

6550 N. High Street Worthington, Ohio 43085

T: 614-436-3100

2. Roll Call

1. Call To Order

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Visitor Comments

5. Special Presentation(s)

**5.A.** COSI Science Festival Worthington STEM Star Presentation

**Worthington City Council Agenda** 

Louis J.R. Goorey Municipal Building John P. Coleman Council Chamber

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 ~ 7:30 PM

Executive Summary: The City of Worthington will once again be partnering with COSI on their 2020 Science Festival. A representative from COSI will be at the meeting to present the STEM Star award and do a short, interactive science experiment as a part of the presentation.

**5.B.** Community Visioning Update

<u>Executive</u> <u>Summary</u>: Community Visioning Committee Chair Joe Sherman will provide an update on the work of the committee on the Community Visioning initiative

### **CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

# **Bonnie D. Michael**

President

#### **Scott Myers**

President Pro-Tem

# **Peter Bucher**

Council Member

# **Rachael Dorothy**

Council Member

# **Beth Kowalczyk**

Council Member

#### **David Robinson**

Council Member

#### **Douglas Smith**

Council Member

#### **CITY STAFF MEMBERS**

#### **Matthew Greeson**

City Manager

# D. Kay Thress

Clerk of Council

# 6. Approval of the Minutes

- **6.A.** Meeting Minutes January 6, 2020 (Organizational)
- **6.B.** Meeting Minutes January 6, 2020

*Recommendation*: Motion

# 7. New Legislation to Be Introduced

**7.A. Resolution No. 02-2020** Appointments to Boards

Appointing Members to Various Boards and Commissions.

<u>Executive Summary</u>: This Resolution appoints several Council members to several boards.

**Recommendation**: Introduce and Approve as Presented

**7.B. Ordinance No. 01-2020** Granting a Temporary Easement to Columbia Gas

Granting a Temporary Construction Easement to Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. over the Property Owned by the City of Worthington at 7200 Huntley Road for Material and Equipment Storage to Accommodate the Relocation of Utilities as Part of the Northeast Gateway Project.

<u>Executive Summary</u>: This Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to grant Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. a temporary construction easement as part of the relocation of gas lines in conection with the Northeast Gateway Intersection Improvement Project.

*Recommendation*: Introduce for Public Hearing on February 3, 2020

**7.C. Ordinance No. 02-2020** Appropriation - Utility Relocation for the Northeast Gateway Project

Amending Ordinance No. 45-2019 (As Amended) to Adjust the Annual Budget by Providing for an Appropriation from the Capital Improvements Fund Unappropriated Balance to Pay the Costs of the NE Gateway-Utility Relocation and All related Expenses and Determining to Proceed with said Project. (Project No. 602-14

<u>Executive Summary</u>: This Ordinance appropriates \$1.2 million to fund the extensive utility relocations by AEP, Columbia Gas, AT&T, Century Link and other public and private utilities in anticipation of road construction for the Northeast Gateway Project.

*Recommendation*: Introduce for Public Hearing on February 3, 2020

# **7.D. Ordinance No. 03-2020** Appropriation - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations & Kilbourne Building

Amending Ordinance No. 45-2019 (As Amended) to Adjust the Annual Budget by Providing for Appropriations from the General Fund Unappropriated Balance to Provide Funds for the Reimbursable Charges Associated with the Electric Vehicle Charging Station Payment Process and the Increased Property Taxes at the Kilbourne Memorial Library Building.

<u>Executive Summary</u>: This legislation amends Ordinance No. 45-2019 to adjust the annual budget by providing for appropriations from the General Fund unappropriated balance.

*Recommendation*: Introduce for Public Hearing on February 3, 2020

### 8. Reports of City Officials

#### **8.A**. Policy Item(s)

#### 8.A.I. Electric Vehicle Customer Payment Structure

Discussing the payment structure for the electric vehicle charging stations.

<u>Executive Summary</u>: This item is to discuss the City's desired structure for collecting payments associated with the newly-installed electric vehicle charging stations.

*Recommendation*: Motion

# 9. Reports of Council Members

# 10. Other

# 11. Executive Session

**11.A.** To consider the appointment of public officials

# 12. Adjournment



Date: January 15, 2020

To: Matthew H. Greeson, City Manager

From: Darren Hurley, Director of Parks & Recreation

Subject: COSI Science Festival - Worthington STEM Star Presentation

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The City of Worthington will once again be partnering with COSI on their 2020 Science Festival. Mr. Stephen White came to a City Council Meeting last year to share about the festival and to thank the city for its participation. As a partner community, representatives from all of our participating organizations nominate a STEM Star and COSI presents them with an award. A STEM Star is someone who is a champion of science in their community that will serve as a Grand Marshall for the 2020 COSI Science Festival. This year's Worthington STEM Star is Stephanie Matson, a science teacher at Thomas Worthington High School. A representative from COSI will be at the meeting to present the award and do a short, interactive science experiment as a part of the presentation.

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# CITY OF WORTHINGTON Worthington City Council Organizational Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2020

6550 N. High Street Worthington, Ohio 43085

### **CALL TO ORDER - Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance**

Worthington City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, January 6, 2020, in the John P. Coleman Council Chambers of the Louis J.R. Goorey Municipal Building, 6550 North High Street, Worthington, Ohio. Clerk of Council D. Kay Thress called the meeting to order at or about 7:30 PM

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Thress invited all those in attendance to stand and join in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **OATHS OF OFFICE**

Mrs. Thress welcomed former Ohio Supreme Court Justice Evelyn Stratton to administer the oath of office to the newly elected Councilmembers.

Justice Stratton gave brief remarks about her background and explained her appreciation for the City Council and how citizens can be engaged with their Councilmembers. It is democracy at its most basic and responsible.

Justice Stratton administered the oath of office to Mr. Peter Bucher.

Justice Stratton administered the oath of office to Ms. Bonnie Michael.

Justice Stratton administered the oath of office to Mr. Doug Smith.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Pete Bucher, Rachael R. Dorothy, Beth Kowalczyk, Bonnie D. Michael, Scott Myers, David Robinson, and Douglas K. Smith.

#### **Member(s) Absent:**

**Also present:** City Manager Matthew Greeson, Assistant City Manager Robyn Stewart, Director of Law Tom Lindsey, Director of Finance Scott Bartter, Director of Planning & Building Lee Brown, Director of Parks & Recreation Darren Hurley, Chief of Fire &

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EMS John Bailot, Chief of Police Robert Ware, Clerk of Council D. Kay Thress, Management Assistant Ethan Barnhardt

There were 21 visitors present.

#### **ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

Mrs. Thress detailed the process for electing a new President of the Worthington City Council in accordance with the newly adopted guidelines for the organizational meeting.

Councilmember nominations for President of Council are as follows:

David Robinson nominated Doug Smith

Rachael Dorothy nominated Bonnie Michael

Scott Myers nominated Bonnie Michael

Bonnie Michael nominated Bonnie Michael

Pete Bucher nominated Rachael Dorothy

Beth Kowalczyk nominated Bonnie Michael

Doug Smith nominated Rachael Dorothy

Mrs. Thress explained that the top two vote recipients, Ms. Michael and Ms. Dorothy each have five minutes to provide a brief statement about their interest in serving as President of Council.

Ms. Dorothy expressed her thanks to the Councilmembers who voted for, but she is not looking forward to being President of Council. Her vote was the have Ms. Michael become President of Council. She wants to serve the community to the best of her ability as a member of Council.

Ms. Michael thanked the Councilmembers for their support over the past two years and welcomed the new Councilmember Peter Bucher. She explained how Worthington continues to be a leading community in Ohio, working from a sound base to address the challenges of 2020 and beyond. Moving forward, Council plays a central role and through the retreat, Councilmembers will be able to determine the top priorities for the community over the next year. As she has demonstrated previously, she will support including priority projects from the retreat into Council agendas along with other Council initiated issues. If she is re-elected as President of Council, she pledges to maintain a positive working relationship with Councilmembers, include residents in our deliberations, and promote civility in our dialogue with each other and Worthington residents.

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2020 promises to be a challenging year, but we are up to the task. She highlighted some of the challenges including the budget priorities considering the closures of Anthem, the Holiday Inn, and the Worthington Inn. Development will be at the forefront of this upcoming term. Planning for the construction of the Northeast Gateway will be important. Key initiatives such as the transfer of 911 call answering to the Northwest Regional Communications Center affect quality of life in our community. Community wide consensus on some of these projects may be unlikely, so it is Council's duty to listen to all perspectives and strive towards a resolution to bring our community forward. Since she is self-employed, she will be able to meet the commitments necessary to be Council President. In addition, she will continue to have individual meetings with each Councilmember on a regular basis to understand their thoughts and concerns.

Moving forward we need to make sure Council continually reaches out to our residents for their involvement, input, feedback, and support. She pledges to continue to reach out to the community, address constituent concerns, provide useful connections, and conduct Council meetings so that residents who speak before us feel their voices are heard. We all care deeply about the City of Worthington. She asked for the support to continue taking on the challenges before us together. As President of Council, she believes she has brought leadership, respect, fairness, hard work, and balance to the table.

Councilmember votes for President of Council are as follows:

Pete Bucher voted for Rachael Dorothy

Beth Kowalczyk voted for Bonnie Michael

Bonnie Michael voted for Bonnie Michael

Doug Smith voted for Rachael Dorothy

Scott Myers voted for Bonnie Michael

David Robinson voted for Rachael Dorothy

Rachael Dorothy voted for Bonnie Michael

Mrs. Thress declared that Ms. Michael has been elected as President of Council.

#### OATH OF OFFICE FOR PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Justice Stratton administered the oath of office to Ms. Michael.

Mrs. Thress relinquished her role as temporary chair and turned the meeting over to President Michael.

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#### ELECTION OF PRESIDENT PRO-TEM OF COUNCIL

President Michael explained that the same procedures would be followed for the election of President Pro-Tem of Council that were followed for the selection of the President of Council.

Doug Smith nominated Scott Myers

Bonnie Michael nominated Scott Myers

Scott Myers nominated Scott Myers

Rachael Dorothy nominated Scott Myers

Beth Kowalczyk nominated Scott Myers

Pete Bucher nominated Scott Myers

David Robinson nominated Doug Smith

Mr. Myers thanked those who nominated him. He explained how he will do three things when he serves. He will serve with integrity; you will always know where he stands on the issues. He will be prepared and show up and do his work. He will serve with openmindedness, he will listen, and will not prejudge things. He will challenge and he hopes he will be challenged. Only through spirited debate can we have appropriate result. He will continue to build bridges, seek compromise and common ground on the important issues we will face over the next two years. This will be his eighteenth year of service to the City of Worthington, it has been a lot of work and he hopes to continue that service over the next two years as President Pro-Tem.

Mr. Smith expressed his thanks for the nomination. He said that as far as leadership goes, a lot will be determined by the Visioning Process that was kicked off last year. He stated that he is not seeking the nomination.

Councilmember votes for President Pro-Tem of Council are as follows:

Beth Kowalczyk voted for Scott Myers

Bonnie Michael voted for Scott Myers

Doug Smith voted for Scott Myers

Pete Bucher voted for Scott Myers

Scott Myers voted for Scott Myers

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### Rachael Dorothy voted for Scott Myers

David Robinson voted for Scott Myers

#### OATH OF OFFICE FOR PRESIDENT PRO-TEM OF COUNCIL

Justice Stratton administered the oath of office to Mr. Myers.

#### ELECTION OF MAYOR

President Michael said she would entertain nominations for Mayor of the City of Worthington.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Ms. Dorothy and seconded by Mr.

Robinson to re-appoint Scott Holmes as Mayor of the City of

Worthington.

There being no additional nominees, nominations were closed.

The motion to re-appoint Scott Holmes to serve as Mayor of the City of Worthington carried unanimously by a voice vote.

#### OATH OF OFFICE FOR MAYOR

*Justice Stratton administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Holmes.* 

Mayor Holmes expressed his thanks to the Councilpersons who have supported him. Mayor of Worthington is the best job in the world.

President Michael explained how Vice Mayor Lorimer has decided to retire from his City duties. Council will discuss the process they will undertake to appoint a Vice Mayor. She expressed her thanks to Vice Mayor Lorimer for his years of service and how a committee will be putting together a celebration for him.

# DESIGNATION OF CLERK OF COUNCIL AS COUNCIL MEMBERS' DESIGNEE FOR OPEN RECORDS CERTIFICATION

**MOTION** A motion was made by Mr. Myers and seconded by Ms.

Kowalczyk to appoint the Clerk of Council as Councilmembers'

designee for open records certification.

The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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President Michael declared the meeting	adjourned at 7:58 p.m.	
APPROVED by the City Council, this 21 <sup>ST</sup> day of January, 2020.	Management Assistant	
Council President		

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# **CITY OF WORTHINGTON Worthington City Council Minutes**

January 6, 2020

6550 N. High Street Worthington, Ohio 43085

### **CALL TO ORDER - Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance**

Worthington City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, January 6, 2020, in the John P. Coleman Council Chambers of the Louis J.R. Goorey Municipal Building, 6550 North High Street, Worthington, Ohio. President Michael called the meeting to order at or about 8:06 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Pete Bucher, Rachael R. Dorothy, Beth Kowalczyk, Scott Myers, David Robinson, Douglas K. Smith, and Bonnie D. Michael

#### **Member(s) Absent:**

Also present: City Manager Matt Greeson, Assistant City Manager Robyn Stewart, Director of Law Tom Lindsey, Director of Finance Scott Bartter, Director of Service & Engineering Dan Whited, Director of Planning & Building Lee Brown, Director of Parks & Recreation Darren Hurley, Chief of Fire John Bailot, Chief of Police Robert Ware, Clerk of Council D. Kay Thress, Management Assistant Ethan Barnhardt

There were 12 visitors present.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Michael waived reciting the Pledge of Allegiance since it had just been done for the Organizational Meeting.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)

• Oath of Office – Police Chief Robert Ware

Mr. Greeson explained how we went through a thorough process to find the City's next Chief of Police and he is pleased to administer the oath of office to Robert Ware. Mr. Greeson detailed Chief Ware's background and qualifications.

Mr. Greeson administered the oath of office to Chief Ware.

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Chief Ware introduced his family members who are in the audience here to support him tonight. He explained how he is humbled and how he comes from humble beginnings and was the first to go to college in his family. Hard work and dedication are why he is sitting here today. It is a testament to his children of what they can do when putting their mind to something, and it is the reward for the sacrifices that they endured, and he endured to get to this point. He is honored to have the chance to build relationships here and work hard for the people of Worthington. He hopes to bring vigor and energy to the men and women in the Worthington Division of Police. He has already been impressed in his short time here by the officers that on the street.

President Michael welcomed Chief Ware aboard.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- Meeting Minutes December 2, 2019 (Joint Meeting)
- Meeting Minutes December 2, 2019
- Meeting Minutes December 9, 2019 (Special Meeting)
- Meeting Minutes December 9, 2019
- Meeting Minutes December 16, 2019

MOTION

Mr. Robinson moved and Ms. Dorothy seconded a motion to approve the aforementioned meeting minutes as presented.

The motion to approve the minutes as presented carried unanimously by a voice vote.

#### NEW LEGISLATION TO BE INTRODUCED

Resolution No. 01-2020

Approving Funding to Worthington Community Groups for the 2020 Community Grant Program.

**Introduced by Mr. Myers.** 

**MOTION** 

Mr. Smith made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 01-2020. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kowalczyk.

Mr. Greeson explained how Council budgets dollars for several small grants for community organizations that encompass Council priorities. A committee was appointed to review grant applications, with the total dollar ask being quite a bit more than the dollars budgeted. Ms. Kowalczyk and Mr. Smith reviewed those applications and made recommendations for funding which are included in the Council packet.

Ms. Kowalczyk conveyed it was a good process, and we had a little more money this year, so there could be some increases provided. One deviation was for Leadership Worthington where they wanted to give them some flexibility to restart their leadership class. It was decided to let them determine how best to spend those dollars, and we did not want to restrict their ability to use those funds.

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Mr. Smith explained the committee got together their ideas about what funding should be given to whom and came to a consensus based on that conversation which is expressed in the numbers here.

Ms. Dorothy thanked everyone on the committee, expressing how it is a hard decision process between many worthy organizations.

There being no additional comments, the motion to adopt Resolution No. 01-2020 passed unanimously by a voice vote.

#### REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mr. Greeson conveyed his congratulations to those who were sworn in tonight.

Mrs. Thress reported still needing responses from several Councilmembers on retreat dates.

#### REPORT OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Robinson reported on his attendance last October at the National Trust for Historic Preservation PastForward conference. He described how the National Trust for Historic Preservation describes themselves as leading the movement for saving Americas historic places. He came away from the conference with a broader understanding of what historic preservation is and how it is about far more than physical objects alone. It is about our lives today and how we shape our shared future. On a personal level, person-place relationships can create a sense of belonging and of being part of something bigger than oneself. He was surprised to hear terms used in the context of preservation which helped him think about the ways that different ideas can be brought together. On a societal level preservation can provide spaces that give a common identity. An aspect of preservation is the role in helping to write a truthful history and the issue of writing history is not an academic topic but one of relevance today. If you doubt the importance and power of history, look at how governments seek to control the telling of it.

He brought up a program that will be aired on PBS this year called The Power of Place which examines multiple communities losing historic buildings including Tulsa, Oklahoma and Pilsen, Chicago and the loss of culture born out of community. He described how during the movie, he became aware of Dr. Mindy Fullilove and a paper she wrote describing the effects of forced relocation, extending her analysis to issues affecting all of us in a changing world.

In closing, preservation is about buildings, but only as the physical element whole way of looking at life and one's own place in stream of time. It is a reminder of the responsibility to pay it forward and to create something others in the future see worth preserving. He closed his thoughts asserting that as we enter 2020, we as a community and Council will

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face many decisions this year that will impact Worthington and our sense of belonging in this place.

Ms. Dorothy said her report dovetails with Mr. Robinson's and that she wanted to speak about attending the National Walking Summit in Columbus and the Summit on Sustainability hosted by MORPC. The National Walking Summit featured a keynote talk about how pedestrians are marginalized in society today and how we are all pedestrians. She took one breakout session which was a walking tour of Franklinton where she had an opportunity to travel on the COTA circulator. There were discussions about our current single use zoning versus form-based codes. They advocated looking at sense of place and allowing for more diverse mixed use that enables getting around on foot. ODOT has a new bike and pedestrian Walk Bike Ohio rolling out this year with goals of safety, equity, economic health, preservation, and partnerships.

The Summit on Sustainability keynote showed visualizations of the CO2 produced per household and how we can decrease CO2 emissions through different modes of transportation. There was discussion about walkable communities being more attractive to young professionals and older people. Insight 2050 scenarios were covered where growth focused on infield development versus communities taking over farmland that surrounds us. It can result in reduced vehicle miles driven and lower infrastructure costs. Reynoldsburg, Whitehall, and Dublin have rewritten their zoning codes to allow for mixed use with the hope that it will spur economic growth in their communities.

Mr. Myers reminded Council that this Thursday night at the Municipal Planning Commission/Architectural Review Board meeting, it will be National Church Residences part two.

Mr. Bucher thanked the community for giving him this opportunity and he thanked his family. He expressed his appreciation to City staff for taking the time to get him up to speed.

President Michael thanked staff for all of their hard work and Councilmembers for all their work together. She is looking forward to 2020 and beyond to bring the community forward in positive ways.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION Mr. Bucher moved, Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to meet in Executive Session to discuss the appointment of public officials.

The clerk called the roll on Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote

Yes 7 Smith, Kowalczyk, Dorothy, Myers, Bucher, Robinson, and Michael

**No** 0

Council recessed at 8	42 p.m. from the Regular meeting session.		
MOTION	Ms. Dorothy moved, Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to return to open session at 9:26 p.m.		
The motion carried	unanimously by a voice vote.		
ADJOURNMENT			
MOTION	Ms. Smith moved, Ms. Kowalczyk seconded a motion to adjourn.		
The motion carried	unanimously by a voice vote.		
President Michael de	clared the meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.		
APPROVED by the Cit 21st day of Januar			
Council President			

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Date: January 16, 2020

To: Matthew H. Greeson, City Manager

From: D. Kay Thress, City Clerk

Subject: **Resolution No. 02-2020 Appointments to Boards** 

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Resolution appoints several Council members to several boards.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Introduce and Approve as Presented

# **BACKGROUND/DESCRIPTION**

The Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council, the Energy Special Improvement District Board, and the Worthington International Friendship Association all have positions open for a Council member appointment. This resolution appoints the following:

Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council – Peter Bucher Energy Special Improvement District Board – Peter Bucher Worthington International Friendship Association – Beth Kowalczyk

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Resolution No. 02-2020

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#### RESOLUTION NO. 02-2020

Appointing Members to Various Boards and Commissions.

WHEREAS, City Council wants to appoint Council members to serve on the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council, Energy Special Improvement District, and Worthington International Friendship Association; and,

WHEREAS, various Council members have expressed a desire to begin their service;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Peter Bucher is hereby appointed to the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council.

SECTION 2. That Peter Bucher is hereby appointed to the Energy Special Improvement District Board.

SECTION 3. That Beth Kowalczyk is hereby appointed to the Worthington International Friendship Association, each for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2022.

SECTION 4. That members are directed to serve the interests of the City of Worthington in such capacity when discharging the duties as a member of each of these groups.

SECTION 5. That the Clerk be and hereby is instructed to record this Resolution in the appropriate record book upon its adoption.

Adopted		
Attest	President of Council	
Clerk of Council		

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Date: January 14, 2020

To: Matthew H. Greeson, City Manager

From: Tom Lindsey, Law Director

Subject: Ordinance No. 01-2020 Granting a Temporary Easement to Columbia Gas

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to grant Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. a temporary construction easement as part of the relocation of gas lines in conection with the Northeast Gateway Intersection Improvement Project.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Introduce for Public Hearing on February 3, 2020

#### **BACKGROUND/DESCRIPTION**

The Northeast Gateway Intersection Improvement Project (Project No. 602-14) will reconstruct Worthington Galena Road starting 600 feet north of the CSX railroad to Lakeview Plaza Boulevard, Wilson Bridge Road from the CSX Railroad to Worthington Galena Road, and Huntley Road starting 400 feet south of Wilson Bridge Road to Wilson Bridge Road. The Project requires the City of Worthington to acquire over 100 separate parcels from over 30 different property owners. The City has acquired 7200 Huntley Road.

The realignment of the intersection and roads requires Columbia Gas to relocate gas lines. Columbia Gas would like to use 7200 Huntley Road for the temporary storage of material and equipment during the relocation of its gas lines.

The proposed ordinance will grant a temporary construction easement to Columbia Gas. A copy of the easement document is attached to the ordinance.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Ordinance No. 01-2020 Easement Document

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 01-2020

Granting a Temporary Construction Easement to Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. over the Property Owned by the City of Worthington at 7200 Huntley Road for Material and Equipment Storage to Accommodate the Relocation of Utilities as Part of the Northeast Gateway Project.

WHEREAS, the Northeast Gateway Intersection Improvement Project will reconstruct Worthington Galena Road starting 600 feet north of the CSX railroad to Lakeview Plaza Boulevard, Wilson Bridge Road from the CSX Railroad to Worthington Galena Road, and Huntley Road starting 400 feet south of Wilson Bridge Road to Wilson Bridge Road; and,

WHEREAS, the City acquired the property located at 7200 Huntley Road for the relocation of Worthington-Galena Road; and,

WHEREAS, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. desires to use the property at 7200 Huntley Road for material and equipment storage during the construction of new gas lines necessary for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Worthington does hereby grant a temporary construction easement to Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. over the property owned by the City at 7200 Huntley Road as described in the Easement attached hereto as "Exhibit 1".

SECTION 2. That the City Manager and Law Director are each hereby authorized, acting singly or jointly, to take all actions, including the execution of the Easement or other documents, necessary to effectuate the granting of the temporary construction easement to Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

SECTION 3. That notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be posted in the Municipal Administration Building, the Worthington Library, the Griswold Center and the Worthington Community Center and shall set forth the title and effective date of the Ordinance and a statement that the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and by the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio.

Passed		
Attest:	President of Council	
Clerk of Council		

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#### TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to the Grantor in hand paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, **CITY OF WORTHINGTON**, **FRANKLIN COUNTY**, **OHIO** (hereinafter called the Grantor), does hereby grant to **COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO**, **INC.**, with principal offices at 290 West Nationwide Boulevard, Columbus, Ohio 43215, (hereinafter called the Company), its successors and assigns, the right to enter upon and utilize a temporary construction easement over and through the premises hereinafter described for the purpose of **material and equipment storage** and being situated in Franklin County, State of Ohio, and more particularly described as follows:

Recorded In: Instrument 201905010050301

Permanent Parcel No.: 100-002695

Property Address: 7200 Huntley Road, Columbus, Ohio

This temporary construction easement shall be located as described and depicted on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

Company shall have the right of ingress to and egress from the temporary construction easement area by means of existing or future roads and other reasonable routes on said premises and on Grantors' adjoins lands. The Company shall replace the temporary construction easement area to as near as practical to its condition immediately prior to Company's use.

It is understood and agreed to by the parties hereto that the rights granted herein shall begin upon full execution of this temporary construction easement and terminate August 1st, 2020.

The rights, privileges and terms hereby shall extend to and be binding upon Grantor and the Company and their respective representatives, heirs, successors and assigns upon receipt of written request for same from Grantors forthwith.

This temporary construction easement may be executed in two (2) or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together constitute one and the same instrument. Facsimile and .pdf signatures shall be as legally binding and considered in all manner and respects as original signatures.

Date	CITY OF WORTHINGTON, COUNTY, OHIO	FRANKLIN
JO#: 18-0089595-00	COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.	

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# **EXHIBIT** "A"



This Exhibit Is Drawn For The Limited Use Of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. To Identify The Construction Easement Area And Not Intended To Represent An Accurate Survey Of The Property

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Date: January 15, 2020

To: Matthew H. Greeson, City Manager

From: Daniel Whited, P.E.

Subject: Ordinance No. 02-2020 Appropriation - Relocation for the NE Gateway

**Project** 

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Ordinance appropriates \$1.2 million to fund the extensive utility relocations by AEP, Columbia Gas, AT&T, Century Link and other public and private utilities in anticipation of road construction for the Northeast Gateway Project.

# RECOMMENDATION

Introduce for Public Hearing on February 3, 2020

#### **BACKGROUND/DESCRIPTION**

In order to keep the Northeast Gateway project on schedule, construction and relocation of the public utilities will begin in the coming month and proceed through April of this year. Extensive meetings have been held with our engineering consultant, EMH&T and the many utilities which need to perform this work. The relocation plan has been finalized along with the draft construction agreements with the respective utility companies. In most instances, the City of Worthington is required to pay the cost of relocation. It is currently estimated this cost will total \$1,200,000. This Ordinance would fund those relocation costs. \$1,140,000 of this cost will be reimbursed by the Ohio Public Works Commission. We are also seeking Council permission to allow the City Manager to enter into the necessary construction agreements and contracts associated with the relocation.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/FUNDING SOURCES** (if applicable) \$1,200,000.00

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Ordinance No. 02-2020

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 02-2020

Amending Ordinance No. 45-2019 (As Amended) to Adjust the Annual Budget by Providing for an Appropriation from the Capital Improvements Fund Unappropriated Balance to Pay the Costs of the NE Gateway — Utility Relocation and all Related Expenses and Determining to Proceed with said Project. (Project No. 602-14)

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio, provides that City Council may at any time amend or revise the Budget by Ordinance, providing that such amendment does not authorize the expenditure of more revenue than will be available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is appropriated from the Capital Improvements Fund Unappropriated Balance to Account No. 308.8150.533330 an amount not to exceed one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000.00) to pay the cost of the NE Gateway- Utility Relocation Project and all related expenses (Project No. 602-14).

SECTION 2. For the purposes of Section 2.21 of the Charter of the City, this ordinance shall be considered an "Ordinance Determining to Proceed" with the Project, notwithstanding future actions of this Council, which may be necessary or appropriate in order to comply with other requirements of law.

SECTION 3. That notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be posted in the Municipal Administration Building, the Worthington Library, the Griswold Center and the Worthington Community Center and shall set forth the title and effective date of the Ordinance and a statement that the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and by the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio.

Passed		
	President of Council	
Attest:		
Clerk of Council		

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Date: 1/15/2020

To: Matthew H. Greeson, City Manager

From: Scott Bartter, Finance Director

Subject: Ordinance No. 03-2020 - Appropriation for Electric Vehicle Charging

Stations & Kilbourne Building

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This legislation amends Ordinance No. 45-2019 to adjust the annual budget by providing for appropriations from the General Fund unappropriated balance.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Introduce for Public Hearing on February 3, 2020

#### **BACKGROUND/DESCRIPTION**

This legislation provides funding for two separate projects lead by the City's economic development staff. The first line item is associated with the City's newly installed electric vehicle charging stations, while the second line item is for property tax increases at the Kilbourne Memorial Library Building located at 752 High Street.

Regarding the electric vehicle charging stations, power is provided directly from AEP Ohio to the City. For this reason, the City is required to pay AEP Ohio directly for the energy used at each charging location and will then be reimbursed by the drivers via the secure ChargePoint app. Without knowing how much usage to expect in 2020, City staff are requesting an initial appropriation of \$20,000 to pay the AEP Ohio electric bills, with an additional \$2,500 appropriated to pay ChargePoint's 10% transaction fee for managing the app, securing the transactions, issuing refunds, covering credit card fees, and handling all payment disputes. City staff will have the ability to monitor and report on the kilowatt usage at each site and adjust future funding requests accordingly.

Regarding the Kilbourne Memorial Library Building, the Franklin County Auditor's Office has increased the current market value of the property (Parcel ID 100-006616) from

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\$320,000 in 2018 to \$600,000 in 2019. This is the result of the Auditor's Office realizing many of the improvements made to the building by Sew to Speak and COhatch, with the property tax bill almost doubling to \$22,149.46 per year. Property taxes are paid one year in arrears, so the City just received the property tax bill for 2019 in January of 2020. This valuation increase was not yet known when the City approved its 2020 budget, thus the need to appropriate additional funds. Further, it is the responsibility of the building tenants to pay the full property tax bill. This appropriation allows the City to pay Franklin County directly and be reimbursed by Sew to Speak and Cohatch at a 25%/75% split, respectively.

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/FUNDING SOURCES

Impacts General Fund unappropriated balance. See below:

	<b>General Fund Totals</b>	\$ 32,500.00
101.1090.540534	Property Tax Payments	\$ 10.000.00
101.1070.540537 101.1070.540650	Electric – EV Charging Stations EV Charging Station Fees	\$ 20,000.00 \$ 2,500.00
General Fund #101		
Account No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Ordinance No. 03-2020

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 03-2020

Amending Ordinance No. 45-2019 (As Amended) to Adjust the Annual Budget by Providing for Appropriations from the General Fund Unappropriated Balance.

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio, provides that City Council may at any time amend or revise the Budget by Ordinance, providing that such amendment does not authorize the expenditure of more revenue than will be available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is appropriated from the General Fund unappropriated balances to:

Account No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund #101		
	Electric – EV Charging Stations EV Charging Station Fees	\$ 20,000.00 \$ 2,500.00
101.1090.540534	Property Tax Payments	\$ 10.000.00
	<b>General Fund Totals</b>	\$ 32,500.00

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Passed		
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Clerk of Council		

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Date: January 16, 2020

To: Matthew H. Greeson, City Manager

From: David McCorkle, Economic Development Director

Subject: **Electric Vehicle Customer Payment Structure** 

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This item is to discuss the City's desired structure for collecting payments associated with the newly installed electric vehicle charging stations.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Motion authorizing the City Manager to set the charge for use of the City's electric vehicle charging stations at an amount equal to the City's estimated cost to provide the service.

#### **BACKGROUND/DESCRIPTION**

Electric vehicle charging stations were identified as a City Council priority for 2019. Using the AEP Ohio rebate program, the City is in the final stages of installing two ChargePoint Express 250 fast chargers in Worthington. The charging stations are expected to be operational and go live by the end of January 2020. The final item that requires City Council guidance is the customer fee structure to use the chargers.

The City has two primary options: charge customers the full price of electricity or subsidize all or a portion of the electrical usage as an incentive to visit Old Worthington and the Worthington Community Center. At this time, staff feel it is appropriate to institute a fee structure that aims for break even. The City would charge a per-minute rate with the intent of having customer fees equal to the City's cost to maintain the charging stations, pay the electric bills, and account for ChargePoint's 10% transaction fee.

Through the research of regional organizations with similar direct current (DC) fast chargers, the market rate for the fee structure in Worthington is \$0.30 per minute. As an example, AAA Ohio charges users \$0.30 per minute. However, the pricing model in the

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region generally ranges from \$0.20 - \$0.35 per minute based on who owned the stations and the desired customer.

Once an initial fee structure is established, City staff would monitor customer usage and would adjust the fee structure as necessary to optimize user adoption rates.

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