



City of Kent
Wednesday, February 16, 2022
Regular City Council Meeting
320 S. Depeyster Street, Kent, OH 44240

Amended AGENDA

7:25 P.M. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Hearing

On February 2, 2022, notice was given that the Kent City Council was conducting a Public Hearing to allow for public comment on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year (PY) 2022 Action Plan.

7:30 P.M. Regular Council Meeting

1. Roll Call
2. Opening Remarks and Pledge of Allegiance- Mr. Ferrara
3. Approval of Minutes
 1. January 19, 2022 Regular Council Meeting
 2. February 2, 2022 Special Council Meeting
4. Communications
 - 4.1. Public Comment
 - 4.2. Written Communication (All placed on file in the Clerk of Council's office)
 1. An email from Deborah Douglas notifying Council of her resignation from the Board of Zoning Appeals was received and forwarded to Council on January 21, 2022.
 2. The Planning Commission and Staff Report for the February 1, 2022 meeting was received on January 26, 2022. The Planning Commission and Staff Report for the February 15, 2022 meeting was received on February 8, 2022.
 3. The official List of Elected Officials and Notification of Filing Requirement from the Ohio Ethics Commission was received on January 27, 2022.
 4. Letter from Bridget Susel, Community Development Director, which was sent to the U.S. Census Bureau in regards to a 2020 Census Count Question Resolution request for the City of Kent, Ohio was received on February 1, 2022.

5. The Standing Rock Cemetery Board meeting agenda for February 10, 2022 and the January meeting minutes were received on January 31, 2022.
6. Email from Denise Baba notifying Council about Ohio Loves Transit Week February 13 – 20 received on February 1, 2022.
7. Kent City Health Board Meeting Agenda for February 8, 2022 was received on February 4, 2022.

4.3. City Manager's Report

5. Standing Committees & Legislation

5.1. **Committee of the Whole** Chair Mayor Fiala

5.1.1. Committee Meeting Minute Approval from February 2, 2022

5.1.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Vote on the appointment of a candidate for the Fair Housing Board.

5.1.3. Voting on Fair Housing Board Appointment

5.1.4. Authorization of ~~Draft 2022-014~~ **Insertion of names into legislation**

5.1.5. **Draft 2022-014** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING _____ TO THE FAIR HOUSING BOARD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

5.2. **Community Development** Chair Kuhar/ Vice-Chair Rosenberg

5.2.1. Committee Meeting Minute Approval from February 2, 2022

5.2.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Authorize the renewal of the sublease for the Farmer's Market.
2. Authorize pursuing court orders for demolition of two blighted structures, and apply for demolition grant funding and, if approved, allocate the funds for demolition

5.2.3. **Draft 2022-015** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH THE HAYMAKER FARMERS' MARKET FOR THE SUB-LAND LEASE OF A PARKING LOT LOCATED NORTH OF SUMMIT STREET, WEST OF FRANKLIN AVENUE, AND EAST OF AKRON BARBERTON CLUSTER RAILWAY COMPANY'S MAIN LINE TRACK, CONTAINING 0.168 ACRES, FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 22, 2022 THROUGH

NOVEMBER 26, 2022; CONTINGENT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE CITY'S LEASE WITH THE AKRON BARBERTON CLUSTER RAILWAY COMPANY, FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$1.00; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

5.2.4. **Draft 2022-016** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION TO THE PORTAGE COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION (PCLRC) TO SECURE DEMOLITION FUNDING ASSISTANCE PRIOR TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (ODOD) PROGRAM SUBMISSION DEADLINE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Authorized)

5.2.5. **Draft 2022-017** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KENT TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (ODOD) FOR BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANT, IF AWARDED, AND EXECUTE THE SUBSEQUENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Unauthorized)

5.3. **Streets, Sidewalks and Utilities** Chair Sidoti/ Vice-Chair Wallach

5.3.1. Committee Meeting Minute Approval from February 2, 2022

5.3.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Authorize the temporary closure of Willow Street for the new KSU Juneteenth celebration.

5.3.3. **Draft 2022-018** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPROVE A NEW SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION FOR THE JUNETEENTH JUBILEE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022, AND THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF WILLOW STREET, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Authorized)

5.4. **Finance Committee** Chair DeLeone/ Vice-Chair Wallach

5.4.1. Committee Meeting Minute Approval from February 2, 2022

5.4.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Approve the 2022 Budget Appropriation Amendments.

- 5.4.3. **DRAFT 2022 - 019** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2021-133, THE CURRENT APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, PASSED DECEMBER 15, 2021; 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, 2022; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Authorized)
- 5.4.4. **Draft 2022-010** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND THE DISPATCH UNIT, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized February 2, 2022; Second Reading)
- 5.4.5. **Draft 2022-011** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND POLICE OFFICER UNIT, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized February 2, 2022; Second Reading)
- 5.4.6. **Draft 2022-012** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND THE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE UNIT, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized February 2, 2022; Second Reading).
- 5.4.7. **Draft 2022-013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND MATTHEW BENSON FOR A BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY(Authorized February 2, 2022; Second Reading)

6. Unfinished Business

7. New Business

8. Councilmembers' Comments

9. Mayor's Report

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.1. Employee Evaluation

11. Return to Regular Meeting

11.1. Authorize Draft 2022-020

11.2. **Draft 2022-020** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY BUDGET & FINANCE DIRECTOR AND LAW DIRECTOR, OR THEIR DESIGNEES, TO SIGN AN ADDENDUM TO AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KENT AND DAVID RULLER, DATED JULY 3, 2008 GRANTING A FIVE PERCENT (5%) PAY RAISE RETROACTIVE BACK TO JUNE 15, 2021, AND OTHER COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

12. Adjourn

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