COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 18TH, 2020

The Common Council of the City of Kokomo, Indiana met Monday May 18th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by President Rudolph.

Councilwoman Sanders states, those who wish to stand may stand, or you may remain seated.

Invocation was offered by Pastor Antonio Stewart, The Reformation Faith Ministries Church.


Absent: none

The minutes of the Council Meeting held May 11th, 2020 were declared approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS: Councilman Grecu stated there is a change to the budget hearing schedule. The following dates have been set as follows, Hearings will be on August 12th & 13th, 2020 at 4:00p.m. for both days. Budget Ordinance first reading will be August 24th, 2020. Public Hearing, September 14th, 2020. Second Reading will be September 28th at our regular meeting.

Shelia Shoemaker 4800 Maple Dr. Kokomo IN. Works with non-profit Domestic Violence organizations. In the State of Michigan there is a program called “Enough Initiative” it reaches out to children and young adults, as a way to try and break the cycle of Domestic Violence in homes. To learn the red flags of abuse. Ms. Shoemaker stated she would like to share this information with the Council if they would like. Councilwoman Sanders offered information to Ms. Shoemaker as to who to contact. Councilman Miklik inquired if Ms. Shoemaker spoke with a Jeff Newton on this, Councilman Miklik stated he would be interested on reading any proposals she had. Councilman T. Stewart stated he believes there is a need, and should have training in place for our youth.

There were no committee reports given at this regular meeting.

ORDINANCE 6959: Re: P05-Z-20 was read by the clerk by title only.

R4 (medium Density Urban Residential) to C1 (Small to Medium Scale General Commercial)

1016 S. Washington St., Kokomo IN 46902.

Councilwoman Sanders moved for suspension of rules and pass Ordinance 6959 on first and second reading. Seconded by Councilman Grecu.

Vote for passage follows: Aye: All

Nay: None

The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first and second reading.
The petition HAQ Enterprises Inc. DBA Banner Flower House will be expanding their business to include a commercial kitchen, for Edible arrangements. Janice Quackenbush was representing Banner Flower House, there we no questions.

ORDINANCE 6960: Re: P06-Z-20

R4 (Medium Density Urban Residential) to C1 (Small to Medium Scale General Commercial)

1039 S Home Ave. Kokomo IN 46902

Ordinance 6960 was read by the clerk by title only. Councilwoman Sanders moved for suspension of the rules and pass ordinance 6960 on the first and second reading; seconded by Councilman Grecu.

Vote for passage follows:

Aye: All
Nay: None

The vote was 9 to 0 for suspension of the rules.

Councilwoman Sanders moved for passage of Ordinance 6960 on the second reading; seconded by Councilman R. Stewart. Councilwoman Sanders states, EPE Holdings LLC is requesting a change in zone classification from R4 (Urban Residential) to C1 (Small to Medium Scale General Commercial) for property located at 1039 S Home Ave. This property will be used for an expansion of a conveyor belt manufacturer. There is an old home that will be demolished on this site and the lot paved. There were no remonstrators.

Mr. Greg Sheline of the Plan Commission came forward to explain the appropriate Zoning Districts. C1 should be an appropriate district with an L1, light industrial. It was found during this case there is a mistake in our Zoning Ordinance. It should be compatible. We have C1 and L1 sitting next to each other all over the city. We are in the process of changing the zoning district in certain areas. So we will change that and it will be brought to the city Council for approval.

Vote for passage follows:

Aye: All
Nay: None

The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first and second reading.

ORDINANCE 6961: P07-Z-20

C1 (Small to Medium Scale General Commercial) to C2 (Medium to Large Scale General Commercial)

3845 S. Lafountain St. Kokomo IN. 46902
Ordinance 6961 was read by the clerk by title only. Councilwoman Sanders moved for passage of ordinance 6961 on first and second reading: seconded by Councilman Grecu.

Vote for suspension of the rules:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for suspension of the rules.

Councilwoman Sanders moved for passage of ordinance 6961 on second reading seconded by Councilman Grecu. Councilwoman Sanders states that Tom Harold on behalf of Virginia McQuerry is requesting a change in zone classification from C1 (Small to Medium Scale General Commercial) to C2 (Medium to Large Scale General Commercial) for the use of a car lot. Tom Harold stated that the zoning was appropriate for car rental and with the change in zoning now it is in compliance for car sales. There were no remonstrators.

Vote for passage as follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on the first, and second reading.

President Rudolph states, being no further business this marks the end of this Council Meeting, our next meeting will be June 8th, 2020 with an informational meeting at 5:30 p.m. and Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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President Rudolph

ATTEST:

City Clerk