The Common Council of the City of Kokomo, Indiana met Monday August 12\textsuperscript{th}, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by President Hayes.

President Hayes states, those who wish to stand may stand, or you may remain seated.

Invocation was offered by Pastor Ed Vasicek from Highland Park Church.

Pledge:

President: Wyant, Cameron, Young, Haworth, Kennedy, Hayes, Johnson, Sanders, Miklik

Absent: None

The minutes of the Council Meeting July 29\textsuperscript{th}, 2019 were declared approved as presented.

\textbf{COMMUNICATIONS:} President Hayes states, we will be setting a Public Hearing for Ordinance #6935, and Ordinance #6942 for August 26\textsuperscript{th}, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

There were no committee reports given at this regular meeting.
ORDINANCE 6935:  
AN ORDINANCE VACATING RIGHT-OF-WAY
First reading

Ordinance 6935 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilwoman Young moved for passage on ordinance #6935 on first reading; seconded by Councilman Wyant.

Councilwoman Young states, the petitioner Rayl Minor LLC. whose address is 522 Belvedere Drive, Kokomo, Indiana 46901. He is proposing to vacate a street-right-away described as the following. It is adjacent to 807 Reed Road where a vacation will be attached to the petitioner’s real estate. Vacating the Right-of-Way is appropriate because the petitioner owns all the real estate adjoining the street right-of-way to be vacated. It will not interfere with the public’s access to any of the adjoining real estate.

Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first reading.

ORDINANCE 6937:  
Rezoning: R1, AG and AR to C2
Location:
Parcel #34-04-32-426-008.000-002
Parcel #34-04-32-476-003.000-002
Parcel #34-04-33-301-004.000-028
Parcel #34-04-33-351-001.000-007
Parcel #34-04-33-351-016.000-007
Parcel #34-04-33-351-018.000-007
Petitioner: Phil A. Sundling
First reading

Ordinance 6937 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilwoman Young moved for passage on ordinance #6937 on first reading; seconded by Councilman Haworth.
Cont. Ordinance #6937
President Hayes states, at this time we have a presentation that the Henke Group would like to give us; so at this time we will take a slight adjournment as we move the Council to the front row seat; so they can see the presentation.

Steve Henke 3524 Club States Drive Carmel, Indiana states, I am President of Henke Development. With me here tonight is Doug Flener, Phil Sunding our in-house Engineer, Ken Coker who manages all the Baseball Grand Park, and Joe Thatcher. We really appreciate the opportunity to be here this evening, and to present our petition for rezoning.

Joe Thatcher states, I am here as a lifelong memory of this community. I am here as an advocate for this project. Having a business in Westfield I have seen first-hand the impact that Grand Park has had on that community. I am truly excited if this project happens; how it would benefit our community. I was fortunate to play base-ball it is a beautiful game. I started when I was six years old down at UCT. Though-out my entire journey, it truly opened the door for me to go travel the world.

I have been to different countries, different cities, different states, playing a game of baseball. Baseball teaches you a lot of life lessons. I think the greatest part is the friendships you develop. The dreams that we could bring to these kids of playing on beautiful fields with lights, and score-boards, and all the great amenities that would be part of Championship Field. I think our kids deserve that. I have seen what the Henke Group can do. I have seen their developments, and what they bring. It would be a world class facility. I want to thank everybody for the opportunity to be here. I put my support behind this program.
Cont. Ordinance #6937.
Terry Roach East Lordeman Street Kokomo, Ind. states, I think this is great. I want to make sure all the other parks, and baseball diamonds stay where there at.

Councilman Miklik states, I talked to Parks Superintendent, and he has a plan to communicate with all the league presidents; to see that baseball in the various parks will remain.

Mr. Graves 4510 Lakeshore Drive Kokomo, Ind. states, I have visited Grand Park, and it is a very beautiful place. I think it would be a boost for the community; and a great thing for Kokomo economically.

Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first reading.

ORDINANCE 6938:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 6279, AS AMENDED, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA, that Ordinance No. 6279, as amended with all subsequent amendments, be and is hereby further amended as follows:
Second reading

Ordinance 6938 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilwoman Young moved for passage on ordinance #6938 on second reading; seconded by Councilman Cameron.
Cont. Ordinance #6938.
Councilwoman Young states, this ordinance was passed by the Plan Commission to the Common Council. It is an ordinance amending ordinance #6279. This ordinance is expanding 931 on State Road 31 Overlay Sub-districts. It encompasses the nine properties for the Sports Complex being built on State Road 31; for a high end mixed use Commercial Development area.
Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on second reading.

ORDINANCE 6942:
First reading

Ordinance 6942 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Kennedy moved for passage on ordinance #6942 on first reading; seconded by Councilman Haworth.
Councilman Kennedy states, as you know this is what we had part of our announcement, and presentation today. The City has announced its intention to help design, and develop a baseball, and softball tournament center. This is to be known as Championship Park, at 600 S. Goyer Road on the east side of Kokomo.
Cont. Ordinance #6942.
The City is excited about this public-private partnership; as it is estimated to provide, and overall value to the area of the city of $86 Million Dollars; in commercial, and retail development. Ordinance #6942 spearheads this activity; and will enable the city to continue with the process of developing this activity. Initially these bonds will be backed with local income tax bonds; later it will be used once the ordinances are passed thru with two readings; and a Public Hearing. Then we will get the bonds under-written; then be used, and will be paid out of TIF increment generated on that development. Initially it will go through the Park Fund, and then be transferred over to the TIF development. I urge this Council so we can continue this development, and this activity to pass this Bond Ordinance on first reading.
Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: Nay
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first reading.

President Hayes states, this marks the end of this Council Meeting. Our next Council Meeting will be August 26th, 2019; with an Informational Meeting at 5:30 P.M. in the Louks Room. Public Hearings at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers. Council Meeting immediately following.

Adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

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PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK