



City of Green

Central Administration
Building
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Green, OH 44232

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

Monday, November 10, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

Council President Noble called the meeting to order at 8:14 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call of Council Members

Present: 6 - Clark A. DeVitis, Jeff Noble, Barbara Babbitt, Gerard Neugebauer, Justin Speight and Rick Miller

Absent: 1 - CJ Meager

IV. Council Study Session

[TMP-5149](#) Approval of the October 28, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [10-28-25 Draft Council Meeting Minutes](#)

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: 5 - DeVitis, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

Abstain: 1 - Babbitt

[TMP-5171](#) Approval of the September 2025 Electronic Financial Report, Subject to Audit

Attachments: [September 2025 Electronic Financial Reports](#)

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

V. Public Report

None.

VI. Public Hearings

None.

VII. Reading of Correspondence

The correspondence was read in and filed.

[TMP-5166](#) September 25, 2025 Historic Preservation Commission Minutes

Attachments: [9-25-25 HPC Meeting Minutes](#)

[TMP-5167](#) November 7, 2025 Civil Service Commission Agenda

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

[TMP-5168](#) Summit County Sheriffs October 2025 Activity Report

Attachments: [SC Sheriff October 2025](#)

[TMP-5169](#) Email from Josh Szilagyi RE: Flock Safety Concern

Attachments: [Email from Josh Szilagyi RE Flock Safety Concern](#)

[TMP-5170](#) Email from Matthew Simmons RE: E bikes and scooters on sidewalks

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VIII. New Legislation - Items on First Reading

New legislation was read in and referred to the appropriate committee by the Council President.

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[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](#)

[2025-R63](#) **A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN SERVICE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE TRADED IN TO OFFSET A PORTION OF THE PURCHASE PRICE FOR A REPLACEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -Referred to the Finance Committee
****FIRST READING PASSAGE REQUESTED****

Attachments: [2025-R63 Obsolete Mower TradeIn](#)
[2025-R63 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R63 Request for Legislation](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member DeVitis, to bypass Committee deliberations the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

[2025-R64](#) **A RESOLUTION TO RELEASE A CERTAIN NAMED DEFENDANT FROM THE MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION “IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION” APPROVED BY GREEN CITY COUNCIL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -Referred to the Public Safety Committee ****FIRST READING PASSAGE REQUESTED****

Attachments: [2025-R64 Opioid Release of Defendant](#)
[2025-R64 Request for Legislation](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Babbitt, seconded by Council Member Miller, to bypass Committee deliberations the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

[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](#)

IX. Report of Council Committees

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

Councilman Neugebauer gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

[2025-R46](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GPD GROUP FOR CONCEPT AND SITE IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR RAYL FAMILY PARK, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 10/14/2025)

Attachments: [2025-R46 GPD Contract for Rayl Park](#)
[2025-R46 Exhibit A](#)
[2025-R46 Request for Legislation](#)
[2025-R46 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. A motion was made to adopt.

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

SECOND 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. Time was requested and granted.

[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. Time was requested and granted.

[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. Time was requested and granted.

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

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

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

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

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

Councilman Miller gave his committee report.

SECOND 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 summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

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

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

Councilwoman Babbitt reported that the committee met to discuss 2025-R64 on first reading request. Committee was in support of passage and the council voted to adopt.

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

Councilman DeVitis gave his committee report.

SECOND 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 further comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

[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 further comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

[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 reported that a public hearing would be held at the next meeting, therefore discussion was withheld.

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

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

Did not meet.

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

Did not meet.

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

Councilman Speight gave his committee report.

2025-R45

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR JACOBS RIDGE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (PHASES 1-5), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 9/23/2025) ** A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025 **

Attachments: [2025-R45 Jacobs Ridge PH 1-5 Street Lighting District](#)

[2025-R45 Attachment 1](#)

[2025-R45 Attachment 2](#)

[2025-R45 Attachment 3](#)

[2025-R45 Request for Legislation](#)

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

No further comments or questions. A motion was made to adopt.

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

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

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 Noble, seconded by Council Member Speight, to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - DeVitis, Noble, Babbitt, Neugebauer, Speight and Miller

Absent: 1 - Meager

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.