



Norwood City Council

Council Chambers | Norwood City Hall

4645 Montgomery Road | Norwood, Ohio 45212

March 12, 2024 | 7:30pm

A) CALL TO ORDER

The Council for the City of Norwood met in a regular session on the above date with Mr. Joseph Geers presiding. The meeting opened with a moment of reflection and the Pledge of Allegiance.

B) MOMENT OF REFLECTION

C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A flag ceremony and pledge of allegiance was hosted by the local girl scout troops.

D) ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members answered present: Mrs. Franzen, Mrs. Hoover, Mrs. Bowling, Ms. Royse, Mrs. Winterbauer, Mr. Girton, and Mr. Breadon.

E) AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Ms. Royse, it was moved to amend the agenda by adding an ordinance regarding Cincinnati Pool Management and Waterworks pool, adding an ordinance regarding Lincoln Avenue, and adding an ordinance regarding Rolston Avenue. Mrs. Hoover requested to add the DEI Committee report. Mr. Breadon amended his motion and Ms. Royse amended her second to include the report. All members present voted "Yes." The motion carried.

F) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1) February 13, 2024 – Regular Meeting

2) February 26, 2024—Regular Meeting

Mr. Geers stated there were some edits made to the minutes; the edited minutes were distributed to all members of Council.

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Mrs. Franzen, it was moved to approve both sets of minutes as amended, as if read. All members present voted "Yes." The motion carried.

G) SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no special presentations.

H) PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

I) REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

1) Charelene Meyers Re: Community Meals at Christ the Savior Church

Ms. Meyers encouraged Council and community members to attend the next community meal on Thursday, March 14, 2024.

2) Dana Boll Re: Parks

Ms. Boll referenced maintenance work at the local parks that she does as a volunteer. She stated that passersby ask her why the waterfountain at Dorl Park is not functional. She also stated that the trash bins surrounding Dorl Park are frequently overflowing with water bottles and other waste. She recommended installing water fountains that can fill reusable water bottles.

3) Sonny James Re: Community

Mr. James echoed Ms. Meyers' invitation to the upcoming community meal and commented on plans for black history month.

J) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

1) Finance, Budget, and Audit: 4/01/2024

Mrs. Winterbauer noted that this report had already been accepted.

On a motion made by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mr. Breadon, it was moved to remove the report from the agenda. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

2) Committee of the Whole Report: 3/05/2024

On a motion made by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved to accept the report. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

3) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Board: 3/06/2024

On a motion made by Ms. Royse, seconded by Mrs. Winterbauer, it was moved to accept the report. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

K) THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

There were no third readings of ordinances or resolutions.

L) SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

There were no second readings of ordinances or resolutions.

M) INTRODUCTORY READING OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

1) ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 723 OF THE NORWOOD CODIFIED ORDINANCES ENTITLED "HOME SALES" AND RENAMING CHAPTER 723 AS "YARD SALES."

On a motion by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mrs. Bowling, it was moved to have the first reading of the ordinance.

Mrs. Winterbauer asked if the ordinance could include when the yard sales take place each year for efficiency. Mr. Moore said it is possible. It was decided to establish regular future dates.

All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

2) ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 3-2024, WHICH HAD CHANGED APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2024 FUND 2053 (THE FAÇADE STOREFRONT GRANT PROGRAM), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mrs. Franzen, seconded by Mrs. Hoover, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings of the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

On a motion by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mrs. Bowling, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

3) A RESOLUTION OBSERVING AND CELEBRATING MARCH 2024 AS "WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH" IN THE CITY OF NORWOOD, OHIO.

On a motion by Mrs. Bowling, seconded by Ms. Royse, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings of the resolution. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Mrs. Franzen, it was moved to pass the ordinance. Ms. Royse noted the historical significance of having a majority female Council. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

4) A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY'S COMPUTER PASSWORD POLICY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mrs. Franzen, seconded by Mrs. Hoover, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings of the resolution. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

On a motion by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mrs. Hoover, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

5) A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PLACEMENT OF A HISTORIC MARKER AT THE BASE OF NORWOOD MOUND IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ITS HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND SUPPORTING A REQUEST FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THAT MARKER.

On a motion by Mrs. Hoover, seconded by Mrs. Franzen, it was moved to have the first reading of the resolution. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

6) ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS IN DETERMINATION OF THE LOWEST AND MOST RESPONSIVE BIDDER AND AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CINICNNATI POOL MANAGEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF J.B. WORTH MEMORIAL POOL FOR YEARS 2024-2026 WITH OPTION YEARS 2027-2028, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mrs. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings of the ordinance. Mrs. Franzen noted that this does not privatize the pool but brings in outside management to keep up with maintenance of the pool. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

On a motion by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Ms. Royse, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

- 7) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO RECONSTRUCT ROLSTON AVENUE FROM WAYNE AVENUE TO DALE ROAD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Mrs. Franzen, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings of the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Mrs. Franzen, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

- 8) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO RECONSTRUCT LINCOLN AVENUE FROM MILLS TO FRANKLIN AVENUES, INCLUDING UTILITY WORK ON WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND STORM SEWER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mrs. Bowling, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings of the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Ms. Royse, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted "Yes." The motion passed.

N) ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Mayor Schneider stated that the draft of the Financial Recovery Plan was sent to Council and further edits would be made before the final draft.

James Bonsall, Norwood Treasurer, stated that the Financial Recovery Plan includes estimates for earnings tax revenue. He encouraged any questions. He also noted that the tax filing deadline for Norwood is April 18, 2024. Mr. Bonsall announced that the e-filing system is now live.

Ken Miracle, Norwood Auditor, stated that the Auditor's Department is working with Clear Gov to develop a transparency page for Norwood, similar to those of the Cities of Hilliard and Hamilton. He stated that the Auditor's Department has a new email address: Auditor@norwoodohio.gov. ACH payments for vendors are underway to transition away from check payments.

O) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mrs. Hoover shared a slide show with updates regarding the Ward 4 Community Conversation and work being done by the DEI Committee.

P) NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Franzen stated that she met with Mr. Zimmerman about the possibility of a community garden in Marsh Park.

Mrs. Bowling thanked Mr. Gabbard for assisting with the "Buy Nothing Swap" at the Community Center. She also thanked Clinton with Recreation.

Mrs. Bowling noted that she is working on a formal onboarding procedure for newly elected Councilmembers.

Ms. Royse noted that she is hosting a donation drive along with the DEI board for Lydia's House.

Q) COMMUNICATIONS

1) Mayor Victor Schneider Re: February 2024 Mayor's Court

On a motion by Mrs. Winterbauer, seconded by Mrs. Bowling, it was moved to receive and file the letter. All members present voted, "Yes." The motion passed.

R) EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

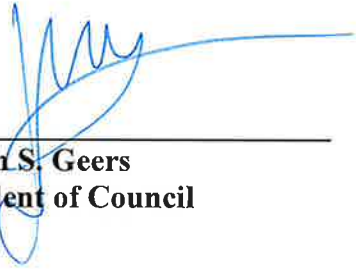
There were no absent members.

S) ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mrs. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved to adjourn. All members present voted, "Yes." The motion passed.



Natalie Assaf
Clerk of Council



Joseph S. Geers
President of Council