

COMMON COUNCIL  
 COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 CITY HALL and WEBEX  
 JANUARY 17, 2023

Mayor James Lienhoop appeared in person and called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers meeting room.

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

- A. John Bundick, Columbus City Police Chaplin, provided the opening prayer.
- B. Mayor Lienhoop led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Roll Call was taken: Jerone Wood, David Bush, Frank Miller, Tim Shuffett, Tom Dell, and Grace Kestler were present in person. Elaine Hilber was present by WebEx.
- D. Councilor Miller made a motion to approve the minutes from the Common Council meeting on January 3, 2023, as presented. Councilor Kestler seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye

Motion passed by a vote of seven (7) in favor and zero (0) opposed.

**II. Old Business Requiring Council Action**

- A. None

**III. New Business Requiring Council Action**

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled, "RESOLUTION NO. 2, 2023, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING TO DEFEASE AND RETIRE THE TAXABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2009(CUMMINS, INC. PROJECT) FROM THE CUMMINS ALLOCATION AREA." Heather Pope, Redevelopment Director, presented this resolution. She introduced Lawrence McCormack with Cummins Inc., Andrew Lanam with Stifel, and Bradley Bingham with Barnes and Thornburg. Heather explained the request is to pay off the bond for a Cummins project that was completed in 2009. She stated the payoff amount is \$15,029,013. Heather reported the recognized cost savings is approximately \$2.5 million. Discussion followed. There were no comments from the public. Councilor Miller made a motion to pass the resolution as presented. Councilor Kestler seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Elaine Hilber	Abstained
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David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye

Motion passed by a vote of six (6) in favor and zero (0) opposed.

- B. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING AND DECLARING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO BE A PART OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA." (TMC Developers Annexation) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this ordinance and the following ordinance (Item C) at the same time. He explained the applicant, TMC Developers, LLC, is proposing to annex property to the City of Columbus and rezone that property from AP (Agriculture: Preferred) to I3c (Industrial: Heavy with Commitments) for future industrial development. Jeff stated the property is located on the north side of 450 South / State Road 58, generally between county roads 300 and 400 West. He displayed maps and photographs of the area. Jeff reported the Columbus Plan Commission forwarded both items to City Council with a favorable recommendation. Jeff stated the Plan Commission added three commitments. Much discussion followed. Mayor Lienhoop opened the meeting for public comments. Allyson Hill, 7001 S 400 W, expressed concerns regarding the adequacy of a planted field being a barrier from the proposed industrial park location to their home. Jason Hester, President of Greater Columbus Indiana Economic Development, spoke in support of the request. He stated for the last two years they have had 38 project opportunities, each project looking for parcels over 100 acres. Jason indicated having a large parcel of land annexed and zoned industry ready and available is an important step necessary to attract projects. Much discussion followed. Councilor Shuffett made a motion to amend Section 2: Common Council District, paragraph one from "4<sup>th</sup> Councilmanic District" to "2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District". Councilor Miller seconded the motion to amend. Roll call vote as follows:

David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye

Motion to amend passed by a unanimous vote. Councilor Shuffett made a motion to pass the ordinance on the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Dell seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye

Motion passed by a vote of seven (7) in favor and zero (0) opposed.

- C. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF COLUMBUS,



INDIANA, REZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM AP (AGRICULTURE: PREFERRED) TO I3c (INDUSTRIAL: HEAVY WITH COMMITMENTS)." (TMC Developers Rezoning) Jeff Bergman offered no additional information. Mayor Lienhoop opened the meeting for public comment. There were no comments from the public. Councilor Bush made a motion to amend the rezoning request to eliminate the third commitment. Discussion followed. Mike Baglog, Director of Construction and Development for TM Crowley & Associates and TMC Developers, stated they appreciate the Council is trying to reduce the buffer. They are sensitive to the needs of the neighbors and do not have an objection to the buffer as stated. Motion to amend the ordinance dies for the lack of a second. Councilor Shuffett made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Bush seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye

Motion passed by a vote of seven (7) in favor and zero (0) opposed.

- D. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled, "ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE NEXUSPARK FIELDHOUSE NON-REVERTING FUND." Pam Harrell, Associate Director of Business Services with Columbus Parks & Recreation, and Jamie Brinegar, Director Finance, Operations and Risk Management, both presented this ordinance. Pam explained the ordinance is requesting establishment of fund number 2537 for the NexusPark Fieldhouse to use for operations, capital improvement, care and maintenance of the NexusPark Fieldhouse. Discussion followed. There were no comments from the audience. Councilor Miller made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Kestler seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye

Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- E. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled, "ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, AMENDING THE 2023 SALARY ORDINANCE." Jamie Brinegar presented this ordinance. He explained the request is to approve staffing for the NexusPark Fieldhouse. Four positions are being proposed: Associate Director of Sports, NexusPark Fieldhouse Sports Manager, Fitness Health & Wellness Manager, and NexusPark Maintenance Supervisor. Jamie detailed three additional amendments to the existing ordinance. There were no comments from the audience. Councilor Miller made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Shuffett seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye

Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye

Motion passed by a unanimous vote

- F. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled, "ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2023." Jamie Brinegar presented this ordinance. He stated the request is for an additional appropriation of \$260,000.00 for the NexusPark Fieldhouse positions starting second and third quarter of this year. The appropriation of funds will come from general fund reserves. Discussion followed. There were no comments from the audience. Councilor Miller made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Dell seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye

Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

#### IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports – Councilor Kestler made a motion to approve appointments as follows:

Elaine Hilber to Animal Care Services;  
 Frank Miller to Solid Waste Management District;  
 Frank Miller to Insurance Review Committee;  
 Jerone Wood, Elaine Hilber, and Tim Shuffett to the Capital Improvement Committee; and  
 Elaine Hilber, Grace Kestler, and Tom Dell to the Incentive Review Committee.

Councilor Shuffett seconded the motion for approval of appointments. Roll call vote as follows:

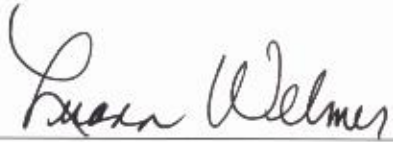
Grace Kestler	Aye
Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye

Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

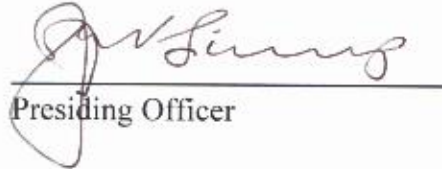
- B. The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 6:00 p.m.**
- C. Councilor Bush made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Shuffett seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows:

Jerone Wood	Aye
Elaine Hilber	Aye
David Bush	Aye
Frank Miller	Aye
Tim Shuffett	Aye
Tom Dell	Aye
Grace Kestler	Aye

Motion passed by a vote of seven (7) in favor and zero (0) opposed. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:09 P.M.



Clerk Treasurer of City of Columbus



Presiding Officer