

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
November 17, 2025

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on November 17, 2025 with these members in attendance:

Jeff Rath - Chair
Bill Cost Jr.
Beth Bline
Dustin Neely
Bradley Chute

We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 25-76** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CERTAIN ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, FOR 2026.

Brian Morehead, City Engineer - This is kind of our standard legislation that we do annually to be able to put our annual bids out for chemicals for the water and wastewater department and for asphalt materials for our street department to use. If there're any questions, I'll be glad to try to answer them. The bids go out shortly after the first of the year. The contracts are up, I believe, April 1st. So, we'd want to get under contract with the new pricing before that.

Mr. Rath - Are we using asphalt?

Mr. Morehead - Yes. The street department does. Water and wastewater do as well.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Neely, Second by Ms. Bline, Motion passed 5-0

2. **Resolution No. 25-77** Resurfacing with related work. Scope of work within city will include resurfacing and replacement of curb ramps as needed. The general location within Newark is State Route 16 from just west of Dayton Road to the east corporation limit.

Mr. Morehead - This is, again, standard preliminary legislation that comes to us from ODOT. This is a resurfacing project on State Route 16 that ODOT is planning. The work would be taking place in 2027. So, this is one of the first pieces that they request us to be a participant in the project.

Mr. Rath - So in Section 2, Item 2, it says the LPA, which is us, further agrees to pay 100% of the cost of those features requested by the LPA, which are determined by the State Federal Highway Administration to be unnecessary for the project. So, if I read that right, it's saying ODOT is paying for all of this unless we ask for upgrades.

Mr. Morehead - Correct. We have not asked for anything at this point. They have not even put their plans together yet for this. I don't anticipate that the City will need anything over and above what ODOT is planning, though.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Neely, Second by Ms. Bline, Motion passed 5-0

Meeting stands adjourned

Jeff Rath - Chair