

# CITY OF WATTERSON PARK

## LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Zoom Online Meeting  
Facilitated by Clerk Aggie Keefe

**January 10, 2022**

**Appointment of Chairman of Council** — Since Mayor Chesser will not be at tonight's meeting, Ms. Garrett made a motion to appoint Marlene Welsh as Temporary Chairman of the Council; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jay Bourke, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Phil Johnson, and Marlene Welsh. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Address from the Chairman of the Council** — Regarding our meeting: "The notification process is the same as for a special meeting. Watterson Park is conforming with the new law and the meeting will be a regular meeting. The process is transparent, the public can see and hear, and any votes will be taken by roll call. We are not asking you to mute yourself, but please be mindful of background noise. All Zoom meetings are being recorded and will be kept on permanent file. If you have any technical difficulties, please send a text to Aggie."

**Roll Call** — Roll was called by the Clerk. Present were Councilmembers Jay Bourke, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Phil Johnson, and Marlene Welsh; Treasurer Jerry Wild; and Clerk Aggie Keefe. Absent was Mayor Linda Chesser. Also present was Attorney Duncan Crosby.

**Moment of Silence** — Mrs. Welsh called for a moment of silence in memory of Mayor Chesser's husband, Marvin, who recently passed away.

**Pledge of Allegiance** — The Clerk displayed a picture of the American flag on screen, and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Mr. Bourke made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2021, meeting as received; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jay Bourke, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Phil Johnson, and Marlene Welsh. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

Attorney Treitz joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

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Mr. Wild reported revenues for the month of December 2021 in the amount of \$18,284 and expenses in the amount of \$30,798, resulting in a deficit of \$12,514. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the report as presented; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jay Bourke, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Phil Johnson, and Marlene Welsh. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

### OLD BUSINESS

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**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)** — Mr. Crosby reported that we have a new contact person at KIPDA. He has been in touch with her to ensure that we have access to the treasury portal to submit any necessary reports.

**Stober Road Flooding/BTM Study** — Neither Mr. Treitz nor Mr. Johnson has received a report from BTM. Mr. Johnson reported that he wasn't made aware of any recent flooding issues.

**Info Session for Missing Middle Housing** — Attorney Crosby wasn't able to join this Zoom session live, but he watched a video of the session that was available. He said he didn't see anything particularly discerning in the

video. There hasn't been any discussion regarding changes to the Land Development Code at this point. The session covered everything from single-family detached dwellings to mid-rise apartments and condos. It contained suggestions of ways to promote those kinds of housing. Planning and Zoning representatives who were on the call indicated that they were interested in discussing these kinds of dwelling units and in how the Land Development Code might permit more of them in the future.

**Off-Duty Patrol Monthly Shift Postings** — Mr. Bourke said he noticed in the activity reports that all of the shifts are now being covered.

**Newburg Road Sidewalk** — Mrs. Welsh said the Louisville Water Company has dug up and refilled the hole in front of Larkmoor Lane for the fourth time.

**KYTC Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Poplar Level Road** — Mr. Crosby reported that he had a discussion with the person at Kentucky Transportation who is most directly responsible for interacting with us about this. It is a pretty onerous process, as there are many steps that need to be taken before we receive an MOU. He will continue to work with Mr. Treitz and Mayor Chesser to get this process rolling.

**Good Citizen Recognition** — We will table any discussion on this until the February meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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**Committee Reports** — Mr. Bourke said a neighbor at the corner of Milldaun Road and Gardiner Lane asked him if we have any regulations regarding the installation of fences. Mr. Treitz said we don't, but he suggested that the neighbor contact the Planning Commission to see if they have any set-back requirements.

**LMPD Sixth Division Citizens Advisory Board Meeting** — Mr. Bourke reported that this Board hasn't met since our December meeting. He received a notification that the January 12 meeting has been canceled due to COVID.

**A Message from the Mayor** — Ms. Garrett reported that Mayor Chesser wished to express her appreciation to everyone for their kind thoughts as well as for their patience during her absence.

**Flowers for Marvin Chesser** — Mrs. Keefe reported that she ordered flowers on behalf of Watterson Park for Mayor Chesser's husband. They will be delivered to the funeral home tomorrow.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Bourke. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jay Bourke, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Phil Johnson, and Marlene Welsh. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0 and meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

All those persons noted as being present at the beginning of this meeting, unless otherwise indicated, remained throughout.

Approved at the meeting of the City Council held on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Linda Chesser, Mayor

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Aggie Keefe, Clerk

Minutes taken and transcribed by Aggie Keefe from notes and Zoom recording.