



City Council Meeting Highlights Monday, January 3, 2022

In an effort to provide clear, factual information in a timely manner, the City will be sharing highlights from City Council Meetings the afternoon after a council session on the City website and social media. These highlights will include summaries from work session, full council, and any public hearings/meetings that take place. They will not replace formal minutes.

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COUNCIL UPDATES

- Mrs. Amick, Mrs. Amos, Mr. Shea, and Mrs. Ward were sworn in as City Council members.
- Mr. Milliken was voted in as Council President. Mr. Clark was voted Council Vice President.
- The following committees and appointments were selected:
 - Rules Committee: Mrs. Amick, Chair; Mrs. Amos, Vice-Chair; Mr. Walker, Member
 - CW Human Services Representative: Mr. Walker
 - Destination: CW Board Member: Mr. Milliken
 - CWICC Representative: Mrs. Ward
 - CWJRD Board Members: Mrs. Amos and Mr. Shea

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS (RES 22-001/002)

- Two resolutions were presented to appoint new members to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Mr. Mark Caulk and Mr. Chuck Carpenter were proposed for appointment by the Mayor to serve 4-year terms.
- The application process is new this year – Mr. Haire shared that the process began in March to open up the pool of interested candidates after struggling to fill vacancies on the various boards. Those seeking re-appointment, such as Mr. Caulk, were verbally asked if they would like to serve again but were not required to submit an application.
- Council expressed concerns about the qualifications of these candidates compared to the other applicants.
- The resolutions were tabled until Mr. Caulk can submit an application, and other applicants can be considered.

FRANKLIN ST. PARCEL PURCHASE (ORD 22-001)

- Mr. Haire presented an ordinance to purchase 2.5 acres along Franklin Street. The Old Town Plan dedicates that parcel as a future park area, and this would be the first step towards that goal. Given the land is in a floodplain, it would likely serve as a trailhead with potential to access McGill Park in the future.
- Council requested an appraisal of the land. Mr. Haire will provide that prior to the third reading/vote.

BASIL-WESTERN RD. PRE-ANNEXATION & DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (ORD 22-002/003)

- Mr. Haire presented an ordinance to enter into a pre-annexation agreement with L&D Family Farms and Roebing Development Company for 57.94 acres along Basil-Western Rd. He also presented a development agreement with Roebing Development Company for the parcel. These are similar to the agreements set forth last year for the parcels along Bixby Rd.
- The pre-annexation agreement sets the terms of the annexation including the contemplated zoning of Limited Manufacturing (LM) and an economic development agreement. If L&D and Roebing cannot come to an agreement, the annexation process can cease or the agreement allows the property owners to detach the parcel from the City of Canal Winchester after annexation. Detachment would also be permitted if any enactment of a moratorium or filing of a referendum that could prevent or delay Roebing's use of the property for their proposed development takes place within six months of annexation.

- The economic development agreement outlines the general terms of the city establishing a CRA and a new, non-school TIF for the area. This agreement sets the terms for the minimum roadway improvements that Roebling will be responsible for to accommodate this project. This includes roadway widenings and right-of-way dedication to allow future improvements, if necessary.
- The ordinances were moved to Council for first reading.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- A handful of residents spoke about the political climate within the City, expressing concerns over a divide. Residents urged Council to listen to residents, seek unity, and do what is best for the community. They also encouraged Council to explore other development opportunities, like hotels and restaurants, instead of warehouses.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

- Council selected Mrs. Amick to sit on the committee responsible for reviewing and selecting the RFPs.
- Mr. Haire shared that the RFP is now publicized and groups have until January 31 to submit proposals.