

# **City of Fort Wright**

409 Kyles Lane | Fort Wright, KY 41011 | www.fortwright.com | 859.331.1700

## City of Fort Wright Public Hearing Wednesday, September 7, 2022 – 6:00 PM

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:01 PM by Mayor Dave Hatter. Mayor Hatter led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence. City Clerk Maura Russell called the roll.

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

Also present for the meeting were:

City Administrator Jill Bailey
City Attorney Tim Theissen
Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe
Police Chief Ed Butler
Public Works Director Jeff Bethell
City Clerk Maura Russell
Finance Clerk Kelly Perry

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Hatter advised the Public Hearing purpose is to discuss the tax rates for the fiscal year. He said after reviewing the property value information provided by the Kenton County Property Valuation Administrator [PVA] and Northern Kentucky Area Development District [NKADD] a rate was discussed by the Finance Committee at a meeting prior to the Public Hearing.

Mayor Hatter said the recommendation is to reduce the real property tax rate from 0.265 to 0.248, a 6.5% reduction, and reduce the tangible property tax rate from 0.409 to 0.380, a reduction of 7%. Mayor Hatter thanked Councilman Wessels and Councilman Weber for their work serving on the Finance Committee, and he thanked staff for their efforts in researching and providing information to the Committee.

Councilman Weber thanked department leadership for their work in keeping costs in line and consistently coming in under-budget to save property and business owners money.

There were no public comments.

### ADJOURNMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING

There being no further comments, Councilman Feinauer made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Councilman Wall made a second. City Clerk Maura Russell called the roll.

Councilman Abeln Yes
Councilman Feinauer Yes
Councilman Wall Yes
Councilman Weber Yes
Councilman Wessels Yes

**MOTION CARRIED** 

The Public Hearing adjourned at 6:08 PM.

Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:

Mull Maura Russell
City Clerk