

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
December 20, 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 council members were present: Ben Barlage, Dale Henson, Darla Kettenacker, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber and Kim Wolking. Also, in attendance were City Administrator Brian Dehner, City Clerk Belinda Nitschke and City Attorney Frank Wichmann. Council member Rob Thelen was absent

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Approved

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – December 6, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Wolking made a **motion** to adopt the December 6, 2021 council meeting minutes as written; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.** Mr. Henson abstained.

**REPORT/PRESENTATIONS** – Zoning Change for 990, 996 & 998 Dudley Road from PO to HC – representatives from PDS present were Laura Tenfelde and Patrick Denbow. Carol Ramler, 3035 Beth Court stated that she is against the project and disclosed that she works for KYTC but is not representing them at the meeting. Ms. Ramler stated this project will create congestion and safety issues at this intersection. Mr. Wichmann stated that the discussion must be about what was discussed at the PDS meeting and no other additional information can be discussed. Laura Tenfelde, PDS, recapped the meeting regarding a map amendment by applicant, Eric Deters. The property is currently zoned for offices and the amendment is for the drive through restaurant. Any new development on a collector road must have a left-hand turn and this will spur a traffic study regarding this development. Mr. Eric Deters, applicant, stated that the planning commission recommended the amendment and the committee voted 14-4 to approve it. Mr. Deters stated that before a building permit can be issued a traffic study would be completed and any traffic issues would be addressed. Mr. Berling stated he was there representing the applicant and to answer any questions council may have. Mr. Schreiber stated that he is trying to figure how the zone change is for parcels 990, 996 and 998. Mr. Berling stated that the three parcels will be consolidated into one and the zoning amendment is only for 1.4 acres of the property. Mr. Denbow explained that three parcels are listed because the project touches each of them but the zoning amendment is only for the 1.4 acres and that is how it was presented to the planning commission. Mr. Schreiber stated that he is not in favor of this zoning amendment. Mr. Schreiber stated the zoning amendment is against the comprehensive plan. Mrs. Kettenacker asked what has changed at the property in the past 25 months to make it inappropriate currently. Mr. Schreiber stated that the current zoning is in compliance with the comprehensive plan. Mrs. Wolking attended the planning commission meeting and re-watched the meeting twice this week. Mrs. Wolking is for the zoning change based on the recommendation from PDS and on the other side of the road there is highway commercial and office space. Mrs. Wolking stated that no one wants any more accidents in that area. Mr. Barlage stated that he is in favor of the zoning amendment and that the traffic is a concern but has always been an issue and the applicant should not be penalized for that. Mr. Wichmann also noted the proposed map amendment must agree with the comprehensive plan or it's appropriateness, inappropriateness and/or changes of economic development, because PDS found that the change generally agrees with the compressive plan nothing else was presented. Mr. Wichmann also indicated Jeff is saying he does not believe the zone change agrees with the comprehensive plan.

Mr. Schreiber made a **motion** to deny the zoning map amendment recommendation for 1.4 acres from PO to HC; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion failed: 3 ayes – 3 nays.** Mr. Barlage, Mr. Henson and Mrs. Wolking voted nay.

Mr. Wichmann stated that Mayor Link cannot break a tie on a zoning issue. Mr. Wichmann stated that if the council does nothing then the recommendation of approval of the zoning amendment by NKAPC will stand.

Mrs. Wolking made a **motion** to accept the zoning map amendment recommendation for 1.4 acres from PO to HC; second by Mr. Barlage. **Motion failed: 3 ayes – 3 nays.** Mrs. Kettenacker, Mr. Messmer and Mr. Schreiber voted nay.

Jim Sparrow, Rankin and Rankin – presented the FY 20/21 audit findings to council. Mr. Sparrow stated they have an unqualified opinion on the city's financial statements. It is the highest opinion an accounting firm can bestow.

Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt the FY 20/21 audit as presented; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mayors Report – Mayor’s Meeting was held on Saturday, December 11, 2021 in Crestview Hills. They are very interested in moving some police training to the Northern Kentucky area.

Staff Reports – City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire, General Services, Police and Recreation – Mayor Link stated that he received many compliments on public works handling of the snow removal. Mayor Link thanked Behringer-Crawford Museum for the event with over 200 residents attending.

**CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA** – None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS** – Mrs. Wolking made a **motion** to cancel the January 3, 2022 council meeting; second by Mr. Schreiber. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mr. Dehner presented to council a proposal regarding purchasing AED’s for the city. Chief Dickman noted five (5) locations to install AED’s at city. The cost of the AED’s is \$2,317 on January 1st the price will increase 7%. Anticipated delivery will take approximately 22 weeks. Mr. Messmer made a **motion** to purchase 5 AED’s; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

**ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS** – None

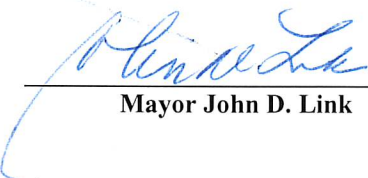
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Eddie the Elf and Freddie the reindeer will continue to appear on our social media outlets until December 24<sup>th</sup>, M-F at 10am.
- Property Taxes are due December 31<sup>st</sup>. Penalties and Interest will be assessed on January 1.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adjourn at 8:13 p.m.; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest:   
Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk

  
Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 1/5/22