



City of Kent
Wednesday, June 19, 2024
Regular City Council Meeting
320 S. Depeyster Street, Kent, OH 44240

AGENDA

6:55 P.M. Board of Control

7:00P.M. Regular Council Meeting

1. Roll Call
2. Opening Remarks and Pledge of Allegiance- Mr. Jeff Clapper
3. Approval of Minutes
 - 3.1. May 15, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
4. Communications
 - 4.1. 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 meeting day. If also requesting to speak at the meeting, comments are limited to three (3) minutes.
 - 4.2. Written Communication (All placed on file in the Clerk of Council's office)
 1. Standing Rock Cemetery Board Agenda for June 13, 2024 was received and posted on June 6, 2024.
 2. Portage County Solid Waste Management Policy Committee Meeting minutes from April 11, 2024 were received on May 23, 2024.
 3. Board of Health Meeting Agenda for June 11, 2024 was received on June 7, 2024.
 4. Board of Zoning Appeals Agenda and Staff Report for June 17, 2024 was received on June 10, 2024.
 - 4.3. City Manager's Report
5. Standing Committees & Legislation

Committee of the Whole Chair Mayor Fiala/ Vice-Chair Amrhein

- 5.1.1. June 5, 2024 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

5.1.2. Action(s) Recommended: NONE

5.1.3. Voting for Boards and Commissions

5.1.4. Motion to Authorize Insertion of Names into Legislation

5.1.5. **DRAFT 2024-050** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING _____ TO THE PORTAGE AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized).

5.1.6. **DRAFT 2024- 051** RESOLUTION APPOINTING _____ TO THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA HOUSING COUNCIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

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

5.2.1. June 5, 2024 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

5.2.2. Action(s) Recommended: NONE

5.3. **Finance Committee** Chair DeLeone/ Vice-Chair Celko

5.3.1. June 5, 2024 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

5.3.2. Action(s) Recommended:

1. Authorize the "Notice to Proceed" for the placement of the renewal of the 2025 General Operating Levy (1.16 mills) on the November 2024 ballot, with the emergency clause.
2. Authorize the application for grant funds by the Health Department, and if approved, authorize appropriation of those funds, with the emergency clause.
3. Authorize the bond refunding the Safety Center debt (2014) and Alley 4 bond debt (2013), with the emergency clause.
4. Approve the 2024 budget appropriations amendments, with the emergency clause.

5.3.3. **DRAFT 2024-052** A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF KENT THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL OF THE CITY'S EXISTING 1.16-MILL TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING AND OPERATING THE GENERAL FUND IN THE CITY OF KENT PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.19(I) AND 5705.191 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

5.3.4. **DRAFT 2024- 053** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KENT HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$199,237.00, AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANTS, IF AWARDED, WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

- 5.3.5. **DRAFT 2024-054** AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,190,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING AT A LOWER INTEREST COST CERTAIN OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING SAFETY CENTER CONSTRUCTION BONDS, SERIES 2014, DATED DECEMBER 11, 2014, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)
- 5.3.6. **DRAFT 2024-055** AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,185,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING AT A LOWER INTEREST COST CERTAIN OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2013, DATED OCTOBER 7, 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)
- 5.3.7. **DRAFT 2024- 056** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2023-97, THE CURRENT APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, PASSED DECEMBER 20, 2023; 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, 2024; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)
- 5.3.8. **DRAFT 2024-057** AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN TACO BELL OF AMERICA, LLC., AND THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO, WITH THE CITY OBTAINING A TEMPORARY EASEMENT, FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY PURPOSE, TO INSTALL, CONSTRUCT AND RECONSTRUCT THE ROADWAY FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS EAST MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FROM TACO BELL OF AMERICA, LLC., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Unauthorized)
- 5.4. **Health & Safety Committee** Chair Amrhein/ Vice-Chair Sidoti
- 5.4.1. June 5, 2024 Committee Meeting Minute Approval
- 5.4.2. Action(s) Recommended; NONE
- 5.5. **Land Use Committee** Chair Shaffer Bish/ Vice-Chair Hook
- 5.5.1. June 5, 2024 Committee Meeting Minute Approval
- 5.5.2. Action(s) Recommended
1. Authorize the addition of adult use cannabis and vape retail stores to the City's Industrial District, with the emergency clause.
- 5.5.3. **DRAFT 2024-058** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF KENT'S ZONING CODE IN ORDER TO INCORPORATE NEW LAND

USE OF "ADULT USE CANNABIS (RECREATIONAL) FACILITIES" AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

5.6. **Streets, Sidewalks and Utilities** Chair Sidoti/ Vice-Chair Clapper

5.6.1. June 5, 2024 Committee Meeting Minute Approval

5.6.2. Action(s) Recommended

1. Authorize the installation of the new mural for the Haymaker Farmers Market beneath the Haymaker Parkway bridge, with the emergency clause.

5.6.3. **DRAFT 2024-059** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE HAYMAKER FARMERS' MARKET (HFM, INC.) TO INSTALL A NEW MURAL BENEATH THE HAYMAKER PARKWAY BRIDGE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Authorized)

6. Unfinished Business

7. New Business

8. Councilmembers' Comments

9. Mayor's Report

10. Executive Session to Discuss Employee Evaluation and Compensation

Adjourn

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