

Legislative Session Minutes

January 27, 2025

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mount Vernon City Council
Committee Meeting Schedule
January 27, 2025

6:35-6:38 p.m.	AEP easements for 18 E. Vine St.	Streets & Public Buildings Severns
6:38-6:44 p.m.	Law Director office legal assistants	Employee and Community Relations Woods
6:44-6:55 p.m.	Rezoning of 0 South Main Street	Land Use and Development Keener
6:55-7:26 p.m.	WPCLF application	Utilities Ruckman

- 01-27-25 Committee Meeting Schedule

MEETING WILL RECESS UNTIL 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee	Title	Status
Janis Seavolt	At Large	Present
Tammy Woods	Third Ward	Present
Amber Keener	At Large	Present
Mel Severns	Councilman	Present
James Mahan	First Ward	Present
John Ruckman	Second Ward	Present
Bruce Hawkins	President	Present
Mike Miller	Fourth Ward	Excused

Woods made a motion to excuse Miller, with a second by Severns. Motion passed by a voice vote of 6-0.

INVOCATION

Severns delivered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All recited in unison.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- City Council - Legislative Session - Jan 13, 2025 7:30 PM

Seavolt made a motion to accept the minutes of the Legislative Session of January 13, 2025, with a second by Woods. Motion passed by a voice vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
SECONDER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

RECEIVE PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 01-13-25 Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes

Council accepted without comment the minutes for the Utilities Committee meeting of January 13, 2025.

LIQUOR CONTROL LICENSE

None.

PROCLAMATION

Keener read into the record a proclamation recognizing the 80th anniversary of International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

PERSONS SPEAKING ON MATTERS OF CITY CONCERN

Joshua Morrison, 101 N. Rogers St., detailed his efforts to make a public records request of the City, accused the City of delaying tactics, stressed the importance of accountability and transparency, and noted that court fees and fines add up at taxpayer expense.

Zach Green, Knox Public Health Commissioner, provided his agency's quarterly report. He noted that cases of Lyme disease were down in 2024 compared to 2023 but that cases may be under-reported, provided an update on KPH facilities and appointments, and added that flu season is presently at its peak.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-136

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN FEDERAL COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 FOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Severns made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-136, with a second by Ruckman. Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers noted that the deadline to submit projects for Federal Community Project funding is in April. Engineer Brian Ball added that the new Police Station will probably not be part of the submission. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mel Severns, Councilman
SECONDER:	John Ruckman, Second Ward
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WASTEWATER FACILITIES; DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

Resolution No. 2025-02 was given a second reading. Ruckman requested a 20-minute meeting of the Utilities Committee on the legislation for February 10, 2025.

RESULT:	SECOND READING	Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM
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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-09

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DELAWARE, KNOX, MARION, MORROW JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FIVE YEAR UPDATE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

Resolution No. 2025-09 was given a second reading.

RESULT:	SECOND READING	Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM
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RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12

A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING AMBER KEENER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE KNOX COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-12, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-12, with a second by Keener. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 5-0, with Keener abstaining, as the legislation pertained to her re-appointment to the Knox County Convention and Visitors Bureau board.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
ABSTAIN:	Keener
EXCUSED:	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-13

A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING JOHN RUCKMAN TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EXPERIENCE MOUNT VERNON OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-13, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-13, with a second by Keener. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 5-0, with Ruckman abstaining as the legislation pertained to his re-appointment to the Experience Mount Vernon board.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan
ABSTAIN:	Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-14

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF CURTIS ADAMS AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-14, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-14, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr discussed the qualifications of Curtis Adams to be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals as an alternate member. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-15

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF TOM MICKLEY TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FULFILLING PAUL

MAYVILLE'S UNEXPIRED SIX (6) YEAR TERM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-15, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-15, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr discussed the qualifications of Tom Mickley to be appointed to the Civil Service Commission. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-16

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S RE-APPOINTMENT OF NICHOLAS MYRDA TO THE RECREATION BOARD; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-16, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-16, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr discussed the qualifications of Nicholas Myrda to be re-appointed to the Recreation Board. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE MANSFIELD AVENUE SIDEPATH PROJECT (KNO-CR5-0.47 PID 115280); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Resolution No. 2025-17 was given a first reading.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM
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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND AWARD A QUALIFICATION-BASED SELECTION OF CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION AND RELATED

ENGINEERING SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE
MANSFIELD AVENUE SIDEPATH PROJECT (KNO-CR5-0.47 PID 115280);
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Resolution No. 2025-18 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-19

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF
THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO GRANT EASEMENTS TO OHIO
POWER COMPANY (DBA AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER); AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Severns made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-19, with a second by Ruckman. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Severns made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-19, with a second by Ruckman. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mel Severns, Councilman
SECONDER: John Ruckman, Second Ward
AYES: Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED: Miller

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING

None.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF
PARCELS #66-05624.000, #66-05627.000, #66-05628.000 AND #66-05629.000
FROM R-1A - CORE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, TO R-3 - ATTACHED
RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Land Use and Development: Keener, Mahan

Ordinance No. 2025-01 was given a second reading. Keener requested a five-minute meeting of the Land Use and Development Committee on the legislation for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-02

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE NUMBER, WAGES AND BENEFITS OF
LEGAL ASSISTANTS IN THE OFFICE OF THE LAW DIRECTOR; AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 2025-02, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-02, with a second by Keener. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Miller

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-03**

AN ORDINANCE TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO NOT VACATE A PLATTED ALLEY NORTH OF KIRK STREET BETWEEN EAST STREET AND SOUTH MCKENZIE STREET IN THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, KNOX COUNTY, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Land Use and Development: Keener, Mahan

Ordinance No. 2025-03 was given a first reading.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM
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ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE CITY INSPECTOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Ordinance No. 2025-04 was given a first reading. Woods requested a 15-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on Ordinance Nos. 2025-04, 2025-05 and 2025-06 for February 10, 2025.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM
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ORDINANCE NO. 2025-05

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Ordinance No. 2025-05 was given a first reading. Woods requested a 15-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on Ordinance Nos. 2025-04, 2025-05 and 2025-06 for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: FIRST READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM****ORDINANCE NO. 2025-06**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COMPENSATION PAY GRADES FOR CERTAIN SUPERVISORY AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Ordinance No. 2025-06 was given a first reading. Woods requested a 15-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on Ordinance Nos. 2025-04, 2025-05 and 2025-06 for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: FIRST READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM****REMARKS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION**

Mayor Matthew Starr noted that the annual meeting of the Knox County Area Development Foundation earlier in the day was productive, and thanked Paul Mayville for his efforts as the City Auditor.

Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers noted that Tire Cleanup Day will be March 29 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Knox County Fairgrounds.

REMARKS FROM COUNCIL

Seavolt announced that she will not be running for re-election, and expressed her gratitude to Council and to the residents for allowing her to represent them for 14 years. Severns thanked Paul Mayville for his efforts as the City Auditor, and congratulated the Ohio State football team for winning the national championship. Mahan thanked the Administration for organizing a listening tour on the new Police Station, requested a 10-minute meeting of the Fire, Police and Civil Defense Committee on February 10, 2027 for the Citizens Police Academy, and noted that a resident had expressed concerns to him about traffic downtown. Keener thanked Engineer Brian Ball, Utilities Director Aaron Reinhart and Ruckman for their presentation on Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades and encouraged Council members to tour the plant. Hawkins noted that the State will be spraying for spongy moth in the eastern part of the City in the spring.

ADJOURN AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT

Seavolt made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Keener. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Bruce E. Hawkins, President of Council

Todd Hill, Clerk of Council

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Mount Vernon, OH 43050

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 22, 2025

Mount Vernon City Council Committee Meeting Schedule January 27, 2025

6:35-6:40 p.m.	AEP easements for 18 E. Vine St.	Streets & Public Buildings Severns
6:40-6:45 p.m.	Law Director office legal assistants	Employee and Community Relations Woods
6:45-6:55 p.m.	Rezoning of 0 South Main Street	Land Use and Development Keener
6:55-7:15 p.m.	WPCLF application	Utilities Ruckman

The above listed meeting will be held to discuss the above items; but will not be limited to those listed.
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Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2025 – 7:10 p.m. to 7:18 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Bruce Hawkins, President
James Mahan, First Ward
Tammy Woods, Third Ward
John Ruckman, Second Ward
Janis Seavolt, At-Large
Amber Keener, At-Large
Mel Severns, At-Large

ABSENT:

Mike Miller, Fourth Ward

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Matthew Starr, Mayor
Tanner Salyers, Safety-Service Director
Rob Broeren, Law Director
Brian Ball, Engineer
David Stuller, Treasurer
Aaron Reinhart, Utilities Director
Todd Hill, Clerk
Cheryl Splain, Knox Pages

The committee discussed Resolution No. 2025-11, supporting the Ohio Municipal League's challenge of AT&T's tariff application at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Mayor Matthew Starr noted that if the application is not challenged it will go in effect on January 18, 2025. He added that the cost to the City of supporting a challenge is presently unknown, although if the application is granted it would cost the City more in the long run, especially as it would set a precedent that other companies could follow. No further meetings on the matter were requested. Resolution No. 2025-11 was up for a first reading at Council's Legislative Session later in the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

John Ruckman, Chair
Utilities Committee
Mount Vernon City Council

TW/th



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2024-136

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
Category: Grant
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4158

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN FEDERAL COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 FOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Community Project Funding allows certain federal funds to be directed toward eligible local projects serving Ohio's 12th Congressional District; and

WHEREAS, each member of the U.S. Congress can submit 15 eligible projects to receive federal funding for FY 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon is authorized and directed to apply to U.S. Representative Troy Balderson's office for Community Project Funding for FY 2026 for municipal building construction.

SECTION 2: The Safety-Service Director is further authorized and directed to enter into any agreements as may be necessary for obtaining financial assistance.

SECTION 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason to allow the City to apply for the program in a timely manner, the said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

HISTORY:

12/23/24 City Council FIRST READING

Resolution No. 2024-136 was given a first reading.

01/13/25 City Council SECOND READING

Resolution No. 2024-136 was given a second reading.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Severns made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-136, with a second by Ruckman. Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers noted that the deadline to submit projects for Federal

Community Project funding is in April. Engineer Brian Ball added that the new Police Station will probably not be part of the submission. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mel Severns, Councilman
SECONDER:	John Ruckman, Second Ward
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Mike Miller



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-02

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM

Dept: Utilities

Ruckman, Miller

Category: Utilities

Prepared By: Todd Hill

Initiator: Todd Hill

DOC ID: 4164

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WASTEWATER FACILITIES; DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon seeks to upgrade its existing wastewater facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon intends to apply for a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) loan for the planning, design and/or construction of the wastewater facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) requires the applicant to pass legislation for application of a loan, execution of a loan agreement as well as designating a dedicated repayment source.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director is authorized to apply for a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF), sign all documents for and enter into a WPCLF with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for planning, design and/or construction of wastewater facilities on behalf of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

SECTION 2: That the dedicated source of repayment will be the user charges paid to the Wastewater Department of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

SECTION 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

HISTORY:

01/13/25

City Council

FIRST READING

Resolution No. 2025-02 was given a first reading. Ruckman requested a 20-minute meeting of the Utilities Committee on the legislation for January 27, 2025.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Resolution No. 2025-02 was given a second reading. Ruckman requested a 20-minute meeting of the Utilities Committee on the legislation for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-09

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Utilities
Ruckman, Miller
Category: Agreement
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4171

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DELAWARE, KNOX, MARION, MORROW JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FIVE YEAR UPDATE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon is situated within the jurisdiction of the Delaware, Knox, Marion, Morrow Solid Waste Management District (the District); and

WHEREAS, the District prepared and adopted a final draft of the Solid Waste Management Plan Five Year Update (the Plan) over an 18-month period in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3734; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon has received a copy of the Plan and a one-page summary of the Plan and has had an opportunity to review it; and

WHEREAS the Plan must be approved by legislative authorities within the District during the designated 90-days ratification period between January 13, 2025 and April 12, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio approves the Plan.

SECTION 2: That the Clerk of Council is directed to send the District a certified copy of this Resolution to the attention of Ms. Jenna Hicks, District Director, DKMM Joint Solid Waste District, 619 West Marion Road, Suite 107, Mount Gilead, Ohio 43338.

SECTION 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public, peace, health and safety, and for the further reason that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government, and said Resolution shall, therefore become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

HISTORY:

01/13/25 City Council FIRST READING

Resolution No. 2025-09 was given a first reading.

Resolution 2025-9

Meeting of January 27, 2025

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Resolution No. 2025-09 was given a second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM**



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Reappointment
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4175

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-12

A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING AMBER KEENER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE KNOX COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the By-Laws of the Knox County Convention and Visitors Bureau provide that one member of the Board of Trustees shall be a representative of the City of Mount Vernon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That Council member Amber Keener be re-appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Knox County Convention and Visitors Bureau, for a one-year term commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 2025.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason of assuring continuous City representation on this important civic organization, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-12, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-12, with a second by Keener. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 5-0, with Keener abstaining, as the legislation pertained to her re-appointment to the Knox County Convention and Visitors Bureau board.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
ABSTAIN:	Amber Keener
EXCUSED:	Mike Miller



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Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Reappointment
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4176

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-13

A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING JOHN RUCKMAN TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EXPERIENCE MOUNT VERNON OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Article 6, Section 1 of the Code of Regulations of Experience Mount Vernon of Mount Vernon, Ohio provides that one member of the Board of Directors shall be a representative of the City Council as determined by City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That Council member John Ruckman be re-appointed to the Board of Directors of Experience Mount Vernon of Mount Vernon, Ohio, for a one-year term, commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 2025.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason of assuring continuous City representation on this important civic organization, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-13, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-13, with a second by Keener. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 5-0, with Ruckman abstaining as the legislation pertained to his re-appointment to the Experience Mount Vernon board.

RESULT: ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER: Amber Keener, At Large
AYES: Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan
ABSTAIN: John Ruckman
EXCUSED: Mike Miller



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
 Category: Appointment
 Prepared By: Todd Hill
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4177

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-14

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF CURTIS ADAMS AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Council for the City of Mount Vernon confirm the Mayor's appointment of Curtis Adams, 37 Dixie Drive, Mount Vernon, Ohio, to the Board of Zoning Appeals as an alternate member, fulfilling the unexpired term of Kate Aryanata, commencing immediately and ending October 14, 2025.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-14, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-14, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr discussed the qualifications of Curtis Adams to be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals as an alternate member. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Mike Miller



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Appointment
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4178

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-15

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF TOM MICKLEY TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FULFILLING PAUL MAYVILLE'S UNEXPIRED SIX (6) YEAR TERM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Council of the City of Mount Vernon confirm the Mayor's appointment of Tom Mickley, 1331 Park Road, Mount Vernon, to the Civil Service Commission fulfilling the unexpired term of Paul Mayville, commencing immediately and expiring August 12, 2030.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-15, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-15, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr discussed the qualifications of Tom Mickley to be appointed to the Civil Service Commission. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Mike Miller



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City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Reappointment
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4179

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-16

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S RE-APPOINTMENT OF NICHOLAS MYRDA TO THE RECREATION BOARD; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Council for the City of Mount Vernon confirm the Mayor's re-appointment of Nicholas Myrda, 104 East Curtis Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio, to the Recreation Board, commencing immediately and expiring on January 27, 2030.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-16, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-16, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr discussed the qualifications of Nicholas Myrda to be re-appointed to the Recreation Board. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER:	Amber Keener, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Mike Miller



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-17

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
 Category: Streets
 Prepared By: Todd Hill
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4180

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE MANSFIELD AVENUE SIDEPATH PROJECT (KNO-CR5-0.47 PID 115280); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for bids and enter into contract for the Mansfield Avenue Sidepath Project (KNO-CR5-0.47 PID 115280).

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason to keep the project on schedule and within the allocated budget, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Resolution No. 2025-17 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-18

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
Category: Streets
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4181

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND AWARD A QUALIFICATION-BASED SELECTION OF CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE MANSFIELD AVENUE SIDEPATH PROJECT (KNO-CR5-0.47 PID 115280); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for bids and award a qualification-based selection of construction inspection and related engineering services during construction of the Mansfield Avenue Sidepath Project (KNO-CR5-0.47 PID 115280).

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason to keep the project on schedule and within the allocated budget, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Resolution No. 2025-18 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-19

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
Category: Lands
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4186

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO GRANT EASEMENTS TO OHIO POWER COMPANY (DBA AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That Council hereby authorizes the Safety-Service Director of the City of Mount Vernon to grant the easements, attached as Exhibits A and B, to Ohio Power Company (dba American Electric Power).

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public, peace, health and safety, and more specifically to assist Ohio Power Company to provide electrical service to the citizens of Mount Vernon, Ohio, and said Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Severns made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-19, with a second by Ruckman. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Severns made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-19, with a second by Ruckman. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mel Severns, Councilman
SECONDER:	John Ruckman, Second Ward
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED:	Mike Miller

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CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, "Grantor(s)", in consideration of \$1.00, the easement terms, and other good and valuable consideration from **Ohio Power Company**, an Ohio corporation and a unit of American Electric Power, 700 Morrison Road, Gahanna, OH 43230, "Grantee", the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, grants and conveys with general warranty covenants to Grantee its successors, assigns, lessees, licensees and tenants, a right of way and easement, "Easement" for electric and other current/future energy or communication purposes, overhead and underground, in, on, over, through and across the following described lands situated in the City of Mount Vernon, Knox County, Ohio, containing 0.55 of an acre, as described in Official Records Book 1140, Pages 391-392 of the Knox County Recorder's Office (Auditor's Parcel # 66-07567.000).

The Easement shall be contained within the limits of certain strips of land. The dimensions and approximate location of said Easement are depicted on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

This Easement conveys all necessary and convenient rights for the Easement's use, including, without limitation, the rights to: construct, operate, maintain, inspect, protect, repair, replace, enlarge, upgrade, extend and remove utility facilities and relocate within the Easement, all necessary and convenient facilities which include but are not limited to: poles, anchors, guys, supporting structures, conductors, conduits, enclosures, grounding systems, foundations, manholes, transformers, and associated equipment, adding thereto from time to time; perform grading or filling for such facilities; cut, trim, remove and/or otherwise control, with herbicides or by other means, at Grantee's option (without any liability to Grantor), any trees, limbs or branches, brush, shrubs, undergrowth, of whatever size, buildings, structures, or other obstructions that in Grantee's reasonable judgment endanger or interfere with the safety or use of its facilities, both within and adjoining the Easement. Within the Easement, Grantor shall not: place any structures, piles or debris, interfere with lateral support, change the level of the ground by excavation or mounding without Grantee's written consent, allow any construction that would be inconsistent with the National Electric Safety Code or Grantee's design standards, and, for underground lines, permit or cause any excavation, except for other utilities, provided such utilities rights do not conflict with this Easement. This Easement also conveys the right of ingress and egress in and over any reasonable routes at all times. If any governmental authority requires Grantee to relocate the facilities contemplated by this grant, this

Easement conveys the right to relocate such facilities to a comparable location of Grantee's choosing, without the need for a new easement.

Grantor may use its property for all purposes not inconsistent with the full enjoyment of the Easement, but Grantor acknowledges high voltage electric lines will be constructed within the Easement and Grantor shall use its property in a manner consistent with all applicable safety rules and regulations for working near electric lines. Safety/required clearance issues may be referred to Grantee's Engineering Group. Grantee shall restore the premises or pay reasonable damages done to fences, drains, seeded lawns (not landscaping), gates, ditches and crops caused by Grantee's use of the Easement. Grantor has authority to grant this Easement. No delay or omission by Grantee in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver or forfeiture of such right. This Easement grant is effective and binding upon the parties, their successors, assigns, lessees, licensees, heirs and legal representatives, and if any term hereunder is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected thereby.

WITNESS, Grantor(s) signed this Easement on the ____ day of _____, 2025.

City of Mount Vernon

By: _____
Tanner Salyers, Safety-Service Director

STATE OF OHIO, }

COUNTY OF _____ }

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 2025, by **Tanner Salyers, Safety-Service Director** of the **City of Mount Vernon**, on its behalf.

Notary Public

Printed Name

My Commission Expires _____

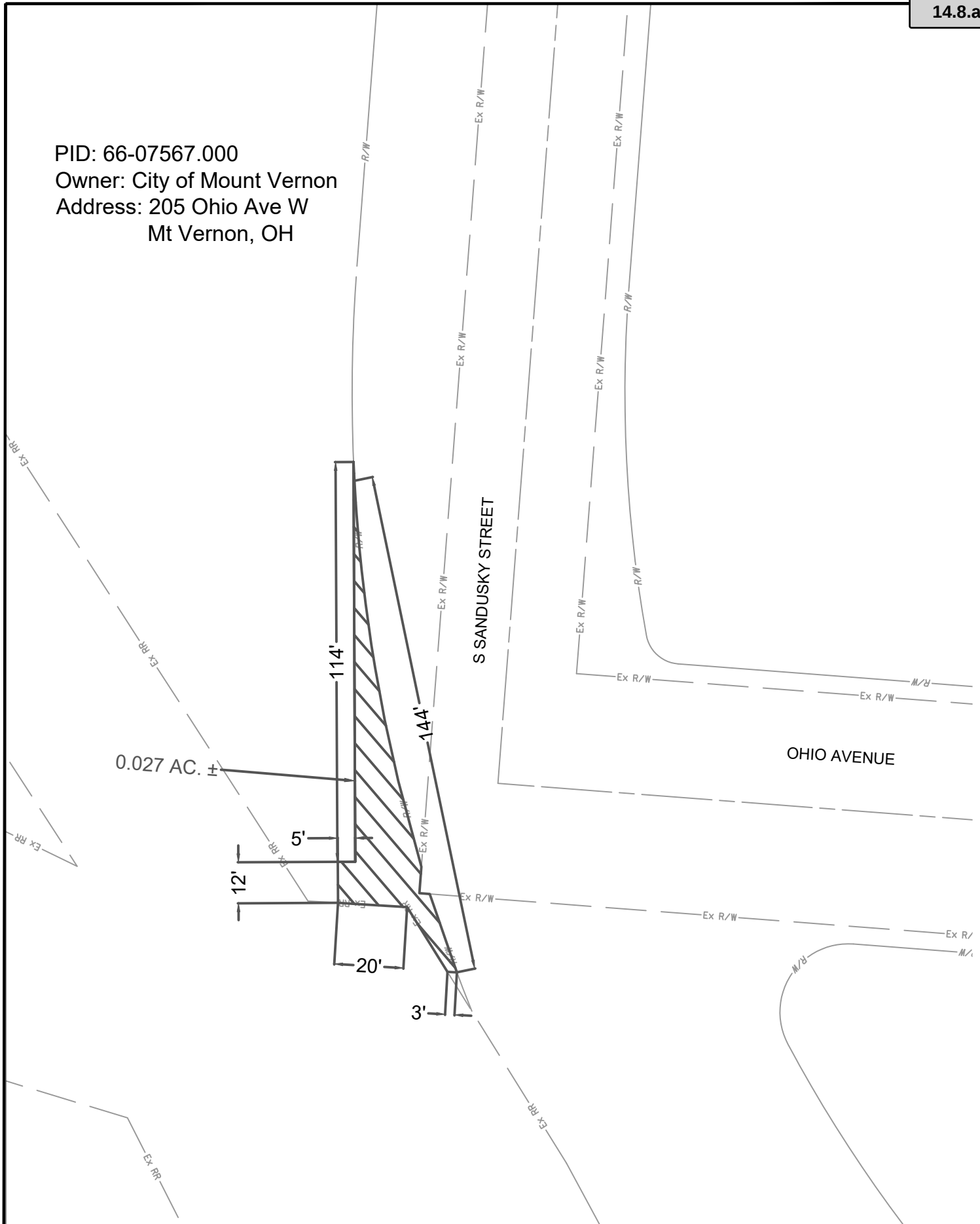
Easement prepared by Ohio Power Company TMC
Address: 205 Ohio Ave West, Mt. Vernon, OH 43050 Drawing No. 85289673

Easement No. OH _____
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CALL BEFORE YOU DIG!!!

Attachment: Ex A - AEP Easement for S Sandusky St and Ohio Ave (2025-19 : AEP Easements for 18 E Vine St)

PID: 66-07567.000
 Owner: City of Mount Vernon
 Address: 205 Ohio Ave W
 Mt Vernon, OH



Attachment: Ex A - AEP Easement for S Sandusky St and Ohio Ave (2025-19 : AEP Easements for 18 E Vine St)

EXHIBIT "A"

Date: 12/03/2025	Tech: Karl Erdmann (TRC)	NOT TO SCALE
WR# 85289673	SHEET 1	TOTAL 1
	REVISION 1	



CITY, STATE: Mt Vernon, OH
 COUNTY: Knox



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The Easement shall be contained within the limits of a certain strip of land thirty (30) feet wide, lying fifteen (15) feet on each side of the centerline of the facilities as installed. The approximate location of said Easement is depicted on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

This Easement conveys all necessary and convenient rights for the Easement's use, including, without limitation, the rights to: construct, operate, maintain, inspect, protect, repair, replace, enlarge, upgrade, extend and remove utility facilities and relocate within the Easement, all necessary and convenient facilities which include but are not limited to: poles, anchors, guys, supporting structures, conductors, conduits, enclosures, grounding systems, foundations, manholes, transformers, and associated equipment, adding thereto from time to time; perform grading or filling for such facilities; cut, trim, remove and/or otherwise control, with herbicides or by other means, at Grantee's option (without any liability to Grantor), any trees, limbs or branches, brush, shrubs, undergrowth, of whatever size, buildings, structures, or other obstructions that in Grantee's reasonable judgment endanger or interfere with the safety or use of its facilities, both within and adjoining the Easement. Within the Easement, Grantor shall not: place any structures, piles or debris, interfere with lateral support, change the level of the ground by excavation or mounding without Grantee's written consent, allow any construction that would be inconsistent with the National Electric Safety Code or Grantee's design standards, and, for underground lines, permit or cause any excavation, except for other utilities, provided such utilities rights do not conflict with this Easement.

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The City of Mount Vernon AKA City of Mount Vernon, an Ohio municipal corporation.

STATE OF OHIO, }
COUNTY OF _____ }

Notary Public _____

Printed Name _____

My Commission Expires _____

Easement No. OH_____

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Exhibit A (Page 1 of 2)

Tracy & Mills, Surveyors

Thomas M. Tracy, P.S. 1941-2002
David R. Mills, P.S. 7157
Amy Bernicken, P.S. 8571

EASEMENT DESCRIPTION FOR:
The City of Mount Vernon
0.091 ACRE
December, 2024

The following real estate situate in Lots 44 & 45 of the Original Plat of Mount Vernon, City of Mount Vernon, U.S.M.L., Knox County, Ohio, and being described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot 45 in the east right of way line of South Gay Street (66') and being the Point of Beginning for the easement herein described;

Thence along the east right of way line of South Gay Street, North 05° East, 20.00 feet;

Thence parallel to the line between Lots 44 and 45, South 85° East, 132.00 feet to the west line of Spice Alley (16.5');

Thence along the west line of Spice Alley, South 05° West, passing through the line between Lots 44 and 45 at 20.00 feet, a total distance of 30.00 feet;

Thence parallel to the line between Lots 44 and 45, North 85° West, 132.00 feet to the east right of way line of South Gay Street;

Thence along the east right of way line of South Gay Street, North 05° East, 10.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.091 acre. This description was written in December, 2024 by Tracy & Mills, Surveyors, 10 E. Vine Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio, Amy Bernicken, Ohio Professional Surveyor #8571.

Part of Parcel Numbers 66-50090.000 (Deed Volume 298, Page 594) and 66-50091.000 (Deed Volume 296, Page 163).


Amy Bernicken, Surveyor No. 8571
Date: December 4, 2024



10 East Vine Street • PO Box 642 • Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050 • 740-397-8324 • Fax 740-397-5910

Attachment: Ex B - AEP Easement - S Gay St (2025-19 : AEP Easements for 18 E Vine St)

TRACY & MILLS SURVEYORS

DAVID R. MILLS, PS
SURVEYOR #7157

AMY BERNICKEN, PS
SURVEYOR #8571

10 East Vine Street - P.O. Box 642
Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050
Tel.: 740-397-8324 Fax: 740-397-5910
tracyandmills@aol.com

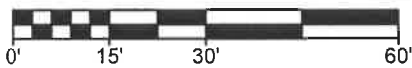
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EXHIBIT FOR: The City of Mount Vernon
Deed Volume 296, Page 163 & Deed Volume 298, Page 594

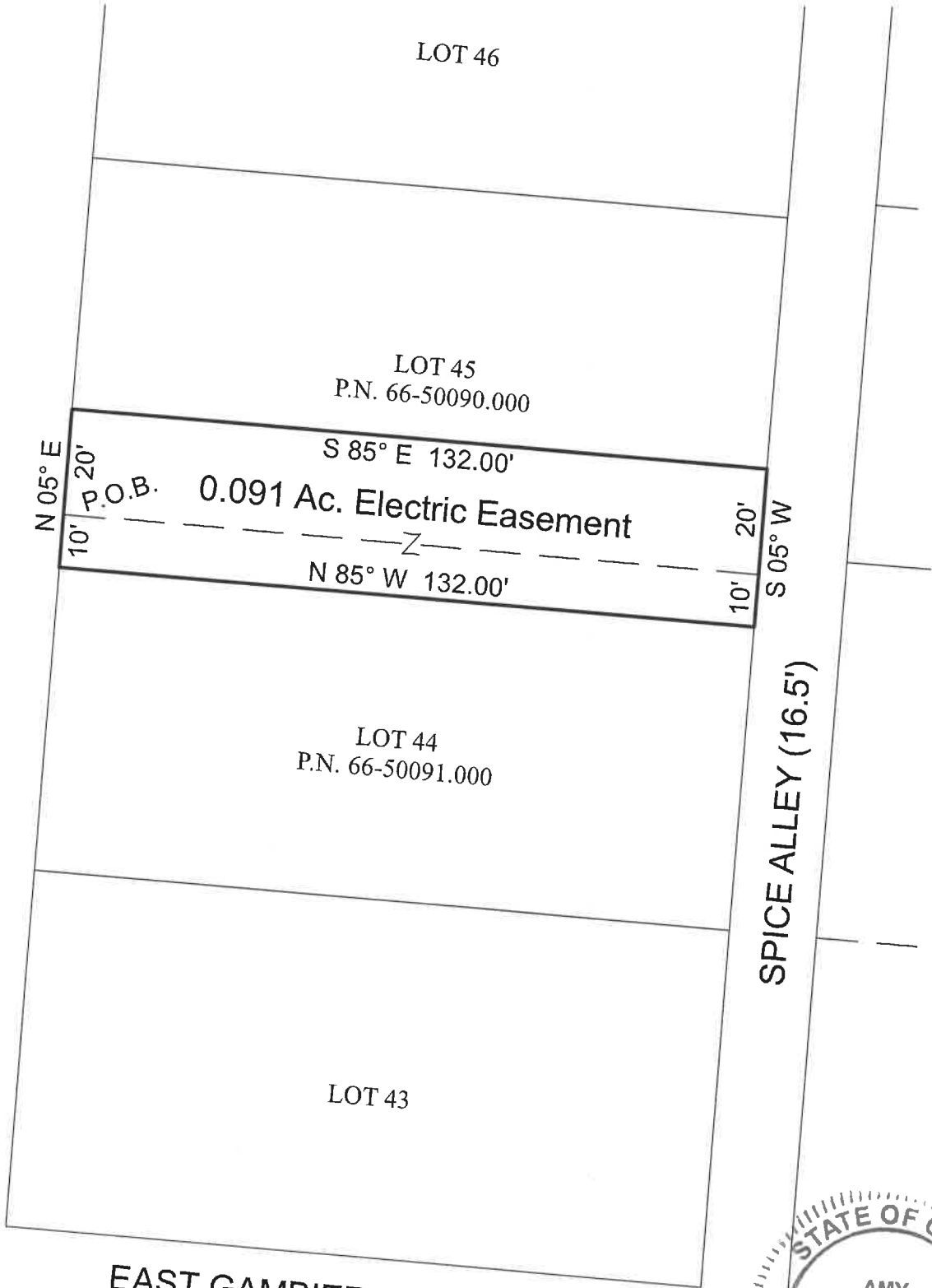
LOCATION: Part of Lots 44 & 45 of the Original Plat of Mount Vernon,
City of Mount Vernon, U.S.M.L., Knox County, Ohio

Date: December 4, 2024
Scale: 1" = 30'



PARCEL # 66-50090.00
66-50091.00

SOUTH GAY STREET (66')



SPICE ALLEY (16.5')

EAST GAMBIER STREET
(State Route 229, 66')



David R. Mills, Surveyor No. 7157
Amy Bernicken, Surveyor No. 8571

Attachment: Ex B - AEP Easement - S Gay St (2025-19 : AEP Easements for 18 E Vine St)

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City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-01

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Land Use and Development
Keener, Mahan
 Category: Planning and Zoning
 Prepared By: Todd Hill
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4163

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PARCELS #66-05624.000, #66-05627.000, #66-05628.000 AND #66-05629.000 FROM R-1A - CORE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, TO R-3 - ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Mount Vernon has received an application for rezoning certain property within the City of Mount Vernon, specifically Parcels #66-05624.000, #66-05627.000, #66-05628.000 and #66-05629.000, also known as 0 South Main Street; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Planning Commission for the City of Mount Vernon met on November 21, 2024 and voted 2-2 to approve the zoning change for Parcels #66-05624.000, #66-05627.000, #66-05628.000 and #66-05629.000 from R-1A - Core Residential District, to R-3 - Attached Residential District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the City of Mount Vernon hereby amends the zoning classification of Parcels #66-05624.000, #66-05627.000, #66-05628.000 and #66-05629.000, also known as 0 South Main Street. The zoning will be indicated:

<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>PROPOSED ZONING</u>
#66-05624.000,	R-3 - Attached Residential District
#66-05627.000,	
#66-05628.000.	
#66-05629.000	

SECTION 2: That the zoning classification be recorded in Title XI of the Planning and Zoning Codes of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Mount Vernon.

HISTORY:

01/13/25 City Council FIRST READING

Ordinance No. 2025-01 was given a first reading. Keener requested a 10-minute meeting of the Land Use and Development Committee on the legislation for January 27, 2025. There will be a public hearing on the legislation on February 24, 2025.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-01 was given a second reading. Keener requested a five-minute meeting of the Land Use and Development Committee on the legislation for February 10, 2025.

Ordinance 2025-1

Meeting of January 27, 2025

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM**



City of Mount Vernon, Ohio

Application for Zoning Amendment

<i>Applicant's Information</i>			
Owner's Name, Address, Phone, and Email Address			
Joseph D. Updike			
18254 New Gambier Rd.			
Agent's Name, Address, Phone, and Email Address			
<i>Site Information</i>			
Site Address		Legal Description	
South Main St.			
Parcel Number		Deed Volume and Page Number	
66-05624.000 66-05627.000			
66-05628.000 66-05629.000			
<i>Use of Property</i>			
Present Use		Present Zoning District	
Vacant		R1A	
Proposed Use		Proposed Zoning District	
Apartments		R3	
<i>Documents to be Submitted</i>			
The following documents must also be submitted with this application: 1. A statement of the reason(s) for the proposed amendment. 2. A vicinity map at a scale approved by the Zoning Enforcement Officer showing property lines, thoroughfares, existing and proposed zoning, and such other items as the Zoning Enforcement Officer may require. 3. A statement on the ways in which the proposed amendment relates to the comprehensive plan. 4. The \$200.00 filing fee as established by ordinance.			
I hereby certify that the information submitted on this application and on any sketches, drawings or other documents submitted with this application is true and exact.			
Date: 9/25/24		By: Joseph D Updike	
<i>Filing Information</i>			
Filing Date	Fee deposit	Date Paid	Receipt Number
	\$200.00		

This form revised 06-03-2024

Attachment: 2024-MPC-17 (2025-01 : Rezone 0 South Main St)

9/24/2004

Municipal Planning Commission
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

To the Municipal Planning Commission

I am submitting for your review a rezoning of 0 South Main St parcels 66-05624.000, 66-05627.000, 66-05628.000, 66-05629.000. This consists of roughly .75 acres at the southeast corner of the intersection of Parrot St. and South Main St.

The zoning change requested is from R1A to R3. This is to create a pathway for the construction of multi family apartment units on the above property. The total number of units is unclear currently until a site development plan is devised. Upon completion of the zoning change.

The reasons that we feel this would be a good fit are as follows.

- This is a transitional property, as it will act as a buffer between commercial property located to the north (Peppys Pizza) and to the west (Blubaugh's Body and Frame) and residential to the east and south.
- The city is deficient in affordable housing, and this can have a positive impact attracting citizens and new workers to the area.
- It is conveniently located on the south end of town close to the industrial park where most jobs are.

I can be at all meetings to address any questions you may have. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Joe Updike

18254 New Gambier Rd.

740-501-3533

Attachment: 2024-MPC-17 (2025-01 : Rezone 0 South Main St)



City of Mount Vernon, Ohio

Development Services

40 Public Square
Mount Vernon, OH 43050
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To: Clerk of Council

December 2, 2024

Municipal Planning Commission
Meeting Date: November 21, 2024

Case Number: 2024-MPC-17

Application for Zoning Amendment for parcels 66-05624.000; 66-05627.000; 66-05628.000; and 66-05629.000 from R-1A to R-3

An application from Joseph Updike to amend the zoning district assignment for parcels 66-05624.000; 66-05627.000; 66-05628.000; and 66-05629.000 from R-1A to R-3 was submitted for review by the Municipal Planning Commission for a recommendation to City Council.

A public hearing was held and testimony ensued about the proposed zoning amendment. Following testimony:

Anne Elsworth made a motion to recommend to Council to approve the Application for Zoning Amendment from R-1A to R-3. Tanner Salyers seconded the motion.

**The vote resulted in a 2-2 tie vote.
(Yes: Starr, Ellsworth; No: Salyers, West)**

Per §1156.04 Council shall consider the recommendation of the Municipal Planning Commission for the Application for Zoning Amendment and determine the final approval or denial.

Warm Regards,

Lacie Blankenhorn

Lacie Blankenhorn
Development Services Manager

Attachment: 2024-MPC-17 (2025-01 : Rezone 0 South Main St)



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Personnel
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4173

ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 2025-02

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE NUMBER, WAGES AND BENEFITS OF LEGAL ASSISTANTS IN THE OFFICE OF THE LAW DIRECTOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That this Ordinance fix the number, wages and benefits with regard to hourly non-bargaining unit employees of the Office of the Law Director, commencing immediately, as follows:

Office of Law Director: Legal Assistants (4)

SECTION 2: These positions shall be entitled to the benefits as listed in the City of Mount Vernon Employee Handbook, effective January 1, 2025, and as adopted by the Office of the Law Director, and to wages pursuant to the schedule adopted by Council.

SECTION 3: That ordinances in conflict with this ordinance and repealed.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason to allow appropriate staffing in the Office of the Law Director, and said Ordinance shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

HISTORY:

01/13/25

City Council

FIRST READING

Ordinance No. 2025-02 was given a first reading. Woods requested a five-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on the legislation for January 27, 2025.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Woods made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 2025-02, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-02, with a second by Keener. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-0.

RESULT: **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Tammy Woods, Third Ward
SECONDER: Amber Keener, At Large
AYES: Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Mahan, Ruckman
EXCUSED: Mike Miller



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-03

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Land Use and Development
Keener, Mahan
 Category: Planning and Zoning
 Prepared By: Todd Hill
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4182

AN ORDINANCE TO AFFIRM THE DECISION OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO NOT VACATE A PLATTED ALLEY NORTH OF KIRK STREET BETWEEN EAST STREET AND SOUTH MCKENZIE STREET IN THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, KNOX COUNTY, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Planning Commission, after reviewing the matter, has recommended not to vacate a platted alley, north of Kirk Street between East Street and South McKenzie Street, as requested by the adjacent property owners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That Council affirms the decision of and accepts the recommendation of the Municipal Planning Commission to not vacate a portion of a platted alley north of Kirk Street between East Street and South McKenzie Street, as further described in Exhibit A.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason of promoting timely development within the City, and said Ordinance shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-03 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM

Date

PETITION

I petition the Council of the City of Mount Vernon to:

Lots 380, 381, 382 (Fillhart)
 Lots 377 (Jacobs), 379 (Hunnicuttt) 378 (shared)
 The 16' x 150' Alley between Fillhart and
 the Jacobs's & Hunnicutt parcels as labeled in
 the survey from Kirk St to 150' toward Mt. Vernon Ave.

Print Name

Signature

Address

Phone

Shane Fillhart	<i>Shane Fillhart</i>	201 Kirk St.	419-701-9859
JEFFREY JACOBS	<i>Jeffrey Jacobs</i>	609 S. McKenzie St.	740-485-6168
Deannah Jacobs	<i>Deannah Jacobs</i>	609 S. McKenzie St.	740-485-6174
Sherry Fillhart	<i>Sherry Fillhart</i>	201 Kirk St.	330-432-3365
Charles F. Hunnicutt	<i>Charles F. Hunnicutt</i>	205 Kirk St.	703-984-1841

Attachment: 01-27-25 Alley vacation (2025-03 : Request to Vacate Platted Alley B/N East and S McKenzie Sts)

Tracy & Mills, Surveyors

Thomas M. Tracy, P.S. 1941-2002
David R. Mills, P.S. 7157
Amy Bernicken, P.S. 8571

6/20/2024

To Shane:

Enclosed you'll find the plat and description combining all of your property once the alley vacation is passed. As you'll see, there are blanks that need filled in. Those can either be done by hand, or you can let me know when the vacation is complete and I'll revise the documents with the vacation ordinance information.

You can use the enclosed documents for your application and communication with the city, however, this cannot be recorded as a parcel of record until the vacation ordinance is passed.

Let me know if you have any questions,



Amy Bernicken
Ohio Surveyor #8571

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Tracy & Mills, Surveyors

Thomas M. Tracy, P.S. 1941-2002
David R. Mills, P.S. 7157
Amy Bernicken, P.S. 8571

LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR:

Shane & Sherry Fillhart

0.440 ACRE

June, 2024

The following real estate being all of Lots 380, 381, and 382, and part of a vacated alley in Elmwood Place, City of Mount Vernon, U.S.M.L., Knox County, Ohio and being described as follows:

Commencing at a 3/4" iron pipe found at the southwest corner of Lot 380, being the intersection of the east right of way line of East Street (40') and the north right of way line of Kirk Street (50'), and being the southwest corner and beginning point of the tract herein described;

Thence along the west lines of Lots 380, 381, and 382, and the east right of way line of East Street, North 03° 58' 20" East, 150.00 feet to a 5/8" iron pin found at the southwest corner of Lot 383 (Jessica Davis, D.V. 1136, Pg. 9);

Thence along the south line of Lot 383 and the extension thereof, South 86° 00' 00" East, 127.71 feet to a 5/8" iron pin set in the centerline of a 16-foot alley;

Thence along the centerline of a vacated portion of said 16-foot alley (Vacated by _____), South 03° 57' 33" West, passing through a 5/8" iron pin set at 75.00 feet, a total distance of 150.00 feet to a 5/8" iron pin set in the north right of way line of Kirk Street;

Thence along the north right of way line of Kirk Street and the south line of Lot 380, North 86° 00' 00" West, passing through a 5/8" iron pin found at the southeast corner of Lot 380 at 8.00 feet, a total distance of 127.74 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.440 acre, as surveyed in June, 2024 by Tracy & Mills, Surveyors, 10 E. Vine Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio, Amy Bernicken, Ohio Professional Surveyor #8571.

North based on the north line of Kirk Street per Survey Volume N, Page 771.

Note: Iron pins set are 5/8" x 30" rebar with plastic cap stamped Tracy & Mills.

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TRACY & MILLS, SURVEYORS

DAVID R. MILLS, PS
SURVEYOR #7157

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FLOYD W. BARNES, PS
1921-2018

AMY BERNICKEN, PS
SURVEYOR #8571

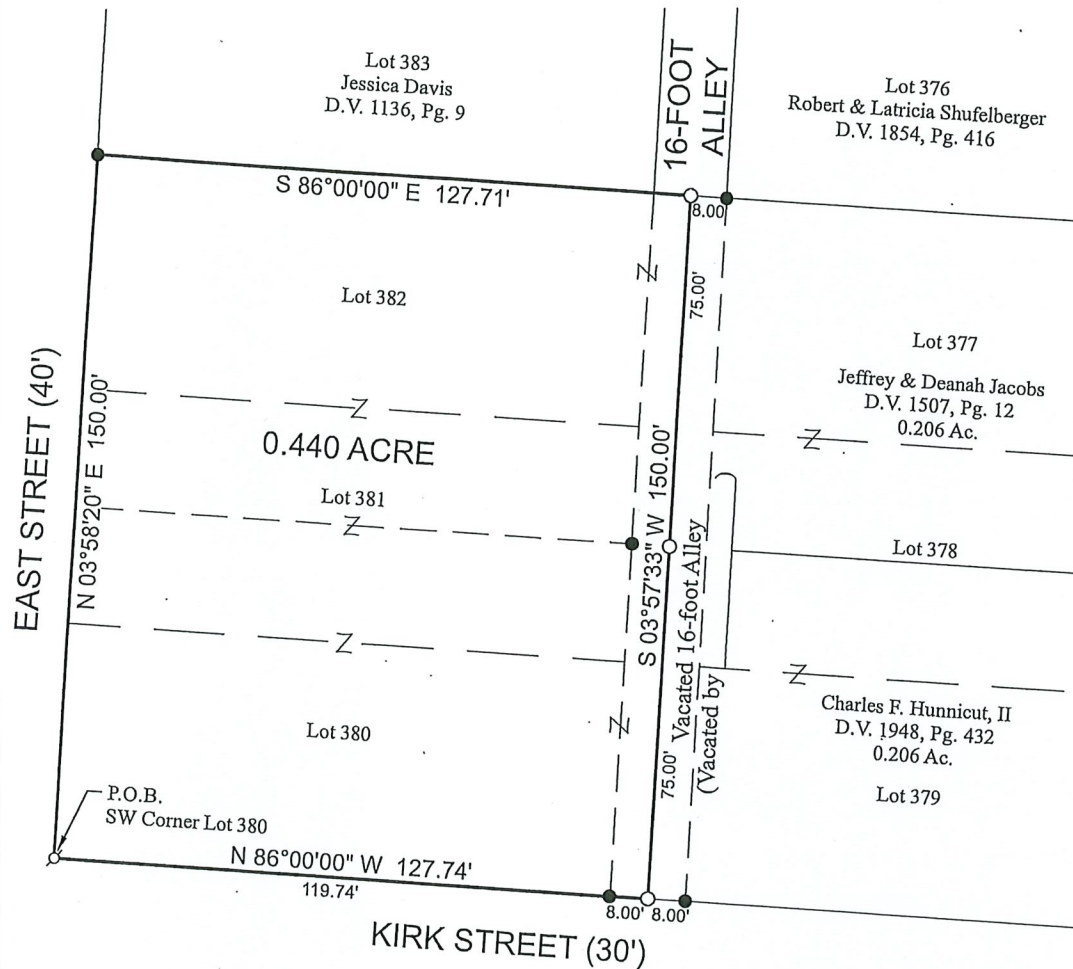
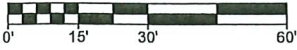
THOMAS M. TRACY, PS
1941-2002

SURVEY FOR: Shane & Sherry Fillhart, Deed Volume 1978, Page 157

LOCATION: Being all of Lots 380, 381, and 382, and part of a vacated alley in Elmwood Place,
City of Mount Vernon, U.S.M.L., Knox County, Ohio

Date: June 14, 2024
Scale: 1" = 30'

PARCEL # 66-01332.000
66-01334.000



- Iron Pin Set (5/8" x 30")
Capped "Tracy & Mills"
- 5/8" Iron Pin Found
- ∅ 3/4" Iron Pipe Found

North based on the north line
of Kirk Street per Survey
Volume N, Page 771.



CERTIFICATION: We hereby certify that the foregoing survey
was prepared from actual field measurements, in accordance with
Chapter 4733-37, Ohio Administrative Code.

David R. Mills, Surveyor No. 7157
Amy Bernicken, Surveyor No. 8571

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Tracy & Mills, Surveyors

Thomas M. Tracy, P.S. 1941-2002
David R. Mills, P.S. 7157
Amy Bernicken, P.S. 8571

All of Parcel Numbers 66-01332.000 and 66-01334.000.

Deed Volume 1978, Page 157.



Amy Bernicken, Surveyor No. 8571
Date: June 14, 2024



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City of Mount Vernon, Ohio

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To: Clerk of Council

January 13, 2025

Municipal Planning Commission

Meeting Date: January 9, 2025

Case Number: 2025-MPC-01

Petition to Vacate a platted alley north of Kirk ST between East ST and S McKenzie ST

An application from Shane Fillhart to vacate a 16' x 150' section of platted alley north of Kirk ST and between East ST and S McKenzie ST was submitted for review by the Municipal Planning Commission for a recommendation to City Council.

A public hearing was held and testimony ensued about the proposed vacation. Following testimony:

**Anne Elsworth made a motion to recommend to Council to approve the Vacation.
Tanner Salyers seconded the motion.**

**The vote resulted in a 0-5 vote against the petition to vacate.
(No: Starr, Salyers, Ellsworth, Swallow, Diehl)**

Per §1156.04 Council shall consider the recommendation of the Municipal Planning Commission for the Application for Zoning Amendment and determine the final approval or denial.

Warm Regards,

Lacie Blankenhorn

Lacie Blankenhorn

Development Services Manager

Attachment: 01-27-25 Alley vacation (2025-03 : Request to Vacate Platted Alley B/N East and S McKenzie Sts)

City of Mount Vernon

Procedure for Street or Alley Vacation

1. Submission of a petition asking for vacation signed by property owners (husband and wife need to sign separately including their address). The completed petition should be returned to the Clerk of Council's Office, 40 Public Square, 740-393-9517 with the following information:
 - a. Description of the property to be vacated on the petition. Provide as much information as possible.
 - b. A survey outlining the area to be vacated (include the dimensions of the vacation).
 - c. Provide the plat book number and page number, the subdivision name, of the property.
 - d. Provide a list of all property owners surrounding the vacation including the properties across the streets and alleys.
 - e. \$50.00 filing fee, any costs incurred over this amount are billed to the to the petitioner.
2. Once submitted to the Clerk of Council the petition is read at the next regular Council meeting where it is referred to the Chair of the Street Committee.
3. The petition may be referred to the Planning Commission for their review.
4. If all the property owners directly abutting the vacation have signed the petition, legislation can be prepared for the next Council meeting for action.

If all the abutting property owners have not signed the petition, then public notice must be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation on six (6) consecutive occasions (published for six weeks). Once the six publications are complete the request is placed in legislative form, either an ordinance to accept the vacation or a resolution to reject the vacation.

5. Once the legislation is prepared for Council, it may receive up to three (3) separate readings. If the legislation accepts the vacation, then the City will record the appropriate documentation with the Knox County Recorder. If the vacation is rejected, then no further action is taken.

/jrb 04/27/2009

Attachment: 01-27-25 Alley vacation (2025-03 : Request to Vacate Platted Alley B/N East and S McKenzie Sts)



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-04

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Personnel
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4183

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE CITY INSPECTOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the following exempt professional position is hereby authorized within the salary range and upon the appropriation times listed below:

	Pay Grade	Min	Mid	Max
City Inspector	6	\$30.25	\$36.30	\$42.36 (per hour)

The salary authorized by this Ordinance shall be payable bi-weekly.

SECTION 2: The salary range listed is the base salary range for the position. The position is eligible for annual longevity increments:

For the first five (5) years, \$400.00.

Annual Longevity Increments after five (5) years:

Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
\$500.00	\$550.00	\$600.00	\$650.00	\$700.00

The effective date of eligibility for an annual longevity increment shall be the anniversary date of employment with the City in a non-bargaining unit position.

SECTION 3: Exempt employees are expected to work as necessary, including outside of normal business hours, in the completion of their duties. Exempt employees will work with their supervisor in establishing their work schedule.

SECTION 4: This position shall be entitled to the benefits outlined in the Mount Vernon Employee Handbook effective August 2021, as amended.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and for the further reason to bring needed supervision to permitted projects within the City, and shall become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-04 was given a first reading. Woods requested a 15-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on Ordinance Nos. 2025-04, 2025-05 and 2025-06 for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: FIRST READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM**



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Personnel
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4184

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-05

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND TERMS OF
EMPLOYMENT FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR; AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the following exempt professional position is hereby authorized within the salary range and upon the appropriation times listed below:

	Pay Grade	Min	Mid	Max
Communications Director	6	\$30.25	\$36.30	\$42.36 (per hour)

The salary authorized by this Ordinance shall be payable bi-weekly.

SECTION 2: The salary range listed is the base salary range for the position. The position is eligible for annual longevity increments:

For the first five (5) years, \$400.00.

Annual Longevity Increments after five (5) years:

Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
\$500.00	\$550.00	\$600.00	\$650.00	\$700.00

The effective date of eligibility for an annual longevity increment shall be the anniversary date of employment with the City in a non-bargaining unit position.

SECTION 3: Exempt employees are expected to work as necessary, including outside of normal business hours, in the completion of their duties. Exempt employees will work with their supervisor in establishing their work schedule.

SECTION 4: This position shall be entitled to the benefits outlined in the Mount Vernon Employee Handbook effective August 2021, as amended.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and for the further reason to bring needed supervision to permitted projects within the City, and shall become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-05 was given a first reading. Woods requested a 15-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on Ordinance Nos. 2025-04, 2025-05 and 2025-06 for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: FIRST READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM**



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-06

Meeting: 01/27/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Personnel
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4185

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COMPENSATION PAY GRADES FOR CERTAIN SUPERVISORY AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the following established supervisory and professional positions are hereby authorized at a salary within the listed minimum and maximum for the position. The employee's salary shall be set by the employee's supervisor with the concurrence of the Safety-Service Director based on written policies developed by the City's Human Resources Department, unless the employee is appointed by an elected office holder other than the Mayor. An employee appointed by an elected office holder other than the Mayor shall have their salary set by their appointing authority within the listed minimum and maximum for the position.

	Pay Grade	Min.	Mid.	Max.
Assistant Director of Plant Maintenance	9	\$37.76	\$45.31	\$52.86
Fire Marshall	7	\$32.37	\$38.85	\$45.32
Administrative Chief Deputy Clerk of Court	5	\$28.27	\$33.93	\$39.58
First Deputy Auditor	4	\$26.43	\$31.71	\$37.00

SECTION 2: This Ordinance does not alter any other benefits or terms and conditions of employment for the listed positions.

SECTION 3: Any provision in legislation previously adopted which is in conflict with this Ordinance is repealed.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and for the further reason to properly adjust the compensation for the listed positions based on market forces, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-06 was given a first reading. Woods requested a 15-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on Ordinance Nos. 2025-04, 2025-05 and 2025-06 for February 10, 2025.

RESULT: FIRST READING**Next: 2/10/2025 7:30 PM**