



**Florence City Council
Special Meeting
Tuesday, November 1, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky, met in special session on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing Boulevard, Florence, Kentucky, with Mayor Diane E. Whalen presiding as chair.

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen called the special meeting to order and declared the meeting open for the presentation of items on the special meeting agenda.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called, and the following four (4) members of council were registered present: Mel Carroll, J. Kelly Huff, Patricia Wingo, and Gary Winn. Councilmembers Dr. Julie Aubuchon (Vice-Mayor) and David Osborne were absent.

Staff members present were: Assistant City Attorney, Thomas Nienaber; Fire/EMS Chief, Rodney Wren; Chief of Police, Tom Grau; Public Services Director, Eric Hall; Business & Community Development Director, Joshua J. Hunt; Assistant City Clerk, Brandi Roundtree; and Police Lieutenant, Roger Allen.

The following were also present in the audience: Resident of Florence, Aaron Gillum; and Resident of Florence, Thomas Judd.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2022, special meeting. Councilmember Winn motioned to approve the minutes with a second from Councilmember Carroll. **All councilmembers present voted aye.**

SECOND READING ORDINANCE O-22-22:

Mayor Whalen read Ordinance O-22-22. An Ordinance adopting and approving a change in an approved Concept Development Plan in an Office Two/Commercial Two / Planned Development / Houston-Donaldson Study Corridor Overlay (O-2/C-2/PD/HDO) District for an approximate 1 acre site located along the south and west sides of Meijer Drive, between Houston Road and Spiral Boulevard, approximately 300 feet Southeast of Houston Road and being part of the property at 4990 Houston Road, Florence, Kentucky, to allow an eating and drinking establishment. (Freddy's Steakburgers)

The effect of this Ordinance is to allow an eating and drinking establishment on an approximate 1 acre site in an Office Two/Commercial Two/Planned Development/Houston-Donaldson Study Corridor Overlay (O-2/C-2/PD/HDO) District.

The full text of Ordinance O-22-22, including its exhibits, is available for examination in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Florence, Kentucky, in the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing Blvd., Florence, Kentucky, during regular office hours.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance O-22-22. Councilmember Wingo motioned to approve, with a second from Councilmember Huff. **All councilmembers present voted aye.**

DISCUSSION OF TRAFFIC CODE UPDATE AND POSSIBLE ACTION - FIRST READING ORDINANCE O-23-22:

Mayor Whalen called upon Eric Hall, Public Services Director, with regard to the traffic code update.

Mr. Hall explained every few years changes are made to the traffic code ordinance based on citizen requests and complaints, new streets and street name changes, and/or other situations where a change would be beneficial or necessary. Mr. Hall identified the proposed changes and updates to the traffic code ordinance:

- Speed Regulations – Cabaret Court – Speed 20
- Stop Intersections – Cabaret Court/Toulouse Drive; Saddlebrook Lane/Morgan’s Trace; Morgan’s Trace/Saddlebrook Lane
- Traffic Truck Prohibited – Additions – Cabaret Court
- Right Turn Only Permitted – From Bill Wentz Drive onto US Highway 42
- Parking Prohibited – Cabaret Court; Locust Lane; Investment Way; Glenrose Avenue

No further discussion was needed and therefore Mayor Whalen read Ordinance O-23-22. An Ordinance to update the traffic regulations of the city by amending Ordinance No. O-21-19 relating to parking prohibitions, stop signs, speed regulations, truck traffic prohibitions, left turn prohibitions, one-way streets; and right turn only streets.

This Ordinance revised the Traffic Regulations of the City to make appropriate current changes to the Parking Prohibitions; Stop Sign Locations; Speed Limits; Truck Traffic Prohibition; Prohibited Left Turns; Permitted Right Turns; and One Way Streets.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance O-23-22. Councilmember Winn motioned to approve, with a second from Councilmember Huff. **All councilmembers present voted aye.**

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting. Councilmember Huff so moved, with a second from Councilmember Carroll. **Councilmembers present voted aye**, the time being 6:08 p.m.

APPROVED:

/s/ Diane E. Whalen
Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Melissa Kramer
Melissa Kramer, City Clerk

