



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 3, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Daniel Swartwout called the January 3, 2023 City Council Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. City Council members in attendance were Jon Bennehoof, Tom Counts, Christina Drummond, Heather Karr, Brian Lorenz and Daniel Swartwout. Ferzan Ahmed was absent. City Staff in attendance were: Andrew White, City Manager; Jeffrey Tyler, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director; Jason Nahvi, HR Business Partner; Rosa Ocheltree, Finance Manager; Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director; Claudia Husak, Planning Director; Grant Crawford, Public Service Director; Steve Hrytzik, Police Chief; and Amy Deere, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boy Scout Troop 843 presented the flags and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Swartwout opened the floor for Citizen Participation. Seeing none, he closed this portion of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022.

[Council Minutes 12062022.pdf](#)

MOTION: Brian Lorenz moved to approve City Council Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022. Christina Drummond seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 5 N 0 (None) AB 1 (Jon Bennehoof)

City Council Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022, passed with a vote of 5-0-1.

CONSENT AGENDA

Notice to Legislative Authority

1. [Notice to Legislative Authority_Memo.pdf](#)
2. [Notice to Legislative Authority.pdf](#)

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to approve the Consent Agenda of January 3, 2023. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Consent Agenda of January 3, 2023, passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING(S)

a. ORDINANCE 2023-01

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT TEXT DEVIATIONS FOR ALL ASSOCIATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE FIRST PHASE OF A ±30-ACRE DEVELOPMENT AT 7171 SAWMILL PARKWAY, TO BE DEVELOPED WITH A MEDICAL FACILITY FOR THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY WEXNER MEDICAL CENTER, ZONED PLANNED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

1. [Ord. 2023-01_Ordinance_Memo.pdf](#)
2. [Ord. 2023-01_Ordinance.pdf](#)
3. [Ord. 2023-01_Exhibit A_OSU WMC Text.pdf](#)
4. [Ord. 2023-01_Exhibit B_OSU WMC Plan.pdf](#)
5. [Ord. 2023-01_Exhibit C_OSU WMC Utility Commitments.pdf](#)
6. [Ord. 2023-01_Exhibit D_OSU WMC History.pdf](#)

Mayor Swartwout opened the floor for public comment on Ordinance 2023-01.

Aaron Underhill of Underhill & Hodge, LLC – 8000 Walton Parkway #260, New Albany, Ohio, representing the OSU Wexner Medical Center, gave a brief presentation and made himself available for questions.

Garth Dahdah, Senior Director of Facilities and Planning for the OSU Wexner Center, advised the layout would be very similar in style and look as well as the services inside, as the OSU Wexner Center in Dublin, Ohio. He also stated that a surgery section has been planned for future use.

Bryce Shirley, Architect of the DLR Group stated the backup generators would be of a diesel/petrol mix with an above ground tank.

Todd Cunningham, Director of Development at EMH&T spoke about parking. He advised structured parking is very expensive, and the surface parking is the right solution for this project as well as the project cost. The medical building was moved to the center of the site to enable parking pods around it, rectifying the issue of travel distance to the building. He also provided information about the location of bike racks and the bike paths being eight foot wide.

There was discussion about the green spaces on the site and their use.

Les Wibberley, 5005 Bayhill Dr., Powell, Ohio, representing OPAL Trails, spoke of his concern with the crosswalk at Royal Belfast across Sawmill Parkway. He stated this needs to be upgraded to be safe for bikes.

Seeing no further comments, Mayor Swartwout closed public comment for Ordinance 2023-01.

Mayor Swartwout declared this Ordinance to have its first reading. The second reading will occur on January 17, 2023, at the next City Council Meeting and Public Hearing.

b. ORDINANCE 2023-02
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE DOWNTOWN HOUSING RENOVATION PROGRAM.

1. Ord. 2023-02_Ordinance_Memo.pdf
2. Ord. 2023-02_Ordinance.pdf
3. Downtown Residential Renovation Grant Program.pdf
4. 2005-13_ord.pdf

Mayor Swartwout opened the floor for public comment on Ordinance 2023-02. Seeing none, he closed public comment for Ordinance 2023-02.

MOTION: Tom Counts moved to suspend the rules. Jon Bennehoof seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Suspension of the rules passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to approve Ordinance 2023-02. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Ordinance 2023-02 passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/CITY CALENDAR

OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. ORC Section 121.22(G)(1) - To consider the appointment of a public employee or official.

b. ORC Section 121.22 (G)(2) - To consider the purchase of property for public purposes.

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to enter Executive Session. Tom Counts seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Entered Executive Session at **8:33 p.m.** with a vote of 6-0-0.

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to adjourn Executive Session and continue with Regular Session. Christina Drummond seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Re-entered Regular Session at **9:34 p.m.** with a vote of 6-0-0.

MOTION: Brian Lorenz moved to appoint the following individuals to the following boards:

- Ryan Griffin – Operations Committee
- Tyler Herrmann – Board of Zoning Appeals
- Stephen MacGuidwin – Planning and Zoning Commission
- Patti Brown-Wright – Historical Downtown Advisory Committee

Jon Bennehoof seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Appointments passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

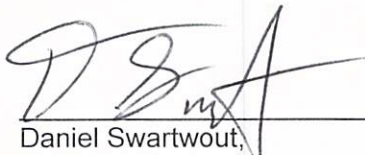
ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Tom Counts moved to adjourn. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

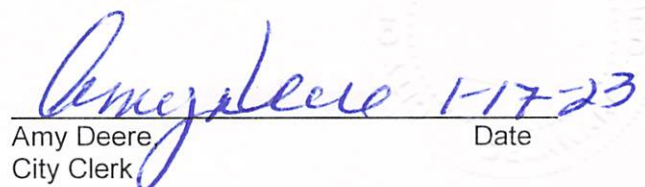
Meeting adjourned at **9:36 p.m.** with a vote of 6-0-0.

MINUTES APPROVED: JANUARY 17, 2023



Daniel Swartwout,
Mayor

1-17-23
Date



Amy Deere
City Clerk