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# City Council Meeting November 1, 2022

Date and time: Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 06:00 PM

## **Members Present:**

Mayor Mike Fuesser  
Mayor Pro Tem Ed Brown  
Councilmember Matthew Hickey  
Councilmember Marion Ramsey

Councilmember Stephanie Jarrett  
Councilmember Charles Brewer  
Councilmember Kellie Harrold

## **Staff Present:**

City Manager Seth Duncan  
Finance Director Barbara Denny  
Municipal Clerk Amy Craig  
Community Events Manager Becky Mestas

Police Chief Brian Trail  
Fire Chief Mike Regal  
Human Resource Manager Sarah Ramirez

## **Others Present:**

(See Sign-in Sheet)

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1. Welcome and Call To Order Mayor Mike Fuesser
    - Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
  2. Prayer Mayor Pro Tem Ed Brown
  3. Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Mike Fuesser
  4. Presentations
    - 4.1. Veterans Day Parade  
Ronnie Taylor reminded everyone of the Veterans Day Parade to honor the veterans in the City of York. The parade will take place on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 10:00am. Mr. Taylor stated that anyone who would like to participate is welcome to do so. Also, he encouraged participants to arrive by 9:30am as the parade would start promptly at 10:00am. Allan Miller from WRHI will be the guest speaker for the event.
    - 4.2. York School District One – DECA – York Summerfest Fundraiser  
Representatives from York School District were presented with a check from the City for their efforts and assistance during York Summerfest 2022. Several students from the DECA program who helped sell Coca-Cola products from Rock Hill Coca-Cola Bottling Company during the event raised funds for their program. Mayor Fuesser presented the students with a check in the amount of \$1,054 for the DECA program.
    - 4.3. New Employees  
City Manager Seth Duncan introduced Becky Mestas as the new Community Events Manager, Lisa Arrage as the new Community Events Assistant, and Brian Craig as a new Utilities Crew Member.

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Chief Brian Trail introduced Cody Byars as a new officer with York Police Department.

## 5. Public Hearings:

### 5.1. Ordinance 22-678, Annexation and Rezoning Pinckney Road PUD

Shannon Culp spoke on behalf of Flying King Ranch. He requested that Council use their legal options to modify the development plan by including 50 feet of undisturbed border between the development and Flying King Ranch conservation easement property, along with 7 feet of woven wire bordering the set back on the development side. These modifications would shield those using conservation easement property with less visibility to traffic and activities. It would discourage trespassing and provide safety from personal contact with electrified counterfeits adjacent to the development.

Brandon Pridemore stated this project is a nice gateway into the city and a catalyst for renovation. He stated this development is a smart development plan to protect the environment and neighbors. In addition, the open space is more than double the requirements and the Planning Commission gave a recommendation for approval.

### 5.2. Ordinance 22-683, BZA Notification Requirements

No comments from the public.

## 6. City Manager's Report

### 6.1. ARPA Funding

City Manager Duncan reported that the City has received its second and final round of funding from the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The remaining balance will be deposited into a separate account to earn interest until spent on Council authorized projects. A large portion will be deposited into the City's LGIP account which will earn a higher interest rate than a standard savings account or CD. The funds are accessible within 2-3 business days.

### 6.2. Thank You

City Manager Duncan gave a farewell and thanked the City for the last three years. He reviewed his time with the City and everything that has been accomplished in that time. He stated that in three years, the City had secured \$6.4 million in grants and state aid, conducted 8 studies and plans, started 10 new programs and services, and started or completed 7 major capital projects.

## 7. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

### 7.1. Council Meeting, October 4, 2022, Council Work Session, October 17, 2022, Special Called Meeting, October 17, 2022, Special Called Meeting October 24, 2022, Special Called Meeting, October 25, 2022, and Special Called Meeting October 26, 2022.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown made a Motion to accept the Minutes into the record, which was Seconded by Councilmember Hickey. With No Discussion, the Motion passed unanimously.

## 8. Monthly Financial Report

### 8.1 Financial Director Barbara Denny discussed the finances for September 30. She stated that the budget has been managed well and more revenue has been brought in than expected.

## 9. Old Business:

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## 9.1. Ordinances:

- Second Reading, Ordinance 22-678, Annexation-Rezoning Pinckney Road PUD  
Councilmember Brewer made a Motion to adopt Ordinance 22-678, which was Seconded by Councilmember Jarrett. In Discussion, Councilmembers discussed options for the 15 feet buffer and if adjustments would be possible for the buffer in the future. With no other Discussion, the Motion was adopted 4-3 with Mayor Pro Tem Brown, and Councilmembers Ramsey and Harrold voting in opposition.
- Second Reading, Ordinance 22-683, BZA Notification Requirements  
Councilmember Hickey made a Motion to approve Second Reading of Ordinance 22-682, which was Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. With no Discussion, the Motion was adopted unanimously.

## 10. Comments from the Public on Agenda Items:

Brandon Pridemore presented a revised development plan for the Creekside PUD that he would like Council to consider for a First Reading.

Debbie Weatherby with Tuttle Company stated that the Creekside PUD would be a way for the community to support commercial development.

## 11. New Business

### 11.1. ORDINANCE(s):

- First Reading, Ordinance 22-684, Rezoning Creekside PUD  
Councilmember Brewer made a Motion to Table Ordinance 22-684 to allow the Planning commission to review the changes to the PUD and provide a recommendation to Council by December 6<sup>th</sup>, which was Seconded by Councilmember Harrold. In Discussion, Councilmembers discussed that the information provided would go to the Planning Commission for reevaluation to modify the plans. The Planning Commission would then update its recommendation to Council. With no other Discussion, the Motion was adopted 4-3 with Mayor Fuesser and Councilmembers Ramsey and Hickey voting in opposition.
- First Reading, Ordinance 22-685, Septic Tank Discharge Fee  
Councilmember Hickey made a Motion to approve Ordinance 22-685, which was Seconded by Councilmember Jarrett. In Discussion, Council discussed if studies could be provided for the First Reading to compare with other municipalities. With no other Discussion, the Ordinance was adopted unanimously.

### 11.2. RESOLUTION(S):

- Resolution 22-10, CDBG Match Railroad Avenue Sidewalk Project  
Councilmember Ramsey made a Motion to approve Resolution 22-10, which was Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. With no Discussion, the Resolution was adopted unanimously.
- Resolution 22-11, Support for York County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan  
Councilmember Jarrett made a Motion to approve Resolution 22-11, which was

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Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. With no discussion, Resolution 22-11 was adopted unanimously.

### 12. Mayor's Report

Mayor Fuesser proclaimed November 3, 2022, as Mrs. Josie Guthrie Day in honor of Mrs. Guthrie's 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday. A reception was held before the Council Meeting in her honor to celebrate her life and service to the York community.

Next, Mayor Fuesser proclaimed November 26, 2022, as Small Business Saturday. The mayor urged citizens of the City of York to shop small, not only on November 26, but also throughout the year.

### 13. Executive Session

#### Personnel Matters Related to the City Manager Search

Councilmember Hickey made a Motion to go into Executive Session to Discuss Personal Matters Related to the City Manager Search, which was Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown. The Motion was adopted unanimously.

Councilmember Ramsey made a Motion to exit Executive Session, which was Seconded by Councilmember Hickey. The Motion was adopted unanimously.

### 14. Upon Returning to Open Session, Council May Take Action on Matters Discussed in Executive Session

Councilmember Brewer made a Motion to appoint Financial Director Barbara Denny as the Interim City Manager beginning November 19, 2022, with additional compensation of \$700 per week, which was Seconded by Councilmember Hickey. The Motion passed unanimously.

### 15. Adjourn

Councilmember Hickey made a Motion to Adjourn, which was Seconded by Councilmember Ramsey. The Motion passed unanimously. The meeting Adjourned at 7:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amy Craig  
Municipal Clerk