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City Hall – Council Chambers 07/12/2021 at 6:30 PM

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ROLL CALL: 10 members answered – Mr. Meade, Mr. Ratliff, Mr. Schaber, Mr. Feliciano, Mrs. Fosnaugh, Mrs. Swanger, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Neff, Mr. Daniels, Mr. Schneider

With a quorum present, Mr. Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Invocation given by Mrs. Swanger.

Mayor Schertzer recognized outstanding young citizens, Savannah Nichols and Melodie Pickens, for their volunteer community service work cleaning up their neighborhood and for their commitment to “loving their neighborhood” and a gift card from the Jerzee. He presented them with “Love Our Neighborhood” t-shirts.

MINUTES – 06/28/2021

Mr. Thomas a motion to approve the minutes of 06/28/2021, Mr. Daniels 2nd. Roll Call: Ayes -- Mr. Meade, Mr. Ratliff, Mr. Schaber, Mr. Feliciano, Mrs. Fosnaugh, Mrs. Swanger, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Neff, Mr. Daniels. Nays – none

MINUTES OF 06/28/2021 APPROVED

Old Business

Item 1. ORD2021-49: ORDINANCE TO VACATE PART OF ONE (1) 14' WIDE EAST/WEST ALLEY LOCATED LOT 2198 AND LOT 2199 IN T.A. THOMPSON'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MARION, OHIO MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A PURSUANT TO ORC 723.041 RETAINING PERMANENT EASEMENT RIGHTS (Applicant, Diane Willis)

(Streets and Sewers, Mr. Thomas, chair -- 2-0) – 3rd READING

- Public Hearing opened at 6:37PM. No comments. Public hearing closed at 6:39PM.

Proposed ordinance previously approved unanimously by City Planning Commission.

Mr. Feliciano asked about the letter provided to the residents. Clerk Rose explained that those letters are not typically used in the packet. It is a form letter and is used in all the City Planning Commission cases.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve, Mr. Meade 2nd. Roll Call: Ayes --Mr. Meade, Mr. Ratliff, Mr. Schaber, Mr. Feliciano, Mrs. Fosnaugh, Mrs. Swanger, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Neff, Mr. Daniels. Nays – none

ORDINANCE 2021-49 APPROVED (9-0)

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Item 2. ORD2021-50: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF MARION, BY REZONING 170 SHARP ST FROM R-1C (SINGLE-FAMILY DISTRICT, HIGHT DENSITY) TO I-11-1 LIMITED INDUSTRIAL DITRICT (Applicant, Scott Willis)

(Zoning and Annexation -- Mr. Meade, chair -- 3-0) – 3rd READING

- Public Hearing opened at 6:40PM. No comments. Public hearing closed at 6:42PM.

Proposed ordinance previously approved unanimously by City Planning Commission. Mr. Feliciano asked if the applicant was present at the meeting. Mayor Schertzer explained that the applicant was present at multiple City Planning Committee meetings. Mrs. Warr-Cummings explained that this is a very lengthy process that goes through City Planning, as well as committee, and now three readings in Council. Clerk Rose noted that the Willis' were present and extremely accommodating throughout the whole process and worked with the committee well.

Mr. Meade made a motion to approve; Mrs. Swanger 2nd. Roll Call: Ayes --Mr. Meade, Mr. Ratliff, Mr. Schaber, Mr. Feliciano, Mrs. Fosnaugh, Mrs. Swanger, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Neff, Mr. Daniels. Nays – none

ORDINANCE 2021-50 APPROVED (9-0)

Item 3. ORD2021-51: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF MARION, BY REZONING 583 W. Fairground St. FROM C-5 TO I-1 Limited Industrial District (Applicant, Josh Daniels)

(Zoning and Annexation -- Mr. Meade, chair -- 3-0)

(DUE TO PUBLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING 07/26/2021)

Mr. Feliciano asked the difference between the C-5 and the I-1. He thought they had the same restrictions. Mrs. Warr-Cummings explained that C-5 is general commercial district, like Walmart and general shopping, and is highest commercial level. I-1 is light industry. It allows some industries but not those that are that noxious. City has an I-2 and I-3. They can do repairs of equipment. Car sales and repairs are C-5. The desired use is for a truck terminal and to do repairs to the trucks.

ORDINANCE 2021-51 HAD A SECOND READING

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Item 1. Firehouse Exhaust Removal Systems – Mr. Ratliff brought up this old issue. The Chief said that they have word that they will not have that grant system this year. The need is still there, and it will cost about \$80,000 and goes to the health and safety of firefighters. He would ask that consideration be given to this important project, whether it is through ARPA money or other monies that might be “freed up”. Mayor stated that it is on their list.

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Item 2. Mayor Schertzer said that they have signed the letter on the ARPA money. Early numbers indicated that they were going to get about \$7 million. That has been cut in half to “non-entitlement” cities like Marion. Money will be redistributed to other governments around Ohio. Mr. Ratliff asked about doing a resolution to the commissioner about some of the city priorities since the city is inside the County to look at joint projects.

Item 3. Mayor said that they have been notified of approval of about \$1.8 million for three projects at the airport. They have not yet received official notification from FAA.

OTHER MATTERS -- None

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 07/19/2021:

- Finance – Mr. Daniels, chair – 07/19/2021 at 6:30 PM – Auditor legislation and reports
- Airport, Lands, and Buildings – Mr. Schaber, chair – 07/19/2021 at 6:35 PM – airport ordinances
- Legislation and Codes – Mr. Daniels, chair – 07/19/2021 at 6:40PM – tentative liquor license review
- Streets and Sewers – Mr. Thomas, chair – 07/19/2021 at 6:45PM – discussion of sewers and flooding issues at the request of Mr. Feliciano; Mr. Feliciano preferred to ask questions in committee rather than to speak to Mr. Bischoff directly
- Regional Planning – Mrs. Swanger, chair – 07/28/2021 at 7:00PM at County Building
- No other Committees called at this time. Please check Thursday notice for changes.

With no further business to come before Council, Mr. Schneider adjourned the meeting at 6:56 PM.

Todd Schneider
President of Council

Tarina R. Rose
Clerk of Council

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