



## City Council Meeting Highlights Monday, November 15, 2021

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### **HILL RD/BASIL WESTERN RD REZONING ORDINANCE**

- Council heard the third reading of an ordinance to rezone a plot of land near Hill Rd. and Basil Western Rd. to Limited Manufacturing. The land was recently annexed from Violet Township, where it was also zoned Limited Manufacturing.
- During Work Session, Mr. Haire explained that he is still working with Opus to revise the ordinance following Council's feedback during the last meeting. These revisions will include specific conditions for the rezoning, including landscaping, architecture, etc. Because these changes are not yet finalized, Opus is requesting the ordinance be tabled.
- The ordinance was tabled.
- Following public comments related to the CEDA agreement and annexation, Council inquired about the CEDA agreement terms and process. Mr. Haire shared that the annexation moved forward as an Expedited Type 1 annexation, which means that the Violet Township Trustees supported the annexation which allowed the process to move forward without a public hearing by the County Commissioners.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Sam Howard of Pumpkins Helping People shared an update on the nonprofit. The group buys pumpkins from a local farmer out of Amanda, OH, and sells them in the Canal Winchester area, with proceeds going to Canal Winchester Human Services. Over the last 4 years, the group has donated over \$12,000.
- Two residents shared concerns related to industrial development in Canal Winchester. Some of these concerns included traffic, lack of supportive infrastructure, and public health. Another resident spoke in favor of the federal infrastructure bill that was recently passed and asked that the City be prepared to capture some of these funds.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

- Mr. Haire requested Council feedback on who to involve in the RFP selection process – a steering committee of residents, Council, City staff, or a combination thereof. Council will consider this and share feedback with Mr. Haire.
- As written, the RFP process could run from early December through mid-January, but that is at Council's discretion after a determination is made on who the responsible party will be that evaluates the proposals.

### **NEW LEGISLATION DISCUSSED/PASSED**

- An ordinance passed to grant a utility easement to South Central Power to service McGill Park.
- An ordinance passed to allow the City to enter into contract with Franklin County Public Health.
- Council heard the first reading of an ordinance for the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office contract. This ordinance is declared an emergency to take effect immediately following the three readings/passing.
- Council heard the first reading of an ordinance for a wastewater agreement with the Village of Lithopolis.
- Council heard the first reading of an ordinance to adopt the thoroughfare plan.