

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held July 14,

2020

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Rick Barnhart, Angie Fryman, Leanne Nash, Harold Robinson, and Amanda Zennie. City Staff – City Manager Brad Townsend, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Planning & Community Development Director Greg Gaines, Economic Development Director Mike Lucking, Police Chief Doug Woodard, Public Relations Director Heidi Van Antwerp, and Assistant Clerk of Council Carie Cottongim

EXCUSED: Council Member Jill Tomlin

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sanner at 6:30 p.m.

### MINUTES

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Ms. Nash to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 23, 2020. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Ms. Nash-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

### COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

CDBG APPLICATION, CARROLLTON CENTRE PROJECT – PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GREG GAINES

Mr. Gaines gave a presentation on the CDBG Application, Carrollton Centre Project. A copy of this presentation can be obtained through his office.

### COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

None

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 3670

*An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 3060, Chapter 138: Public Order, Section 138.08 "Disturbing the Peace." (2<sup>nd</sup> reading & adopt)*

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Mr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve Ordinance 3670. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Ms. Nash-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

### NEW BUSINESS

#### ORDINANCE 3671

*An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate for Approval of Amendments to the City Charter, Section 4.14, of the City of West Carrollton, Ohio. (1<sup>st</sup> reading)*

Mrs. Denlinger informed Ordinance 3671 is in reference to changing Section 4.14 of the City Charter to require one council meeting per month with the option of a second meeting if needed instead of the requirement of two meetings per month. Also, a change in the 12-hour notice for emergency meetings to a 24-hour notice staying consistent with the State of Ohio guidelines.

#### ORDINANCE 3672

*An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate for Approval of Amendments to the City Charter, Section 6.01, of the City of West Carrollton, Ohio. (1<sup>st</sup> reading)*

Mrs. Denlinger informed Ordinance 3672 is a housekeeping item for Section 6.01 of the City Charter removing the sentence, "At the time of his/her appointment the City Manager need not be a resident of the Municipality or State, but during his/her tenure of office the City Manager shall reside in the Municipality."\* \*Note: (This section has been invalidated by R.C. 9.491 and the Ohio Supreme Court's ruling in *The City of Lima v. The State of Ohio*, 2009, 122 Ohio St. 3d 155)

### REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Mr. Townsend informed July 15, 2020 is the deadline to file your taxes and the city income tax office will be open from 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m. to help get residents taxes filed.

### UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

#### Comments by the Audience

None

#### Comments by Council

None



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### RECESS

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to recess to a work session to discuss the items on the agenda. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Ms. Nash-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mrs. Fryman to recess to an Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 Section (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes to return for adjournment. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Ms. Nash-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

### WORK SESSION

#### RESPONSE TO NAACP LETTER – CHIEF DOUG WOODARD

Police Chief Doug Woodard was at the work session to discuss a letter that every Police jurisdiction in Montgomery County received from the Dayton Chapter of the NAACP. The letter outlined eight (8) areas of change that the NAACP requested all police agencies adopt with respect to department procedures. A copy of the letter is available upon request from the office of the Chief of Police.

Chief Woodard outlined several areas, through our CELA accreditations, where we meet or exceed the procedures suggested. In fact, only two areas 1) establishing a new elected oversight body- item #1 and #2) immediately suspending an officer without pay that is involved in a shooting prior to an investigation, could not be accomplished without several changes in State and Federal laws. Chief Woodard stated that the letter raises more questions that should be discussed and clarify with the organization to promote further understanding. He said that the County Police Chief's Association has met and will be reaching out to the NAACP to start a dialogue. He also stated that the author of the letter, Dr. Derrick Forward, Executive Director of the Dayton Chapter, has been invited to meet face to face with members of our department. Pending those actions, Chief Woodard did not believe that a formal written response to the letter was necessary.

After a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of council to proceed as proposed.

#### DISCUSSION – RESOLUTION DECLARING RACISM A PUBLIC HEALTH HAZARD

Mr. Townsend stated that the City has been requested to consider adopting a resolution declaring racism a public health hazard. Included in the packet material were two examples, one from the City of Dayton and one from Montgomery County. Copies of those resolutions are available upon request from the office of the City Manager.

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Mr. Townsend referenced a recent newspaper article where the issue was being considered by the Ohio House of Representatives as a statewide issue. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of council to wait and see if the State takes any action on this topic that would apply statewide.

### QUARTERLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MIKE LUCKING

Mr. Lucking presented a quarterly (+) report on economic development activity in the City. Due to the pandemic and abrupt halt to the economy, things have been a bit unstable in the business community. However, Mr. Lucking stated that things seem to be slowly getting back to normal, particularly in the manufacturing sectors. Retail will be slower to rebound, if at all. We have been made aware that two retail businesses, both gyms, have gone out of business due to the shutdown. A copy of Mr. Lucking's report is available upon request.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council met in Executive Session Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, to return for adjournment.

### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Sanner motioned, seconded by Leanne Nash to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

  
Assistant Clerk of Council

  
Mayor