

Legislative Session Minutes

February 10, 2025

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mount Vernon City Council
Committee Meeting Schedule
February 10, 2025

6:20-6:23 p.m.	Ambulance purchase	Fire, Police, Civil Defense Mahan
6:23-6:31 p.m.	Citizens Police Academy	Fire, Police, Civil Defense Mahan
6:33-6:44 p.m.	Rezoning of 0 South Main Street	Land Use & Development Keener
6:44-6:59 p.m.	City Inspector, Communications Director, various pay grades	Employee & Community Relations Woods
6:59-7:23 p.m.	WPCLF application	Utilities Ruckman

- 02-10-25 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
Mike Miller	Fourth Ward	Present
James Mahan	First Ward	Present
John Ruckman	Second Ward	Present
Bruce Hawkins	President	Present

<RollCallList Status="Absent">		
{ Attendee(*)}:First Last}	{ Attendee(*)}:Title}	Absent

INVOCATION

Bruce Butler, Mount Vernon Police Chaplain, performed the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All recited in unison.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- City Council - Legislative Session - Jan 27, 2025 7:30 PM

Seavolt made a motion to accept the minutes of the Legislative Session of January 27, 2025, with a second by Woods. Motion passed by a voice vote of 7-0.

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

RECEIVE PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council accepted without comment the minutes for the Streets and Public Buildings Committee, Employee and Community Relations Committee and Utilities Committee meetings of January 27, 2025.

- 01-27-25 Streets and Public Buildings Committee Meeting Minutes
- 01-27-25 Employee and Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes
- 01-27-25 Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes

LIQUOR CONTROL LICENSE

None.

PROCLAMATION

None.

PERSONS SPEAKING ON MATTERS OF CITY CONCERN

Vicki Fitzgerald, 206 E. High St., spoke about the historical legacy to the City of Henry Curtis, and advised against the demolition of the buildings on North Main Street immediately north of City Hall. She also asked why their planned demolition hasn't been brought to the attention of the Historical Review Commission. Miller advised residents to attend the City's Listening Tour sessions on the proposed City Hall Annex.

Kurt Hinterschied, president of the Mount Vernon Pickleball Association, noted that the group has raised \$50,000 for six pickleball courts at Riverside Park. He added that wait times for courts at Memorial Park have grown and that the courts there are in a deteriorating condition. He advised the City to move forward with the plan for courts at Riverside Park.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD 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

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RESULT:	ADOPTED [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	John Ruckman, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Miller, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Seavolt, Keener, Severns, Miller, Mahan, Ruckman
NAYS:	Woods

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

Ruckman made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-09, with a second by Miller. Ruckman noted that the Delaware, Knox, Marion, Morrow Joint Solid Waste Management District's solid waste management plan five-year update includes a waste-hauling fee increase from \$6.00 to \$7.50 a ton. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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

RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

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 second reading.

RESULT:	SECOND READING	Next: 2/24/2025 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 second reading. Severns requested a five-minute meeting of the Streets and Public Buildings Committee on Resolution Nos. 2025-17 and 2025-18 for February 25, 2025.

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM

RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-20

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF
THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO GRANT AN EASEMENT TO THE
KNOX COUNTY MEMORIAL BUILDING FOR A SIGN; AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY.**

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Resolution No. 2025-20 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-21

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO
DISPOSE OF VEHICLES IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT NOT NEEDED
FOR PUBLIC USE BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON; AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY.**

Finance and Budget: Seavolt, Woods

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-21, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-21, with a second by Woods. Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers commented on the legislation. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Janis Seavolt, At Large

SECONDER: Tammy Woods, Third Ward

AYES: Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Miller, Mahan, Ruckman

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-22

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE
DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO ACQUIRE BY
ANY MEANS AUTHORIZED BY RC 735.05 EQUIPMENT FOR THE PUBLIC
WORKS DEPARTMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Finance and Budget: Seavolt, Woods

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-22, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-22, with a second by Woods. Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers and Law Director Rob Broeren commented on the legislation.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-23

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO SELL BY SEALED BID OR DISPOSE OF VEHICLES IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Finance and Budget: Seavolt, Woods

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-23, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-23, with a second by Woods. Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers commented on the legislation. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-24

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S RE-APPOINTMENT OF SIBLEY POLAND TO THE HISTORICAL REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A FIVE-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. 2025-24, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-24, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr commented on the legislation. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-25

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO PAY BILLS PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.41 (D), THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATION.

Finance and Budget: Seavolt, Woods

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-25, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-25, with a second by Woods. Auditor Paul Mayville commented on the legislation, and Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers provided context on the legislation's Then and Now certifications. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SALT BARN AT 1700 OLD DELAWARE ROAD; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Resolution No. 2025-26 was given a first reading.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM
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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-27

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE 2025 STREET RESURFACING, AND CURB AND GUTTER RESTORATION PROJECTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets and Public Buildings: Severns, Ruckman

Resolution No. 2025-27 was given a first reading.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM
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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-28

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO PURCHASE AN AMBULANCE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Fire, Police and Civil Defense: Mahan, Seavolt

Mahan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-28, with a second by Seavolt. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Mahan made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-28, with a second by Seavolt. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Mahan, First Ward
SECONDER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Miller, Mahan, Ruckman

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD 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

Keener made a motion to remand Ordinance No. 2025-01 back to the Municipal Planning Commission, with a second by Mahan. Law Director Rob Broeren explained that there would be no precedent for Council acting on a 2-2 vote from the MPC, and that by sending the legislation back to the MPC the matter may come back to Council with a different vote and perhaps a recommendation. Motion to remand passed by a roll-call vote of 6-1, with Miller voting no.

RESULT:	RESCINDED
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ORDINANCES FOR SECOND 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 second reading. Keener requested a 10-minute meeting of the Land Use and Development Committee on the legislation for February 24, 2025.

RESULT:	SECOND READING	Next: 2/24/2025 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 second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM****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 second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/24/2025 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 second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM****ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING****ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07**

AN ORDINANCE SETTING PAY RANGES FOR TEMPORARY, SEASONAL, AND COLLEGE LEVEL INTERNSHIP EMPLOYEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Woods, Keener

Ordinance No. 2025-07 was given a first reading. Woods requested a five-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on the legislation for Ordinance No. 2025-07.

RESULT: FIRST READING**Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM****REMARKS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION**

Mayor Matthew Starr, Treasurer David Stuller and Law Director Rob Broeren thanked outgoing Auditor Paul Mayville for his efforts, and welcomed incoming Interim Auditor Dan Brinkman. Salyers noted that the 30-day comment period on the new Police Station is still open.

REMARKS FROM COUNCIL

Miller, Ruckman, Severns, Seavolt, Woods, Mahan and Hawkins thanked outgoing Auditor Paul Mayville for his efforts, and welcomed incoming Interim Auditor Dan Brinkman. Ruckman thanked the Administration for taking meetings with him regarding issues in the Second Ward. Keener called attention to a special joint meeting of the Council, County Commissioners and Regional Planning Commission on the draft Knox County Comprehensive Plan, on Monday, February 17, 2025 at 6 p.m. at the Station Break. Keener also asked why the Knox County

Convention and Visitors Bureau has been asked by the City to sign a lease to occupy the CA&C Depot. Miller requested a 15-minute meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee on the matter for February 24, 2025. Hawkins explained the political process for appointing an Auditor. Mahan congratulated the winners at the recent Police Department awards banquet, encouraged residents to sign up for the Citizens Police Academy, and suggested that parking signage could be better on Mulberry Street.

ADJOURN AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT

Seavolt made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Keener. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 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

February 22, 2025

Mount Vernon City Council Committee Meeting Schedule February 10, 2025

6:20-6:25 p.m.	Ambulance purchase	Fire, Police, Civil Defense Mahan
6:25-6:35 p.m.	Citizens Police Academy	Fire, Police, Civil Defense Mahan
6:35-6:40 p.m.	Rezoning of 0 South Main Street	Land Use & Development Keener
6:40-6:55 p.m.	City Inspector, Communications Director, various pay grades	Employee & Community Relations Woods
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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2024-2025

Streets and Public Buildings Committee Meeting Minutes January 27, 2025 – 6:35 p.m. to 6:38 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 Rinehart, Utilities Director
Todd Hill, Clerk
Cheryl Splain, Knox Pages

The committee discussed Resolution No. 2025-19, to grant easements to Ohio Power Company, dba American Electric Power. Engineer Brian Ball explained that easements are needed by the utility at 18 E. Vine St. and the intersection of South Sandusky Street and West Ohio Avenue for the placement of electric lines and poles. No further meetings on the matter were requested. Resolution No. 2025-19 was up for a first reading at Council's Legislative Session later in the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Mel Severns, Chair
Streets and Public Buildings Committee
Mount Vernon City Council
MS/th



**Employee and Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes
Committee Meeting**

January 27, 2024 – 6:38 p.m. to 6:44 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 Rinehart, Utilities Director
Todd Hill, Clerk
Cheryl Splain, Knox Pages

The committee discussed Ordinance No. 2025-02, fixing the number, wages and benefits of Legal Assistants in the office of the Law Director. Law Director Rob Broeren noted that the Municipal Court plans to change digital filing systems, meaning that the Law Director's office will be responsible for the storage and retention of several records, per a requirement by the State. For this reason, Broeren noted, his office needs a fourth Legal Assistant. He added that funds for the position have been budgeted. No further meetings on the matter were requested. Ordinance No. 2025-22 was up for a second reading at Council's Legislative Session later in the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Woods, Chair
Employee and Community Relations Committee
Mount Vernon City Council

TW/th

Communication: 01-27-25 Employee and Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes (Receive Committee Reports)



Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2025 – 6:55 p.m. to 7:26 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 Rinehart, Utilities Director
Todd Hill, Clerk
Cheryl Splain, Knox Pages

The committee discussed Resolution No. 2025-02, to apply for, accept and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) agreement on behalf of the City for planning, design and/or construction of wastewater facilities and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan. Joe Jacobs of Arcadis noted that the last time the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) was upgraded was in 2012, although most upgrades date back to the 1990s. He added that the total cost of the upgrades would be \$45 million, while a new WWTP would cost twice as much, and that other cities in Ohio are looking at similar costs for their WWTP upgrades. The project could be completed by 2028. Utilities Director Aaron Reinhart noted that corrosion is a major issue at the WWTP. Engineer Brian Ball added that while Council approved a loan agreement for \$15 million in 2021, that was to correct minimal compliance issues. He added that the City is researching grants and 0 percent loans. Ruckman requested a 20-minute meeting of the Utilities Commission for February 10, 2027 on the legislation, which was up for a second 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

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM

Dept: Utilities

Ruckman, Miller

Category: Utilities

Prepared By: Todd Hill

Initiator: Todd Hill

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-02

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.

01/27/25

City Council

SECOND READING

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.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ruckman made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-02, with a second by Miller. Ruckman noted that the EPA has a compliance schedule concerning Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades. Woods and Miller expressed concerns about how much the scope of the proposed improvements has grown in four years. Hawkins noted that the project would be good for the City. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 6-1, with Woods voting no.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	John Ruckman, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Miller, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Seavolt, Keener, Severns, Miller, Mahan, Ruckman
NAYS:	Tammy Woods



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM

Dept: Utilities

Ruckman, Miller

Category: Agreement

Prepared By: Todd Hill

Initiator: Todd Hill

DOC ID: 4171

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 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.

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.

01/27/25 City Council SECOND READING

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

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ruckman made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-09, with a second by Miller. Ruckman noted that the Delaware, Knox, Marion, Morrow Joint Solid Waste Management District's solid waste management plan five-year update includes a waste-hauling fee increase from \$6.00 to \$7.50 a ton. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-17

Meeting: 02/10/25 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.

HISTORY:

01/27/25 City Council **FIRST READING**

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

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

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

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-18

Meeting: 02/10/25 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.

HISTORY:

01/27/25 City Council **FIRST READING**

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

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Resolution No. 2025-18 was given a second reading. Severns requested a five-minute meeting of the Streets and Public Buildings Committee on Resolution Nos. 2025-17 and 2025-18 for February 25, 2025.

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-20

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
 Category: Lands
 Prepared By: Rob Broeren
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4187

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO GRANT AN EASEMENT TO THE KNOX COUNTY MEMORIAL BUILDING FOR A SIGN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 723.121 authorizes municipal legislative authorities to convey easements on City property.

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 an easement to the Knox County Board of Commissioners, the owner of record of 112 East High Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio (Parcel 66-50207.000), conveying a perpetual easement for the sign located at that address (see attachment A).

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public, peace, health and safety. The reason for the emergency is to allow the County to install an appropriate sign at the property while protecting the City's interest in the adjacent property 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. 2025-20 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM

EXHIBT A

East High Street SIGN EASEMENT FOR PURPOSES WITHOUT LIMITATION OF EXISTING ACCESS RIGHTS IN THE NAME AND FOR THE USE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KNOX COUNTY, OHIO

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, City of Mount Vernon the Grantor(s) for and in consideration of the sum of (\$1.00) One Dollar and for other good and valuable consideration to us paid by the Board of Knox County Commissioners, the Grantee, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby remise, release, grant and convey to said Grantee, its successors and assigns forever, a perpetual easement for the construction, maintenance and repair of the sign facilities herein described. The Grantor herein retains the right to use said lands for any and all other purposes provided that such use does not interfere with nor impair the exercise of the easement herein granted.

Situated in Block B of the City of Mount Vernon First Ward, Thomas Addition, County of Knox, State of Ohio, and described as follows:

Commencing at a ¾ inch pipe found on the south right of way of East High Street, being the northeast corner of a 0.212 acre parcel of land now or formerly owned by Board of Knox County Commissioners as recorded in deed book 282 page 664;

Thence N86°37'40"W along the south right of way line of East High Street a distance of 154.18 feet to a point, this being the Point of Beginning;

Thence continuing N86°37'40"W along the south right of way line of East High Street a distance of 10.00 feet to a point;

Thence N03°22'20"E a distance of 21.00 feet to a point;

Thence S86°37'40"E a distance of 10.00 feet to a point;

Thence S03°22'40"W a distance of 21.00 feet to a point on the south right-of-way line of East High Street to the true Point of Beginning containing 210.00 square feet more or less.

This description was prepared by Cameron Keaton, Ohio Professional Surveyor Number 7927, and is based on an actual field survey conducted by Knox County Engineer's Office in January of 2025 under his direct supervision.

The bearings for this description are based on the Ohio State Plane Coordinate System, North Zone, the North American Datum of 1983 with the 2011 adjustment (NAD 83(2011)), with the bearing of the south right of way of East High Street (66-feet wide) being N86°37'40" W.

Cameron Keaton, P.E., P.S.
Registered Ohio Surveyor No. 7927

Date

MAP TO ACCOMPANY EASEMENT ACROSS PROPERTY OWNED BY
CITY OF MOUNT VERNON
BLOCK B OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, FIRST WARD , COUNTY OF KNOX,
STATE OF OHIO.



Attachment: Ex A - Knox County Memorial Building Sign Easement (2025-20 : Easement for Memorial Building Sign)



CLIENT | Knox Memorial

LOCATION | Mount Vernon, OH

SAVED AS |

Knox_Memorial_Monument_Aug_20

DATE | August 15, 2024

REVISIONS | September 5, 2024

SALESMAN | Michael Lynn

DESIGNER | Jay Melton

SALESMAN INITIAL OF APPROVAL |

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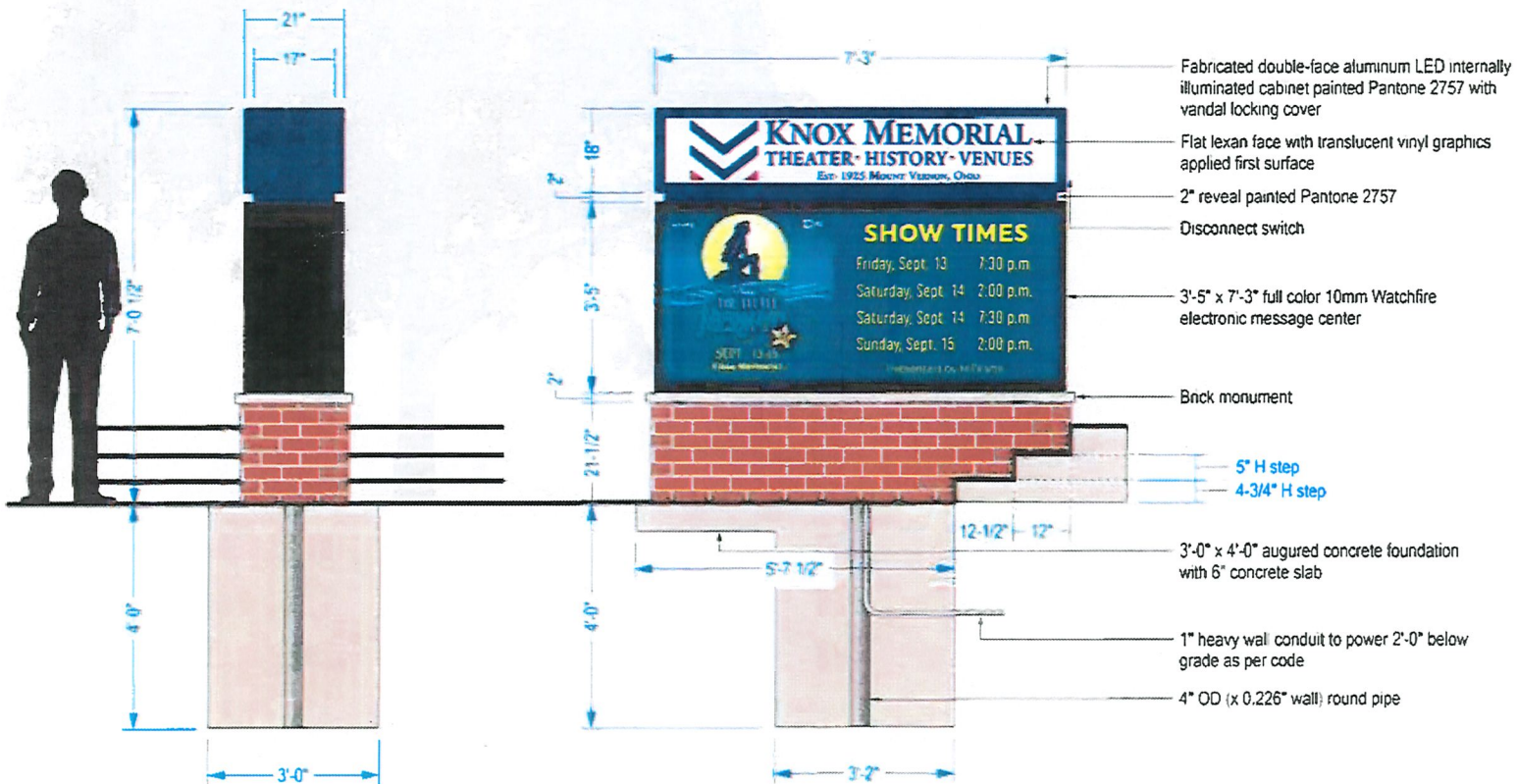
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City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-21

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Seavolt, Woods
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4189

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO DISPOSE OF VEHICLES IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Sections 721.01 and 721.15 authorize municipalities to dispose of personal property and vehicles no longer needed for municipal use.

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

SECTION 1: That the Council finds that the City of Mount Vernon Police Department owns the following vehicles that are no longer needed for public use. Council also finds that the value of the vehicles are in excess of \$1,000.00.

- 1) 2013 Blue Dodge Grand Caravan Vin 2C4RDGBG0DR530804
- 2) 2008 Silver Mitsubishi Galant Vin 4A3AB36F08E015086
- 3) 2007 White Kia Optima Vin KNAGE124X75134563
- 4) 2003 Green Chrysler Town-Country Vin 2C8GP24343R256595
- 5) 2006 Gray Ford Fusion Vin 3FAFP07ZX6R232128
- 6) 2021 White Ford Explorer Vin 1FM5K8AB4MGC44810

SECTION 2: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon be authorized and directed to sell or dispose of the vehicles pursuant to any method authorized by Revised Code Section 721.15.

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 of expediting the sale or trade of these items to return the proceeds to constructive use by the City, 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:

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-21, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-21, with a second by Woods. Safety-Service

Director Tanner Salyers commented on the legislation. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-22

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Seavolt, Woods
Category: Finance and Budget
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4190

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO ACQUIRE BY ANY MEANS AUTHORIZED BY RC 735.05 EQUIPMENT FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 acquire by any means authorized by RC 735.05 a Hydro Spade trailer for stormwater pipe jetting/cleaning.

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 to expedite the acquisition of this equipment for upkeep of the City's stormwater infrastructure, 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:

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-22, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-22, with a second by Woods. Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers and Law Director Rob Broeren commented on the legislation.

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



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-23

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Seavolt, Woods
Category: Finance and Budget
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4191

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO SELL BY SEALED BID OR DISPOSE OF VEHICLES IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Sections 721.01 and 721.15 authorize municipalities to dispose of personal property and vehicles no longer needed for municipal use.

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

SECTION 1: That the Council finds that the City of Mount Vernon Public Works Department owns the following vehicles that are no longer needed for public use:

Cemetery

1) 2010 Chevrolet 1500 Pickup Truck VIN# 1GCPCPEX2AZ223321 Mileage: 41,738

PB&L Department

1) 2013 GMC 1500 Pickup Truck VIN# 1GTN2TEA9DZ337948 Mileage: 48,266

Council also finds that the value of the vehicles are in excess of \$1,000.00.

SECTION 2: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon be authorized and directed to sell or dispose of the vehicles pursuant to any method authorized by Revised Code Section 721.15.

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 of expediting the sale or trade of this item, 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:

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-23, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-23, with a second by Woods. Safety-Service

Director Tanner Salyers commented on the legislation. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
Category: Reappointment
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4192

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-24

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S RE-APPOINTMENT OF SIBLEY POLAND TO THE HISTORICAL REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1: That the Council confirms the Mayor's re-appointment of Sibley Poland, 307 North Gay Street, Mount Vernon, to the Historical Review Commission for a five-year term, pursuant to Section 1102.04 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Mount Vernon. The term will commence on February 10, 2025 and expire on February 9, 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 of ensuring a full membership on the Historical Review Commission, 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. 2025-24, with a second by Keener. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Woods made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-24, with a second by Keener. Mayor Matthew Starr commented on the legislation. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-25

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Seavolt, Woods
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4193

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO PAY BILLS PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.41 (D), THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATION.

WHEREAS, the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon did make the necessary inquiries that these billed amounts as indicated are legitimate and proper and did approve payment in the amounts shown; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the making of such contract or order and at the time of the execution of such certificate a sufficient sum appropriated for the purpose of such contract or order was in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances.

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

SECTION 1: That the Auditor for the City of Mount Vernon be, and he herewith is, authorized and directed to pay bills as follows:

1. To US Bancorp Equipment Finance in the amount of \$6,446.98, to be taken from account 101.3600.54451, General Expenses-Copier.
2. To Aaron Oakley in the amount of \$6,247.64, to be taken from account 101.2500.53312, Maintenance & Repairs.
3. To OpenGov, Inc. in the amount of \$40,963.99, to be taken from accounts 701.2720.53312, Maintenance & repairs, 720.2820.53312, Maintenance & Repairs, 701.2740.55514, Line Maintenance & Repairs, 720.2840.55514, Line Maintenance & Repairs, 710.3210.55514, Line Maintenance & Repairs, 101.2600.53315, Contract Service, 101.2500.53315, Contract Service, 201.2900.53315, Contract Service, and 204.3100.53313, Materials/Supplies.
4. To Knox County Commissioners in the amount of \$8,792.00, to be taken from account 101.2200.54111, Humane Officer.
5. To Knox County Commissioners in the amount of \$15,638.51, to be taken from account 101.2200.54311, Training/Travel/Expenses.

SECTION 2: This Resolution provides for appropriations for the current expenses of the City, and therefore, pursuant to Revised Code Section 731.30, it shall become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Seavolt made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-25, with a second by Woods. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Seavolt made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-25, with a second by Woods. Auditor Paul Mayville commented on the legislation, and Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers provided context on the legislation's Then and Now certifications. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

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



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-26

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
 Category: Bid/Contract
 Prepared By: Rob Broeren
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4194

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SALT BARN AT 1700 OLD DELAWARE ROAD; 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 construction of a salt barn at 1700 Old Delaware Road.

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 allow bidding for the project to proceed as quickly as possible to allow immediate relocation of the City's current salt barn, and 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.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Resolution No. 2025-26 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2025-27

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Streets and Public Buildings
Severns, Ruckman
Category: Bid/Contract
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4195

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE 2025 STREET RESURFACING, AND CURB AND GUTTER RESTORATION PROJECTS; 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 a contract for the 2025 annual street resurfacing and curb and gutter restoration projects.

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 bids must be solicited to assure timely completion of street paving and concrete work during good weather, 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. 2025-27 was given a first reading.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/25/2025 3:00 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Fire, Police and Civil Defense
Mahan, Seavolt
Category: Fire
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4198

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-28

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO PURCHASE AN AMBULANCE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; 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 be and he herewith is authorized and directed to purchase a Wheeled Coach module mounted on a Ford F450 4x4 ambulance through the State Cooperative Purchase Plan for the Mount Vernon Fire Department.

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 to allow the Mount Vernon Fire Department to lock in delivery and purchase price, 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:

Mahan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings of Resolution No. 2025-28, with a second by Seavolt. Motion to suspend passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0. Mahan made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-28, with a second by Seavolt. Motion to adopt passed by a roll-call vote of 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Mahan, First Ward
SECONDER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
AYES:	Seavolt, Woods, Keener, Severns, Miller, Mahan, Ruckman



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-01

Meeting: 02/10/25 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.

01/27/25 City Council SECOND READING

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.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Keener made a motion to remand Ordinance No. 2025-01 back to the Municipal Planning Commission, with a second by Mahan. Law Director Rob Broeren explained that there would be no precedent for Council acting on a 2-2 vote from the MPC, and that by sending the legislation back to the MPC the matter may come back to Council with a different vote and perhaps a recommendation. Motion to remand passed by a roll-call vote of 6-1, with Miller voting no.

RESULT: RESCINDED



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

Phone 740-393-2033 | DSM@MountVernonOhio.org

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

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-03

Meeting: 02/10/25 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.

HISTORY:

01/27/25 City Council FIRST READING

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

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-03 was given a second reading. Keener requested a 10-minute meeting of the Land Use and Development Committee on the legislation for February 24, 2025.

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/24/2025 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
Deborah Jacobs	<i>Deborah 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.

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

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TRACY & MILLS, SURVEYORS

DAVID R. MILLS, PS
SURVEYOR #7157

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

FLOYD W. BARNES, PS
1921-2018

AMY BERNICKEN, PS
SURVEYOR #8571

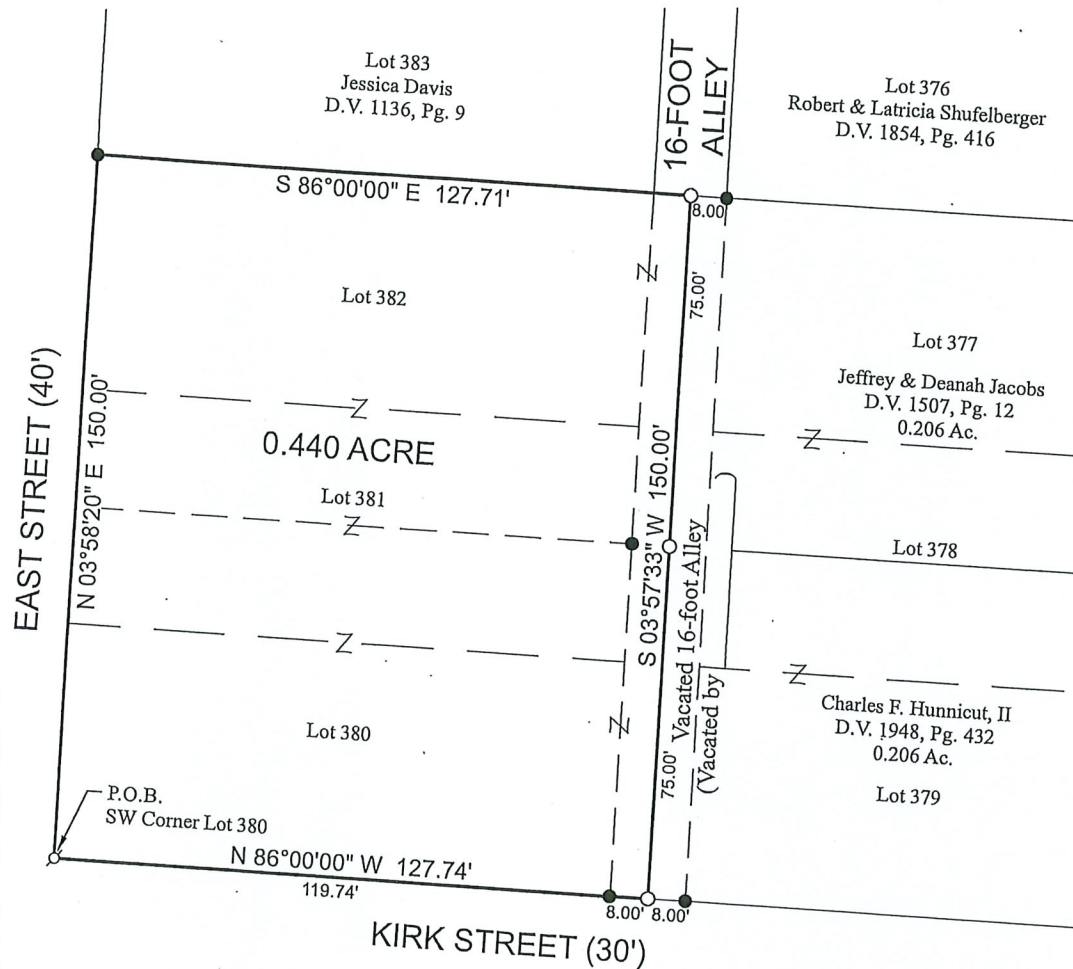
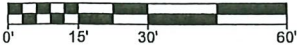
THOMAS M. TRACY, PS
1941-2002

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



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



City of Mount Vernon, Ohio

Development Services

40 Public Square
Mount Vernon, OH 43050
Phone 740-393-2033 | DSM@MountVernonOhio.org

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: 02/10/25 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.

HISTORY:

01/27/25

City Council

FIRST READING

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.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-04 was given a second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM**



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.

Woods, Keener
Category: Personnel

Prepared By: Rob Broeren

Initiator: Todd Hill

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-05

DOC ID: 4184

**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.

HISTORY:

01/27/25

City Council

FIRST READING

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.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-05 was given a second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING**Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM**



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-06

Meeting: 02/10/25 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.

HISTORY:

01/27/25 City Council FIRST READING

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.

Ordinance 2025-6

Meeting of February 10, 2025

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ordinance No. 2025-06 was given a second reading.

RESULT: SECOND READING

Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2025-07

Meeting: 02/10/25 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Woods, Keener
 Category: Personnel
 Prepared By: Rob Broeren
 Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 4196

AN ORDINANCE SETTING PAY RANGES FOR TEMPORARY, SEASONAL, AND COLLEGE LEVEL INTERNSHIP EMPLOYEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1: That all currently established temporary, seasonal and college level internship positions are hereby authorized at an hourly rate 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.

Minimum hourly rate: \$15.00/ hour Maximum hourly rate: \$20.00/hour

SECTION 2: This Ordinance does not alter any other benefits or terms and conditions of employment for currently established temporary, seasonal and college level internship 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 currently established temporary, seasonal and college level internship positions based on market forces, and 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. 2025-07 was given a first reading. Woods requested a five-minute meeting of the Employee and Community Relations Committee on the legislation for Ordinance No. 2025-07.

RESULT: FIRST READING

Next: 2/24/2025 7:30 PM