



City of Fort Wright

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City of Fort Wright Special Council Meeting Wednesday, August 21, 2024 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Dave Hatter. Mayor Hatter led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. City Clerk Maura Russell called the roll.

Councilman Abeln	Present
Councilman Collins	Present
Councilman Wall	Present
Councilman Weber	Absent
Councilman Wessels	Present
Councilwoman Witt	Present

Also present for the meeting were:

City Administrator Jill Bailey
City Attorney John Brooking
Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe
Police Chief Jonathan Colwell
Public Works Director Jeff Bethell
City Clerk Maura Russell

CITIZEN COMMENTS/GUESTS

Randy Ellison – Mr. Ellison addressed Council regarding a proposal to remove the four billboards currently on his property at the corner of Madison Pike and Howard Litzler Road and replace them with two digital billboards. He said he wants to do this to clean up the corner as a gateway to the City. He said Lamar, the company who owns the billboards, is willing to work with him and the City to include “Welcome to Fort Wright” messaging in some way.

Ms. Bailey advised she has reviewed information Mr. Ellison has previously provided and does not have a response yet. She said there are a few issues relating to the existing signs and if they are grandfathered into existing zoning regulations, as well as what the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet may allow because it is a state-owned road. Ms. Bailey said she thinks generally the zoning regulations will not allow for this change, but she will work on getting a firm response to Mr. Ellison.

NEW BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance 09-2024 – Mr. Brooking completed a second reading of Ordinance 09-2024, an Ordinance of the City of Fort Wright, in Kenton County, Kentucky, establishing a code of ethical conduct applicable to the officers and employees of the City and City agencies.

Councilman Collins made a motion to approve Ordinance 09-2024. Councilman Wessels made a second. Ms. Russell called the roll.

Councilman Collins	Yes
Councilman Wessels	Yes
Councilman Abeln	Yes
Councilman Wall	Yes
Councilwoman Witt	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Second Reading of Ordinance 10-2024 – Mr. Brooking completed the second reading of Ordinance 10-2024, an Ordinance of the City of Fort Wright in Kenton County, Kentucky accepting the bid of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for a twenty-year non-exclusive franchise for the use of the public streets, alleys and other public grounds of the City for the transmission and distribution of both natural gas and electricity through and for consumption within the City.

Councilwoman Witt made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-2024. Councilman Abeln made a second. Ms. Russell called the roll.

Councilwoman Witt	Yes
Councilman Abeln	Yes
Councilman Collins	Yes
Councilman Wall	Yes
Councilman Wessels	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Councilman Abeln made a motion to adjourn the Special Council Meeting. Councilman Wessels made a second. Ms. Russell called the roll.

Councilman Abeln	Yes
Councilman Wessels	Yes
Councilman Collins	Yes
Councilman Wall	Yes
Councilwoman Witt	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

The Special Council Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:


Kerrie Holland, City Clerk