

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
October 18, 2021  
6:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30 pm. The following members were present: Ben Barlage, Dale Henson, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber, Rob Thelen and Kim Wolking. Also, in attendance were City Administrator Brian Dehner, City Clerk Belinda Nitschke and City Attorney Frank Wichmann. Darla Kettenacker was absent.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Mr. Dehner added #20 – Wi-Fi at Presidents Park and Freedom Park

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – October 4, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes – Mr. Messmer made a motion to adopt the October 4, 2021 council meeting minutes as written; second by Mrs. Wolking. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

**REPORT/PRESENTATIONS** – Mike Bezold, KYTC – Proposed Project KY 17 Madison Pike Alt. 3 – The project was initiated with OKI in 2016 and has been in planning for a few years. The project is the intersection of KY 17 and I-275. The traffic count on this roadway is too great to just widen the roadway. This is Alternate #3 of the proposed projects. The proposed alternates widening the road and adding turn lanes will not accommodate the amount of traffic. Alternate #3 moves Dudley Road to the south and includes a displaced left turn at the ramps of I-275. There would be two two-phase signals instead of one three-phase signal, this increases capacity by 30%. Dudley Road needs to be displaced and run a three-lane road on Sperti Drive. Mr. Bezold stated that a redesign of the I-275 ramp would be a \$200 million dollar project and the current Alternate #3 is an \$8 million dollar project. Alternate #3 may take the property on Dudley Road across from Sperti Drive and possibly New Perceptions as well. Mr. Messmer asked how this new three-lane roadway would allow tractor trailers to back into Summit Apparatus and the storage facility with the active traffic. Mr. Thelen asked where the state was in the development of this plan. Mr. Bezold responded that the funds for the right-of-way portion are in the 2023 budget and construction funds are in the 2024 budget. In responding to questions, Mr. Bezold stated that there cannot be a dual turn lane onto the I-275 East ramp. Mr. Bezold stated that a consultant is designing this project. Mr. Dehner asked if a meeting could be set up with the businesses on Sperti Drive to discuss the design before it is complete. Mr. Bezold stated that at the right-of-way stage they would meet with residents and business owners. Mr. Bezold stated that there still needs to be adjustments to the left hand turn due to the downgrade of the roadway and the visibility. Mr. Bezold stated that Alternate #3 is still just a short-term solution to this traffic problem. Mr. Dehner stated improving traffic is important but that meetings and communication needs occur with Edgewood residents and Edgewood businesses who are going to be impacted the most by this short-term fix. Mr. Bezold stated that these are not the final drawings for this project.

Mayors Report – KYTC will be holding a public meeting at Noll Shelter regarding Turkeyfoot Road October 26<sup>th</sup> 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth Heart and Vascular Institute is opening on November 8<sup>th</sup>. January 4<sup>th</sup> the legislative session will begin in Frankfort. Mayor Link stated that the Spy a Truck event was a huge success. The city has ninety (90) days to approve or disprove the development at the bottom of Dudley Road and KY 17.

Staff Reports – City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire, General Services, Police & Recreation – Mr. Lunnemann stated that they are fixing curbs and the final punch list walk through has not been completed on Dudley Road Phase I and II. The tree lighting will be held but it will all be outside and there will not be any pictures with Santa.

**CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA** – Mr. Kurt Hanscom, 232 N. Colony – asked how the citizens in Edgewood could get more involved in the projects done by the city.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS** – Wi-Fi at Presidents Park and Freedom Park – Mr. Dehner presented council a presentation from Cincinnati Bell regarding intelligent free wi-fi at the parks to visitors and residents. The project could be completed by April. To upgrade both parks, the White House and the Senior Center it would cost \$28,000.

Mr. Thelen made a **motion** to move forward with upgrading the wi-fi at both parks, the White House and the Senior Center; second by Mr. Schreiber. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

**ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS** – Ordinance 2021-10-10 – Franchise Agreement with Cincinnati Bell Fioptics – 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance: **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AND ISSUING A COMPETITIVE, NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR A COMBINED TERM OF TEN (10) YEARS TO, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH, CINCINNATI BELL EXTENDED TERRITORIES LLC, ITS PERMITTED SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, ERECTION, INSTALLATION, UPGRADE, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND OPERATION OF A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM FOR THE PROVISION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES IN THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, ALL UPON THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND COVENANTS CONTAINED IN THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.**

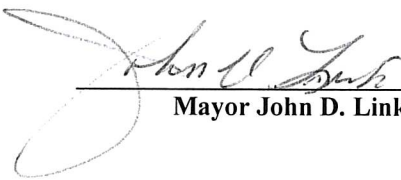
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Spooky Sunday is October 24<sup>th</sup> at Presidents Park at 4:pm for kids 12 and under
- Trick or treating in Edgewood – October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6-8:pm
- City Administration Offices will be closed – November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veteran’s Day

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adjourn at 8:14 p.m.; second by Mrs. Wolking. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest:   
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Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk

  
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Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 11/1/21