Legislative Session Minutes

August 23, 2021

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Compensation Analysis and Organizational Assessment
Employee Onboarding Survey
College Township Update

MEETING WILL RECESS UNTIL 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee	Title	Status
John Francis	Second Ward	Present
Mike Hillier	Fourth Ward	Present
Janis Seavolt	At Large	Present
Samantha Scoles	First Ward	Present
Tammy Woods	Third Ward	Present
Julia Warga	At Large	Present
Amber Keener	At Large	Present
Bruce Hawkins	President	Present

Also present were Matt Starr, Mayor; Rick Dzik, Service-Safety Director; Terry Scott, Auditor; Robert Broeren, Law Director; Lindsay Hoar, Assistant Council Clerk; Robert Morgan, Police Chief; Chad Christopher, Fire Chief; Tony Deiuliis, Civil Service; Todd Hill, Council Clerk; Maurine Perry, Human Resources; Anthony McNeal, Main Street Mount Vernon; Jeff Gottke, ADF; Jordan Booth and Heidi Miller, Clemons Nelson.

INVOCATION

Pastor Gordy Harmon of Berean Faith Fellowship in Mount Vernon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All recited in unison.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- City Council - Legislative Session - Aug 9, 2021 7:30 PM

RESULT:	**ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
SECONDER:	John Francis, Second Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

RECEIVE PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIQUOR CONTROL LICENSE

- Ruby Tuesday

RESULT:	**ANNOUNCED**

PROCLAMATION

PERSONS SPEAKING ON MATTERS OF CITY CONCERN

Jeff Gottke discussed the citywide CRA.
Jeff Gottke discussed the Cooper Progress Park Zoning.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD READING

RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 1

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MARILYN HICKMAN TO THE SHADE TREE AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee and Community Rel.: Scoles, Woods

RESULT:	**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
SECONDER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 1

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Employee and Community Rel.: Scoles, Woods

Mayor Matt Starr discussed Marilyn Hickman's qualifications for the Shade Tree Commission.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
SECONDER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 7

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

RESULT:	**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 7

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

Auditor Terry Scott spoke about a donation to the PAK United Program.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 8

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

RESULT:	**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 8

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

Auditor Terry Scott detailed multiple transfers included in the legislation.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 9

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A NEW FUND TO BE NAMED LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 5705.42; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

RESULT:	**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 7 9

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Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

Auditor Terry Scott discussed the need to create a new fund for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 8 0

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A NEW FUND TO BE NAMED COLLEGE TOWHSHIP FIRE/EMS FUND PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 5705.09(F); AND DECLARING AN EMEREGENCY.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

RESULT:	**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 8 0

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A NEW FUND TO BE NAMED COLLEGE TOWHSHIP FIRE/EMS FUND PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 5705.09(F); AND DECLARING AN EMEREGENCY.

Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

Auditor Terry Scott discussed the need to create a new fund for College Township Fire and EMS.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 8 1

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA (DORA)

Planning and Zoning: Hillier, Keener

Anthony McNeal, Main Street Mount Vernon, stated a desire to have the DORA in effect year-round. There will be a public hearing on the DORA legislation on Sept. 13.

RESULT:	**FIRST READING**	**Next: 9/13/2021 7:30 PM**

R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 2 1 - 8 2

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON STRATEGIC PLAN AS A STATEMENT OF THE CITY'S VALUES AND GUIDE FOR FUTURE LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE PRIORITIES.

Employee and Community Rel.: Scoles, Woods

RESULT:	**FIRST READING**	**Next: 9/13/2021 7:30 PM**

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING

O R D I N A N C E N O . 2 0 2 1 - 3 0

AN ORDINANCE TO CALCULATE THE AGE OF APPLICANTS WITH PRIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE FOR ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Fire, Police and Civil Defense: Seavolt, Scoles

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
SECONDER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-34

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER 1185 - PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON

Planning and Zoning: Hillier, Keener

RESULT:	**FIRST READING**	**Next: 9/13/2021 7:30 PM**

REMARKS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

Dave Stuller discussed homeless persons in the parking garage.

REMARKS FROM COUNCIL

Janis Seavolt discussed an upcoming community event.
Tammy Woods thanked the Utilities Department for its work on a recent water main break on Chestnut Street.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTERS

- Executive Enter

Motion and a second to enter into Executive Session

RESULT:	**ENTER ES MOTION [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
SECONDER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

- Executive Adjourn

Motion and a second to adjourn into Executive Session

RESULT:	**ADJOURNED ES MOTION [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
SECONDER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

ADJOURN AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT

- Adjourn Motion

Seavolt made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Scoles second and the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
SECONDER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

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Bruce E. Hawkins, President of Council Lindsay Hoar, Assistant Clerk of Council

CD did not record

NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

OHIO DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL
6606 TUSSING ROAD, P.O. BOX 4005
REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO 43068-9005
(614)644-2360 FAX(614)644-3166

TO

75769900030 PERMIT NUMBER	TRFO TYPE	RUBY TUESDAY OPERATIONS LLC DBA RUBY TUESDAY 4387 1055 COSHOCTON AV MT VERNON OHIO 43050
02 01 2020 ISSUE DATE		
08 05 2021 FILING DATE		
D5 D6 PERMIT CLASSES		
42 TAX DISTRICT / 077 / B / F25802 RECEIPT NO.		

FROM 08/09/2021

75769890225 PERMIT NUMBER	TYPE	RUBY TUESDAY INC 1055 COSHOCTON AV MT VERNON OHIO 43050
02 01 2020 ISSUE DATE		
08 05 2021 FILING DATE		
D5 D6 PERMIT CLASSES		
42 TAX DISTRICT / 077 / / RECEIPT NO.		

MAILED 08/09/2021 RESPONSES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN. 09/09/2021

IMPORTANT NOTICE

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO THE DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS A REQUEST FOR A HEARING.
REFER TO THIS NUMBER IN ALL INQUIRIES B TRFO 7576990-0030
(TRANSACTION & NUMBER)

(MUST MARK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING)

WE REQUEST A HEARING ON THE ADVISABILITY OF ISSUING THE PERMIT AND REQUEST THAT THE HEARING BE HELD ☐ IN OUR COUNTY SEAT. ☐ IN COLUMBUS.

WE DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING. ☐
DID YOU MARK A BOX? IF NOT, THIS WILL BE CONSIDERED A LATE RESPONSE.

PLEASE SIGN BELOW AND MARK THE APPROPRIATE BOX INDICATING YOUR TITLE:

(Signature) (Title)- ☐ Clerk of County Commissioner (Date)
☐ Clerk of City Council
☐ Township Fiscal Officer

CLERK OF MT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL
40 PUBLIC SQ
MT VERNON OHIO 43050

Communication: Ruby Tuesday (Liquor Control License)

DLC 4052 REV. 03/09

City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Scoles, Woods
Category: Appointment
Prepared By: Lindsay Hoar
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2372

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2021-71

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MARILYN HICKMAN TO THE SHADE TREE AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION FOR A THREE (3) 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 for the City of Mount Vernon confirms the Mayor's appointment of Marilyn Hickman, 4 Orchard Drive West, Mount Vernon, Ohio to the Shade Tree and Beautification Commission. Term to commence August 25, 2021 and end August 25, 2024.

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.

HISTORY:

08/09/21	**City Council**	**FIRST READING**

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mayor Matt Starr discussed Marilyn Hickman's qualifications for the Shade Tree Commission.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
SECONDER:	Tammy Woods, Third Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2383 B

RESOLUTION 2021-77

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

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 make supplemental appropriations as follows:

1. To Account 101.1900.54115, PAK (Police and Kids) United, in the amount of $250.00.
   (Donations for PAK United Program)

SECTION 2: This Resolution provides for appropriations for the current expenses of the city, and therefore, pursuant to Revised Code Section 731.20, it shall become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Auditor Terry Scott spoke about a donation to the PAK United Program.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

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City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2384 D

RESOLUTION 2021-78

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS.

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 transfer funds as follows:

1. Transfer from Account 101.2600.51111, Parks-Superintendent, to Account 101.2600.51112, Parks Employees, in the amount of $20,000.00.
2. Transfer from Account 101.2600.51113, Parks-Seasonal Employees, to Account 101.2600.51112, Parks Employees, in the amount of $20,000.00.
3. Transfer from Account 204.3100.52125, Employee Insurance, to Account 204.3100.51112, Clerk & Employees, in the amount of $39,745.00.
4. Transfer from Account 204.3100.51113, Seasonal Employees, to Account 204.3100.51112, Clerk & Employees, in the amount of $4,000.00.
5. Transfer from Account 701.2740.55512, Hydrants, to Account 701.2740.52127, Uniforms, in the amount of $750.00.
6. Transfer from Account 701.2740.55512, Hydrants, to Account 701.2740.54311, Training/Travel, in the amount of $600.00.
7. Transfer from Account 720.2820.54114, Sludge Removal, to Account 720.2840.52127, Uniforms, in the amount of $750.00.
8. Transfer from Account 720.2820.54114, Sludge Removal, to Account 720.2840.53113, Telephone, in the amount of $150.00.
9. Transfer from Account 720.2820.54114, Sludge Removal, to Account 720.2840.54311, Training/Travel, in the amount of $600.00.
10. From Account 101.2640.51111, Personnel, to Account 101.2640.53112, Concessions, in the amount of $5,000.00.
11. From Account 224.1900.54490, Transfer to Police Pension, to Account 224.1900.52125, Employee Insurance, in the amount of $30,000.00.
12. From Account 224.2100.54490, Transfer to Police Pension, to Account 224.2100.52125, Employee Insurance, in the amount of $30,000.00.
13. From Account 101.2400.54115, Contract Engineering, to Account 101.2400.53111, Dues/Supplies, in the amount of $5,000.00.

14. From Account 101.2400.55511, Office Equipment, to Account 101.2400.53111, Dues/Supplies, in the amount of $5,000.00.

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:

Auditor Terry Scott detailed multiple transfers included in the legislation.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

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ADOPTED

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2385 A

RESOLUTION 2021-79

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A NEW FUND TO BE NAMED LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 5705.42; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, a $1.9 trillion economic COVID-19 stimulus package, was signed into law on March 11, 2021. ARPA provides additional relief to address the continued impact of COVID-19 on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 5705.42 provides for the United States government or the state or any department, division, agency, authority, or unit thereof makes a grant or loan of money to any political subdivision of the state to aid in paying the cost of any program, activity, or function of such subdivision, or enters into an agreement with the subdivision for the making of any such grant or loan of money, the amount thereof is deemed appropriated for such purpose by the taxing authority of the subdivision as provided by law and shall be recorded as such by the fiscal officer of the subdivision, and is deemed in process of collection within the meaning of section 57045.41 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish this fund for the collection and distribution of the ARPA funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of 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 create a new fund to be called Local Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant to O.R.C. 5705.42.

SECTION 2: The Interim Final Rule permits funds to be used to cover costs incurred beginning on March 3, 2021. Permitted uses of the ARPA funds shall be classified into the following subcategories:

- Public Health/Negative Economic Impacts

- Premium Pay
- Revenue Loss
- Investments in Water, Sewer, and Broadband

SECTION 3: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, for the further reason that an emergency exists in the daily operation of the Auditor's department of the municipal government to manage the ARPA program, 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:

Auditor Terry Scott discussed the need to create a new fund for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

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ADOPTED

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2387 A

RESOLUTION 2021-80

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A NEW FUND TO BE NAMED COLLEGE TOWHSHIP FIRE/EMS FUND PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 5705.09(F); AND DECLARING AN EMEREGENCY.

WHEREAS Ohio Revised Code § 5705.09(F) requires each subdivision to establish a special fund for each class of revenues derived from a source other than the general property tax, which the law requires to be used for a particular purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish this fund for the collection and distribution of College Township Fire/EMS Services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of 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 create a new fund to be called College Township Fire/EMS Services pursuant to O.R.C. 5705.09(F).

SECTION 2: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, for the further reason that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Auditor's department of the municipal government, 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:

Auditor Terry Scott discussed the need to create a new fund for College Township Fire and EMS.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Francis, Second Ward
SECONDER:	Mike Hillier, Fourth Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

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SCHEDULED

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Planning and Zoning
Hillier, Keener
Category: Planning and Zoning
Prepared By: Lindsay Hoar
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2382 A

RESOLUTION 2021-81

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO CREATE A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA (DORA)

WHEREAS, effective April 30, 2017, a municipality with a population of less than thirty-five thousand is permitted to create a designated outdoor refreshment area ("DORA") pursuant to the provisions of ORC §4301.82; and

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2021 the Main Street Mount Vernon submitted an application to City Council to consider creating DORA in a specified section of Downtown Mount Vernon (the "DORA Application"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC §4301.82(C), notice of the filing of the DORA Application and the date of a public hearing thereon was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City on August 28, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the application will be held on September 13 during which public testimony will be taken; and

WHEREAS, §4301.82(F)(1) requires the City to establish the elements that the City determines are necessary to ensure public health and safety in the area and ORC §4301.82(F)(2) provides for notice of this proposed action to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, such notice will be published on August 28, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the DORA Application as submitted, including a list of the permit holders located at the street addresses on "Exhibit A", meets the requirements of ORC §4301.82(B)(1-5), it being further clarified that the boundary of the DORA includes the premises of the permit holders located at the street addresses listed on "Exhibit A"; and

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

Section 1: City Council approves the DORA Application as having met the requirements of ORC §4301.82(B)(1-5) and approves the Downtown Mount Vernon Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area ("MV DORA"). The MV DORA is comprised of the area as depicted on "Exhibit A", attached to this Resolution, such area to include and encompass the premises of the permit holders located at the street addresses listed on "Exhibit A", as required by ORC §4301.82(F)(1)(a).

Section 2: City Council determines that all public notice requirements of ORC §4301.82 prior to the passage of this Resolution have been met.

Section 3: That in order to ensure public health and safety and in accordance with ORC

§4301.82(F)(1)(b), the number, spacing, and type of signage designating the MV DORA boundary shall be as set forth on "Exhibit B", attached to this Resolution.

Section 4: The MV DORA encompasses not fewer than four (4) qualified permit holders, all of which are identified on "Exhibit C", attached to this Resolution, by business name, address, liquor permit type and liquor permit number. Also included on "Exhibit C" and in accordance with ORC §4301.82(F)(1)(c) are the hours of operation of the MV DORA, which will apply to all activity within the MV DORA, only as may be limited by approval of special event permitting.

Section 5: The Public Health & Safety Plan as described on "Exhibit D", attached to this Resolution, is approved as meeting the requirements of ORC §4301.82(F)(1)(d), including the manner in which the number of personnel needed to carry out the plan shall be determined.

Section 6: The Sanitation Plan that will help maintain the appearance and public health of the area as described on "Exhibit E", attached to this Resolution, is approved as meeting the requirements of ORC §4301.82(F)(1)(e-f), including the manner in which the number of personnel needed to carry out the plan shall be determined.

Section 7: As required by ORC §4301.82(F)(1)(g), beer and wine shall only be served in plastic bottles or other plastic containers, which shall be provided by the qualified permit holders in a readily-identified container that identifies the name of the establishment that is serving the beverage, as approved by the Safety Service Director or their designee.

Section 8: As required by ORC §4301.82(I)(1), Council shall review the requirements of the MV DORA, as established by this Resolution, within five years from the effective date of this Resolution.

Section 9: The Clerk of Council is hereby instructed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control and to the investigative unit of the Ohio Department of Public Safety, all in accordance with ORC §§4301.82(C) and 4301.82(F)(3).

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Anthony McNeal, Main Street Mount Vernon, stated a desire to have the DORA in effect year-round. There will be a public hearing on the DORA legislation on Sept. 13.

RESULT:	**FIRST READING**	**Next: 9/13/2021 7:30 PM**

Application to the City of Mount Vernon City Council:

Mount Vernon Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area

O.R.C. 4301.82

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Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA)

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INTRODUCTION AND SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION

Section 4301.82 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes municipalities under 35,000 in population to create Designated Outdoor Refreshment Areas or "DORAs".

In order to consider creation of a DORA, the Executive Officer (Mayor) must file an application with the City of Mount Vernon Council which meets certain statutory requirements.

The application filing must be advertised once per week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation. Not earlier than 30 days, but not later than 60 days after the initial publication of the notice, City Council may approve or disapprove the application by ordinance or resolution.

The Mayor of Mount Vernon is respectfully submitting the following application to City Council for its consideration.

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NATURE OF ESTABLISHMENT (PARCELS AND BUSINESSES)

NAME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT
Mane Haven Salon	100 South Main Street	**Beauty Care**
Finishing Touch Salon	106 West Vine Street	**Beauty Care**
Harmony Salt Spa	116 West High Street	**Beauty Care**
Vine Street Barber Shop	12 West Vine Street	**Beauty Care**
BarFit	14 East Gambier Street	**Beauty Care**
Jillian's Salon	14 West Vine Street	**Beauty Care**
Studio T Salon	201 South Mulberry Street	**Beauty Care**
Signature Skin MedSpa	206 South Mulberry Street	**Beauty Care**
Hottie Body Tan	3 East High Street	**Beauty Care**
Monument Square Barber	30 Public Square	**Beauty Care**
Fringe Salon & Spa	5 West Ohio	**Beauty Care**
Hottie Hair	7 East High Street	**Beauty Care**
Studio 6	7 South Gay Street #2	**Beauty Care**
Tracy's Total Image	9 West Gambier Street	**Beauty Care**
Tracy's Karate	9 West High Street	**Beauty Care**
Georgetown Caribbean BBQ	1 West High Street	**Dining**
Cindy’s Scratch Made Pierogis	1 West High Street	**Dining**
Stein Brewing Company	10 West Vine Street	**Dining**
Honey Buckets Tavern	103 West Vine Street	**Dining**
Stein Brewing Company	109 South Main Street	**Dining**
Moss Rose	109 West Ohio Avenue	**Dining**
The Alcove Restaurant & Lounge	116 South Main Street	**Dining**
Flapper’s Bar and Grille	15 west High Street	**Dining**
La Paloma Mexican Restaurant	200 South Main Street	**Dining**
Fit Mix Nutrition Studio	202 South Main Street	**Dining**
Happy Street Bru-Werks	209 South Gay Street	**Dining**
Happy Bean Coffee	221 South Main Street	**Dining**
Dave’s Cosmic Subs	222 South Main Street	**Dining**
Satiated: Food For Everyone	311 South Main Street	**Dining**
Domino’s Pizza	321 South Main Street	**Dining**
Green Vibes	37 Public Square	**Dining**
Mount Vernon Brewing Company	7 North Main Street	**Dining**
Stephen W. Nease Center	104 South Main Street	**Education**
Knox Labs	104 South Main Street	**Education**
MTVarts	14 East Ohio Avenue	**Education**
Buchwald Center	221 South Main Street	**Education**
Schnormeier Gallery	221 South Main Street	**Education**
Hunter Hall	221 South Main Street	**Education**
Central Ohio Technical College	236 South Main Street	**Education**
Tavaci School of Performing Arts	316 South Main Street B	**Education**
SPI Spot	400 South Main Street	**Education**

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Wright Center	400 South Main Street	**Education**
Woodward Opera House	107 South Main Street	**Entertainment**
Park National Bank	1 South Main Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Zelkowits, Barry, & Cullers, Ltd	103 South Main Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Professional Guidance Financial	103 South Main Street, Suite 206	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Kahrl & Company	11 South Mulberry Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Sheppard Law Offices	11 West Gambier	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
American Family Insurance	11 West Ohio Avenue	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
First Bank of Ohio	115 West High Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Edward Jones Investments	122 OH-229	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Dumbaugh Insurance	122 South Main Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Lincoln Douglas Investments	135 South Main Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
McDaniel CPA	20 West Ohio Avenue	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
PNC Bank	23 Public Square	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Real Estate Pros	314 South Main Street #1	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Associated Insurace of Mount Vernon	314 South Main Street #2	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
ManCan Staffing	314 South Main Street #3	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Spaulding & Kitzler	51 Public Square	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Fairway Independent Mortgage Company	9 South Mulberry Street	**Finance/ Commercial/ Professional Services**
Unites States Postal Service	101 West High Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Fraternal Order of Eagles	14 West Vine Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Division of Water and Wastewater	3 North Gay Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Kno-Ho-Co	304 South Main Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Elks Lodge	32 Public Square	**Government/ Institutional**
City Hall	40 Public Square	**Government/ Institutional**
Mount Vernon Police Department	5 North Gay Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Municipal Court	5 North Gay Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Knox County Democratic Party	9 East Vine Street	**Government/ Institutional**
Pro-Core Health Brokers	1 Public Square	**Health**
Nature's Kratom CBD	13 West High Street	**Health**
Knox Community Hospital Hull BusinesS Center	133 South Main Street	**Health**
NAMI	15 East Vine Street	**Health**
Mount Vernon Hearing Aid Company	20 Norht Main Street	**Health**
Ogle Family Practice `	206 South Mulberry Street	**Health**

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Moore Family Practice	206 South Mulberry Street	**Health**
Mount Vernon Dental	304 South Mulberry Street	**Health**
La Belle Home Health Care Services	314 South Main Street #4,5	**Health**
Knox County Vision Center	5 West High Street	**Health**
The Mount Vernon Grand Hotel	12 Public Square	**Lodging**
Central Print Body & Graphics	2 Public Square	**Printing**
Good Impressions	205 South Mulberry Street	**Printing**
Red One Realty	15 North Main Street	**Real Estate**
Mount Calvary Baptist Church	13 South Mulberry	**Religion/Historical**
The Vac Shop	1 East High Street	**Retail**
The Makery on Main	1 North Main Street	**Retail**
Nick & Melvin's Collectibles	1 Public Square	**Retail**
Pine Row Studio	10 East Gambier Street	**Retail**
Kudos Artist Co-Op	10 South Main Street	**Retail**
G.R. Smith Hardware	101 South Mulberry Street	**Retail**
Pond Tire	103 West Gambier Street	**Retail**
Down to Earth Natural Foods	104 West Gambier Street	**Retail**
Cheap Tobacco	112 West High Street	**Retail**
EightyCade	114 South Main Street	**Retail**
Woolson Company	115 South Main Street	**Retail**
Gospel Christian Life Shop	117 South Main Street	**Retail**
NMS Scooters (Bird)	12 East Gambier Street	**Retail**
Cricket's On South Main	120 South Main Street	**Retail**
Second Time Around	120 West High Street	**Retail**
Herald's Appliance & Electronics	121 South Main Street	**Retail**
Creative Images	122 West High Street	**Retail**
Black Walnut Holler	122 West High Street, #2426	**Retail**
The Scent Life Candle Bar	135 South Main Street	**Retail**
Y-Not Cycling & Fitness	14 East Gambier Street	**Retail**
ENEW Zone	14 South Main Street	**Retail**
Mount Vernon Clock Company	16 North Main Street	**Retail**
William's Flowers and Wine	16 South Main Street	**Retail**
Hunnicut's Jewelry	204 South Main Street	**Retail**
Knox Coin Exchange	21 North Main Street	**Retail**
Coleman Gallery	218 South Main Street	**Retail**
Flowers For You	22 East Gambier Street	**Retail**
Paragraph's Bookstore	229 South Main Street	**Retail**
Extension CoWorking	23 Norht Main Street	**Retail**
Main Street Maker's Market	3 North Main Street	**Retail**
Johnny's Mattress & Furniture	305 South Gay Street	**Retail**
Duke's Quicklube	311 South Mulberry Street	**Retail**
Kelley Davis Photography	316 South Main Street A	**Retail**
Holmes Tire	401 South Main Street	**Retail**
Almost Famous Sweets & Sodas	46 Public Square	**Retail**
Old Mr. Bailiwicks	7 South Gay Street	**Retail**
Down Home Leather	9 North Main Street	**Retail**

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LAND USE AND ZONING

In accordance with ORC 4301.82(B)(4), the land uses within the DORA are zoned Central Business District, General Business and Public, Semipublic District. (Refer Back to Section B)

The City of Mount Vernon designates the Central Business District and other components included in the DORA boundary the Downtown of Mount Vernon with the primary focus of preserving and enriching Downtown Mount Vernon. The organization tasked with the mission is Main Street Mount Vernon whose objective is to energize and strengthen an authentic and uniquely local Downtown Mount Vernon experience. To accomplish this objective, the organization creates a vibrant, mixed-use gathering place and cultural center with a specific emphasis on retail, restaurants, art and entertainment uses. The Central Business District of downtown maintains this environment through historic buildings and streetscape.

The 2018 Downtown Master Plan identifies “Attracting Residents and Visitors” as a key goal to enhancing downtown as a culture hub. Creating additional programs to enhance local business and existing events by leveraging current progress to attract future public and private development. DORA events would also allow us to connect parks and public spaces through special event uses and may be used as focal points for DORA events and festivals.

The creation of a DORA aligns with the Downtown Mount Vernon Master Plan and objective to define this area as a popular destination for dining and entertainment within the City.

SIGNAGE

Temporary signs will be placed at boundaries of event being held inside DORA to distinguish a barrier. The temporary aspect will allow us to not clutter up the wayfinding signs with extra signage, and to move anywhere the boundary permits.

Tear Drop signs will make DORA participants more visible during community events and can be easily moved and removed.

All DORA events will feature 6 prevention signs located throughout the event space. Signs are designed by and purchased by local prevention coalition, Knox Substance Abuse Action Team.

For a full DORA Boundary event, 26 signs will be needed to distinguish boundaries. 30 signs will be purchased.

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PROPOSED BOUNDARY (MAP)

STREET NAME	ADDRESS RANGE	EVEN/ODD
W. OHIO AVE.	20-109	EVEN & ODD
E. OHIO AVE.	14	EVEN & ODD
E. HIGH ST.	3	EVEN & ODD
W. HIGH ST.	1-115	EVEN & ODD
W. HIGH ST.	122	ODD ONLY
PUBLIC SQUARE	1-40	EVEN & ODD
S. MULBERRY ST.	4-455	EVEN & ODD
S. MAIN ST.	1-401	EVEN & ODD
N. MAIN ST.	1-25	EVEN & ODD
W. VINE ST.	11-106	EVEN & ODD
E. VINE ST.	10-23	EVEN & ODD
E. CHESTNUT ST.	6	EVEN ONLY
W. CHESTNUT ST	6-12	EVEN ONLY
E. GAMBIER ST.	8-22	EVEN & ODD
W. GAMBIER ST.	103-113	EVEN & ODD
S. GAY ST.	404	EVEN & ODD
S. GAY ST.	105-303	ODD ONLY
N. GAY ST.	3-5	ODD ONLY

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QUALIFIED PERMIT HOLDERS

Name	Address	Permit Class	Permit No.
The Alcove Restaurant & Lounge	116 South Main Street	D3, D6, D2, D2x	0100260
Flapper's Bar & Grille	15 West High Street	D5	4169870
Happy Street Bru-Werks	209 South Gay Street	A1C	7306300
Honey Buckets Tavern	103 West Vine Street	D6, D2, D2x, D3	7144784
Moss Rose	109 West Ohio Avenue	D5	654773
Mount Vernon Brewing Company	7 North Main Street	A1C *	6208557
Stein Brewing Company	10 West Vine Street 109 South Main Street	A1C	7639009
Fraternal Order of Eagles	14 West Vine Street	D4	279401107605
Elks Lodge #140 Mount Vernon	23 Public Square	D4	089840101405

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HOURS OF OPERATION & QUALIFYING EVENTS

The City of Mount Vernon requires that each DORA event receive approval from Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee. Each event will be reviewed by Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee before being passed to City of Mount Vernon for approval. Approval requirements may differ between events depending on size, layout, use of right of way, and programming/mission of event. Every DORA event will be thoroughly reviewed by Main Street Mount Vernon DORA committee to guarantee sufficient sanitation, signage, and public safety requirements are established. The following components will all be addressed in the approval process:

- Portable Restroom Need
- Handicap Accessibility
- Trash Management
- Pedestrian Mobility
- Public Safety Ingress
- Public Safety Egress
- Crowd Control
- Event Boundary Management
- Additional Security/Fire & EMS Requirements

Event organizers may be required to pay for overtime for public services/safety workers or for special duty officers to guarantee appropriate public health and safety requirements.

In accordance with O.R.C. 4301.82, the dates and hours of operation for the DORA are:
Hours of Operation: **ONLY DURING CITY APPROVED EVENTS** between April 1-October 31, Monday-Friday 4pm-11:59pm & Saturday, 11am-11:59pm.

DORA Special Events ***MAY*** include:

- Rotary Brewhaha (1)
- Kokosing River Brewfest (1)
- Pub Crawls (4)
- Night Out on the Town (up to 4)
- First Friday After Dark (1-2)
- Johnny Appleseed Apple Festival (1)
- Movie Night (2)
- Sidewalk Sale (1)
- Fall Merchant's Market (1)

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

In accordance with ORC 4301.82(B)(5), the proposed requirements for the purpose of ensuring public safety within the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area are as follows:

The Mount Vernon Police Department and Mount Vernon Fire Department will be responsible for providing public safety within the DORA through law enforcement and fire/EMS services.

Responsibilities of Law Enforcement

The Mount Vernon Police Department is located within the DORA boundary. The Mount Vernon Police Department will be responsible for law enforcement services within the DORA. The on-duty supervisor shall ensure that the appropriate attention is provided to a DORA event, assigning a uniformed officer to the DORA as part of their routine patrol route.

The Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee will communicate with MVPD to allow appropriate time for measures to be taken. In the event that an above-average number of people are expected for a DORA event, the Chief of Police and Police Captain may have additional officers and/or other agency personnel assigned specifically to the DORA.

In the event that a larger than normal crowd begins to form at a DORA event taking place, the on-duty supervisor may assign additional officers and/or assign an officer to specifically patrol the DORA.

The use of bicycle patrol, foot patrol and other forms of routine patrol will be considered as alternate methods.

The current Active Shooter Procedures will be made available to all Event Organizers upon approval of event application.

Responsibilities of Fire/EMS

The Mount Vernon Fire Department (Station 491) is currently located just outside the DORA boundary. The Mount Vernon Fire Department will be responsible for Fire, Rescue, and EMS within the DORA. Estimated response time would be between two and four minutes to any area within the DORA.

The Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee will communicate with the Mount Vernon Fire Department to allow time for appropriate measures to be taken. In the event that an above-average number of people are expected for a DORA event, the Fire Chief may stage personnel and/or equipment in a location within or near the DORA to allow for an immediate response.

Other Measures Being Taken

Establishments will require servers to complete online/in-person alcohol server knowledge training and bystander intervention training to help maintain safety in our community. Certificates will be held in employee files.

All DORA events will feature 6 prevention signs located throughout the event space. Signs are designed by and purchased by local prevention coalition, Knox Substance Abuse Action Team.

Public Health and Safety are utmost importance; therefore, DORA events will set aside $1 per sale of cup for local prevention efforts.

DORA events MUST BE APPROVED by Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee to occur. After receiving DORA event application, Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee will communicate with City of Mount Vernon through means of the Parade/Event Application Form located on the City of Mount Vernon website.

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SANITATION

In accordance with ORC 4301.82(B)(5), the proposed requirements for the purpose of ensuring public health within the DORA are as follows:

City of Mount Vernon Street Department will be responsible for trash collection, street sweeping and routine maintenance. The City will also be responsible for maintaining Public Square.

Existing trash receptacles will be used for trash collection purposes only. Temporary waste and recycling bins may be available to Event Organizers (provided by Main Street Mount Vernon) upon request. Event Organizer will be required to submit a sanitation plan with DORA event application to be reviewed by Main Street Mount Vernon DORA Committee to include clean up following event.

Main Street Mount Vernon will be responsible for maintaining beautification efforts through landscaping, litter pick-up, weeding, plantings, and other streetscape responsibilities.

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City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

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Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Scoles, Woods
Category: Community Relations
Prepared By: Lindsay Hoar
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2386

RESOLUTION 2021-82

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON STRATEGIC PLAN AS A STATEMENT OF THE CITY'S VALUES AND GUIDE FOR FUTURE LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE PRIORITIES.

WHEREAS, in September of 2020 the City began the process of developing its first strategic plan by establishing the Strategic Planning Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City engaged with over 500 citizens, youth, business leaders, non-profit leaders, government officials, and city employees through focus group sessions and surveys; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Planning Steering Committee incorporated feedback from those focus group sessions and surveys into the Mount Vernon Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to provide guidance to its citizens, leaders, staff, and elected officials by adopting its vision statement, mission statement, values and guiding principles; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Strategic Plan outlines the unique characteristics of the City of Mount Vernon and its residents and their needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio adopts the Mount Vernon Strategic Plan, which is attached as an exhibit to this Resolution, as a guide for future legislative and administrative priorities within the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

RESULT:	**FIRST READING**	**Next: 9/13/2021 7:30 PM**

Mount Vernon Strategic Plan
Phase I

AUGUST 5, 2021

Mount Vernon

An Innovative Community; Authentically Hometo

Attachment: Mount Vernon Strategic Plan Phase I (2021-82 : Strategic Plan)

August 5, 2021

To the Stewards of the City of Mount Vernon,

In the words of Yogi Berra, "If you don't know where you're going, you might end up someplace else." With those words in mind, the City of Mount Vernon, in late 2020, started the process of developing its first strategic plan. City leaders understand that in order to move the City forward in a focused way it must work to identify the community's needs, values, and priorities.

To accomplish this goal, the City commissioned eight, all-volunteer focus groups comprised of citizens, youth, business leaders, non-profit leaders, and government officials. Two comprehensive surveys were also distributed to local residents and City employees with 473 respondents. The data gathered through this process was evaluated by the Strategic Planning Steering Committee to develop this Phase I Strategic Plan.

The Steering Committee consisted of selected members of the different focus groups. Along with the City Auditor and City Law Director, who served as the City's senior advisors, they met over the course of a year and were tasked with developing the City's Mission, Vision, Values, and Guiding Principles. Grounded in stakeholder input and community guidance, this plan will serve as a compass for City leaders to identify and prioritize specific goals, programs, projects, and initiatives.

City leaders also developed a tagline to help reflect the values of this community by marrying the past with the future. *Mount Vernon: An Innovative Community; Authentically Hometown* captured commonly-shared sentiments of stakeholders from the different focus groups. Our appreciation for our history along with our aspiration to modernize offers a balance of care and protection for our core values that make Mount Vernon a special place on Earth.

Looking forward to the accomplishments that will come forth as a result of this collective planning effort, I am grateful to those who offered insight and input into this creation. I would especially like to thank Rick Dzik, our City's Safety-Service Director for guiding, summarizing, and coordinating this process in helping the City decide on our common goals and guiding philosophy. His skillful leadership is invaluable to the City.

Onward,

Matthew T. Starr
Mayor, City of Mount Vernon

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Vision

This vision statement highlights what we want to be in the future.

Mount Vernon will be a premier city, with historic hometown values, for a diverse group of citizens, visitors, and businesses ensuring safety and opportunity for all through innovative and fiscally responsible services.

Mission

This mission statement is a challenge and a reminder to City leaders and staff of what we promise to our citizens, visitors, businesses, and other stakeholders.

Mount Vernon is dedicated to providing modern city services with an emphasis on continual improvement, customer service, and equitable laws that support our citizens and visitors while retaining and attracting investors in our community.

Values

The values of the City of Mount Vernon represent those qualities and characteristics most essential to our community.

Collaboration

Innovation

Inclusivity

Equity

Stewardship

Hometown Character

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Guiding Principles

The guiding principles for the City are specific, actionable priorities for the near term. They represent the key areas of focus for our City over the next five to seven years. Departmental and legislative initiatives will be prioritized based on these needs.

#1 Foster a collaborative environment that is supportive of business and economic growth through fair, efficient, and transparent regulatory processes.

#2 Support public safety and criminal justice through skilled and diverse hiring, modern facilities and equipment, and investment in staff and training.

#3 Embark on modern and diverse options while maintaining and improving mobility and interconnectedness of neighborhoods when designing transportation infrastructure.

#4 Ensure resources to provide affordable access to modern, safe, and efficient utilities while promoting sustainable lifecycle management and strategic expansion of services.

#5 Collaboratively support a vibrant, active, and livable hometown community through world class parks, recreational opportunities, arts and entertainment, and a thriving historic downtown.

#6 Through initiatives such as streamlined development processes, innovative zoning, and strategic incentives the City will support policies to ensure safe, abundant and attainable quality housing.

#7 Continue to act in stewardship of the public interest through enhanced public communication, implementation of innovative solutions, ongoing professional development of the workforce, and efficient, effective, and fiscally responsible governance.

Attachment: Mount Vernon Strategic Plan Phase I (2021-82 : Strategic Plan)

Next Steps

With this guidance, City leaders will embark on Phase II of the City's strategic plan. This process includes prioritization of existing programs and projects in alignment with these values and guiding principles. It will also include identification of new initiatives to support the community's current and future needs.

Each City department will be tasked with development of their goals, strategies, projects, programs, and performance metrics to support the priorities outlined in this document.

Attachment: Mount Vernon Strategic Plan Phase I (2021-82 : Strategic Plan)

Acknowledgements

The Mayor would like to thank the following community members for their time and input for this Strategic Plan. One of Mount Vernon's greatest strengths is its active and involved citizens.

Steering Committee Members

Bob Boss, Regional President, Park National Bank
Rob Broeren, Law Director, City of Mount Vernon
Jeff Gottke, President, Knox County Area Development Foundation
Jen Odenweller, Executive Director, Ariel Foundation
Samantha Scoles, Councilwoman, City of Mount Vernon
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City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

ADOPTED

Meeting: 08/23/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Fire, Police and Civil Defense
Seavolt, Scoles
Category: Police
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2370 A

ORDINANCE 2021-30

AN ORDINANCE TO CALCULATE THE AGE OF APPLICANTS WITH PRIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE FOR ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Ohio Constitution grants certain Home Rule powers to municipalities, including all powers of local self-government and to adopt and enforce within their limits such local police, sanitary and other similar regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon has seen a decrease in the number of applicants for original appointment to the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon wishes to increase the number of persons seeking original appointment to the Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: Applicants over thirty-five (35) years old will be considered for an original appointment to City of Mount Vernon Police Department if they are a current certified OPOTA law enforcement officer and are currently employed full time in a law enforcement capacity as a peace officer as defined in section 2535.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. An applicant who meets the listed criteria shall have their years of service with the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, Ohio Public Employment Retirement System - Law Enforcement, and/or Ohio Highway Patrol Retirement System deducted from their age at the time of application with the City. If their age minus years of service is thirty-five (35) or less, they will be entitled to apply. The maximum credit of years of eligible service given to any candidate will be fifteen (15) years.

HISTORY:

07/26/21	**City Council**	**FIRST READING**
08/09/21	**City Council**	**SECOND READING**

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Janis Seavolt, At Large
SECONDER:	Samantha Scoles, First Ward
AYES:	Francis, Hillier, Seavolt, Scoles, Woods, Warga, Keener

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City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

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Category: Planning and Zoning
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
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ORDINANCE 2021-34

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER 1185 - PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON

Now, therefore be it Ordained by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio, Knox County, State of Ohio that:

Section 1. That Chapter 1158 of the Codified Ordinances be amended to add the following section:

1158.21 PCDD PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

The purpose of the Planned Commercial Development District is to encourage and provide for freedom of design and arrangement of commercial units as an alternative to traditional industrial parks by allowing integration of different types of commercial uses within the same facility or area.

Section 2: That Chapter 1185 of the Codified Ordinances be created as follows:

CHAPTER 1185 - PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

1185.01 PERMITTED AND CONDITIONAL USES.

(a) Permitted Uses in the Planned Commercial Development District are:

(1) Permitted uses in the M-1A Light Manufacturing District including the exceptions found in Ord. 1169.01 (b)(22) Nonferrous foundries, Ord. 1169.01 (b)(34) Sawmills, planing mill, pallet mills and yards, Ord. 1169.01 (c)(20) Chemicals and allied products, Ord. 1169.01 (c)(21) Petroleum and petroleum products and Ord. 1169.01 (c)(23) Supply yards, with the exception of supply yards where all operations and storage of finished goods or raw materials are stored within an enclosed building.

(2) Permitted uses in the GB General Business District.

(b) Conditional Uses in the Planned Commercial Development District are: Conditional Uses in the GB General Business District.

1185.02 ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES.

Accessory uses and structures, customarily incidental to the permitted uses, are hereby permitted subject to the same yard, height, bulk, location and other requirements imposed on the principal permitted or conditionally permitted use in the District.

1185.03 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS.

(a) Lot Requirements in the Planned Commercial Development District are:

(1) Minimum lot area: None.

(2) Minimum lot width: None.

(3) Minimum front yard: The building line shall be determined by computing the average building setbacks for existing structures along the same block face. The setback line can be waived or modified by the Planning Commission for special design features such as arcades or special window details.

(4) Minimum side yard: For interior lots, none. For corner lots, five feet for any new structure.

(5) Minimum rear yard: All service and delivery areas shall be to the rear of the use, except when no rear access is available.

(6) Maximum lot coverage: The Planning Commission may require that at least five percent (5%) of the lot area, exclusive of publicly dedicated rights-of-way, shall be devoted to yard space, courtyard or pedestrian space. Service or delivery areas shall not be included in determining such yard space requirements.

(b) Building Requirements in the Planned Commercial Development District are: Maximum height: Sixty feet.

(c) Site Development Requirements in the Planned Commercial Development District are:

(1) Parking requirements: The Planning Commission shall determine the nature and extent to which compliance with the provisions of Chapter 1174 is necessary.

(2) All other regulations of this Zoning Ordinance must be satisfied.

(3) Trash and litter shall be controlled pursuant to Ord. 11173.15.

(4) The development of pedestrian facilities shall be encouraged. Such facilities include the development of pedestrian access ways to rear parking areas, outdoor sitting areas, and planters. Outdoor benches and planters shall be similar in design and material and be compatible with the existing character and architectural theme in the Planned Commercial Development District.

1185.04 PROCEDURES FOR DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL.

Land within a Planned Commercial Development District shall not be developed until a comprehensive development plan has first been approved as provided in this section.

(a) Application and Development Plan. An application shall be filed seeking approval of the Planning Commission, together with five copies of a comprehensive development plan including the elements provided for in Section 1185.03 and any additional information required by the Planning Commission and Council, and a development approval fee as provided under Section 1153.14 .

(b) Procedure for Approval. The secretary of the Planning Commission shall submit the application, and the comprehensive development plan to the Planning Commission, the Engineering Department and other staff members, for its review and recommendations. In determining the acceptability of the comprehensive development plan, the Planning Commission shall consider all relevant factors including setbacks, distances between buildings, yard space, suitability of open space systems, traffic accessibility, and other elements having a bearing on the overall acceptability of the comprehensive development plan as it relates to the orderly development of land within the City. The Planning Commission shall forward its recommendations to Council for final approval or denial. Council may return the application to the Planning Commission for further study if additional information or facts are presented to Council that were not available to the Planning Commission. If the application and comprehensive development plan are approved they shall be considered binding conditions upon which development may proceed.

(c) The Development Plan as a Binding Condition. Development shall be in conformance with the comprehensive development plan and construction of site improvements must be commenced within two years of Council approval, otherwise no development of the land shall take place until a new comprehensive development plan is approved pursuant to this section. With the approval of the Planning Commission, minor modifications of the approved comprehensive development plan may be made. Such modification shall not increase the overall density of the site or change the essential character of the approved plan. If the Planning Commission determines that such proposed changes significantly alter the approved plan, the plan must be resubmitted to Council for approval. Development of land shall not proceed prior to final approval of the comprehensive development plan. Any development undertaken without such final approval is in violation of this Zoning Ordinance and an abatable nuisance.

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