Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held September 26, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sanner at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call followed.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Amanda Zennie, Rick Barnhart, Rick Dobson, and Jill Tomlin. City Staff – City Manager Brad Townsend, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Economic Development Director Mike Lucking, PR/Communications Manager Yvonne Concepcion, and Clerk of Council Tracy Moore.

EXCUSED: Councilmembers Angie Fryman and Keith Tilton

MINUTES

Mrs. Zennie moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 12, 2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

Mrs. Tomlin moved, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to approve the special meeting minutes of September 13, 2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-abstain, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

Mr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve the special meeting minutes of September 18, 2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

Mrs. Zennie moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve the special meeting minutes of September 19, 2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

Kara Robinson-Jeter, from 1316 Camphill Way Apt. #5, addressed Council to request assistance in dealing with her apartment complex regarding a mold issue.

Roberta Phillips, from 3248 Vernell Dr., addressed Council to request additional communication moving forward regarding construction projects. She also expressed concern regarding a property complaint at a neighbor's residence.

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James Napper, from 43 Reddington Court, addressed Council to advise there is a water leak in front of 50 Reddington Court. He also expressed concern about the pavement project on Main Street.

Melea Butcher, from 13 Reddington Court, addressed Council to express concern regarding a property complaint at a neighbor's residence. She also inquired about the city's laws regarding the ownership of chickens in residential neighborhoods.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance 3756 – 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, 2023, Amending Ordinance 3751, And Repealing Any Ordinances In Conflict Herewith.

Mayor Sanner stated this is the second reading of Ordinance 3756. He asked for additional comments or questions. There were none.

Mr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Mayor Sanner to approve Ordinance 3756. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Resolution 34-2023</u> – A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract Addendum With Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc. To Extend The Current Recycling Contract Until March 31, 2024.

Mr. Townsend presented Resolution 34-2023. The rate increase is fifty cents per customer. However, it will not be passed along to residents because the refuse fund is sufficient to cover the increase. Mr. Norton plans to bid the contract out by the end of the year.

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Dobson to approve Resolution 34-2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

<u>Resolution 35-2023</u> – A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With The Ohio Department Of Transportation To Replace Bridge Expansion Joints On IR-75, Mile Marker 6.356 R SFN 5706661, Over The Railroad On East Dixie Drive.

Mr. Townsend presented Resolution 35-2023. The Ohio Department of Transportation requested we pass this resolution to allow them to make repairs to the bridge. There is no cost to the city. Further information will be forthcoming on the timeline.

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Mr. Barnhart moved, seconded by Mr. Dobson to approve Resolution 35-2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS

None

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Comments by the Audience

Roberta Phillips, from 3248 Vernell Dr., addressed Council to request additional communication regarding the bridge repairs once the timeline is determined.

Comments by Council

Mrs. Zennie reminded everyone the Homecoming Parade is Thursday, September 28, 2023, and Rockin' the River is Saturday, September 30, 2023.

RECESS

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

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to recess to an executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee, to return for adjournment. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

WORK SESSION

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Amanda Zennie, Rick Barnhart, Rick Dobson, and Jill Tomlin. City Staff – City Manager Brad Townsend, Law Director Lori Denlinger, and Economic Development Director Mike Lucking

Contract Building Inspection Services

Mr. Townsend circulated a proposal from SAFEbuilt Ohio, LLC, to preform building inspection services for the city on a contractual basis. A copy of the proposal is available upon request for the office of the City Manager. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of council to move forward with approval. Staff was directed to place the item on the next council meeting agenda for formal approval.

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505 Burns Avenue

Mr. Lucking discussed with council the status of the development of the vacant lot at 505 Burns Avenue. In 2021, the City sold the lot to local developer Craig Kellogg on the condition that he construct a 1,400 square foot, two-story, single-family, owner-occupied home on the property. According to Mr. Kellogg, the market has changed and it is no longer feasible to develop the lot as proposed and has placed the lot up for sale. Mr. Lucking stated that he has had a conversation with Mr. Kellogg and he is willing to sell the lot back to the City for what he has in the property (approximately \$9,000). After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of council to buy the lot back. Staff was directed to request documentation from Mr. Kellogg in support of the sale price and bring legislation forward at a future council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Amanda Zennie, Rick Barnhart, Rick Dobson, and Jill Tomlin. City Staff – City Manager Brad Townsend and Law Director Lori Denlinger

Council met in executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to adjourn the City Council Meeting of September 26, 2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Clerk of Council