



City Council Regular Meeting
The City of Kent, Ohio
Wednesday, October 20, 2021

At 7:30 p.m., Mayor Jerry T. Fiala called the **Regular Meeting of Kent City Council** to order. Roll was taken.

PRESENT: Mr. Jack Amrhein; Mr. Michael DeLeone; Mr. Garret Ferrara; Mr. John Kuhar; Ms. Gwen Rosenberg; Ms. Heidi Shaffer Bish; Mr. Robin Turner; Ms. Tracy Wallach; Mr. Roger Sidoti

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Jerry T. Fiala, Mayor and President of Council; Mr. Dave Ruller, City Manager; Ms. Hope Jones, Law Director; Ms. Bridget Susel, Community Development Director; Ms. Melanie Baker, Service Director; Ms. Joan Seidel, Health Commissioner; Ms. Rhonda Hall, Budget and Finance Director; Mr. Gary Bishop, IT Manager; Mr. Bill Myers, Fire Chief; Ms. Suzanne Sternnock, HR Manager; Ms. Amy Wilkens, Clerk of Council

Mayor Fiala called upon Councilmember DeLeone for opening remarks. There were no councilman comments and Mr. DeLeone asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF September 15, 2021, Work Session Minutes of September 15, 2021, Regular City Council Meeting of September 15, 2021, Democracy Day Public Hearing of October 6, 2021, DORA Expansion Public Hearing of October 6, 2021, and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of October 6, 2021 made by Mr. DeLeone, SECONDED by Mr. Kuhar and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

Communication:

Public Comment: There were three visitors signed in to speak at the meeting.

Mayor Fiala read the following statement:

"While the law does not require Council to provide time for public comment, we have historically invited the public to make comments and we appreciate their input. This is the time where residents and others can comment on matters that concern them. However, we will not engage in debate, and as President of Council, I reserve the right to end any public communication that is disruptive, embarrassment, harassment or otherwise objectionable. We ask that give your name and address and limit comments to three (3) minutes."

1. Ms. Barb Hipsman Springer approached the podium introduced herself to Council. She referenced a letter that was sent to Council in regards to the 43 acres near

Allerton and the proposed development. She would like for this to be on Council's radar. A Request for Information and a Request for Qualification have gone out. She added that this is a transformational situation, with 43 acres being in the middle of town. It is the University's land but will be leased to a developer. The question she has for City Council is where they fit in. There are going to be a thousand voters located there and will end up changing the whole face of that end of town. She encouraged Council to look into who is involved and if they have the City's best interest in mind. She has been out to Portland with her husband, Bob Springer, a lot recently to visit their two daughters who live there, and have done a lot of work looking at multi-generational housing. Bigger things such as this can make a sub community within Kent but if they just build ranch houses, where does that go? This is your last chance in the city of Kent to do something transformational. The University can say whatever it wants, it is not student housing. They will rent the land to whatever developer wins the bid. Two of the original companies involved have backed out due to it not being enough money to plan with. She is asking Council to take another look at it and attend the meeting next Wednesday night at 6:00pm at the KSU Rec Center.

2. Judge Mark Fankhauser of 1421 River Trail approached the podium to speak to Council. Judge Fankhauser introduced his wife who was in the office. He came to Council to discuss his qualifications as a trial judge, speak on the endorsements of his work and to ask to be reelected in his role as Judge. His main goal as a judge is to treat people in the courtroom fairly and justly and that is what he has done for the past twelve years. He is a judge who knows the law, follows the law and upholds the law. He thanked everyone for their support and asked that they vote in the November election.
3. Judge Kevin Poland approached the podium and thanked Council the opportunity to address them. They have been going around to different communities to address Councils. He believes experience matters, having 35 years of practicing law. He was on Ravenna City Council for nineteen years with the last 12 years as Council President and then Mayor for four years. Between him and Judge Fankhauser they have handled in excess of 165,000 cases. He believes justice is not something that isn't just given, but something that you need to work at. He believes he has a reputation of being fair and impartial. He loves his job and hopes to continue doing it after November 2nd.

Written Communications were reported by Clerk Wilkens and placed on file in the Clerk's office as follows:

1. Civil Service Commission Meeting Agenda for September 20, 2021 received September 16, 2021.
2. Letter of Insufficiency that was sent to the Committee for Sensible Marijuana Laws was forwarded to Council Members on September 20, 2021.
3. Proclamation of Population Certificate from the Ohio Secretary of State, Frank LaRose, indicating the municipality has a population of more than

5,000 persons and continues with its City status (population 28, 215) received on September 20, 2021.

4. Design Guideline document created in October 2009 received from Mr. Doug Fuller and forwarded to Council on September 20, 2021.
5. Standing Rock Cemetery Board meeting minutes from September 9, 2021 received on September 23, 2021.
6. Health Board minutes and Statistical Report from September 14, 2021 and Agenda for October 12, 2021 received on October 8, 2021.
7. Planning Commission Agenda and Staff Report for October 19, 2021 received on October 12, 2021.
8. Liquor License Transfer Request from Beer Bins LLC dba Beer Bins to G108 Ventures LLC, DBA Garage 108 received on August 25, 2021. Chief Shearer did not have any objections.

MOTION TO RETURN THE LIQUOR LICENSE WITH NO OBJECTION MADE by Mr. Kuhar
SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

Communication received after the agenda was published:

1. Parks and Recreation October Board Report received on Monday, October 18, 2021.
2. Email from Barbara Hipsman Springer urging Council Members to attend a meeting on October 27, 2021 at the KSU Recreation Center regarding the Intergenerational Community being planned at the former Allerton apartment site received on October 20, 2021.

City Manager's Report was called for by Mayor Fiala.

1. Request Council's authorization to spend \$500 for food supplies for the public safety crews that will be working the Halloween shifts.
2. Request Committee of the Whole time for Council to interview candidates for vacant positions on City Boards and Commissions.
3. Request Committee of the Whole time to allow Dana Lawless Andrick from KSU to provide Council with an update on the status of town gown projects.
4. Request Committee of the Whole time to provide an update on the status of the new City Hall bids.
5. Request Community Development Committee time to present a request to consider an appeal of an ARB decision impacting a t-shirt business.
6. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to present an amendment to the City's Ordinance regulating food trucks in Kent.
7. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to report on the status of the City's recycling contract with Portage County and to receive Council's guidance on the provision of curbside recycling services in Kent.
8. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to present his annual capital projects update.

9. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to obtain Council's approval to submit a grant funding request for the East Main Street improvement project.
10. Request Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee time to obtain Council's approval to submit a grant funding request for the next phase Portage Hike & Bike Trail project.
11. Request Finance Committee time to present the proposed 2022-26 Capital Improvement Plan for Council's authorization
12. Request Finance Committee time for Council's authorization to officially request the advancement of taxes from Portage County.
13. Request Finance Committee time to present Council with the bid results and recommendations for the City's approved depository institutions

MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS #1-13 OF THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, made by Mr. Amrhein SECONDED by Mr. Ferrara and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0-0.

STANDING COMMITTEES/ LEGISLATION

1) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

NO MEETING MINUTES OR RECOMMENDED ACTION

2) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES AND THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS OF OCTOBER 6, 2021 made by Mr. Kuhar SECONDED Mr. Ferrara by and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-1-01 with Mr. Amrhein voting "NO".

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- 1) Approve the appeal of Garage 108 to allow for the use of a backlit business sign on the front of the building.

3) HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES AND RECOMMENDED ACTIONS of OCTOBER 6, 2021 MADE BY Mr. Amrhein SECONDED Mr. Ferrara by and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0-0.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- 1) Authorize the proposal to provide dispatch services to Brimfield Township.
- 2) Authorize the expansion of the DORA boundaries to include 310 Park Ave. and 115 Lake Street.

Draft No. 2021-103 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE CONTRACT WITH THE BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING 911 DISPATCH SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. Kuhar. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-103 made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-103 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-104 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DOWNTOWN KENT DORA TO EXPAND THE BOUNDARIES TO INCLUDE TWO NEW BUSINESSES LOCATED AT 310 PARK AVENUE AND 115 LAKE STREET, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-104 made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Ms. Shaffer Bish. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-104 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

4) LAND USE COMMITTEE

NO MEETING MINUTES OR RECOMMENDED ACTION

5) STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES of OCTOBER 6, 2021 MADE BY Mr. Sidoti, SECONDED Mr. DeLeone by and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS of OCTOBER 6, 2021 made by Mr. Sidoti, SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- 1) Authorize the application for a grant through the State Highway Safety Program for a study to improve Gougler and River Streets
- 2) Authorize the license agreement with 257 N. Water Street for a patio.
- 3) Authorize the renewal of the water tower easement agreement with Kent State University

Draft No. 2021-105 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KENT TO SUBMIT A HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM (HSP) GRANT TOTALING \$230,843 TO IMPROVE RIVER AND GOUGLER STREETS, TO EXECUTE THE SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT), AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANT, IF AWARDED, WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-105 made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-105 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-106 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND 257 NORTH WATER, LTD. (257 NORTH WATER STREET) TO INSTALL A FENCED OUTDOOR PATIO TO EXPAND THE SERVICE AT THEIR DOWNTOWN LOCATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-106 made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-106 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-107 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO RENEW THE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FROM THE STATE OF OHIO (DAS FILE NO. 3180-A-2) ON BEHALF OF THE KENT STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE CITY'S TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND THE EXPANDED USE OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-107 made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-107 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

6) FINANCE COMMITTEE

MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES of OCTOBER 6, 2021 MADE BY Mr. DeLeone, SECONDED Mr. Sidoti by and CARRIED by a voice vote of 8-0-1 with Ms. Wallach abstaining.

MOTION TO APPROVE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS of OCTOBER 6, 2021 made by Mr. DeLeone, SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

- 1) Approve the 2021 Budget Appropriations Amendment
- 2) Authorize the approval of the new TIF Agreements.
- 3) Authorize proceeding with bond issues to finance the new City Hall project.
- 4) Authorize the advertisement, bidding and selection of the City's bank depository.
- 5) Approve the ODH Workforce Grant acceptance and allocation.

Draft No. 2021-108 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-129, THE CURRENT APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, PASSED DECEMBER 16, 2020; SO AS TO ADJUST APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND ADVANCES FROM THE VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE CITY OF KENT TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized) was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-108 made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, October 20, 2021

Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-108 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-109 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING A DAVEY TREE EXPANSION PROJECT MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. Ferrara. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-109 made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-109 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-110 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING A DUNKIN DONUTS MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Ms. Shaffer Bish and SECONDED by Mr. Amrhein. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-110 made by Ms. Shaffer Bish and SECONDED by Mr. Amrhein. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr.

Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-110 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-111 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, ESTABLISHING A HASAWI'S MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Ms. Shaffer Bish and SECONDED by Ms. Rosenberg. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-111 made by Ms. Shaffer Bish and SECONDED by Mr. Kuhar. On roll call, voting "Yes": Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-111 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-112 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$9,130,000 TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO PAY COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING A NEW CITY HALL AND IMPROVING THE SITE THEREOF, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES AND WORK INCIDENTAL THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-112 made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. Sidoti. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone, Mr. Ferrara, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 8-1-0 with Mr. Kuhar voting "NO".

ORDINANCE 2021-112 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-113 A RESOLUTION ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF ACTIVE, INTERIM, AND INACTIVE DEPOSITS TO BE AWARDED, FIXING PERIOD OF DESIGNATION AND DATE OF

AWARDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Ferrara and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-113 made by Mr. DeLeone and SECONDED by Ms. Wallach. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-113 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Draft No. 2021-114 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FOR THE KENT HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$180,000 FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was read by title only by Clerk Wilkens per Mayor Fiala's request.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE THREE READINGS made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. Ferrara. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ADOPT DRAFT No. 2021-114 made by Mr. Kuhar and SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone. On roll call, voting "Yes": Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Kuhar, Ms. Rosenberg, Ms. Shaffer Bish, Mr. Sidoti, Mr. Turner, Ms. Wallach, Mr. Amrhein, Mr. DeLeone. The Motion CARRIED by a roll call vote of 9-0.

ORDINANCE 2021-114 PASSED as stated by Clerk Wilkens.

Unfinished Business: NONE

New Business:

Ms. Tracy Wallach asked about a sign that used to be located in Council Chambers that explained how Council worked. She requested this sign be located and reposted. She asked for an overview for how Council meetings are run to be given to the audience, as there were a few visitors who may not have been familiar with the process. Mayor Fiala briefly reviewed the City Council meeting schedule and how the legislative arm of city government works.

Council Comments:

- 1) Ms. Shaffer Bish commented about the proposed intergenerational village. She has met

with the University and its administration. It will then be in the hands of the developer to meet the guidelines. It is up to us to provide leadership on this project. Studies show if you want to live to be 100 you should be social, live in a walkable community and be positive. It is important for us to stay aware of this and stay involved.

- 2) Mr. Turner thanked Ms. Hipsman on what is trying to be accomplished. He added that there is an opportunity for the community to place Kent on the cutting edge. This really speaks to what Kent is about. Its an opportunity for us to come together and was unaware of the number of people that could live there. It is a good opportunity to get feedback from citizens on this project. We all play a part in what is happening here.
- 3) Mr. Sidoti said he remembered when this concept was introduced a few years ago and knew it was coming. Two months ago, the City Manager indicated the RFP was going out which surprised many. It needs looked at with a balanced eye and confidence in city administration in guiding the process.
- 4) Ms. Shaffer Bish asked if this information could be put on the website.
- 5) Ms. Rosenberg said her family got their passports with Ms. Wilkens and thanked her for her assistance. She congratulated Main Street Kent on winning a pitch project at a conference they attended.
- 6) Mr. Turner said he would like to revisit the evaluation form used to evaluate Council employees. There were a lot of aspects of the evaluation they do not oversee. Thinks it should be put into committee. MOTION TO PUT INTO COMMITTEE A DISCUSSION ON THE EMPLOYEE EVALUATION FORMS made by Mr. Turner SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

Mayor's Report:

This week we will be celebrating Rotary's 100th anniversary this Saturday. He asked Mr. Sidoti if he had anything he wished to add. He said the 100th anniversary celebration was delayed due to the Covid pandemic. The celebration will be held at the Kent State Hotel and Conference Center with 150 people planned to be in attendance. Mayor Fiala will attend to make a proclamation. It is one of the few Rotaries in NE Ohio that has been in existence for 100 years and the fourth or fifth largest Rotary Club in the nation.

Mayor Fiala reminded everyone that the polls are open for early voting. If you can't go to Ravenna to early vote, polls open on November 2nd. He add that voting is very important.

Motion made by Mr. Amrhein to move into Executive session *In accordance with ORC §121.22 Section G, Item (1): "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official AND(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action AND (4) Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment "* Items to be discussed: Boards and Commissions; Pending Litigation; Contract Negotiations

SECONDED by Mr. Turner. On roll call voting "Yes": Mr. Amrhein; Mr. DeLeone; Mr. Ferrara; Mr. Kuhar; Ms. Rosenberg; Ms. Shaffer Bish; Mr. Sidoti; Mr. Turner and Ms. Wallach.

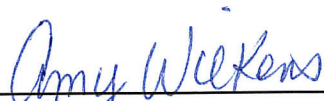
MOTION TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MADE by Mr. Sidoti (8:48 pm)
SECONDED by Mr. DeLeone and CARRIED by a voice vote of 9-0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION FROM ADMINISTRATION ON CONTRACT
NEGOTIATION WITH FIRE MADE BY Mr. Sidoti SECONDED by Mr. Ferrara and CARRIED by
a voice vote of 9-0.

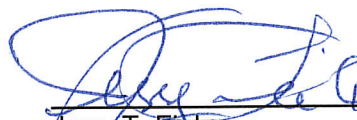
Mr. Sidoti said he has been on both sides of contract negotiations and is glad we were able to
come up with a solution to satisfy both sides.

Ms. Shaffer Bish added we all have been through a couple of very difficult years and is grateful
for everyone on the front line has done.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:53 P.M.



Amy Wilkens
Clerk of Council


Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council