



City of Green

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Chris Humphrey - Ward 1
Christopher J. Meager "CJ" - Ward 2
Richard Brandenburg- Ward 3
Jeff Noble - Ward 4
Justin Speight - At-Large, President
Clark A. DeVitis - At-Large
Gerard Neugebauer- At-Large, Vice President
Nichole Messner, MMC- Clerk of Council

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

Councilman Neugebauer called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call of Council Members

Present: 5 - Clark A. DeVitis, CJ Meager, Barbara Babbitt, Gerard Neugebauer and Rick Miller

Absent: 2 - Jeff Noble and Justin Speight

Also Present:

Mayor Yeargin

Lisa Carey Dean, Law Director

Valerie Carr, Service Director

Zhila Pezeshkpoor, Assistant Planning Director

Paul Pickett, City Engineer

Dannielle Owens, Law Administrative Coordinator

IV. Council Study Session

V. Public Report

None.

VI. Public Hearings

[2025-12](#)

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF APPROXIMATELY 30.5 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF GREENSBURG ROAD AND WINNING WAY FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO PD (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT); AND, ACCEPTING THE CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

OF THE PROPOSED GREENSBURG MEADOW PLANNED DEVELOPMENT. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025) **A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2025**

Attachments: [2025-12 Greensburg Meadow Rezoning Legislation](#)
[2025-12 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-12 Exhibit B](#)
[2025-12 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis called the public hearing to order at 7:19 p.m.

He read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

Project Developer Richard Sommers, 10585 Somerset Dr. Chardon, OH 442042- Mr. Sommers gave a detailed overview of the project and proposed rezoning. He provided renderings for viewing.

Zhila Pezeshkpoor, Assistant Planning Director, went over some of the details
Terry Miller, 2802 Byron Rd, Green OH-
Mr. Miller spoke in opposition of the project.

Dan Ritchie, 2807 Byron Rd, Green, OH-
Mr. Ritchie spoke in opposition of the project.

Leah Miller, 3191 & 3195 Greensburg Rd, Green OH-
Ms. Miller spoke in opposition of the project.

A lengthy discussion took place among the council members and staff regarding the rezoning and a number of concerns they had.

Councilman DeVitis closed the public hearing at 8:20 p.m.

VII. Reading of Correspondence

The correspondence was read in by Dannielle Owens, Administrative Coordinator

[TMP-5177](#) November 19, 2025 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Agenda

Attachments: [11-19-25 PZC Agenda with attachments](#)

[TMP-5178](#) November 7, 2025 Civil Service Commission Agenda

Attachments: [November 7, 2025 CSC Agenda](#)

[TMP-5179](#) October 8, 2025 Civil Service Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [October 8, 2025 Civil Service Meeting Minutes](#)

VIII. New Legislation - Items on First Reading

The new legislation was read in by Dannielle Owens, Administrative Coordinator and referred to the appropriate committee.

[2025-R65](#) **AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DEDICATING REAL PROPERTY AS A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
-(Introduced on 11/25/2025) **SECOND READING PASSAGE REQUESTED**

Attachments: [2025-R65 Arlington Rd Corridor Property Dedication ROW](#)
[2025-R65 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R65 Request for Legislation](#)

[2025-R66](#) **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR AND THE GRANTING OF ZONING CERTIFICATES FOR ANY VAPE SHOPS FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED TWELVE MONTHS IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE CITY TO REVIEW APPLICABLE STATE AND LOCAL LAWS, TO PLAN FOR REGULATIONS RELATING TO SUCH USES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 11/25/2025) **SECOND READING PASSAGE REQUESTED**

Attachments: [2025-R66 Moratorium on Vape Shops](#)

[2025-R67](#) **A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GREEN, IN COORDINATION WITH THE CITY'S MANAGED IT SERVICES PROVIDER, TO SET AND IMPLEMENT STANDARDS TO PROTECT AGAINST CYBERSECURITY THREATS AND RANSOMWARE ATTACKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 11/25/2025) **SECOND READING PASSAGE REQUESTED**

Attachments: [2025-R67 Cybersecurity Program](#)
[2025-R67 Attachment](#)
[2025-R67 Request for Legislation](#)

IX. Report of Council Committees

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

Councilman Neugebauer gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

[2025-R48A](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2026 ANNUAL CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF GREEN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)(**Amended November 10, 2025**)

Attachments: [2025-R48 Amended 2026 Capital Annual Appropriations](#)
[2025-R48 Amended Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R48 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

[2025-R49](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2026 ANNUAL OPERATING APPROPRIATION FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND ALL OTHER FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF GREEN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R49 2026 Operating Annual Appropriations](#)
[2025-R49 Exhibits A & B](#)
[2025-R49 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote and take time.

[2025-R50AA](#) A RESOLUTION MODIFYING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN CERTAIN FUNDS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)(**Amended on November 10, 2025**)(**Amended on December 9, 2025**)

Attachments: [2025-R50AA 4th Quarter 2025 Supplemental Appropriations](#)
[2025-R50AA Exhibit A](#)
[Amended Exhibit A as of 12.9.25](#)
[2025-R50 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote and take time.

[2025-R51](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER

INTO A CONTRACT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN GROUP, LLC TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FROM JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R51 EDG Contract 2026-2028](#)
[2025-R51 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R51 Attachment](#)
[2025-R51 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees. Due to Councilman Neugebauer recusing himself.

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

[2025-R52AA](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS PLANNING, ARCHITECTURE, HISTORIC PRESERVATION, ~~AND~~ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, *AND SURVEYING* FIRMS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2026, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)(Amended on November 10, 2025)(Amended on November 25, 2025)**

Attachments: [2025-R52AA Amended Various Planning Contracts beginning Jan 1 2026](#)
[2025-R52 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees. Due to Councilman Neugebauer recusing himself.

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2025-R55](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FINANCING AGREEMENT WITH CONSUMERS BANK FOR THREE (3) 2025 KENWORTH T480 5-TON VEHICLES FROM KENWORTH OF CANTON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)**

Attachments: [2025-R55 5 Ton Finance Agreement Legislation](#)
[2025-R55 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R55 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Neugebauer read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the

discussion that took place during committees.

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

[2025-R57A](#) **AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY AND INTENTION TO APPROPRIATE FOR STREET PURPOSES CERTAIN FEE SIMPLE INTERESTS, TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT EASEMENTS IN AND TO VARIOUS PREMISES ALONG COUNTY ROAD 15, ARLINGTON ROAD, ALTOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES TO BE FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS THE ARLINGTON ROAD CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, SUM-CR 15-3.55 PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
-(Introduced on 11/10/2025) (*Amended on December 9, 2025*)

Attachments: [2025-R57 Amended Arlington Rd Corridor Improvement](#)
[2025-R57 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

[2025-R59](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BRENNAN, MANNA, AND DIAMOND, LLC, TO PROVIDE SPECIALIZED LEGAL SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R59 Brennan Manna Diamond-Arlington Rd Corridor](#)
[2025-R59 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R59 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

[2025-R60](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CAVANAUGH BUILDING CORPORATION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF UTILITIES AND RELATED SITE WORK FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A PREFABRICATED RESTROOM BUILDING AT KREIGHBAUM PARK, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
-(Introduced on 11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R60 Kreighbaum Restroom-Cavanaugh](#)
[2025-R60 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R60 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

[2025-R61](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN GROUP (EDG) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SITE IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR KLECKNER PARK, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)**

Attachments: [2025-R61 EDG Contract-Kleckner Park](#)
[2025-R61 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R61 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees. Due to Councilman Neugebauer recusing himself.

No further comments or questions. Due to the number of council members absent, they will wait until the next meeting to vote, and take time.

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

Councilman Miller gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

[2025-14A](#) **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 34.1, CITY TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION, OF CHAPTER 34, CITY ORGANIZATIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GREEN. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)(Amended on November 25, 2025)**

Attachments: [2025-14A Amend 34.1 City Tree Advisory Commission Legislation](#)
[2025-14 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. Committee in support of passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller, seconded by Council Member

Babbitt, to adopt the Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Excused: 5 - DeVitis, Meager, Babbitt, Neugebauer and Miller

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

Councilwoman Babbitt gave her committee report. She reported that Chief Funai and Communications Manager Wolford gave an update on the code red system still being down.

D. Planning, Community & Economic Development (DeVitis*, Neugebauer**, Speight)

Councilman DeVitis gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

2025-11

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A PORTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY TOTH REALTY OF AKRON, LLC., DBA TOTH BUICK GMC, TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, EXEMPTING 100% OF THE VALUE OF THE IMPROVEMENTS FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION FOR THIRTY YEARS. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)

Attachments: [2025-11 TIF Toth Buick Legislation](#)

[2025-11 Exhibit A](#)

[2025-11 Exhibit B](#)

[2025-11 Exhibit C](#)

[2025-11 Exhibit D](#)

[2025-11 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief 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 DeVitis, seconded by Council Member Neugebauer, to adopt the Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Excused: 5 - DeVitis, Meager, Babbitt, Neugebauer and Miller

2025-12

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF APPROXIMATELY 30.5 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF GREENSBURG ROAD AND WINNING WAY FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO PD (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT); AND, ACCEPTING THE CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN OF THE PROPOSED GREENSBURG MEADOW PLANNED DEVELOPMENT. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025) **A PUBLIC HEARING WAS

HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2025**

Attachments: [2025-12 Greensburg Meadow Rezoning Legislation](#)

[2025-12 Exhibit A](#)

[2025-12 Exhibit B](#)

[2025-12 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the public hearing that was held earlier in the evening. By rule the council cannot vote on this item until the next meeting, therefore time was taken.

2025-13

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A PORTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY SERRA WORKS OF AKRON, LLC., DBA SERRA SUBARU, TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, EXEMPTING 100% OF THE VALUE OF THE IMPROVEMENTS FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION FOR THIRTY YEARS. -(Introduced on 10/28/2025)

Attachments: [2025-13 TIF Serra Auto Legislation](#)

[2025-13 Exhibit A](#)

[2025-13 Exhibit B](#)

[2025-13 Exhibit C](#)

[2025-13 Exhibit D](#)

[2025-13 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman DeVitis read in the legislation and gave a brief 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 DeVitis, seconded by Council Member Neugebauer, to adopt the Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Excused: 5 - DeVitis, Meager, Babbitt, Neugebauer and Miller

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

Councilwoman Babbitt gave her committee report.

SECOND READING ITEMS

2025-R54

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ZASHIN & RICH CO., L.P.A., TO PROVIDE SPECIALIZED LEGAL SERVICES IN THE AREA OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on

11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R54 Zashin & Rich Letter of Engagement for Contract Negotiations Consult 202509](#)
[2025-R54 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R54 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

[2025-15A](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RULES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREEN.** -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)(*Amended on 11/25/2025*)

Attachments: [2025-15 Amended Civil Service Commission Rules Update](#)
[2025-15 Amended Exhibit A](#)

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

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

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

Councilman Meager gave his committee report.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2025-R53](#) **A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS PROGRAMMED BY THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY FOR THE STEESE ROAD SIDEWALK EXTENSION PROJECT (PROJECT) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R53 TASA Steese Rd Sidewalk](#)
[2025-R53 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

[2025-R58](#) **A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (“STBG”) FUND PROGRAMMED BY THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA**

TRANSPORTATION STUDY (“AMATS”) FOR THE ARLINGTON ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT (PROJECT) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R58 Arlington STBG Resurfacing](#)
[2025-R58 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

[2025-R62](#)

A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (“STBG”) FUND PROGRAMMED BY THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (“AMATS”) FOR THE GREENSBURG ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT (PROJECT) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R62 STBG Grant- Greensburg Resurface](#)
[2025-R62 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

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

Councilman Meager gave his committee report.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2025-R56](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF SUMMIT FOR AN ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 11/10/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R56 SC Animal Control Services](#)
[2025-R56 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R56 Attachment](#)
[2025-R56 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

X. Mayor’s Report

Mayor Yeargin gave his report.

XI. Unfinished Business

None.

XII. New Business

None.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member Meager, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - DeVitis, Meager, Babbitt, Neugebauer 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.