



City of Gahanna

Meeting Minutes

City Council

200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Stephen A. Renner, President
Merisa K. Bowers, Vice President
Karen J. Angelou
Nancy R. McGregor
Kaylee Padova
Michael Schnetzer
Trenton I. Weaver

Pam Ripley, Interim Clerk of Council

Monday, February 21, 2022

7:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER - Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

Gahanna City Council met in Regular session on Monday, February 21, 2022, in Council Chambers. President of Council Stephen Renner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice President of Council Merisa Bowers, delivered an Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on February 18, 2022.

Present 7 - Nancy R. McGregor, Karen J. Angelou, Merisa K. Bowers, Trenton I. Weaver, Kaylee Padova, Michael Schnetzer, and Stephen A. Renner

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Angelou requested that under item H Representatives, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - official liaison business - Angelou, the term "official liaison business" be removed as she is the Chairman. Renner said that change will be made, and he is trying to make it more distinguished from the other since both items are appointed by the president of council. Angelou stated that she appreciates it; however, the word "representatives" means just that and there are only two representatives within the city, Mayor Jadwin and herself. The other things are fine and are the people who are going to volunteer maybe four times a year. Angelou said she has done this for 11 years and knows what she is talking about. Renner said when it comes to MORPC he knows that, but he doesn't know that the word "representatives" is as narrowly defined as maybe Angelou has it. The president of council appointed individuals to serve in different ways. In an earlier conversation, he did agree that he could add a new category on the agenda for something called Communities and Outside Organizations. However, the president doesn't have the authority to create agenda sections. That will be on the discussion with the Council Rules of Procedure on February 28, 2022.

Angelou said other council members put things on the agenda that they are doing, and it is not a problem. There must be some way to do this the correct way. Angelou wants the people that are wanting to volunteer and be a part of this great organization by being on a committee. Renner understands and the narrow lens that they are looking at is “representatives from council”. Renner is committed to exploring other ways to modify the agenda. Renner stated for the public record, for the third time, that the role Angelou has is different than the role Weaver has because Angelou's role is a voting position. Angelou said it is a leadership position. Angelou wants Weaver to be able to do this, it's not that, it's the fact that it's being done wrongly in this way. Renner said they are going to have to agree to disagree on that point. Again, as stated, he will be exploring other alternatives to how the agenda is done. Angelou appreciates that.

C. HEARING OF VISITORS: NONE.

D. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes - To Approve:

[2022-0054](#) Council Meeting Minutes for Approval.

These Meeting Minutes were Approved on the Consent Agenda.

2. MOTIONS

[MT-0004-2022](#) MOTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE & ENGINEERING PERMISSION TO BID THE 2022 STREET PROGRAM.

This Motion was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

3. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

[ORD-0001-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR USE OF CITY PROPERTY AS POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2022.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0002-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO TO PROVIDE AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL OFFENSES CODE, VARIOUS SECTIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES, CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE;

AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0005-2022](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Damage to City Property

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0006-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Water Meter Fees.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

End of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Schnetzer, seconded by Bowers, to Pass the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - McGregor, Angelou, Bowers, Weaver, Padova, Schnetzer and Renner

E. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION / FIRST READING:

Bowers introduced the items under Section E.

[ORD-0008-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE PART 1 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 135 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND ENGINEERING, SECTIONS 135.03 TO 135.08 AND REPLACE WITH PART 1 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 133 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, SECTION 133.02, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0009-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REMOVE PART 1 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 133 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, SECTION 133.02 VENDING MACHINE INCOME OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0010-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT PART 1 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 133 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, SECTION 133.02 PURCHASING PROCEDURES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

F. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, WAIVER & EMERGENCY ADOPTION:

[ORD-0007-2022](#) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORD-0089-2021 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES FOR PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF

GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022; WAIVE SECOND READING; ADOPT AS EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Schnetzer, seconded by Padova, that the Ordinance be Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - McGregor, Angelou, Bowers, Weaver, Padova, Schnetzer and Renner

[ORD-0011-2022](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORD-0088-2021 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A SECOND EXTENSION AGREEMENT FOR THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE (FOP) - OHIO LABOR COUNCIL(OLC) COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT CONTRACT; WAIVE SECOND READING; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Schnetzer, seconded by Bowers, that the Ordinance be Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - McGregor, Angelou, Bowers, Weaver, Padova, Schnetzer and Renner

G. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - none

Council - none

H. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Renner, Weaver

Weaver shared that at the February 15, 2022 meeting, CIC received an update on the Crescent Project. Good developments are underway and additional announcements will be forthcoming.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), official liaison business - Angelou

Angelou shared that Madison County and the Village of Buckeye Lake are new members to MORPC. There are 76 communities involved in MORPC. MORPC will be hosting a project briefing and listening session regarding the Intel Project with community partners. MORPC State of the Region is on March 16, 2022. MORPC has a lead abatement and health

homes grant program for homeowners in Franklin County. The US Economic Development Administration approved the Columbus region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. This is an important step for Central Ohio's competitiveness and means we can now apply to be an economic development district to open access to more assistance for the region's communities. MORPC's leadership was recently at the National Association of Regional Councils in Washington, D.C. and met with Federal Officials regarding policy priorities and infrastructure funding. House Bill 51 which was passed by the House and Senate, public bodies can meet remotely through June 30, 2022. The 56th Annual National Association of Regional Councils Conference and Exhibition will be June 12 - 15, 2022 in Columbus Ohio.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), Regional Policy Roundtable - Weaver

Weaver shared that at the first meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2022.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Padova

Padova shared that the Visit Gahanna Annual Meeting is on Friday, March 11, 2022. The speaker will be Jason Duff, the founder, and CEO of Small Nation. There are upcoming classes at the Ohio Herb Center if anyone would like to register.

School Board (SB) - Bowers

Bowers shared that the School Board voted on Option A, as the site plan for the new high school. The plan will have an impact to the city campus and conversations are ongoing with the schools and the city. It is Bowers understanding that the next steps for the school board is that school administration will be further engaging teachers and staff on further design and use of space considerations.

I. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**Mayor**

Jadwin shared that the Gahanna Area Chamber of Commerce will host their Annual Meeting February 24, 2022. The keynote speaker will be Craig Turner from the Edge. February 22, 2022 will be the next Facilities Workshop at the Senior Center. The Franklin County Public Health will be running vaccination clinics on February 24 and 25, 2022 at ARC Industries. The Franklin County Auditor's Office Board of Revision will be at the Senior Center on Saturday, February 26, 2022, assisting homeowners with filing property valuation complaints. The State of the City is March 24, 2022 at the Peak at Edison. The latest issue of Uniquely Gahanna magazine has been distributed.

Jadwin shared that administration will be meeting with the high schools project team to review the city timelines and processes. The more information the city can share and get everybody on the same page at the outset, the more we can ensure that it runs as smoothly as possible for the school district.

City Attorney - None**J. COUNCIL COMMENT**

Weaver thanked the Mayor and Administration for the Facilities Workshops; they have been very beneficial. He encourages the public to attend.

Bowers shared that the Gahanna Education Foundation Gala/Auction is on February 26, 2022. The Crafted Culture Brewery is the first black-owned craft brewery in Central Ohio and is in Gahanna. They want to extend their gratitude to the City and to the Economic Development Department and Mayor Jadwin for all the support they have received. Their doors are closed currently, there was a dispute over the location. They want their supporters to know they very much want to be here and are looking to remain in Gahanna and in Central Ohio. They appreciate

the amount of support they have received from the community. Bowers welcomed Marlow's Philly Cheesesteak to the Creekside area.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

To go into Executive Session under authority of Section 5.40(a) of the Council Rules of Procedure to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.

A motion was made by Schnetzer, seconded by Weaver, to go into Executive Session under authority of Section 5.40(a) of the Council Rules of Procedure to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.

Council rose to report to Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. Council rose to report from Executive Session at 8:19 p.m., with no action taken.

Yes: 7 - McGregor, Angelou, Bowers, Weaver, Padova, Schnetzer and Renner

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.