City of West Buechel
Special Council Meeting
Assembly Hall
3705 Bashford Avenue
Louisville, KY 40218
March 14, 2023, 6:30 PM

Present: Mayor Moore, Attorney Hall, Councilwoman Cook, Councilwoman Wood, Councilman Bierbaum, Councilman Embry, Councilwoman Blanton, Councilwoman Saldana, City Clerk Batliner and Assistant Clerk Brown.

Absent: Councilwoman Manning.

Visitors: Justin Schaefer and Steve Keller.

City Clerk Batliner announced that we had a quorum.

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

#### Minutes:

A motion was made by Councilman Embry and second by Councilwoman Wood to approve the minutes of February 9, 2023, February 10, 2023, and February 28, 2023. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Mayor Moore introduced and welcomed Justin Schaefer as the new Ethics Board Attorney.

Mayor Moore introduced and welcomed Steve Keller as the new City Attorney. Mayor Moore stated that City Attorney Hall will stay on until City Attorney Keller has transitioned. City Attorney Keller introduced himself and is excited to become the City's Attorney.

## **Department Reports:**

### Police:

Chief Tyler introduced new police officer Brian Gingerich. Mayor Moore welcomed him aboard. Officer Gingerich spoke about his career of being a police officer. Councilman Embry asked how many recruits we had. Chief Tyler stated we still have background checks to review.

### Financials:

City Clerk Batliner went over the financial reports. A motion was made to accept the financials by Councilwoman Wood. Councilwoman Blanton second the motion. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

City Clerk Batliner stated that the ARPA funds are allocated to police equipment and what is left over could be used on City Hall upstairs, adding a server room, document room, etc.

City Clerk Batliner updated the council on the city sign, and that the electricians will be here tomorrow to set up a plan.

# Mayor's Report:

Councilwoman Wood stated that the road signs have been going up. Mayor Moore stated that there was a shortage on some of the materials and we are working on getting those items.

Mayor Moore gave an update on the bypass, stated it was shut down over the weekend The project should be completed by the spring of 2023. Assistant Chief Hibbs stated that they will be completed in April.

Mayor Moore stated that we are working with MSD to resolve the drainage issue. Councilwoman Wood asked where they will be working. Mayor Moore stated on Bardstown and Hikes Lane. Mayor Moore stated that they are working on the next year's budget and plan to start work in July of 2023.

## **Multipurpose Center Committee:**

Councilwoman Cook stated that the Multipurpose Committee is continuing to meet every month and discussing the budget. Councilwoman Cook stated that they are hoping to beautify the Multipurpose Center and to fix the sign on the building. Councilwoman Cook also stated that game night is doing great. Councilwoman Cook stated that they are working on getting the 5013(C). Councilman Embry asked the since the 5013(C) is good, what's the bad thing about it. Councilwoman Cook stated that there are a lot of hoops to go through, but we need to get with an attorney to help.

# Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the council meeting at 6:56 PM was made by Councilwoman Blanton and second by Councilwoman Cook. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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ATTEST:

City Clerk Debbie Batliner