



Council Minutes
Special Meeting
Tuesday, December 27, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

Council Member Fellows called the special council meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. Staff attending were City Manager Joseph Stefanov, Development Director Jennifer Chrysler, Economic Development Manager Sara Zeigler, Public Information Officer Josh Poland, Public Information Officer Denise Alex-Bouzounis, Clerk of Council Jennifer Mason, and Deputy Clerk Christina Madriguera.

Council Member Fellows led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

The following Mayor/Council Members answered roll call:

Mayor Sloan Spalding	A
CM Chip Fellows	P
CM Marlene Brisk	A
CM Michael Durik	P
CM Kasey Kist	P
CM Matt Shull	P
CM Andrea Wilttrout	A

Clerk Mason stated that Mayor Spalding requested to be excused due to travel, Council Member Brisk requested to be excused for family, and Council Member Wilttrout requested to be excused due to illness. Council Member Fellows moved to excuse Mayor Spalding and Council Members Brisk and Wilttrout from the meeting. Council Member Shull seconded and council voted with 4 yes votes to excuse Mayor Spalding and Council Members Brisk and Wilttrout from the meeting.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Council Member Fellows asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda. Hearing none, Council Member Fellows proceeded to Resolution and Public Hearing.

RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC HEARING:

RESOLUTION R-46-2022

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING THE DULY AUTHORIZED WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE CITY OF NEW ALBANY PURSUANT TO REVISED CODE SECTION 5709.911(B) TO A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION UNDER REVISED CODE SECTION 5709.12 FOR CANINE COMPANIONS

Development Director Chrysler thanked Economic Development Manager Ziegler for her work on this issue. Director Chrysler explained that the need for this resolution arose when Canine

Companions for Independence Inc. notified the city that they applied for a Real Property Tax Exemption and Remission through the Ohio Department of Taxation per their 501(c) 3 status and were advised that, because their property was located in a Tax Increment Financing Area, they needed proof via legislative action that the provisions of R.C. 5709.911(B)(1) and (2) had been satisfied and that the exemptions had been re-ordered.

Director Chrysler stated that Community Development staff and legal counsel from the Ohio Department of Taxation determined that legislative action before the end of 2022 was necessary and thanked council for meeting to consider R-46-2022. She stated that Community Development staff, legal counsel, and the Ohio Department of Taxation collaborated to draft legislation that satisfied R.C. 5709.911(B)(1) and (2). She further noted this exemption was only valid for Canine Companions, and all future owners of the property would remain in the Tax Increment Financing area and be subject to the original provisions of the Tax Increment Financing legislation.

Director Chrysler noted that Canine Companions improved the quality of life for persons with special needs and requested favorable consideration of R-46-2022 to grant the re-ordering of the exemption for Canine Companions.

Council Member Shull stated that his only question would have been, what happened if they sold the property, and his question was answered in the presentation.

Council Member Fellows opened the Public Hearing. Hearing no comments or questions from the public, he closed the Public Hearing.

Council Member Durik moved to adopt R-46-2022. Council Member Fellows seconded and council voted with 4 yes votes to approve Resolution R-46-2022.

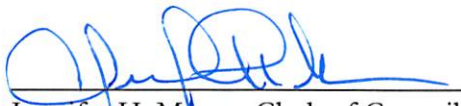
OTHER BUSINESS:

Council Member Fellows asked if there was any other business to discuss. Hearing none, Council Member Fellows moved on to adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further comments and all scheduled matters attended to, Council Member Durik moved and Council Member Fellows seconded the motion to adjourn. The December 27, 2022 special council meeting was adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

ATTEST:


Jennifer H. Mason, Clerk of Council


Sloan Spalding, Mayor


Date