

MINUTES
LOUISVILLE CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 24, 2020
7:00 P.M.

7:00 – PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-34 - BEING AN ORDINANCE CREATING A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA AND ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS TO ENSURE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY WITHIN SUCH AREA

There were no comments from the audience regarding Ordinance No. 20-34. Clerk Justice read a letter from Paradise Church by Sarah Jackson, President, Paradise UCC Executive Council. The letter stated that the Executive Council was disappointed in the opposition of being included in the DORA without anyone from the church being present. The letter stated that Paradise will remain a vital part of the Louisville community, and so not to delay the DORA for businesses, will not be pursuing inclusion. (Letter attached)

ORDINANCE NO. 20-36 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1511.01, ADOPTION, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE

There were no comments regarding Ordinance No. 20-36.

Louisville City Council met in Regular session with Mayor-Council Member Fallot presiding.

COUNCIL MEMBER STREET MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY, and the motion carried to amend the August 24, 2020 Council Agenda to include an Executive Session after New Business for the purpose of discussing Personnel Matters with no Regular business to follow. The vote: All yea.

Council members bowed their heads for a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

MEMBERS PRESENT

Patricia Fallot, Mayor-Council Member
Joanie Aljancic, Council Member
Richard Guiley, Council Member
Richard Slackford, Council Member
Corey Street, Council Member

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Larry Collins, City Manager
Andy Turowski, Assistant City Manager Safety Services/Police Chief
Tiffany Justice, City Clerk
Robert Duffrin, Law Director
Vince Marion, Director of Planning & Development
Rod Bordner, Fire Chief

Dan Millsap, Service Director
Sonja Herwick, Finance Director

Mayor-Council Member Fallot presented the City Clerk's Certificate of Open Meeting.

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 3, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared the minutes of the August 3, 2020 Council meeting approved as presented.

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 17, 2020 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared the minutes of the August 17, 2020 Special Council meeting approved as presented.

MAYOR'S COURT REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JULY 31, 2020

Computer Fund \$104, City General Revenue \$239, Revenue from Fines \$485, Total to City \$828

Victims of Crime \$67, Indigent Defense Support Fund \$180, Drug Law Enforcement Fund \$28, Total to State \$275

Indigent Driver Alcohol Treatment Fund \$12, Cost of Magistrate \$-220, Total to Other \$-208, TOTAL REVENUE \$895

FINANCIAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JULY 31, 2020

Council was presented with a financial statement presented by the Finance Director indicating the City's financial status for the month ending July 31, 2020.

Discussion followed regarding fund money that was frozen for the unprecedented Corona Virus pandemic and the effect it would have on the City, including the income taxes being extended to July 15, 2020. Council Member Street questioned if the street paving could be reinstated this year. City Manager Collins reported that it may be too late in the year to bid, schedule with the contractor and have the roads paved before the weather turns, when it is too cold to pave. Discussion followed regarding Council being unaware that money would be available later, once the tax receipts were collected. Discussion followed on crack sealing, sidewalk program and other items frozen during the uncertainty. City Manager Collins reported that when things were being shut down from the Corona Virus that no one was aware that manufacturing jobs would remain and PPP money would be available. City Manager Collins reported that best estimated guess is how staff chose to freeze items, and that there is a shortfall that will still need made up. City Manager Collins reported that if money is not used on paving this year that it would provide a cushion for next, and crack sealing will be done this year.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL

Louisville Public Library Director, Brock Hutchison addressed Council regarding updates with the Library including budget shortfalls from COVID-19 and new ideas stemming from the pandemic. Mr. Hutchison reported that the library was awarded a \$3,000 grant for 10 portable Wi-Fi hot spots that could be checked out with a library card. With a 34% revenue loss in April, they are currently sitting at approximately a 3% loss, after receiving a \$25,000 relief fund from the State of Ohio for sanitizer, plexi-glass and other items. The Library has joined into the SEO Library Consortium, which links independent libraries to share in resources. Approximately 100 libraries are in the consortium, allowing over 8,000,000 items to be shared. Joining the Consortium now allows for a savings this year and in the future. Council Member Street commended the library for their efforts. Council Member Aljancic questioned if the wifi at the library is still left on for people to utilize from the parking lot. Mr. Hutchison replied that the wifi is available to use from the parking lot. Council Member Guiley questioned if the items shared are just digital or physical as well. Mr. Hutchison reported that both physical and digital items are available.

FORMAL SWEARING IN OF PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER BRIAN PITTMAN

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COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STREET, and the motion carried for the second reading of Ordinance No. 20-34. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Falot declared Ordinance No. 20-34 duly passed and enacted.

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COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ALJANCIC, and the motion carried for the second reading of Ordinance No. 20-36. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Falot declared Ordinance No. 20-36 duly passed and enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-39 – BEING AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STREET, and the motion carried for the first reading of Ordinance No. 20-39. The vote: All yea.

MAYOR-COUNCIL MEMBER FALLOT MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ALJANCIC, and the motion carried to suspend the rules to allow for the emergency adoption of Ordinance No. 20-39. The vote: All yea.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLACKFORD, and the motion carried for the second reading by emergency of Ordinance NO. 20-39. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Falot declared Ordinance No. 20-39 duly passed and enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-40 - BEING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STARK COUNTY, OHIO FOR COST SHARING OF STREAM GAGE MAINTENANCE OF NIMISHILLEN CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STREET, and the motion carried for the first reading of Ordinance No. 20-40. The vote: All yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-41 - BEING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) FOR THE EAST MAIN AND NICKELPLATE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STREET, and the motion carried for the adoption of Resolution No. 20-41. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Resolution No. 20-41 duly passed and enacted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-42 - BEING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) FOR THE EXTENSION OF SANITARY SEWER AND WATER LINES NORTH OF RENO DRIVE TO THE NORTH SIDE OF US 62 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ALJANCIC, and the motion carried for the adoption of Resolution No. 20-42. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Resolution No. 20-42 duly passed and enacted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-43 - BEING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) FOR THE EXTENSION OF SANITARY SEWER AND WATER LINES NORTH OF RENO DRIVE TO THE NORTH SIDE OF US 62 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLACKFORD, and the motion carried for the adoption of Resolution No. 20-43. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Resolution No. 20-43 duly passed and enacted.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-44 - BEING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) FOR THE EXTENSION OF SANITARY SEWER AND WATER LINES NORTH OF RENO DRIVE TO THE NORTH SIDE OF US 62 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ALJANCIC, and the motion carried for the adoption of Resolution No. 20-44. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Resolution No. 20-44 duly passed and enacted.

NEW BUSINESS

City Manager Collins reported that further discussion from the data reported on the income tax document will need to be had, and he will touch base individually to all Council Members.

Police Chief Andy Turowski reported that monthly reports were distributed today. The Department's activity is still down from 2019 with events not being held. Chief Turowski heard positive comments from the Back the Blue march.

Service Director Dan Millsap reported that advertising has started for Phase II of the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Millsap thanked Girl Scout, Trillian Vaughn, who purchased and installed playground equipment at Wildwood Park.

Council Member Aljancic questioned trash liners not being in the blue trash cans along downtown. Discussion followed regarding trash containers downtown, City Hall dumpster contract, ways to have trash picked up. Council directed staff to have Service Department collect the trash and put in City Hall dumpster.

Council Member Slackford questioned signs regarding social distancing and masks not being clear or large enough at the main entrance of Umbrella Alley. City Manager Collins stated that signs would be posted clearly around the alley.

Director of Planning & Development Vince Marion reported that an updated draft Downtown Action Plan was distributed after the virtual meeting held at 5:00 this evening. Mr. Marion reported that no changes to the concepts, ideas or models were made, only typographical.

Council Member Aljancic questioned if Mr. Pukys who addressed Council previously, if his questions were answered. City Manager Collins reported that a document is being streamlined from the Tax administration.

Mr. Marion reported that the Board of Zoning Appeals has a meeting on September 8th and that the time has been changed to 6:00 from 6:30 to accommodate the Council meeting at 7:00.

Council Member Street questioned if property owners have been contacted regarding overgrowth covering sidewalks on South Chapel and Enterprise. He stated that people walking do not have much room. Mr. Marion reported that is an ODOT right-of-way and they will contact them again.

Fire Chief Rod Bordner reported that the monthly report was distributed. Chief Bordner reported part of the BWC grant that was received to purchase the automated pumpers for AED's is remaining and a stair chair will be purchased. Currently down 12 runs from this time last year.

Mayor-Council Member Fallot reported that thousands of hits and 600 shares from the Herald Facebook page regarding getting a Wendy's in the City. Activities will be held downtown beginning the first Saturday in September for 4 weekends with music from ArtsinStark. The Cruise In and Dine event held over the weekend was very busy for the restaurants.

COUNCIL MEMBER ALJANCIC MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STREET, and the motion carried for Council to move out of Regular Session into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel Matters with no business to follow. The vote: All yea.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STREET, and the motion carried for Council to move out of Executive Session and back into Regular Session carried. The vote: All yea.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Justice, CMC
City Clerk