



CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS

Office of the Council

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JUNE 15, 2021

- Call to Order:** Mayor Bradley D. Sellers at 7:02 p.m. via Zoom Meetings Application
- Attendance:** Councilwoman Hagwood, Councilwoman Edwards, Councilwoman White, Councilman Stewart, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Anderson and Council President Howard
Roll Call: 7 Present
- Prayer:** Councilman Walter Stewart
- Minutes:** May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting
Motion to Approve by Councilwoman White, Seconded by Councilwoman Hagwood
Roll Call: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 1 Abs – Motion Carried

Departmental Reports: Mayor Sellers stated that Council should have a copy of the Departmental Reports in their possession. He stated that if they have any questions to please reach out to the individual Director. He stated that if they have additional questions, they can contact the Office of the Mayor as well for further discussion.

Emailed and Live Resident Requests and Comments: One emailed comment read onto the record by Clerk of Council.

Kerano Tucker, Ward 3 Resident

I have attached a picture of our missing street light, we are wondering when it will be replaced. When is the contractor repairing our back yards? The nest is a trip hazard for us. I fell twice already. The guys were out here the second week of May and they said they would have it done by the end of May.

Service Director Ted Sims reported there is a purchase order in to have that repaired and they have all the equipment except the headlight. It is out of order but should be in very soon and they will have it completed.

Mayor Sellers stated they have a contract with Signal Service to put the poles in. The street lights are owned by CEI and the city does not pay for streetlights; they are billed on a monthly basis. So, that is where they will get the headlight. **Service Director Sims** responded that he will look in to that on Thursday morning.

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Service Director Sims reported that he has been in contact with the contractor to repair the backyards but they are behind. The contractor told him he will come out on Friday for sure to get it all completed.

Deborah A. Hill, Ward 2 Resident

She thanked Council for having the discussion during their Caucus about going back to in-person meetings but stilling having a way for residents to attend remotely. They are in the 21st century and need to have a way for stakeholders and residents, by the next meeting, to still be a part of the meeting.

Order of the Day:

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ord. 2021 - 096 **MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 APPOINTING SQUIRES PATTON BOGGS LAW FIRM TO SERVE AS BOND COUNSEL,
 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Motioned by Councilwoman White, Passage by Councilwoman Edwards,
Seconded by Councilwoman Hagwood
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

2. Ord. 2021 - 097 **MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO
 EXCEED \$300,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF
 BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING THE CITY’S
 TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM BY ACQUIRING AND INSTALLING SIGNALS
 AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND DEVICES TO DIRECT AND CONTROL THE
 FLOW OF VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC ALONG RICHMOND
 ROAD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Motioned by Councilman Anderson, Passage by Councilwoman White,
Seconded by Councilwoman Hagwood
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

3. Ord. 2021 - 098 **MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO
 EXCEED \$580,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF
 BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE LEVY
 AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, THE COSTS OF
 CONSTRUCTING ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING GRADING,
 DRAINING, CURBING AND PAVING, CONSTRUCTING AND INSTALLING
 SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS,
 WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS, OTHER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND
 LANDSCAPING, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES

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THERE TO, TOGETHER COMPRISING THE EMERY WOODS PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Motioned by Councilwoman Hagwood, Passage by Councilwoman Edwards,
Seconded by Councilwoman White**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

4. Ord. 2021 - 099

MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,600,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL BUILDING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Motioned by Councilwoman Hagwood, Passage by Councilwoman White,
Seconded by Councilman Anderson**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

5. Ord. 2021 - 100

MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH SAINT-SERVAN CENTRE, LTD. TO IMPLEMENT CERTAIN DEVELOPMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4291 RICHMOND ROAD, WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO 44122, PPN 763-33-001, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Motioned by Councilwoman White, Passage by Councilwoman Hagwood,
Seconded by Councilwoman Edwards**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

6. Ord. 2021 - 101

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AMENDING SECTION 121.02 RULE 3 OF THE WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC SERVICE FOR NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETINGS.

**Motioned by Councilwoman Mitchell, Passage by Councilwoman Edwards,
Seconded by Councilwoman White**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

7. Ord. 2021 - 102

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AMENDING SECTION 121.02 RULE 6 OF THE WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO REVISE THE TIMELINE AND DELIVERY OF REQUESTS FOR LEGISLATION AND THE COUNCIL AGENDA.

**Motioned by Councilwoman Mitchell, Passage by Councilwoman White,
Seconded by Council President Howard**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

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- 8. Ord. 2021 - 103 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AMENDING TITLE ONE STANDARDS OF THE BUILDING CODE OF THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS AND RELATED CROSS REFERENCES.
Motioned by Councilwoman Hagwood, Passage by Councilwoman White, Seconded by Councilwoman Edwards
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried
- 9. Ord. 2021 - 104 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AMENDING TITLE THREE LICENSING AND FEES OF THE BUILDING CODE OF THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS AND RELATED CROSS REFERENCES.
Motioned by Councilman Anderson, Passage by Councilwoman White, Seconded by Councilwoman Hagwood
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried
- 10. Ord. 2021 - 105 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AMENDING TITLE FIVE LOCAL BUILDING PROVISIONS OF THE BUILDING CODE OF THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS AND RELATED CROSS REFERENCES.
Motioned by Councilwoman Mitchell, Passage by Councilwoman Hagwood, Seconded by Councilwoman White
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried
- 11. Ord. 2021 - 106 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AMENDING TITLE SEVEN HOUSING CODE OF THE BUILDING CODE OF THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS AND RELATED CROSS REFERENCES.
Motioned by Councilwoman Hagwood, Passage by Councilwoman Edwards, Seconded by Councilwoman White
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried
- 12. Ord. 2021 - 107 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS TO ADOPT A TAX BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Motioned by Council President Howard, Passage by Councilwoman White, Seconded by Councilwoman Hagwood
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried
- 13. Ord. 2021 - 108 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
 ACCEPTING A CERTAIN BID FROM JAN PRO, INC. TO PROVIDE CLEANING SERVICES FOR THE WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$68,000.00, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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**Motioned by Council President Howard, Passage by Councilman Anderson,
Seconded by Councilwoman White
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried**

- 14. Ord. 2021 - 109 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS OPERATING, LLC AND TERMINATE THE EXISTING AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE INTERNET SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF EXECUTION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
**Motioned by Councilwoman Mitchell, Passage by Councilwoman Hagwood,
Seconded by Councilwoman White
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried**

ADD-ONS

- 15. Ord. 2021 - 110 COUNCILWOMAN ANDREA MITCHELL (PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR)**
ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION OF ENZO CANNATA OF CANNATA COMPANIES, LTD., REPRESENTING SAINT-SERVAN CENTRE, LTD., FOR A LOT SPLIT LOCATED AT 4291 RICHMOND ROAD, WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO, 44122, PPN 763-33-001, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
**Motioned by Council President Howard, Passage by Councilwoman White,
Seconded by Councilman Anderson
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried**
- 16. Ord. 2021 - 111 MAYOR BRADLEY D. SELLERS**
ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS TO ACCEPT THE APPLICATION OF PARKER LANGE OF CENTERPOINT INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS, LLC, REPRESENTING SAINT-SERVAN CENTRE, LTD., FOR VARIANCES TO THE BUILDING SIZE, BUILDING COVERAGE AND PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS FOR FLOOR & DÉCOR OUTLETS OF AMERICA, INC. LOCATED AT 4291 RICHMOND ROAD, WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO, 44122, PPN 763-33-001, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
**Motioned by Councilwoman White, Passage by Councilwoman Hagwood,
Seconded by Councilwoman Edwards
Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried**
- 17. Ord. 2021 - 112 COUNCILWOMAN ANDREA MITCHELL (PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR)**
ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION OF PARKER LANGE OF CENTERPOINT INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS, LLC, REPRESENTING SAINT-SERVAN CENTRE, LTD., FOR THE

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CONSTRUCTION OF A RETAIL STRUCTURE AND INSTALLATION OF SIGNAGE FOR FLOOR & DÉCOR LOCATED AT 4291 RICHMOND ROAD, WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO, 44122, PPN 763-33-001, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Motioned by Council President Howard, Passage by Councilwoman Hagwood,
Seconded by Councilwoman Edwards**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

- 18. Ord. 2021 - 082 COUNCILWOMAN ANDREA MITCHELL (PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR)**
ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION OF ANTHONY HODEL OF CLEVELAND USED CARS & GUARANTEED AUTO FINANCE, LLC, REPRESENTING SBP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, FOR A CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL TO OPERATE OF AN INDOOR AUTOMOBILE SHOWROOM LOCATED AT 4911 COMMERCE PARKWAY, WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO, 44128, PPN 763-41-010.

1ST READ: 05/18/2021

2ND READ: 06/15/2021

**Motioned by Councilman Anderson, Passage by Councilwoman Edwards,
Seconded by Councilwoman White**

Roll Call: 6 Ayes; 1 Nay; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

- 19. Ord. 2021 - 092 CITY COUNCIL**
AMENDING SECTION 121.03 MEETINGS OF THE WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ADDRESS THE RECORDING AND STORAGE OF MEETINGS, AGENDAS AND MINUTES.

1ST READ: 05/18/2021

2ND READ: 06/15/2021

**Motioned by Council President Howard, Passage by Councilwoman White,
Seconded by Councilwoman Mitchell**

Roll Call: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abs – Motion Carried

Announcements from Directors:

Finance Department – Director Karen Howse wished everyone a good evening. She reported that there was Finance Committee meeting today and she provided an update on the 2020 audit and it is going well. They are moving forward to prepare their continued disclosure statement.

Building Department – Commissioner Benjamin Brown wished everyone a good evening and thanked Council for the passage of item no. 8, 9, 10 and 11. This will fully update the standards for the Building Department along with the passage of our Zoning Code last year. He stated these updates are much needed. He thanked Law Director Beasley and Assistant Law Director Hughes for all the assistance they provided.

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Fire Department – Chief Herb Waugh wished everyone a good evening and stated he is looking forward to the in-person meeting next month. He commented that they have been on a long road with COVID but hopefully they are keeping on a positive track with people getting vaccinated. He reported that they have the hydrants listed that will be flow-tested in their neighborhoods. The Department has completed most of the ones on the Westwood side of the city done and are on the Richmond and Emery side now so it should be completed by the end of the month as scheduled. He stated that the list is on the website.

Police Department – Chief Wesley Haynes had nothing to report.

Community Development – Manager Raymon Turner reminded everyone that next Saturday, June 26, 2021 will be Community Shred Day from 11a.m.-2p.m. at the Municipal Center. He announced there will be a River Day event and the information was sent out to the Directors and Council. The event will be ran by Tinker’s Creek partnership.

Service Department – Director Ted Sims had nothing to report.

Fire Department – Captain Ellita Vedder had nothing to report.

IT Department – Director Eric Posa thanked Council for their consideration and passage of item no. 14.

Building Department – Operations Manager Sterlie Jones had nothing to report.

Law Department – Assistant Director Keisha Hughes has nothing to report.

Announcements from Council:

Councilman Stewart had nothing to report.

Councilman Anderson wished everyone a good evening and had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Mitchell wished everyone a good evening and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She stated Saturday is Juneteenth and it might be something people are starting to celebrate here but is has been recognized for more than 150 years in various parts of Texas as the people were alerted on June 19th that slaves were free. Now many states, including our own, acknowledge Juneteenth as a celebration and she thinks that is a wonderful thing. She shared that there will be events taking place all over the county including one at 6:00p.m. at Aldersgate in Warrensville. She announced that Saturday morning will be the last time they can say good-bye and walk the halls of Eastwood Elementary school. She shared that the “last roar” at the junior high was very touching last month and there was a great turnout. She reported there was a Ward 2 resident that contacted her after Caucus with a concern but did not want to attend and speak during the time for public comments. The resident was concerned about the police presence on that side of the city and was of the understanding that there would be a substation at the old City Hall. She stated the resident figures

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because there is no police presence someone has more time to do something and she is not the only resident that feels that way.

Councilwoman White thanked everyone for attending the meeting and stated she was looking forward to seeing everyone in-person next month.

Councilwoman Hagwood had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Edwards wished everyone a good evening. She acknowledged that there have been difficulties with COVID but it has also allowed them to be able to share their meetings virtually. She stated she appreciates Deborah Hill's comments and hope they can continue to share the meeting virtually with residents. She reported that there is a Special Primary Election coming up on August 3, 2021 so remember the last day to register to vote is July 6, 2021 and Early Voting starts that next day, July 7, 2021. She added it happens to be her birthday so she wants everyone to come out and vote with her!

Council President's Comments:

Council President Howard thanked everyone for the passage of the legislation introduced by City Council. He wished everyone a safe and happy summer. He commented they are starting to hear fireworks and he receives phone calls about it periodically. He asked that everyone be safe and "if you see something, definitely say something." He commented that to his understanding, it is still not legal in the state of Ohio to blast off fireworks so everyone just be safe in doing what they're doing.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Sellers thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He stated they try and address the concerns of the public. He thanked Service Director Sims for cleaning up certain areas and his crew have really been on it. He thanked Chief Haynes and Chief Waugh for their diligence on the public safety side of the community. Mayor Sellers gave a special thanks to Building Commissioner Brown for his dedication to cleaning up the Housing Code and that he seems to be everywhere for everybody. He comes early and leaves late at night so he wants to acknowledge him for the effort he puts forward. He thanked Finance Director Howse for all she has done to put the city in a good position during very uncertain times as related to some of the things happening in the State House. He stated it is good they are finally coming out of the COVID area and this is going to be the last Zoom Council Meeting going forward. The State will no longer accept virtual meetings so all meetings will be in-person and they are preparing for that. They look forward to engaging with the public again. He added that they look to be full scale again in 2021 and staff are working on summer concerts at the Municipal Center so look out for that. He stated things will go back to "business as usual" starting July 1, 2021.

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Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Council President Howard

Adjournment at 7:31p.m.

July 20, 2021

APPROVED


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