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Wilmington City Council

May 19, 2022

Wilmington City Council met in regular session on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. at 69 N. South St. Wilmington, Ohio, with President Mark McKay presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: J McKay, present; M Snarr, absent; B Liermann, present; B Osborn, present; M Allbright, present; N Eveland, present; M Purkey, present

J McKay moved to excuse the absent member (M Snarr). B Liermann seconded the motion.

Voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Absent member (M Snarr) excused.

Neil Rager was present as Sergeant at Arms.

Council participated in the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

M Purkey moved to accept the agenda. B Liermann seconded the motion.

Voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda accepted as presented.

J McKay moved to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2022, City Council Meeting as presented. B Liermann seconded the motion.

Voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

May 19, 2022, regular City Council minutes approved.

President McKay opened the public hearing 7:35 p.m. for a rezoning of 28.60 acres owned by Chakeres Theatres, Inc., and located at 1057 N. Lincoln Street from SN (Suburban Neighborhood) to TN (Traditional Neighborhood).

Clayton Sears from DDC Management presented a concept plan for a residential subdivision that is planned for the area. The plan showed 51 lots with a trail passing through the middle. Sears noted that a builder has not yet been identified for the project.

David Rupp, 963 N South Street, said he was an adjacent property owner and had not received a letter. He stated he had concerns regarding the drainage from the subdivision onto his property, noting that the water from that parcel currently pools near his home. Sears stated that the subdivision will help with the drainage issues because all of the water from the parcels has to flow to two new retention basins. Gary Cramton was also present as an adjacent homeowner.

Sears also stated there would be a sewer lift station, with tie-in at Kentucky Avenue. Clerk Tacoronte offered to place Mr. Rupp and Mr. Cramton on a distribution list for Planning Commission and City Council notifications.

Seeing no further public comments, President McKay closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

President McKay announced the public hearing for June 16, 2022, for a rezoning of 5.394 acres, more or less, owned by LT Land Development and located at 1600 W Main Street and 80 Park Drive from LI (Light Industrial) to SC (Suburban Commercial)

MAYOR

Mayor Stanforth announced community events including vendors at the Clinton County Fairgrounds, a Friends of the Library event, the Murphy Theatre schedule. He provided statistics about the hazardous waste event sponsored by the City. He noted it was a very successful event and praised Eric Green, Stormwater Administrator, for organizing and running the event. Mayor Stanforth also acknowledged Samantha Miller from the Safety/Services of the City. He stated she gave a great presentation to the Judiciary

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Committee on feral cats. He stated further that he hoped she would be invited to a future council meeting to present the information.

AUDITOR - Auditor Mary Kay Vance was not present There was no report.

SERVICE AND SAFETY DIRECTOR

Safety/Service Director Brian Shidaker shared a presentation on reverse-angle parking. He explained the block along the Courthouse Square on Main Street and Sugartree Street would offer reverse-angle parking starting the last week in May. The parking configuration changes are part of the Downtown Safety Improvements project.

Shidaker also noted a trail and sidewalk extension have been completed near Denver Park, Airborne Road is close to completion, and Rombach Avenue is in the final stages of paving. New traffic signals and striping still need to be completed on Rombach. He also noted that the Mulberry Street project will require a closure to through-traffic for most of the year.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

CITY REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

J McKay introduced Julie Bolton of Friends of Galvin Park.

Bolton gave a presentation on the history of the non-profit and explained the work they do to raise money to supplement park budget for maintenance and programming at Galvin Park. She shared upcoming programming at the park and noted that all events and programming can be found on the Facebook and Instagram.

Mayor Stanforth expressed his appreciation to Julie Bolton.

CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – N Eveland had no report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

M Allbright presented ordinance O-22-24 Making supplemental appropriations.

M Allbright moved to have the first reading on Ordinance O-22-24 by title only. M Purkey seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. From the available excess funds in the General Fund to 110.120.5253 “Update Codified Ordinances” the sum of \$4,000.00

Allbright explained the last publication of the codified ordinances brought them up to date to 2018. The latest codification brings three years of ordinances current to December 2021.

Voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Director of Law read Ordinance O-22-24 by title only

M Allbright moved to suspend the rules and regulations and have the second and third readings on Ordinance O-22-24 by title only. M Purkey seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: McKay, aye; Liermann, aye; Osborn, aye; Allbright, aye; Eveland, aye; Purkey, aye. Motion passed.

Director of Law read Ordinance O-22-24 by title only.

M Allbright moved for passage of Ordinance O-22-24. M Purkey seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Liermann, aye; Osborn, aye; Allbright, aye; Eveland, aye; Purkey, aye; McKay, aye. Motion passed.

Ordinance O-22-24 passed as presented.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

M Purkey brought forth Ordinance O-22-23 Amending certain sections in Chapter 925 Refuse Collection of the Wilmington Codified Ordinances. He explained the ordinance restricts scavenging in dumpsters and toters.

M Purkey moved to suspend the rules and regulations and have the second and third readings on Ordinance O-22-23 by title only. J McKay seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Osborn, aye; Allbright, aye; Eveland, aye; Purkey, aye; McKay, aye; Liermann, aye. Motion passed.

Director of Law read Ordinance O-22-23 by title only.

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M Purkey moved for passage of Ordinance O-22-23. J McKay seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Albright, aye; Eveland, aye; Purkey, aye; McKay, aye; Liermann, aye; Osborn, aye. Motion passed.

Resolution O-22-23 passed as presented.

M Purkey introduced Ordinance O-22-25 Rescinding and/or revoking Ordinance 5090 and hereby setting salaries of City Council Members and Appointed Salaried Officials. Purkey explained the original ordinance was returned to Judiciary Committee for review and the committee opted to not move it forward to council. This new ordinance sets the rate of pay for Council members \$5354/year and will become effective for the next council term.

M Purkey moved to have the first reading on Ordinance O-22-25 by title only. B Liermann seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Roll call vote: Eveland, aye; Purkey, aye; McKay, aye; Liermann, aye; Osborn, aye; Albright, aye. Motion passed.

Director of Law read Ordinance O-22-25 by title only.

Purkey requested the second reading be placed on the agenda for the next regular council meeting.

M Purkey introduced Ordinance O-22-26 Changing the zoning of real property located on North Lincoln Street in the City of Wilmington, Ohio. He explained this was the subject of the public hearing earlier in the evening and changes the zoning from SN (Suburban Neighborhood) to TN (Traditional Neighborhood).

M Purkey moved to have the first reading on Ordinance O-22-26 by title only. J McKay seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Director of Law read Ordinance O-22-26 by title only.

Purkey requested the second reading be placed on the agenda for the next regular council meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – M Snarr was not present. There was no report.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

No reports were presented.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M Purkey asked if there was a set communication policy. He requested Council members be copied in on press releases when they are distributed so they can be better informed on city issues when approached by the public.

City Administrator Greg Muenchen said the previous administrator Marian Miller was working on a policy and he is in the process of refining it. He further explained the intention is not to leave people out of the loop, but sometimes it is not possible to release information in the case of a crisis or an ongoing investigation.

ADJOURNMENT

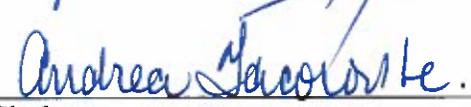
B Liermann moved to adjourn the meeting.

President M McKay declared the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

ATTEST:



President of Council



Clerk