

# CITY OF WATTERSON PARK

## LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Jefferson County Farm Bureau | 4200 Gardiner View Avenue | Louisville, Kentucky 40213

March 10, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

**Roll Call** — Roll was called. Present were Mayor Linda Chesser; Councilmembers Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, and Gina Garrett; Treasurer Jean Hall; and Clerk Aggie Keefe. Also present were Attorney John Treitz and Deputy Sheriff Rob Skaggs from KLE. Absent was Councilman Todd O'Bryan.

**Pledge of Allegiance** — All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 10, 2025, legislative meeting as received; seconded by Mrs. Bourke. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, and Gina Garrett. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Councilman Todd O'Bryan arrived at the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

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Mrs. Hall reported revenues for the month of February 2025 in the amount of \$104,158 and expenses in the amount of \$49,882, resulting in a net income of \$54,276. Ms. Garrett made a motion to accept the report as presented; seconded by Ms. Ewan. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, and Todd O'Bryan. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0. Attorney Treitz noted that our interest income is currently generating roughly half of the amount needed to operate the City.

### OLD BUSINESS

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**1225 Gardiner Lane Development** — Ms. Ewan made a motion to go into executive session to discuss possible litigation regarding the proposed RaceTrac development; seconded by Mr. O'Bryan. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, and Todd O'Bryan. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0, and Council went into executive session at 7:17 p.m. Ms. Ewan made a motion to come out of executive session; seconded by Ms. Garrett. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, and Todd O'Bryan. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0, and Council came out of executive session at 7:52 p.m. No final action was taken during executive session.

Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to hire ECS Southeast LLC, a geotechnical firm, and continue the course of action we have been on; seconded by Mr. O'Bryan. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, and Todd O'Bryan. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Treitz left the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

**Code Enforcement** — Everyone was provided a copy of the Field Report for February. Various property issues were discussed. Welcome baskets will be ordered and delivered to new residents.

**Off-Duty Patrol Monthly Shift Postings** — Everyone was provided a copy of the Monthly Shift Postings for March. Most shifts have been filled.

**LMPD Sixth Division Citizens Advisory Board Meeting** —

Mr. Bourke attended the most recent meeting of this board and submitted the following report on what was discussed at the meeting:

- Detective Kayla Helm was presented her Officer of the Year awards.
- Officer Dolores Sliter was voted Officer of the Month for February for recovering three stolen cars that were all connected to the same people.
- Major Mindy Vance will run the Kentucky Derby Mini Marathon again this year to help raise money for the Sixth Division. She will be accepting donations.
- The next community outreach event is on March 12 at the Kroger on Poplar Level Road.

**Republic Services/Driveway Apron at Residence on Milldaun Road** — Mr. Fortwengler reported that he looked at the apron we previously installed on a driveway on Larkmoor Lane to get the specs. We will build something similar on the driveway at the end of Milldaun Road to accommodate the turn-around needs of sanitation trucks. Mayor Chesser provided Mr. Fortwengler with phone numbers for two contractors we have used in the past and asked him to obtain bids for this job. Mayor Chesser also asked Mr. Fortwengler to get a bid from Brandon Vincent to clean up mud and debris caused by a backed-up drain at the end of Larkmoor Lane, and to follow up afterwards with MSD.

**Flock Cameras** — No update.

**Regina Lane Curb and Lawn Repair** — No update.

**4317 E. Indian Trail Rezoning** — No update.

**Robards Lane** — No update.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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**Committee Reports** —

Mr. O'Bryan reported that the street lights on Champions Trace and Bantam Court are finally working. He reported three street lights on Gardiner Lane between Bishop Lane and Newburg Road and two additional lights at 1300 Gardiner Lane.

**Miscellaneous Items** —

- Mayor Chesser mentioned a very informative notice that the Jeffersontown Public Works Department provided to their residents when snow was forecast. She would like for us to put something similar on our website and in our newsletter when snow is forecast.
- Mayor Chesser reported that Senator Keturah Herron was elected in 2024 as our District 35 representative.
- Mayor Chesser secured copies of the new Kentucky League of Cities City Officials Legal Handbook for those who are interested.

**Committee Appointments** — Council members and officers filled the remaining committee vacancies. Mrs. Keefe will update the list with tonight's changes and will also update the contact page on our website.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. O'Bryan. There being no further discussion, the motion was brought to a roll-call vote. Voting yea were Jackie Bourke, Shelia Bumphus, Becky Ewan, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, and Todd O'Bryan. There were no nays or abstentions. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0 and meeting adjourned at 9:16 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 audio recording.