



City of Kent
Wednesday, October 16, 2024
Regular City Council Meeting
320 S. Depeyster Street, Kent, OH 44240

AGENDA

6:55 P.M. Board of Control

1. 7:00 P.M. Public Hearing - Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Regular Council Meeting Immediately Following Public Hearing

2. Roll Call
3. Opening Remarks and Pledge of Allegiance - Ms. Melissa Celko
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)
 - Email received from Greg Coleridge on October 7, 2024, thanking Council for being attentive to his remarks at Democracy Day, and encouraging support of the WethePeopleAmendment, HJR54.
 - Application for a position on the Sustainability Commission was received from Justine Gallo on October 9, 2024.
 - Email received from Jean Chrest, Standing Rock Cemetery Clerk, on October 3, 2024, with SRC's October agenda.
 - Email received from Sherry Rose, League of Women Voters of Kent, with a letter to Council with their response to the recent free speech intimidation in Portage County. SEE ATTACHMENT
 - Sandee Reid with Davey Tree invited Council members and senior City staff to a guided tour of the new SEED campus on October 24, 2024, with a light lunch at 11:45 at the corporate office, followed by the tour by shuttle, and finishing up by 1:00pm.

4.3. City Manager's Report

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.1. Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine. Each item will be read individually into the record and the Consent Agenda will then be enacted as a whole by one motion and one roll call. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion by Council is desired on any item on the Consent Agenda, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council motion and considered in its normal sequence under the Regular Order of Business.
- 5.2. Motion for Minutes and Actions
 - 5.2.1. 10-02-24 City Council Committee Meeting w Democracy Day minutes
 - 5.2.2. 09-18-24 Regular Council Meeting minutes
- 5.3. Action Recommended: Proceed with the appropriation of temporary easement of the real property located at 405 East Main Street, Kent, Ohio, with the emergency clause.
- 5.4. Action Recommended: Authorize the Civil Service Commission to change the Civil Service rules to allow for Clerk of City Council to perform the duties of the Civil Service Coordinator and change the pay grade, with the emergency clause.
- 5.5. Action Recommended: Appropriate property interests for the East Main Street Improvement project, with the emergency clause.
- 5.6. **Draft 2024-104** A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO PROCEED WITH THE APPROPRIATION OF TEMPORARY EASEMENT OF THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 405 EAST MAIN STREET, KENT, OHIO, PPN: 17-024-33-00-123-000 FOR THE EAST MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
- 5.7. **Draft 2024-105** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION TO CHANGE THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES TO ALLOW FOR CLERK OF CITY COUNCIL TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COORDINATOR, CHANGING THE PAY GRADE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
- 5.8. **Draft 2024-108** A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT TO APPROPRIATE PROPERTY INTERESTS FOR THE EAST MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

6. Standing Committees & Legislation

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

- 6.1.1. Voting on Board and Commission Candidate
- 6.1.2. Motion to Authorize Insertion on Name into Legislation

- 6.1.3. **Draft 2024-109** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING _____ AND _____ TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Unauthorized)
- 6.1.4. **Draft 2024-110** A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CITY OF KENT AND ITS COUNCIL'S COMMITMENT THAT SAFE AND FAIR VOTING ENVIRONMENTS FOR VOTERS IS A RIGHT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
- 6.2. **Community Development** Chair Rosenberg/ Vice-Chair Clapper
 - 6.2.1. **Draft 2024-103** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF KENT'S ZONING CODE IN ORDER TO INCLUDE ELEMENTS FROM THE RECENTLY UPDATED DESIGN GUIDELINES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Authorized)
 - 6.2.2. **Draft 2024-106** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH KLABEN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC AND KLABEN FORD LINCOLN, INC. PROVIDING FOR A PROJECT (NEW DEALERSHIP) AND REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO THE OHIO COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA PROGRAM (CRA), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
 - 6.2.3. **Draft 2024-107** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH KLABEN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC AND KLABEN FORD LINCOLN, INC. PROVIDING FOR A PROJECT (SERVICE CENTER) AND REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO THE OHIO COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA PROGRAM (CRA), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
- 6.3. **Health & Safety Committee** Chair Amrhein/ Vice-Chair Sidoti
 - 6.3.1. Action(s) Recommended: NONE. See Consent Agenda as applicable.
- 6.4. **Land Use Committee** Chair Shaffer Bish/ Vice-Chair Hook
 - 6.4.1. Action(s) Recommended: NONE. See Consent Agenda as applicable.
- 6.5. **Streets, Sidewalks and Utilities** Chair Sidoti/ Vice-Chair Clapper
 - 6.5.1. Action(s) Recommended: NONE. See Consent Agenda as applicable.
- 6.6. **Finance Committee** Chair DeLeone/ Vice-Chair Celko
 - 6.6.1. Action(s) Recommended: NONE. See Consent Agenda as applicable.
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business
9. Councilmembers' Comments
10. Mayor's Report

Adjourn

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