Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held August 25, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Rick Barnhart, Angie Fryman, Leanne Nash, Harold Robinson, Jill Tomlin, and Amanda Zennie. City Staff – City Manager Brad Townsend, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Economic Development Director Mike Lucking, Finance Director/Clerk of Council Tom Reilly, and Public Relations Director Heidi Van Antwerp

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

MINUTES

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mrs. Zennie to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 11, 2020. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentation to the Police and Fire Departments

Pastor Phil Hohulin and Council President John Michael from Grace Lutheran Church presented Police Chief Doug Woodard and Fire Chief Chris Barnett with plaques for the appreciation of the department's services.

SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Sanner read the entire proclamation.

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 3677

An Ordinance Adopting Amendments to Chapter 154: Zoning Code, Chapter 153: Signs, and Chapter 156: Flood Damage Prevention Code of the Code of Ordinances of West Carrollton, to Bring the Requirements for Area Variances into Compliance with the Ohio Supreme Court Decision in Duncan V. Middlefield. (2nd reading & adopt)

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Mr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve Ordinance 3677. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

ORDINANCE 3678

An Ordinance Adopting Amendments to Chapter 154 of the Code of Ordinances of West Carrollton Known as the "Zoning Code," Section 154.02.01, Definitions, to Amend the Definitions of "Family" and "Functional Family" in Accordance with the U.S. District Court Decision in Yoder V. City of Bowling Green. (2nd reading & adopt)

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Ms. Nash to approve Ordinance 3678. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

ORDINANCE 3679

An Ordinance Adopting Amendments to Chapter 154 of the Code of Ordinances of West Carrollton Known as the "Zoning Code," by Repealing and Replacing Section 154.16.11, Mobile Food Vendors, and Repealing and Replacing Section 37.35, Mobile Food Vendor License Fee. (2nd reading & adopt)

Mrs. Zennie moved, seconded by Mrs. Fryman to approve Ordinance 3679. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 21-2020

A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Purchase Agreement with Eric C. Geary and Ida Jane Geary for the Purchase of 932 East Dixie Drive for the Amount of \$185,000.

Mr. Lucking informed these properties are part of the Exit 47 improvement and land aggregation that is on-going. One parcel is a residential property and the other parcels are a former beauty salon and a transmission shop. Our landholdings in the area are now approximately 25 acres and also have become non-conforming uses.

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve Resolution 21-2020. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

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RESOLUTION 22-2020

A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Purchase Agreement with the Estate of Ruth P. Wilson for the Purchase of 936 and 942 East Dixie Drive for the Amount of \$350,000.

Mr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve Resolution 22-2020. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

ORDINANCE 3680

An Ordinance to Make Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the City of West Carrollton, State of Ohio, During the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020, Amending Section 2 of Ordinance 3657, and Repealing any Ordinances in Conflict Herewith, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Reilly informed that this ordinance will account for property purchased in Resolution 21-2020 and 22-2020 and that this amount would be the only adjustment.

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mrs. Fryman to approve Ordinance 3680. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes

REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Mr. Townsend informed on August 13, 2020 staff opened bids for the North Elm Street waterline replacement project. One bid was received from Associated Excavating in Brookville in the amount of \$401,039. Notice to proceed will be given to the contractor this Thursday, August 27, 2020. Phase I of the project will be from Central Avenue to Main Street in the Olde Downtown District which will be completed by October 2, 2020. Phase II will go from Main Street to Cottage Avenue, then Cottage Avenue to Locust Street which will be completed by November 13, 2020. The scope of the project is we will be replacing the existing 4-inch waterline with a new 8-inch waterline. This will increase fire flow and for those that are affected and residents should notice a difference. There will be some service interruptions because we will also be installing new service lines. The contractor will work individually with the businesses and residences until they complete the project and keeping interruptions to a minimum.

Mrs. Van Antwerp informed that the city offices will be closed Monday, September 7, 2020 in observation of Labor Day. Trash and recycle collections will not be delayed.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Comments by the Audience
None

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Comments by Council

Ms. Nash inquired whether the water testing was complete and if there was a leak found?

Mr. Townsend informed yes, the testing is complete and 40 areas of interest were found. Our crews are going through systematically and finding a lot of watermain breaks we didn't know we had and will be repairing them throughout the year. I am not sure if there were any service lines affected.

Ms. Nash asked Mrs. Van Antwerp if she received any complaints while the tests were being done and she answered no she did not.

Mr. Robinson inquired if the city still had funds for neighborhood improvement projects such as painting and such?

Mr. Townsend informed that we do have funds for those improvement projects in the budget.

Mrs. Tomlin thanked Mayor Sanner for reading the Suicide Prevention Proclamation. This topic is very near and dear to her. A year ago, the West Carrollton Schools lost a student, Faith Marie Wyrick, and this proclamation is in memory of her and to let her family and friends know that she isn't forgotten.

Mr. Barnhart informed that the plaques for the fire department and police department personnel were greatly appreciated and deserved. So many times, the actions of a select few first responders is brought forth and it's applied to every first responder whether they do anything wrong or not. It's unfairly brought forward and makes all first responders appear negative to the citizens no matter what race. It's just not true, I know it's not true here and certainly no where around the world. It happens and there is a bad percentage in every occupation and every walk of life and it's just accentuated when it's a first responder. The great that the pastors and groups come forward and recognize our first responders and the job they do and their dedication to the citizens.

Mayor Sanner informed that he received a note from Donald Sanders, a partnership specialist, with the Census Bureau and gave accolades to Planning & Community Development Director Greg Gaines and Public Relations Director Heidi Van Antwerp. He was sharing that the Census is not over until September 30, 2020 and we have already met the standard we set in 2010 as far as response. Greg said to please share with city council and staff that this was mostly due to Heidi's efforts, so please acknowledge her. Congratulations Heidi!

WORK SESSION

None

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to adjourn the meeting of August 25, 2020. A vote was taken: Ms. Nash, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes