

City of Green

Meeting Minutes

City Council

I. Call to Order		
Tuesday, February 11, 2025	7:00 PM	Council Chambers
	Christopher J. Meager - Ward 2 Rick Miller- Ward 3 Jeff Noble - Ward 4, President Justin Speight - At-Large, Vice President Clark A. DeVitis - At-Large Gerard Neugebauer- At-Large Nichole Messner, MMC- Clerk of Council	
	Barbara Babbitt - Ward 1	

Council President Noble called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call of Council Members

Present: 7 - Clark A. DeVitis, CJ Meager, Jeff Noble, Barbara Babbitt, Gerard Neugebauer, Justin Speight and Rick Miller

IV. Council Study Session

- TMP-4855 Approval of the January 14, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes
 - Attachments: 1-14-25 Draft Council Meeting Minutes.pdf

A motion was made by Council Member Speight, seconded by Council Member DeVitis, to approve the Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye: 6 DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller
- Abstain: 1 Babbitt
- TMP-4857 Approval of the December 2024 Electronic Financial Report, Subject to Audit

Attachments: December 2024 Electronic Financial Report.pdf

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member DeVitis, to approve subject to audit the Financial Statement. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye: 7 DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller
- V. Public Report

None.

Central Administration Building 1755 Town Park Blvd. PO Box 278 Green, OH 44232

VI. Public Hearings

2025-03 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2024 UPDATE OF THE CITY OF GREEN LONG RANGE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN. -(Introduced on 1/14/2025) **A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025**

<u>Attachments:</u> 2025-03 2024 Land Use Comp Plan Legislation.docx 2025-03 Exhibit A.pdf 2025-03 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman DeVitis opened the public hearing at 7:15 pm. He read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

Planning Director Wayne Wiethe gave a power point presentation on the Comprehensive Plan (slides attached to minutes).

Councilman Neugebauer asked if there would be significant changes in the land use plan that came out of this. Planning Director Wiethe stated that the code was still intact, however there may be a few added regulations that will come forward from this plan and those new regulations would go through the normal processes, PZC and City Council.

Councilman Speight stated that he appreciated all the hard work from the Steering Committee, Planning Dept, etc. Looking forward to the final product.

Councilman Noble commented that there was a broad group of people on the Steering Committee which was good. This plan is a guide/vision for the city as it advances, its not making and hard and fast changes but instead suggestions which are meant to be flexible.

Councilwoman Babbitt appreciated the thorough outline- will they be able to have a full paper copy of the plan prior to voting. Planning Director Wiethe stated they have a finished full copy, but its not in the final, however they can still provide her one. She explained that she feels there are a copy conflicts in the plan with preserving the SW rural residential area, however classifying the intersections near that area as business nodes feels contradictory.

Tony Ziehler, 3883 Goldenwood Way, Green OH-Asked if they would be voting on this at the next meeting; encouraged more time for resident input.

Planning Director Wiethe stated they are in no hurry, whatever they are comfortable with. Councilman DeVitis stated they anticipate voting at the next meeting, but they

can wait and see.

Councilman DeVitis closed the public hearing at 7:45 p.m.

VII. Reading of Correspondence

The Clerk of Council read in the correspondence.

TMP-4863 January 15, 2025 PZC Agenda

Attachments: 1-15-25 PZC Agenda with attachments.pdf

 TMP-4864
 December 11, 2024 Civil Service Commission Minutes

 Attachments:
 December 11, 2024 CSC Minutes.pdf

TMP-4866 February 5, 2025 Parks & Recreation Board Agenda

Attachments: Meeting Agenda 2025-02-05.pdf

 TMP-4867
 Planning Department January 2025 Monthly Financial Summary

Attachments: Monthly Summary - Planning January 2025.pdf

 TMP-4868
 January 8, 2025 Parks & Recreation Board Minutes

Attachments: PRB Draft Meeting Minutes 2025-01-08.pdf

<u>TMP-4869</u> January 7, 2025 Veterans Advisory Commission Minutes

Attachments: VAC Draft Meeting Minutes 2025-01-07.pdf

TMP-4870 February 4, 2025 Veterans Advisory Commission Agenda

Attachments: VAC Meeting Agenda 2-4-25.pdf

<u>TMP-4878</u> Letter from the Green Drug Task Force in Support of the Moratorium on Sale/Distribution of Marijuana

Attachments: MoritoriumSupport2024.pdf

VIII. New Legislation - Items on First Reading

Clerk of Council Nichole Messner read in the new legislation and Council President Noble referred each piece to the appropriate committee.

2025-R04A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER
INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VORYS, SATER, SEYMOUR AND
PEASE LLP, TO PROVIDE SPECIALIZED LEGAL SERVICES IN THE
AREA OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 2/11/2025) **SECOND READING PASSAGE REQUESTED**

 Attachments:
 2025-R04 AFSCME Negotiations-Vorys Sater Legal Services

 Agreement.docx
 2025-R04 Exhibit A .pdf

2025-R04 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman DeVitis reported that his committee discussed this item on first reading, due to a second reading passage request from the administration. This legislation was to secure attorney services for the AFSCME union negotiations. No additional comments or questions. Time was taken.

- 2025-R05 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VASCO SPORTS CONTRACTORS (DBA VASCO) FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE BOETTLER PARK BASKETBALL COURT AND THE INSTALLATION OF AN ACCESSIBLE PATHWAY FROM THE PARKING LOT TO THE COURT, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 2/11/2025)
 - Attachments:
 2025-R05 Boettler BB Court-Vasco Sports Contractor

 Legislation.docx
 2025-R05 Exhibit A.pdf

 2025-R05 Exhibit B.pdf
 2025-R05 Request for Legislation.pdf
- 2025-R06 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREEN AND THE SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S COMMISSION OF SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 2/11/2025)
 - Attachments:
 2025-R06 Legal Defenders Summit Cty.docx

 2025-R06 Exhibit A.pdf

 2025-R06 Request for Legislation.pdf
- 2025-04 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION AND PUBLICATION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. -(Introduced on 2/11/2025)

 Attachments:
 2025-04 Bi-Annual Codified Ordinance Update.docx

 2025-04 A Exhibit.pdf

 2025-04 Attachment.pdf

 2025-04 Request for Legislation.pdf

IX. Report of Council Committees

A. Finance (Neugebauer*, DeVitis**, Meager)

Councilman Neugebauer gave his committee report. He reported that they met to hear the Income Tax Collections-4th Quarter report.

B. Environment & Parks (Miller*, Speight**, Babbitt)

Did not meet.

C. Public Safety (Babbitt*, Miller**, DeVitis)

Councilwoman Babbitt gave her committee report.

LICENSE ITEMS

<u>TMP-4874</u>	1840 Town Park Blvd LLC -Liquor License Stock Transfer DBA Legends Sports Pub & Patios 1840 Town Park Blvd Unit G Green, OH 44685
<u>Attachments:</u>	1840 Town Park Blvd LLC Liquor License Stock Transfer.pdf
	Councilwoman Babbitt reported that they would be holding off on discussion and action on this transfer until the next meeting, waiting on additional information.
<u>TMP-4875</u>	Cambria Bar & Restaurants- Liquor License Transfer D5 & D6 DBA Cambria Suites 1787 Thorn Dr. & Patio Green, OH 44685
Attachments:	Cambria Hotels D5 & D6 Liquor License Transfer.pdf
	Councilwoman Babbitt read in the license request. Only minor issues over the past year reported by SC Sheriffs. No other issues found. A motion was made to not request a hearing.
	A motion was made by Council Member Babbitt, seconded by Council Member Miller, to not request a hearing the License. The motion carried by the following vote:
Aye:	7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller
D. Planning, Commu	nity & Economic Development (DeVitis*, Neugebauer**, Speight)

Councilman DeVitis gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

2024-14 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 157, SECTION 157.085: TABLE OF ALLOWED USES (TABLE 157.085-1) TO ADD DRIVE -THROUGH FACILITIES AS A CONDITIONAL USE IN THE I-1 (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL) DISTRICT. -(Introduced on 12/10/24) **A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025**

 Attachments:
 2024-14 Chapter 157 Section 157.085 Table of Allowed Uses Drive

 thru facilities.doc
 2024-14 Exhibit A.pdf

 2024-14 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees. A public hearing was held at the last meeting and there was no opposition from residents. No additional comments or questions. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member DeVitis, seconded by Council Member Neugebauer, to adopt the Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

SECOND READING ITEMS

2025-01AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND
OPERATION OF ANY BUSINESS OR COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE
WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREEN,
LICENSED AS AN ADULT USE CANNABIS OPERATOR PURSUANT
TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 3780. -(Introduced on 1/14/2025)

Attachments: 2025-01 Ordinance Prohibiting Sale & Distribution of marijuana.docx

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions at this time. Time was requested.

2025-02AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 138.06: "ILLEGAL
CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY OF GREEN. -(Introduced on 1/14/2025)

Attachments: 2025-02 Ord Repeal Sect 138.06 Illegal Cultivation of Marijuana.docx

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions at this time. Time was requested.

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 2025-03 Exhibit A.pdf

 2025-03 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions at this time. Time was requested.

E. Rules and Personnel (Noble*, Babbitt**, Miller)

Councilman Noble gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

2024-R79 A RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT PLANNING DIRECTOR IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 12/10/24)

Attachments: 2024-R79 Assistant Planning Director Position.docx

2024-R79 Exhibit A.pdf 2024-R79 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman Noble read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Committee ok with passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Noble, seconded by Council Member Babbitt, to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

2024-R80 A RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 12/10/24) <u>Attachments:</u> 2024-R80 Planning Administrator Position.docx 2024-R80 Exhibit A.pdf 2024-R80 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman Noble read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Committee ok with passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Noble, seconded by Council Member Babbitt, to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

SECOND READING ITEMS

2025-R01 A RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE, ESTABLISHING A RATE OF COMPENSATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 1/14/2025)

Attachments: 2025-R01 Deputy Service Director Position.docx

2025-R01 Exhibit A.docx

2025-R01 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman Noble read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Committee ok with second reading passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Noble, seconded by Council Member Babbitt, to bypass the three reading rule the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

A motion was made by Council Member Noble, seconded by Council Member Babbitt, to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Business Item

****APPOINTMENT TO THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION****

Councilman Speight made a motion to appoint Michael Hughes to the vacant seat on the Veterans Advisory Commission. Councilman Meager seconded the motion. The vote was 7-0; the motion carried.

F. Transportation, Connectivity & Storm Water (Meager*, Noble**, Neugebauer)

Councilman Meager gave his committee report.

SECOND READING ITEMS

2025-R02A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY TO MAKE
IMPROVEMENTS TO MULTIPLE ROADWAYS STORMWATER
SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF A PLAT TO
DEDICATE SAID ROADWAYS, ASSESSING A PORTION OF THE COST
OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNERS,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 1/14/2025)

Attachments: 2025-R02 Prestwick Estates legislation.doc

2025-R02 Exhibit A.pdf

2025-R02 Exhibit B.pdf

2025-R02 Exhibit C.pdf

2025-R02 Prestwick Estates legislation.doc

Councilman Meager read in and reported that discussion was withheld on this item, per administrations request. Time was taken.

G. Intergovernmental & Utilities (Speight*, Meager**, Noble)

Councilman Speight gave his committee report.

- 2024-R75 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR STONEY CREEK ESTATES PHASE IV, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 11/26/2024) **A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025**
 - Attachments:
 2024-R75 Stoney Creek Estates Phase IV Street Lighting

 District.docx
 2024-R75 Exhibit A.pdf

 2024-R75 Exhibit B.pdf
 2024-R75 Exhibit C.pdf

 2024-R75 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman Speight read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees. A public hearing was previously held with no opposition. No additional comments or questions. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Speight, seconded by Council Member Meager, to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

THIRD READING ITEMS

2024-R82 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO TRANSFER A PARCEL OF LAND FOR SANITARY SEWER PURPOSES, TO THE COUNTY OF SUMMIT, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 12/10/24)

 Attachments:
 2024-R82 Transfer of Parcel for Sanitary Sewer.docx

 2024-R82 Exhibit A.pdf

 2024-R82 Request for Legislation.pdf

Councilman Speight read in the legislation and gave a summary of the discussion that took place during committees. No additional comments or questions. Committee in support of passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Speight, seconded by Council Member Meager, to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

X. Mayor's Report

Mayor Yeargin gave his report.

XI. Unfinished Business

None.

XII. New Business

Councilman Speight congratulated Hunter Hannaman for being chosen for student of month. Councilwoman Babbitt congratulated the Green Dance Team on winning at Nationals.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Noble, seconded by Council Member Speight, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

ATTEST:

NICHOLE MESSNER, MMC, CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:______ JEFF NOBLE, PRESIDENT

Upon approval by City Council, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record and the official minutes shall consist of a permanent video recording, in accordance with Green City Council Ordinance 2014-12, adopted on November 25, 2014.