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September 8, 2021

Mount Vernon City Council Committee Meeting Schedule September 13, 2021

6:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Cooper Progress Park Zoning	Planning & Zoning Hillier
6:55 – 7:15 p.m.	Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) – Public Meeting	Planning & Zoning Hillier
7:30 p.m.	City Council Legislative Meeting	Ref: Agenda

The above listed meeting will be held to discuss the above items; but will not be limited to those listed.
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**City Council
Legislative Session**

Agenda

**September 13, 2021
7:30 PM**

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Cooper Progress Park Zoning
Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA)-Public Meeting
City Council Legislative Meeting

MEETING WILL RECESS UNTIL 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

Rev. George Small, retired elder in the Church of the Nazarene

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ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- City Council - Legislative Session - Aug 23, 2021 7:30 PM

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Employee and Community Rel.: Scoles, Woods

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Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

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Finance and Budget: Francis, Hillier

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Planning and Zoning: Hillier, Keener

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READINGORDINANCE NO. 2021-35

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Employee and Community Rel.: Scoles, Woods

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Employee and Community Rel.: Scoles, Woods

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-37

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PARCELS AT COOPER PROGRESS PARK AND SHELLMAR FROM THEIR PRESENT ZONING TO PCDD - PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Planning and Zoning: Hillier, Keener

REMARKS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION**REMARKS FROM COUNCIL****ADJOURN AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT**



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2021-81

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Planning and Zoning
Hillier, Keener
Category: Planning and Zoning
Prepared By: Lindsay Hoar
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
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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).

HISTORY:

08/23/21

City Council

FIRST READING

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.

**Application to the
City of Mount Vernon
City Council:
Mount Vernon
Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area
O.R.C. 4301.82**



Attachment: DORA Attachments (2021-81 : Designating Outdoor Refreshment Area)



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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.

NATURE OF ESTABLISHMENT (PARCELS AND BUSINESSES)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT</u>
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
Zelkowitz, 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 Insurance 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
United 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 North Main Street	Health
Ogle Family Practice	206 South Mulberry Street	Health

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 North 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

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.



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



Attachment: DORA Attachments (2021-81 : Designating Outdoor Refreshment Area)

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QUALIFIED PERMIT HOLDERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Permit Class</u>	<u>Permit No.</u>
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)

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.

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.



City Council
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SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2021-82

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Scoles, Woods
 Category: Community Relations
 Prepared By: Lindsay Hoar
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**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.

HISTORY:

08/23/21

City Council

FIRST READING

Mount Vernon Strategic Plan Phase I

AUGUST 5, 2021



Mount Vernon

An Innovative Community; Authentically Hometown

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

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

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.

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.

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
 Terry Scott, Auditor, City of Mount Vernon
 Bill Seder, Superintendent, Mount Vernon City Schools
 Dr. Henry W. Spaulding II, President, Mount Vernon Nazarene University
 Matthew Starr, Mayor, City of Mount Vernon
 Bruce White, Chief Executive Officer, Knox Community Hospital
 Alex Wright, Director of Operations, Ariel Corporation

Focus Group Participants

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Greg Bemiller	Carrie Haver	Mark Ramser
Lisa Brown	Bruce Hawkins	Kim Rose
Christy Byrom	Mary Jo Hawkins	Jeffrey Scott
Chad Christopher	Dena Hess McKinstry	Cheryl Splain
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Colleen Clarkson	Tom Hinkle	Dave Stuller
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Sam Filkins	Matthew Kurtz	Shannon Treisch
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Zach Green	Christine Moretz	
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Strategic Planning Facilitator

Richard Dzik, Safety Service Director, City of Mount Vernon



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2021-83

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 3398 A

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 101.1788.54116, Electronic Monitoring, to Account 101.1788.54112, Drug Testing, in the amount of \$4,000.00.
2. Transfer from Account 101.1788.54113, Alcohol Testing, to Account 101.1788.54112, Drug Testing, in the amount of \$5,964.50.
3. Transfer from Account 101.1788.53115, Transportation, to Account 101.1788.51111, Probation Officer, in the amount of \$3,009.87.
4. Transfer from Account 101.1788.52123, Workers' Compensation, to Account 101.1788.52125, Employee Insurance, in the amount of \$929.40.

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.



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City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Scoles, Woods
Category: Appointment
Prepared By: Todd Hill
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 3390 A

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2021-84

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING SIBLEY POLAND TO THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON'S
MEMBERSHIP IN THE KNOX COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION; AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon desires to participate with the Knox County Regional Planning Commission in the implementation of a plan for the orderly development growth of the City and to establish an attractive region within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of Mount Vernon desires to provide its residents, the services of the Knox County Regional Planning Commission to promote the public health, safety, convenience, comfort, prosperity and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Mount Vernon.

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

SECTION 1: That the following be the citizen member to the Knox County Regional Planning Commission to represent the municipality, fulfilling the unexpired term of Amber Keener for the remainder of 2021:

Citizen Member

Sibley Poland
307 North Gay Street
Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050
740-485-0502

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 providing continuous representation of the City on the Regional Planning 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.



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2021-85

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Todd Hill
DOC ID: 3397

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 101.1785.51111, Probation Officer, in the amount of \$55,000.00.
2. To Account 101.1785.52121, P.E.R.S., in the amount of \$8,500.00
3. To Account 101.1785.52123, Workers' Compensation, in the amount of \$750.00.
4. To Account 101.1785.52125, Employee Insurance, in the amount of \$15,000.00.
5. To Account 101.1785.52126, Medicare, in the amount of \$900.00.
6. To Account 101.1785.53111, Supplies, in the amount of \$150.00.
7. To Account 101.1785.53113, Communications, in the amount of \$900.00.
8. To Account 101.1785.53115, Transportation, in the amount of \$700.00.
9. To Account 101.1785.54311, Staff Training/Development, in the amount of \$1,750.00.
10. To Account 101.1785.53214, Maintenance & Repair-Vehicle, in the amount of \$300.00
11. To Account 101.1785.54112, Drug Testing, in the amount of \$10,000.00.
12. To Account 101.1785.54113, Alcohol Testing, in the amount of \$3,000.00.
13. To Account 101.1785.54115, Testing Supplies, in the amount of \$750.00.
14. To Account 101.1785.54116, Electronic Monitoring, in the amount of \$6,000.00.

- 15.To Account 101.1785.54118, Counseling, in the amount of \$40,000.00.
- 16.To Account 101.1785.54119, Educational Supplies, in the amount of \$850.00.
- 17.To Account 101.1785.54120, Transportation Passes, in the amount of \$400.00.
(Justice and Rehabilitation Incentive Grant - FY 2021-2023)
- 18.To Account 204.3100.52126, Medicare, in the amount of \$1,000.00
(Ohio Embalmers & Funeral Directors-Burial Relief Reimbursements)
- 19.To Account 301.1300.54484, Transfer Water Liens, in the amount of \$34,718.77.
(Exceeded Estimated Revenue for 2021)

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.



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION 2021-86

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Finance and Budget
Francis, Hillier
Category: Finance
Prepared By: Terry Scott
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2389 A

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.28, has adopted a modified Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission, has certified its action thereon to this Council together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Council, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill limitation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio, that the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification are hereby accepted;

SECTION 1: The following levies are hereby placed upon the tax duplicate of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio at the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation:

SCHEDULE A

Summary of amounts required from General Property Tax approved by the Budget Commission and County Auditor's Estimated Tax Rates:

	Amount to be derived from Levies Inside <u>10 Mill Limitation</u>	County Auditor Est. of Tax Rate to be Levied Inside <u>10 Mill Limitation</u>
General Fund	\$ 891,400.00	2.60
Police Pension	103,200.00	.30
Fire Pension	103,200.00	.30

TOTALS	\$1,097,800.00	3.20
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SCHEDULE B

Levies outside 10 Mill limitation, exclusive of debt levies.

SECTION 2: The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Knox County Auditor.

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 certifications of tax rates are due to the County Auditor by October 1 pursuant to Revised Code Section 5705.34, 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.



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2021-34

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Planning and Zoning
Hillier, Keener
Category: Planning and Zoning
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 2388 A

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.

HISTORY:

08/23/21

City Council

FIRST READING



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

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ORDINANCE 2021-35

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
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Scoles, Woods
Category: Unions
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 3396

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT OF BARGAINING UNIT
EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO ARE
MEMBERS OF THE CERTIFIED UNITS KNOWN AS POLICE LIEUTENANTS AND
SERGEANTS AND PATROL OFFICERS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, an agreement has been entered into between the City of Mount Vernon and the Fraternal Order of Police representing two bargaining units in the Police Department. Those bargaining units are:

- (1) Police Lieutenants and Sergeants
- (2) Patrol Officers

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

SECTION 1: That this Ordinance amends the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Mount Vernon Police Union, Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc., and the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio covering the term January 1 to December 31, 2021, to include the Memorandum of Understanding regarding lateral hires (attached as Exhibit A) as if fully rewritten, for the listed units.

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 that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government, and further, that this Council deems it imperative that immediate action be taken in order to insure the full staffing of the Mount Vernon Police Department, this 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.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Because the Employer and the Union recognize the difficulty in staffing road patrol positions they agree that the City may hire officers from other law enforcement agencies as “lateral hires”. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into between the City of Mount Vernon (Employer) and the FOP, Ohio Labor Council (Union) for the purpose of permitting officers to be hired laterally. The intention of this MOU is to specify how certain provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between them, covering the term January 1 to December 31, 2021 (SERB case numbers 2020-MED-09-0964, 0965 and 0966) shall apply to laterally hired officers.

The Parties Agree as follows:

1. This MOU shall be incorporated into the CBA referenced above and shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of the Agreement and until a successor agreement has been negotiated between the parties.
2. All articles and sections of the CBA not specifically modified by this MOU as stated below shall continue in full force and effect.
3. Lateral-hire candidates shall be exempt from competitive examination, but shall complete the following requirements prior to selection:
 - A. At the time of application possess and provide for inspection, a current Ohio Peace Officer Training Association (OPOTA) certificate.
 - B. Have prior law enforcement experience of no less than two (2) years of full-time (i.e. working not less than thirty-five hours per week) or no less than five (5) years of part-time (i.e. working not less than an average of sixty hours per month in paid status) or the equivalent combination as determined by the Safety-Service Director.
 - C. Successfully pass a background investigation that includes, but is not limited to:
 1. Pre-employment Physical (in accordance with OP&F)
 2. Psychological evaluation
 3. Polygraph/CVSA
 4. Drug Screen
 - D. Successfully pass or complete any other criteria established by the Safety-Service Director (in consultation with the Civil Service/Merit Administrator and the Chief of Police).

- E. To be credited for prior service for such things as vacation accrual and advance placement on the pay scale, a laterally hired officer shall be required to provide written documentation of prior service as a law enforcement/certified peace officer.
- 4. All hired laterally officers, once hired shall successfully complete an initial probationary period that will begin on the first day for which the employee receives compensation from the City and shall continue for a period of one (1) year.

Notwithstanding the lateral hire, probationary employees may be removed without cause during their initial probationary period. Laterally hired probationary employees may neither join the Union nor file grievances until they have satisfactorily completed their lateral hire Probationary Period, nor shall the probationary period removal be grievable under the contractual grievance and arbitration procedure nor appealable under civil service.

- 5. Seniority, as it is defined in Article 13 of the CBA shall apply to laterally hired officers in the same manner as it applies to all other employees covered by this Agreement. Except however, no seniority of any kind shall include any time worked at another law enforcement agency prior to employment with the Mount Vernon Police Department.
- 6. In the event the City implements a layoff pursuant to Article 14 of the CBA, Departmental Seniority as referenced in Section 14.2 shall apply to lateral hires in the same manner as all other officers.
- 7. Shift Assignment Selection as it described in Section 18.6 shall apply to laterally hired officers in the same manner as it applies to all other employees covered by this Agreement. For purposes of shift bidding, departmental seniority shall be as it is defined in Article 13 of the CBA.
- 8. Upon hire laterally hired officers shall be granted forty-four (44) hours of vacation that can be used in their first year of employment with Mount Vernon Police Department. At the end of their first year, they shall be granted an additional forty-four (44) hours of vacation. At the end of their second year, they shall accrue vacation pursuant to the vacation accrual schedule in Section 23.1 of the CBA, while receiving credit toward their vacation accrual on a 1-year for 1-year basis, based on their placement on the wage scale per paragraph 10 below, not to exceed 5 years.

9. Personal Leave as specified in Article 24 of the CBA shall apply to laterally hired officers.
10. At the discretion of the City, laterally hired officers may be placed in a step on the wage scale based on full time experience but shall not exceed the top patrol wage level of 5 years. Upon their anniversary date of hire, laterally hired officers shall advance to the next step.
11. Longevity, as it is specified in Article 35 of the CBA shall apply to laterally hired officers but shall be based only on completed years of service with the Mount Vernon Police Department. Prior service at any other law enforcement agency shall not be considered when computing longevity per Article 35.
12. Except as provided in this MOU all other rights and benefits provided in the CBA shall also apply to laterally hired officers.

Date: _____

For the City of Mount Vernon:

**For the Fraternal Order of Police,
Ohio Labor Council, Inc.:**

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor

Andrea H. Johan, Senior Staff Representative

Richard S. Dzik
Safety-Service Director

Jeremiah Armstrong, Union Bargaining
Committee Member (Patrol Officers)

Terry Scott, Auditor

Tyler Berger, Union Bargaining
Committee Member (Patrol Officers)

Robert K. Morgan, Chief of Police

Justin Trowbridge Union Bargaining
Committee Member (Patrol Officers)

MOUNT VERNON P.D.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

LATERAL HIRES

Jonathan J. Downes, Esq.
Labor Council

Qade Lewis, Union Bargaining
Committee Member (Sergeants & Lieutenants)

Attachment: Ex A - MVRPD FOP MOU re lateral hires (2021-35 : FOP MOU Re Lateral Hires)



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City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Employee and Community Rel.
Scoles, Woods
Category: Personnel
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 3395

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2021-36

AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO TEMPORARILY INCREASE THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES IN A DEPARTMENT IN THE EVENT OF A PLANNED RETIREMENT OR SEPARATION FROM SERVICE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1: In the event there is a planned retirement or separation from service in a City department overseen by the Safety-Service Director, and to ensure efficient and uninterrupted City operations, the Safety-Service Director may, for no longer that sixty (60) days, increase the permanent staffing of the department effected by the planned retirement or separation from service by one position per expected vacancy. This increase in staffing shall not increase the funds allocated for the effected department.

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 that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government, and further that this Council deems it necessary to temporarily increase staffing to provide effective and efficient City services, the 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.



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

SCHEDULED

ORDINANCE 2021-37

Meeting: 09/13/21 7:30 PM
Dept: Planning and Zoning
Hillier, Keener
Category: Planning and Zoning
Prepared By: Rob Broeren
Initiator: Lindsay Hoar
DOC ID: 3394

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PARCELS AT COOPER PROGRESS PARK AND SHELLMAR FROM THEIR PRESENT ZONING TO PCDD - PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of Mount Vernon has received application for rezoning certain property within the City of Mount Vernon;

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 the following parcels located in the City of Mount Vernon:

<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>PROPOSED ZONING</u>
66-09971.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-09972.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01259.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01264.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01266.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01280.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01281.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01282.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01283.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01284.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-01294.000 (CPP)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District
66-02514.000 (Shellmar)	PCDD - Planned Commercial Development District

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.

SECTION 3: 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 that an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various departments of the municipal government, and further, that this Council deems it imperative that immediate action be taken in order to allow the immediate economic redevelopment of these parcels, the 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.