oxford desires. I hope that giving the City Manager’s Office ‘carte blanche’ on the use of the funds does not deplete the accounts to where it can no longer help future projects. I understand that this Covid-19 employment situation is real, I am living it everyday. I want to help those in need, but I also want to be able to help local entrepreneurs open business far into the future. I hope that some guidance is given to how these funds can be used and hope that the fund will be replenished in the coming year or two.”

Mayor Smith advised the proposed Resolution loosens the rules on the RLF noting they were a little more stringent as to what the fund could be used for. Mayor Smith advised there was quite a bit of money in the fund and he felt if it could be made available to help some businesses keep going Council could make it available.

Mr. Snavelly advised Council needed to do whatever they could to support the local citizens noting he felt both Resolutions on the agenda this evening did that. Mr. Snavelly advised these were extraordinary times and he felt Council needed to do whatever they can to support local business. Mr. Snavelly noted the Resolution Council passed at the last meeting was about helping local business and he felt Council should continue to do that.

Mr. Ellerbe advised the Revolving Loan Fund was for the attraction, creation and retention of local businesses in Oxford. Mr. Ellerbe noted this adjustment was for the retention of those local businesses in Oxford and advised Council valued the local businesses and wanted to make sure they stay through these unprecedented times, which was the reason for the proposed amendment. Mr. Ellerbe noted after this extraordinary circumstance has passed Council can re-adjust the rules to the original language.

Mr. Prytherch commended the City Manager, staff and others for looking at the RLF Rules and Procedures noting the fund contained a fairly significant pool of money that often goes underutilized. Mr. Prytherch advised now was a time when it was nice to have it and he felt this was a good way to go since it is within the broad spectrum of what revolving loan funds are used for in other places. Mr. Prytherch noted people will still have to go through a loan application process which will be reviewed by the RLF Loan Committee. Mr. Prytherch advised there were still rules even if they were loosened as far as the use of the RLF. Mr. Elliott noted that was correct and advised the biggest change is that before we only focused on the creation of new jobs and this will allow us to also retain existing jobs. Mr. Prytherch advised he did not know how long the Governor’s Declaration was going to last and it could be that people need a loan as a result of the Emergency Declaration. Mr. Prytherch inquired what would happen if people requested assistance after the Emergency Declaration is vacated. Mr. Elliott advised staff may come back to Council with a recommendation to extend it for an additional period of time.

Mr. Snavelly moved to adopt Resolution No. 7178. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavelly
Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ORDINANCES
FIRST READING

ORDINANCE
STIMULUS PROGRAM

An Ordinance No. 3555 Creating The Oxford Small Business Stimulus Program And Declaring An Emergency. (Doug Elliott, City Manager)

Mr. Elliott advised in the current health crisis the City of Oxford's small business community is struggling to survive noting he has spoken to several owners who have either closed or greatly reduced operations. Mr. Elliott advised the small business community employs many full and part time employees who have been laid off or had their hours reduced significantly. Mr. Elliott noted the small businesses together are likely the City's largest employer after Miami University and are a vital part of our small college community. Mr. Elliott advised for all of these reasons and more he was proposing that Council consider adopting a Local Oxford Small Business Stimulus Program. Mr. Elliott noted the CIC reviewed the proposal last week and unanimously voted to support it. Mr. Elliott reminded Council that the emergency legislation will require 6 votes of Council for adoption and it will become effective immediately.

Ms. Greene discussed a Gift Card Grant Program PowerPoint as follows:

The Process: The City will donate \$200,000 to the CIC Board. The CIC Board will send out applications to all businesses in the City of Oxford to request gift card purchases. The CIC Board will review the applications and determine who to purchase gift cards from. Their Board of Directors will have full authority to implement the program. The CIC Board will purchase the gift cards and set up an e-commerce website to then sell these gift cards to the general public. Gift cards cannot be used until after August 1, 2020 when the student population returns.

Administrative Process: the CIC will operate the program, they will set up an e-commerce website to resell the gift cards and deliver them. Several community partners will help promote the sale of gift cards including Enjoy Oxford, the Chamber, the City and others. Sales of gift cards will refurbish this account at CIC for future economic stimulus efforts.

Eligibility: Brick and mortar businesses located within the City limits of Oxford, Ohio. The program is aimed at the for-profit businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic including restaurants/bars, salons/barber shops, retail shops, and service industry. Preference will be given to locally owned businesses. Funds are primarily to be used for payroll purposes to keep people employed. Applicant must be the owner of the business. Business must be currently active, lawful, and have all necessary and required licenses. Businesses must have less than 50 employees on payroll. The business cannot be a direct sale company.

Application Process: This will be an online process. All eligible businesses invited to apply. After review and approval by full CIC Board, the CIC can begin to purchase gift cards.

Risks and Challenges: This program has administrative costs however, if successful, can rebuild the CIC Economic Stimulus Fund. Determining exactly how to re-sell the gift cards and how to administer it is the biggest challenge of this proposal. Not all gift cards may be re-sold back to the public or a business may close and gift cards become invalid.

Ms. Ann Kamphaus, thanked staff for the proposal noting she talked to other restaurant and bar owners and everyone thought this was very fair and something that was well thought out. Ms. Kamphaus advised everyone was ready and willing to apply and participate in the program. Ms. Kamphaus noted she did not know if we needed to wait until August to roll out the program. Ms. Greene clarified the gift cards would be purchased right away from businesses for an immediate impact noting some of the businesses commented while the students were gone they were not sure they wanted the gift cards to be redeemed. Ms. Greene advised the thought was to buy them right now, sit on them for a while, and then have businesses start to accept them to be redeemed once the students have returned. Ms. Greene noted she was happy to amend that as it was some initial feedback received. Ms. Kamphaus noted there were some students in town and other people who she felt would use them right now.

Mr. Snavely advised he felt waiting until August 1 was a good idea because as the businesses open they would rather have people come in and make original purchases at that time and not have the gift cards take away from the income they will need to get started up. Mr. Snavely noted he was not in favor of removing the August 1 deadline.

Ms. Raghu asked Ms. Kamphaus if she felt other business owners she spoke with had hesitations about the August 1 date. Ms. Kamphaus noted she was trying to understand the logic of it and advised Ms. Greene clarified her questions.

Ms. Southard noted she has heard from citizens that they are going to receive \$1,200 per person from the government and some have said they do not need the money and would like to find a way to use that money and inquired where they could donate it. Ms. Southard advised she felt this program was a way to keep Oxford vibrant. Ms. Southard noted people were happy with that idea as a way to invest the money they will be receiving from the government due to the coronavirus. Ms. Southard advised she felt establishing this program now, letting people have a chance to receive those checks and then think about investing them in the community is a great way to go.

Ms. Southard noted there were also charitable organizations including the food pantry, SELF, the Family Resource Center and number of other ones although investing in the community is another way to donate. Ms. Southard advised she felt passing this now and publicizing it will create a positive response from the community.

Mr. Ellerbe inquired if the purchase of the gift cards from the City or its related business entity count as a charitable deduction. Ms. Greene advised this would not be a charitable contribution because the gift cards will be purchased (a good) and then re-sold and those buyers will also receive a good.

Mr. Prytherch thanked Mr. Elliott and Ms. Greene noting they acted quickly. Mr. Prytherch thanked the City of Hamilton and advised he felt this was an ingenious idea. Mr. Prytherch noted this was a piece of the puzzle which was not charitable work and advised he felt Council needed to think about how to support the Community Foundation and the non-profits.

Mr. Prytherch noted this was a small business stimulus which will inject the money and later the costs in terms of the goods will have to go back out again. Mr. Prytherch advised if the cards are redeemed in August when people are moving onto campus it will replenish that fund. Mr. Prytherch noted these are taxpayer dollars which ideally should come back into the CIC fund. Mr. Prytherch noted local small businesses should apply and the CIC will decide how to distribute the money fairly. Mr. Prytherch advised this should not prohibit us as individuals from buying gift cards from local businesses and should not be a substitute for what individuals might want to do anyway. Mr. Prytherch noted he felt this was an innovative program and advised he hoped people would apply and that it makes a difference for them. Mr. Prytherch noted he appreciates how the local businesses have tried to stay open and have tried to employ people under difficult circumstances and advised the longer people can do that the better it is for everyone.

Ms. Raghu referred to the application that will be sent to all businesses in Oxford to request gift card purchases and noted her hope the list of businesses was a comprehensive list so everyone is mailed an application. Ms. Greene advised staff spent a week looking at utility bills for all of the businesses and for each one that had an email address associated with it. Ms. Greene advised the City now has a fairly comprehensive email list for every business in the community. Ms. Greene noted staff will mail a paper invitation to the individuals that do not have an email address listed on the utility bill. Ms. Raghu advised English was not the native language for some of the business owners noting Fiesta Charra had some questions about the program, as did Dim Sum and some others. Ms. Raghu inquired how we would try to overcome those language barriers so everyone can be included. Ms. Greene advised she had been walking around speaking with business owners and has made a special point of visiting a lot of the Asian businesses as well to make sure they would watch for the application. Ms. Greene noted staff could explore trying to get the information translated although she would need some assistance with how to do that. Ms. Greene advised she and John Buchholz were making a large effort to visit everyone who might not hear about the program quickly or easily. Ms. Raghu inquired what the definition of "locally owned business" was and inquired if the owner had to live in the City of Oxford. Ms. Greene advised she believed the owners should be a resident of Oxford, Ohio. Ms. Greene noted it would be up to the CIC Board to decide those rules and rubrics.

Ms. Greene advised Mr. Ellerbe and Mr. Prytherch were both on the CIC Board and noted they are both on the committee that will review the applications. Ms. Raghu advised she wanted to make sure this was equitable for everyone and that there is nothing discriminatory about who is considered eligible or not eligible. Ms. Raghu noted her hope we can do our best to make sure that does not happen and that we try to be as inclusive as possible. Ms. Greene advised staff shared those values as well.

Mr. Bracken advised he supported the program and felt it was a great idea noting economically it made a ton of sense. Mr. Bracken noted he felt the program was sort of a top-down look and inquired if Council wanted to also look for a bottom-up approach. Mr. Bracken advised Council might want to consider taking a small percentage of the gift cards purchased for distribution to local charities so the charities could potentially use them in the immediate future. Mr. Bracken suggested as an insurance policy, that a portion of the gift card value could be accepted at other businesses in the event the original business went out of business.

Mr. Elliott referred to the “insurance policy” comment and noted staff realized there were risks and advised the CIC might have to refund money to a citizen who could not use a gift card at a particular business because it went out of business. Mr. Elliott shared that the City anticipates receiving additional CDBG funds noting an estimate was approximately \$80,000 through the two trillion dollar stimulus program. Mr. Elliott suggested using that money to assist the social service agencies. Mr. Elliott advised the Community Foundation has also set-up a special fund to receive donations. Mr. Elliott noted the Lions Club is purchasing gift cards from LaRosas as a way to assist them since they usually meet there. Mr. Elliott advised he was impressed with the community, the State of Ohio and with all of the good things happening throughout the country. Mr. Elliott noted he felt Mr. Bracken had a very good idea and he would like to hear from the rest of Council.

Mr. Prytherch noted this was not an omnibus program and advised he felt Council needed to provide the small business stimulus as well as think about the charitable side as a separate issue. Mr. Prytherch noted his hope the business community can help figure out how to redeem, sell and market the gift cards. Mr. Prytherch advised he hoped the business partners were going to help replenish the fund later noting some places sell gift cards for \$20 for \$25 in value on the business side. Mr. Prytherch noted his hope in a partnership that the businesses in August can help replenish the fund when better times come.

Mr. Snavelly advised he supported Mr. Bracken’s comments as far as seeing what Council can do to support the community and especially people who are financially hurting more than others. Mr. Snavelly noted he felt Mr. Elliott’s idea of using the CDBG funds or whatever comes from the federal government for the stimulus package in that way is a good idea. Mr. Snavelly advised he felt the gift cards should be used as much as possible to replenish the fund.

Ms. Southard clarified that the Oxford Community Foundation is an avenue for making tax-deductible contributions to all kinds of organizations, the food pantry and many others.

Ms. Raghu advised she supported Mr. Bracken’s notion and agreed with Mr. Elliott’s comment as long as we truly do it in the future. Ms. Raghu referred to Mr. Bracken’s comment regarding a “bottom up approach” noting she felt the comment was accurate.

Ms. Raghu advised she felt this was not a charity anymore since people are being forced to stay in their homes. Ms. Raghu advised she looked forward to Council making sure they are helping everyone whether they are big or small working from the bottom up.

Mr. Ellerbe concurred with Mr. Bracken's proposal noting he believed these are two separate yet parallel initiatives. Mr. Ellerbe advised he agreed that as soon as the City receives the CDBG funding Council should immediately move forward with that proposal. Mr. Ellerbe noted the proposal before Council should also be moved forward so Council can get one of the streams working as soon as possible.

Mr. Bracken inquired if staff had an estimate of when the CDBG funds would be coming and how it looks in terms of need, when it will be available and whether that was the right time for it.

Mr. Elliott advised as soon as staff finds out from Butler County when to expect the funds Council will be notified.

Mr. Elliott noted Mr. Perry has been in contact with many of the social service agencies. Mr. Perry advised he has checked with the agencies a couple of times per week and he was not aware of any shortages so far regarding labor or funds.

Ms. Raghu inquired if the Family Resource Center can assist with the 4 eviction cases in Oxford. Mr. Perry advised he did not know if the 4 cases were caused by the current crisis or by something else.

Mr. Snavely called the question. Mr. Ellerbe seconded.

Mr. Ellerbe moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3555. Ms. Southard seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavely
Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

Mayor Smith reminded everyone the Ordinance was adopted as an emergency and it will go into effect immediately. Mayor Smith advised he wanted to leave on Council's radar for the next meeting a continued discussion about the City's non-profits.

ORDINANCE **CREATING A NEW FUND**

An Ordinance No. 3556 Approving The Creation Of A New Fund For The 2020 Operating Budget To Provide For A Grant To The Oxford Community Improvement Corporation And To Account For A Small Business Loan Program And Declaring An Emergency. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Mr. Elliott advised the proposed Ordinance would authorize the Finance Director to create a special revenue fund for small business loans. Mr. Elliott noted the proposed Ordinance would allow the City to make the distribution of \$200,000 to the CIC. Mr. Elliott advised it will also allow the City to account for the money spent to purchase gift cards and when the money comes back to create an ongoing revolving loan fund. Mr. Elliott recommended approval of the Ordinance as an emergency.

Mayor Smith reiterated the proposed Ordinance establishes a fund to place the \$200,000 in so it can be sent to the CIC.

Mr. Snavely moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3556. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavely
Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ORDINANCE
SECOND READING
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

An Ordinance No. 3557 Amending Ordinance No. 3538. Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 3 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal Year 2020. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Mr. Elliott advised the proposed Supplemental Budget would make an adjustment of \$13,900 for additional temporary MIS services, an adjustment of \$8,385 to budgeted revenue for a Bureau of Workers Compensation grant and an adjustment of \$200,000 to make the transfer to the CIC from the General Fund. Mr. Elliott recommended approval of the proposed Ordinance.

Mr. Snavely moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3556. Ms. Southard seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavely
Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Elliott commended City staff noting they were working under very unusual circumstances and doing an excellent job. Mr. Elliott advised the City was continuing to provide all of its essential services and making adjustments along the way due to changes in federal regulations that affect City operations and the entire community. Mr. Elliott thanked everyone publically for the outstanding work they were doing for the City noting they were just as anxious as anybody in this situation of possibly contracting the virus. Mr. Elliott advised City staff was practicing safe physical distancing and hygiene and still getting the job done. Mr. Elliott noted a number of employees were working from home and thanked them for their efforts. Mr. Elliott advised City buildings would remain closed to the public through April 30 although the Police lobby would remain open.

Mr. Elliott reminded everyone to participate in the 2020 Census.

Ms. Raghu advised a notice was sent across the State of Ohio this week for veterinarians to sign up for the hospital surge and noted if everyone does not stay at home they might have a veterinarian taking care of them in the hospital.

Ms. Raghu referred to the Federal Stimulus Plan and things the state was doing and advised everything looks so good on paper. Ms. Raghu noted she felt it was important for Council to look for where the gaps are and which people and businesses are falling through the cracks. Ms. Raghu advised it was an ongoing process for Council to make sure they were trying to take care of everyone and not just say the state or federal government will do it. Ms. Raghu noted many people will not receive the \$1,200 stimulus check as they are exempt from it and they desperately need it.

Mr. Ellerbe commended the City of Oxford and staff noting they have done some monumental things including the coordination of tonight's virtual meeting. Mr. Ellerbe advised it went from business as usual to completely changing the way many things are done and he felt staff has handled it all in stride.

Mr. Ellerbe encouraged citizens of Oxford to be considerate of each other noting people should stay home unless they have business that requires them to be outside of the home. Mr. Ellerbe stated if citizens do have business that requires them to be out in public to be considerate of the individuals that are helping them. Mr. Ellerbe advised he has heard far too many stories about individuals who are yelling at workers because of things that are out of the worker's control. Mr. Ellerbe noted individuals are risking their lives to serve others and encouraged everyone to be considerate of that. Mr. Ellerbe reminded everyone to wash their hands and face and clothes to be considerate of themselves and maintain their own personal health noting he wanted everyone to stay as healthy as possible.

Mr. Snively echoed comments made by Mr. Ellerbe and Ms. Raghu noting he felt the City Manager and staff have been doing a fabulous job and he really appreciates them. Mr. Snively advised staff comes in under very difficult situations noting his hope the citizens of Oxford will appreciate them and cut them a little slack here and there as they go about doing their business and staying healthy.

Mr. Snavelly noted by and large he was very proud of the community and advised people are abiding by the rules by and large as far as he has noticed. Mr. Snavelly advised people were walking probably more than they have ever walked before on the sidewalks while keeping social distance. Mr. Snavelly noted people in his neighborhood were talking to one another from across the street and advised he felt if everyone plays their part we will get through this. Mr. Snavelly noted the situation was not horrible in Oxford right now and advised he would like to keep it that way. Mr. Snavelly again thanked City staff noting he was always so proud of the people who work for the City of Oxford and he was very proud to live in the City of Oxford with wonderful citizens and community members. Mr. Snavelly encouraged everyone to stay healthy.

Ms. Southard noted she endorsed the other Councilors comments and added she felt everyone was doing everything they could to help each other, which she felt was very heartening. Ms. Southard advised an email went out in her neighborhood asking everyone to exchange emails and phone numbers and they soon had a list of approximately 40 people in the area so if someone needs help they can call someone, which she felt was great. Ms. Southard noted through the list people are sharing resources such as materials to sew facemasks. Ms. Southard advised to cheer-up the children in her area neighbors are participating in the "Bear Hugs" program noting soon there were 56 teddy bears on people's porches for the children to count which she felt was amazing. Ms. Southard referred to people in the area who have gotten sick noting her hope those people will be able to recover and that the healthy people will stay healthy. Ms. Southard advised she was grateful to the City not only for what has been done but for pulling together virtual meetings noting she felt it was very important. Ms. Southard noted the only complaints she has received involves college aged people in town having parties and advised she knew OPD has been dealing with that and have done a good job although it was a perpetual problem. Ms. Southard encouraged citizens to let OPD know where these parties are a problem. Ms. Southard noted the people attending the parties should be reminded it is not safe to do and that they should be careful.

Mr. Bracken noted everyone had already said what he intended to say. Mr. Bracken thanked staff and the service providers for everything they do. Mr. Bracken encouraged everyone to be compassionate, considerate, to stay safe, and to look out for each other.

Mr. Prytherch noted Oxford is always a wonderful community and has proven itself to be a really wonderful community. Mr. Prytherch advised he felt the City was doing a phenomenal job and thanked everyone from his neighbors who sewed him a mask to the first responders who put themselves at risk, and to employers who are paying people to make food to keep our economy going. Mr. Prytherch expressed his hope the community maintains this attitude for the long haul. Mr. Prytherch advised he felt tonight was just a down payment on a lot of the work that will need to be done in the future to deal with this crisis while hopefully moving forward on some of the things Council has been talking about for a long time. Mr. Prytherch noted he was proud to be part of Oxford during these times especially.

Mayor Smith advised some concern was expressed to him yesterday when the City Council Meeting was abruptly moved from in-person to online that maybe one of the Councilors were ill noting that was not the case. Mayor Smith advised he and the City Manager were thinking more about getting things accomplished and not thinking enough about the personal safety of everyone and about setting a good example. Mayor Smith noted that was the reason for moving to an online meeting.

Mayor Smith thanked everyone who were sewing surgical masks noting he would love to know what Oxford's output was and advised he imagined it was in the thousands. Mayor Smith thanked everyone including Council members who are delivering groceries and medicines to vulnerable residents. Mayor Smith thanked the amazing staff at McCullough Hyde/TriHealth Hospital for everything they are doing. Mayor Smith thanked Jessica Greene and Andrew Wilson for getting everything up and online for the meeting this evening noting he felt it has gone exceedingly well. Mayor Smith advised he knew everyone was feeling a bit out of sorts and lost in routines noting he needed everyone to keep doing what they are doing as it was having an effect. Mayor Smith stated we will get through this and we will figure it out.

Mr. Elliott noted he failed to mention the City received 30 e-comments in favor of the Resolution dealing with evictions, which will become part of the record.

Mayor Smith referred to the Oxford Community Foundation's COVID-19 Fund noting it was going specifically to all of the non-profits in the area. Mayor Smith encouraged those looking for a place to make a donation to go to the Community Foundation's website and they will gladly accept donations.

Mayor Smith encouraged everyone to stay safe and to make good choices.

ADJOURN

Mr. Ellerbe moved to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. Mr. Snavelly seconded. The motion passed by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Ms. Southard, Mr. Snavelly
Mayor Smith (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

Exhibit "A"

Public e-comments in regard to the Resolution encouraging the Area I Court of Butler County to immediately suspend or delay for at least sixty (60) days after the Stay at Home Order is vacated, all evictions that occur due to economic hardship caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

Comments submitted on Monday, April 6, 2020 - 5:15pm:

- **Name:** Charlotte C Bruhn
- **Address:** 51 Scarlet Oak Cir
- **Email Address:** bruhnc@hotmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Eviction notices
- **Comments:**

Evicting tenants at this difficult time is wrong and it places those tenants in a dangerous situation where they may not have a place to shelter in place safely.

- **Position:** Support
- **Monday, April 6, 2020 - 2:55pm:**
- **Name:** Sabrina Jewell
- **Address:** Oxford Seniors
- **Email Address:** sjewell@oxfordsenior.org
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Resolution regarding suspending evictions during pandemic
- **Comments:**

Hello, as an advocate for seniors, people with low income, and those marginalized, I implore you, our elected officials to call on our county court to follow the Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evicting residents during this pandemic. Everyone, regardless of race, income or religious faith have been affected by the pandemic. Please let's help alleviate homelessness in our community. Thank you.

- **Position:** Support

Monday, April 6, 2020 - 9:45am:

- **Name:** Bonnie Piper
- **Address:** 5185 Westgate dr Oxford Ohio 45056
- **Email Address:** skyyblualways@aol.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions /freeze rent
- **Comments:** Freeze rent

- Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 8:45pm:
- **Name:** Barbara Eshbaugh
- **Address:** 209 McKee Ave
- **Email Address:** barbara_eshbaugh@hotmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** housing evictions
- **Comments:**

It seems this is the time to be compassionate and understanding as we all work through this difficult pandemic. How can landlords evict anyone during this crisis...awful.

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 7:44pm:

- **Name:** Emilie Ratterman
- **Address:** 6230 Fairfield Rd.
- **Email Address:** emilie.ratterman@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Court order to stop evictions during the pandemic
- **Comments:**

The governor stated he did not want people evicted during the pandemic. My understanding there is a state level court order to this effect. We need local enforcement from our courts. People need a place to shelter inside until it is safe to be out in public again.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 3:30pm:

- **Name:** Terri Spahr Nelson
- **Address:** 33 W Walnut St
- **Email Address:** tsnelson01@yahoo.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** resolution to stop evictions during pandemic
- **Comments:**

I am writing to request that the city submit a resolution to the county to uphold the guidance from the Ohio Supreme Court and the federal government NOT to evict persons from their home during this pandemic. While I understand that building owners must pay their bills too, they have options, (e.g., loans/grants via the SBA as small business owners and mortgage deferments). To force someone to move from their home during this crisis is unconscionable. We must stand together to support our most vulnerable during this crisis. Moreover, the city should also call on the Butler County Sheriff to make a public statement to refuse to enforce eviction orders.

It is simply the right thing to do. Thank you to Councilor Raghu, Bracken and Vice Mayor Snavelly for leading this effort in Oxford.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 2:50pm:

- **Name:** Altug Bayram
- **Address:** 230 Hunter Woods Drive
- **Email Address:** voryzover@yahoo.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Proposed Resolution by Raghu on Evictions
- **Comments:**

I support the resolution being proposed by Chantel Raghu, Councilor Bracken and Vice Mayor Snavelly, on our county court to follow the Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evicting residents during this pandemic.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 12:35pm:

- **Name:** Andor J Kiss
- **Address:** 221 Country Club Drive
- **Email Address:** andorjkiss@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions of renters due to COVID-19 hardship
- **Comments:**

Evictions, and eviction notices should be suspended for at least a period of three months, as per Governor Mike Dewine's decree/order for renters that are facing economic hardship due to COVID-19 financial stress(es). I do not think it is legal, nor fair during a national and world-wide pandemic to turn people out of their houses due to no fault of their own (COVID-19 economic recession). I strongly support a moratorium for 90 days in compliance with Gov Dewine's order against evictions, and I would urge City Council of Oxford to pass such a binding resolution.

- **Position:** Support

on Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 11:22am:

- **Name:** Heidi Schran
- **Address:** 319 W Withrow St
- **Email Address:** hschran@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Resolution to STOP Eviction Orders during Covid-19 Pandemic

- **Comments:**

I support the humane and logical resolution that Mayor Snively and Councilwoman Ragu propose that is in alignment with the Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evictions of residents during this pandemic.

As we are attempting to protect the health of all of the citizens of Ohio and the world, our state has put into place strict orders to stop the spread of the virus that have seriously impacted every person's life and economic situation. By evicting people in our community at this time, we are not only placing their lives at risk, but also the life of all of our fellow citizens. And most disturbingly, we are behaving in a way that is not fundamentally humane.

Stay At Home means that people are not allowed to be evicted. These evictions would simply be violating Governor Dewine's orders.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 10:44am:

- **Name:** Susie Lute
- **Address:** 6010 Booth Rd
- **Email Address:** susielute@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Follow Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evictions
- **Comments:**

Evictions during a public health crisis when most people are ordered to stay home from work, schools are closed, and people are losing their jobs is unconscionable and dangerous to public safety.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 10:18am:

- **Name:** Seth Adams
- **Address:** 300 E. Spring St, Bishop Hall 117, Oxford OH 45056
- **Email Address:** sethadams603@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Eviction Stays
- **Comments:**

For the sake of public health, and the well being of our communities, evictions should be stayed!

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 9:42am:

- **Name:** Sylvia Kamau
- **Address:** 369 W Chestnut, Apt 14
- **Email Address:** maribeisylvia@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** No evictions in pandemic
- **Comments:**

I agree that there should be no evictions during this pandemic. We are under shelter in place. Evicted tenants are denied a place to shelter which puts them and the wider Oxford community at risk.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 9:39am:

- **Name:** Brooke Copenbaker
- **Address:** 14 Autumn Drive, Oxford 45056
- **Email Address:** spanglbr@miamioh.edu
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Stopping evictions
- **Comments:** This is not okay. Fully support preventing evictions during pandemic.
- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 7:30am:

- **Name:** Kathie Brinkman
- **Address:** 404 Emerald Woods Drive
- **Email Address:** brinkmkb@miamioh.edu
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions
- **Comments:**

I request that city council pass a resolution that county courts suspend evictions for financial reasons during the covid-19 pandemic.

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 7:29am:

- **Name:** Patrick R Nelson
- **Address:** 28 Autumn Drive, Oxford 45056
- **Email Address:**
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Resolution calling on county court to stop evicting residents during crisis.
- **Comments:**

I strongly support the resolution proposed by Councilors Raghu and Bracken and Vice-Mayor Snavelly to call on our county court to stop evicting residents during crisis, as recommended by the Ohio Supreme Court. This is a moral and ethical issue. No one should lose their home during this time, with millions out of work due to the pandemic.

- **Position:** Support

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - 2:05am:

- **Name:** Sarah Mariette
- **Address:** 5 e central ave apt 12
- **Email Address:**
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions
- **Comments:**

Suspend evictions!! This is a public health crisis. Support your citizens. Everybody deserves a safe place to live, and now ESPECIALLY people need a place to be able to isolate. Evictions are cruel and unnecessary.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 11:29pm:

- **Name:** Connie McCarthy
- **Address:** 6073 Contreras Rd.
- **Email Address:** mccartc@miamioh.edu
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Resolution regarding evictions
- **Comments:**

I am in favor of the resolution to call on our county court to follow the Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evicting residents during this pandemic. It seems very cruel that Butler County would not be following this recommendation during the public health crisis when so many have lost their jobs through no fault of their own.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 9:28pm:

- **Name:** Ian Vanness
- **Address:** 130 Marti Ct. Oxford, OH. 45056
- **Email Address:** davidivanness@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions during pandemic
- **Comments:**

I support the resolution to call on our county court to follow the Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evicting residents during this pandemic.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 6:57pm:

- **Name:** Vicki Motzer
- **Address:** 2656 Oxford Middletown Rd
- **Email Address:** vicki.motzer@yahoo.com
- **Meeting Date:** Sat, 04/04/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Hoping to stop in eviction
- **Comments:**

With OUR country in a pandemic now how in GODS name can anyone put a human being out on the streets. Do they really think someone else is going to move in with every other person losing their jobs. I just pray the person/family can live through this. We as a country are supposed to pull together in times like this not destroy each other! Sad truly Sad!!!!

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:58pm:

- **Name:** SUSAN ANN KAY
- **Address:** 17 GARDENIA DRIVE
- **Email Address:** KAYSA@MIAMIOH.EDU
- **Meeting Date:** Sat, 04/04/2020
- **Agenda Item:** A comment in opposition to the recent serving of eviction notices in a time of crisis
- **Comments:**

Please stop serving eviction notices to people in Butler Co. and reverse those already served. In this time of crisis for the health of the people of this country, and the poverty already inflicted on those who have lost income, the best path is to keep people in their homes safe from exposure and safe from eviction. The health of all of us depends on it.

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:54pm:

- **Name:** Richard Daniels
- **Address:** 451 emerald woods drive
- **Email Address:**
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions
- **Comments:**

I support action to stop evictions during this difficult time. Would not bother me to call out the landlords by name.

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:43pm:

- **Name:** Alex Gregory
- **Address:** 6677 Stillwell-Beckett rd
- **Email Address:** alexgregory993@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions during the stay at home order
- **Comments:**

Evicting individuals during a major crisis is immoral, dangerous, and shows that we as a community do not care about the wellbeing of those around us. Freezing evictions during this period is essential for the health and safety of our community and our residents.

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:29pm:

- **Name:** Brittany Blankenship
- **Address:** 1148 Franklin st
- **Email Address:** Brittnicole052490@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Sat, 04/04/2020
- **Agenda Item:** ?idk
- **Comments:**

I believe that no one should be getting evicted during such a hard time in our world. Any one suffering financially because of covid19 should not be getting evicted.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:18pm:

- **Name:** Brian Meade
- **Address:** 4322 Oxford Reily Rd.
- **Email Address:** meade_brian@yahoo.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions.
- **Comments:**

Many of the renters in Oxford work in the food industry and a large percentage of those people lost their jobs and many live pay check to pay check. To kick people out now puts everyone in danger. We need to stay home. Everyone. If people have no place to go you are putting those people's family and friends in a very hard spot, where they will have to make very difficult and dangerous decisions. Put a hold on all evictions.

- **Position:** Support
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Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 5:17pm:

- **Name:** Jessica Stoyko
- **Address:** 5032 College Corner Pike Apt 25
- **Email Address:** stoykojl@miamioh.edu
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions during quarantine
- **Comments:**

Hello. It has just been brought to my attention that 4 people are at risk of being evicted so far. I do not know the personal situations of each eviction, but seeing as how many land lords are absentee anyway, and own buildings with no involvement in our community, we should not put people out on the street. It is risky to have more homeless people, not only from a public health standpoint, but also from a PR standpoint. It's heartless to evict anyone right now. Be the charitable place that I know Oxford can be and do not add to the risk of the virus being contracted because people are being forced out of their homes. Those people will have to travel to other places which adds more risk. We all know that while the symptoms are harsh, many are also asymptomatic. We have to do the right thing for the community and follow the recommendations set in place by DeWine, who is basing his recommendations on science.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 4:57pm:

- **Name:** Jennifer Gelber
- **Address:** 5508 Brown Road, Oxford
- **Email Address:**
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Resolution re: 60-day stay on eviction proceedings
- **Comments:**

The Butler County Area I courts should follow the guidance & recommendations of multiple State & Federal Agencies and enact a temporary stay on evictions due to the COVID-19 public health crisis. Ohio's Executive Order 2020-08D provides a moratorium of small business evictions for at least 90 days. The CARES Act placed a 120-day eviction moratorium on qualified tenants and homeowners. The Supreme Court of Ohio recommends all Ohio courts temporarily stop all eviction & foreclosure proceedings for 90 days. A growing number of cities and States have put similar measures in place, including New York, Kentucky, Boston, San Francisco, San Jose, Los Angeles, etc. Evicting people during a national health crisis puts those people and the general public at greater risk.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 4:54pm:

- **Name:** Lynn Stevens
- **Address:** 5774, Brown Road
- **Email Address:** stevenlo@miamioh.edu
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Resolution to Stop Tenant Eviction during Covid 19 Pandemic
- **Comments:**

I concur with Vice Mayor Snavelly and Councilors Bracken and Raghu that no evictions should be allowed in Oxford, Ohio while the State of Ohio is under stay at home orders. It puts the health of the tenants and, if they happen to be asymptomatic and positive, the health of anyone they come into contact with at risk. Plus, in all likelihood, the landlord is likely not to be in financial straits as a result of letting the tenant stay, since it is unlikely they will be able to rent the space out during this time anyway.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 4:52pm:

- **Name:** Katherine Hayes
- **Address:** 640 McGuffey Ave.
- **Email Address:** hayeski@miamioh.edu
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Proposal to stop evictions
- **Comments:**

During a public health crisis the likes of which no one alive has ever seen, at a time when staying at home has been mandated because traveling and social contact result in contagion, no person should be taking any action that results in people being homeless and searching from place to place for new housing. There is simply no justification for adding to the public risk in this way. This is not an ordinary time and the tremendous, radical changes to our economy and lives requires acknowledgement and adjustment. It does not matter if the reason for someone's eviction happened two months ago, completely unrelated to Covid-19, or if a person has attempted to evict a renter for an inability to pay directly related to Covid-19. Right now, we are approaching the peak of this disease, and the one best thing anyone can do is stay home. It is not a time to be taking anyone's home away, and not the time to be worried about monetary compensation (for which there can be appeals to relief efforts). Money can be repaid; lives cannot.

- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 4:36pm:

- **Name:** John Schaefer
- **Address:** 5176 Morning Sun Rd
- **Email Address:** jprschaefer@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions Resolution
- **Comments:**

I support the resolution to call on the Butler County court to follow the Ohio Supreme Court's recommendation to stop evicting residents during this pandemic.

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 4:33pm:

- **Name:** Nicole Howard
- **Address:** 5201 college corner pike
- **Email Address:**
- **Meeting Date:** Tue, 04/07/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Eviction
- **Comments:** I think NO ONE should be evicted at this time!
- **Position:** Support

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 4:19pm:

- **Name:** Emily Bufler
- **Address:** 1332 Dana Dr. Oxford, OH
- **Email Address:** emilybufler@gmail.com
- **Meeting Date:** Sat, 04/04/2020
- **Agenda Item:** Evictions during Coronavirus
- **Comments:**

I am in full support of Chantel Raghu's proposal to half evictions during, and for 60 days after, Ohio's stay at home order.

- **Position:** Support