



City of Kent
Wednesday, March 15, 2023
Regular City Council Meeting
320 S. Depeyster Street, Kent, OH 44240

AGENDA

7:25 P.M. Board of Control

7:30 P.M. Regular Council Meeting

1. Roll Call
2. Opening Remarks and Pledge of Allegiance- Ms. Shaffer Bish
3. Introducing New Police Officers
4. Approval of Minutes
 - 4.1. February 15, 2023 Special Committee Meeting Minutes
 - 4.2. February 15, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
5. Communications
 - 5.1. Public Comment - Anyone wishing to address Council must submit their written comments to the Clerk of Council at councilclerk@kentohio.gov by 4:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting. If also requesting to speak at the meeting, comments are limited to three (3) minutes.
 - 5.2. Written Communication (All placed on file in the Clerk of Council's office)
 1. Letter from Mary Kenneley to Mr. Jim Bowling, copying City Council in reference to the Street Signage Study that was done in 2018-2019, thanking him for his work and thanking Council for erecting solar signage on Middlebury Road and State Rt. 261 was received and forwarded to Council on February 20, 2023.
 2. Letter from Mary Kenneley to Mr. Klaben, copying City Council, thanking him for replacing the torn and tattered American flag flying at his business, was received and shared with Council on February 20, 2023.
 3. An email from Oliver Wuensch from the Parks and Rec Department was received on February 16, 2023, announcing a Job Fair being hosted at the Kent Recreation Center on Sunday, March 19, 2023.
 4. Planning Commission Agenda and Staff Report for the March 7, 2023 meeting was received on February 28, 2023.
 5. Kent City Board of Health Agenda and Statistical Report for the March 6, 2023 meeting was received on March 1, 2023.

6. Standing Rock Cemetery Board of Trustees Agenda for the March 9, 2023 meeting was received on March 1, 2023.
7. Notice from the Board of Elections regarding galley proofs of all ballots to be used at the Primary Election on May 2, 2023 will be on display from February 28th through March 2, 2023 was received on February 28, 2023.

5.3. City Manager's Report

6. Standing Committees & Legislation

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

6.1.1. March 1, 2023 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

6.1.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Authorize the proposed update to the City Ordinance book.

6.1.3. **DRAFT 2023-013** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CITY OF KENT CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

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

6.2.1. March 1, 2023 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

6.2.2. Action(s) Recommended- NONE

6.3. **Health & Safety Committee** Chair Amrhein/ Vice-Chair Sidoti

6.3.1. March 1, 2023 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

6.3.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Approve the acceptance and allocation of \$159, 062 in VISTA grant funds to the Kent Health Department, with the emergency clause.
2. Approve the acceptance and allocation of \$25,000 in EPA grant funds to the Kent Health Department, with the emergency clause.

6.3.3. **DRAFT 2023- 014** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT A VISTA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$159,062.00 FOR THE CITY OF KENT HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

6.3.4. **DRAFT 2023- 015** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE OHIO EPA IN THE

AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 TO BE USED TO FUND THE MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM THROUGH APRIL 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

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

6.4.1. March 1, 2023 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

6.4.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Approve the Vision Zero Resolution, with the emergency clause.

6.4.3. **DRAFT 2023-016** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO TO DEVELOP, IMPLEMENT, AND MONITOR A VISION ZERO PLAN TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SEVERE INJURIES WHILE INCREASING SAFE, HEALTHY, AND EQUITABLE MOBILITY FOR ALL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

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

6.5.1. March 1, 2023 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

6.5.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Approve the acceptance of the NOPEC Energized Grant funds in the amount of \$54, 794 and allocate funds for City energy efficiency projects

6.5.3. **DRAFT 2023- 017** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,794.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

9. Councilmembers' Comments

10. Mayor's Report

Adjourn

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