MINUTES
WORK SESSION
WESTERVILLE CITY COUNCIL

March 28, 2006, 7:00 p.m., City Council Chambers

Council met in Work Session on March 28, 2006 with Council Members, Anne Gonzales, Craig Treneff, Damon Wetterauer, Jr., Kathy Cocuzzi, William Highfield, Michael Heyeck, Diane Fosselman, City Manager G. David Lindimore and Staff and Director of Law Bruce E. Bailey present.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE/REVENUE PROJECTIONS

Mr. Lindimore and Jack Winkel, Finance Director, reviewed the current General Fund Five Year Plan for years 2006 through 2010 and the revised General Fund Five Year plan for the same years including projected revenues with a 2.00% Tax Rate with 0.10 credit and Capital Projects included with the revised 20 year plan. They also presented a revised General Fund Five Year Plan including projected revenues with a 2.00% Tax Rate with a 0.15 credit. Mr. Winkel reviewed an Income Tax Survey conducted by his department along with other related documents that were discussed at the March 7, 2006 Work Session.

After a lengthy discussion on the need to increase the income tax rate in Westerville, it was the consensus of City Council for staff to prepare draft legislation for Council review on a proposed income tax rate increase of 2.00% with a 0.15 credit. This legislation will be presented at the April 18, 2006 meeting with a Public Hearing held on May 16, 2006. The deadline for filing of this legislation with the State Board of Elections is May 25, 2006. The Special Election will be held on August 8, 2006. Council requested the approximate cost of holding such election in Westerville. Council complimented Mr. Winkel and his staff for the income tax information presented and would like to see this information incorporated into the literature/brochures used for the campaign.

Mrs. Gonzales stated the last day to register to vote is Monday, April 3, 2006.

The Work Session adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Mary J. Johnston, MMC	Damon E. Wetterauer, Jr.
Clerk of Council	Chair of Council