

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 5, 2024
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER –Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30pm. The following council members were present: Ben Barlage, Darla Kettenacker, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber, Rob Thelen and Kim Wolking. Also, in attendance were City Administrator Brian Dehner, Senior Deputy Clerk Michelle Frisch, and Kim Quinn, Wichmann & Associates. Council member Scott Spille was absent. Other staff members present: Assistant Fire Chief Jim Schaefer and Police Chief Jimmy Kreinest.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mrs. Kettenacker asked for an update on the clock tower. Mr. Dehner stated that there is not an update at this time. Mrs. Kettenacker asked to add to the agenda the medical cannabis issue. Mayor Link added the issue to unfinished business item #10. Mr. Schreiber asked for an update on Dudley Road. Mr. Dehner stated the plan for Dudley Road has been approved by KYTC District 6, utilities have been informed, traffic control plan is being worked on, an environmental study needs to be completed, the city has contracted with a company to start the right-of-way acquisition and the city hopes in bid in January 2025 starting in May 2025. Mr. Schreiber asked for an update on the Charter Oak and Tupman intersection. Mr. Dehner stated that plans are completed and the city will meet with KCSO this week. The city is holding a public meeting on August 27th at Liberty Hall time to be announced.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 15, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes – Mr. Messmer made a **motion** to approve the July 15, 2024 minutes as written; second by Mrs. Wolking. Mr. Schreiber abstained. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – Jeremy Baldwin, Enterprise Fleet Management Program presented to council their proposal for cost savings for fleet purchases, resale, maintenance, and fuel costs. Mr. Dehner stated that this program can possibly save the city \$440,000 and there is no contract. The city will start rolling out this program and begin implementing the cost saving plan over the next five years.

Chris Courtney, Associate Director of Local Government Services at NKADD presented to council the NKADD strategic plan and services that NKADD offers to municipalities. NKADD serves the 8 counties of Northern Kentucky. The city is a member of the NKADD Ethics Authority. NKADD is funded through state funding and fair share funding from cities.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link thanked all the staff and attendees for coordinating and attending the Mayor's Golf Outing on Friday, August 2, 2024. There were many sponsors and individuals who made the event a success.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Medicinal Cannabis – Mrs. Kettenacker would like to move forward and vote on the issue. Mrs. Kettenacker made a **motion** to read the ordinance prohibiting all cannabis businesses in the City of Edgewood. Council discussed moving forward with the first reading. Mrs. Wolking seconded the motion. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

NEW BUSINESS – None

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – Ordinance 2024-08-04 – Prohibiting All Cannabis Businesses. 1st reading – Mrs. Quinn read the following: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN KENTON COUNTY KENTUCKY PROHIBITING ALL CANNABIS BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN THE CITY. WHEREAS, ON MARCH 31, 2023, THE GOVERNOR SIGNED INTO LAW SENATE BILL 47(ACT) WHICH ESTABLISHES THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, SALE, DISTRIBUTION, AND USE OF MARIJUANA AND RELATED ACTIVITIES FOR MEDICINAL PURPOSES; AND**

WHEREAS, THE ACT AUTHORIZES THE CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES TO ISSUE LICENSES TO THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES:

- (A) TIER I CANNABIS CULTIVATOR;
- (B) TIER II CANNABIS CULTIVATOR;
- (C) TIER III CANNABIS CULTIVATOR;
- (D) TIER IV CANNABIS CULTIVATOR;
- (E) CANNABIS DISPENSARY;
- (F) CANNABIS PROCESSOR;
- (G) CANNABIS PRODUCER; OR
- (H) CANNABIS SAFETY COMPLIANCE FACILITY; AND

WHEREAS, KRS 218B.130(2)(B) AUTHORIZES A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO PROHIBIT ALL CANNABIS BUSINESS OPERATIONS WITHIN ITS TERRITORY THROUGH THE PASSAGE OF AN ORDINANCE;

Municipal Order 2024-05 – Surplus General Services Items – Mrs. Wolking made a motion to adopt Municipal Order 2024-05; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tuesday Night Concert Series continues in Presidents Park at 7:pm on August 6th with The Menu’s, August 13th Marsha Brady Band, August 20th Second Chance Band and August 27th The Closers.
- Register now for Mommy & Me canvas painting class on August 9th at Noll Shelter.

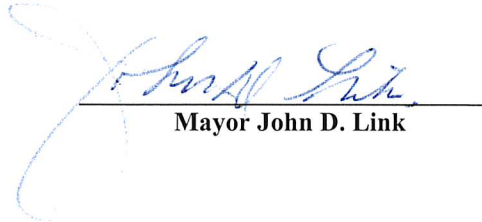
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest:



Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk



Mayor John D. Link

Date passed:

8/19/24