

**City of Mt. Washington  
Regular Council Meeting  
December 12, 2022  
Fick Hall**

Mayor Armstrong called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the following council members present, Troy Barr, Greg Gentry, Sandra Hockenbury and Dustin Armstrong. George Maddox and Albert Thompson joined via zoom.

Also, present were City Attorney Hayden Sweat, City Administrator Dawn Hardin, Paul Brannon Public Works Director, and Chief Tim Morris.

Greg Gentry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Armstrong asked those present to take a moment of reflection.

The mayor introduced Eric Moore with the Robert Alexander Center (R.A.C.) Eric Moore is a representative with R.A.C. and shared how the program has been successful. He introduced David Glass who successfully went through the program and now works at R.A.C. David says he is a program coordinator with Impact outpatient program and also now works at R.A.C. Mr. Glass provided an emotional testimony of his journey of the choices he made and how this program saved his life and how he is utilizing the resources and giving back to others who may need help with addiction. David Glass announced he is celebrating 6 years sobriety.

Mayor Armstrong thanked Eric Moore and David Glass for attending the meeting and sharing their journey and the services they provide to the community.

**Minutes**

Councilman Armstrong made, and Councilman Gentry seconded a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for November 28, 2022. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 6 to 0.

**Police Report**

Chief Morris read the Police report for the month of November 2022. Chief Morris clarified the number of citations doesn't mean 122 individual citations were written, he said a citation could have multiple on any one given citation. The Chief also said the FOT (Federal Overtime) was the reason for the increase in September. Councilman Gentry asked if the Safety Check pints have been successful. The Chief agreed that yes, they were, and they are advertised by law and public knowledge.

**Sign in sheet**

Will Nolan with Qk4 updated the City Council on the round-about and signal for the intersection at Landis Lane and US31EX. Mr. Nolan showed a new preliminary design of the round-a-bout. He said the KYTC has requested another leg to be added for future which the new design provides. Mr. Nolan provided statistics provided by required studies and safety analysis.

Will Nolan stated the cost associated for the round-about is 3.9 million and the cost of the signal is 1.9 million. The total cost which also includes the multi-use walking and bike trail from Apollo Drive to Landis Lane on both sides of N. Bardstown Road which is a difference of 1.5 million. Will Nolan stated the city has 2.9 million in federal funds which is an 80/20 split, there is also \$500,000 in ROW funds.

Will Nolan said the project completion is based on a construction season which is from April to November and realistically the project could be completed by the end of 2024.

Councilman Maddox asked if there are any easements or Right-of-ways still needed for the project. Will Nolan said yes there is 0.7 acres to still acquire at the Clark Farm.

Councilman Thompson asked if the road would close for any period of time and if there will be detours

Will stated they are working through this at that the road will not close and will be able to work through this with partial construction to allow through traffic during the construction of the round-a-bout or signal which ever one the council selects.

Will also stated the speed limit will be required to be reduced in this location during construction and once round-a-bout is completed.

Will Nolan said he has touched on the key points and said he will need to know how the City Council would like to move forward with the project. Councilman Barr made a motion and Councilman Gentry seconded a motion to proceed with Will Nolan's presentation. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote of 6 to 0.

Barry Armstrong stated the funds are available in the budget through grant money the city has already received.

Councilman Barr made a motion to proceed with the new rendering of the round-about as presented by Will Nolan. Councilman Gentry seconded the motion. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 6 to 0.

Brian Anderson, Emergency Management Director updated the City Council on the generator purchased for \$20,000 through ARPA funds and should be installed before the end of the year. Brian stated the price included the equipment and installation.

Dan Sowder thanked outgoing Mayor Armstrong and City Council for their service to the community and wished everyone the best for the future, he also thanked the incoming mayor and council for their commitment to continue to make our community better. Dan stated he addressed to this City Council a compliance issue required by ADA in which this governing body rejected. Councilwoman Hockenbury clarified that this governing body did not reject or vote against becoming compliant with new regulations, and wants the public to know that we are continually working to be in compliance and stated there is a Representative employed at the city to be a point of contact for ADA needs and working to formulate a plan to continue improving the needs

of the community. Paul Brannon said when the new ADA regulations came out, the law overrode the current ADA regulations and Mr. Brannon said the city is required to adhere to these guidelines when applicable.

***Second Reading -Roll call vote required***

Hayden Sweat read the second reading of an ordinance amending the shape file of previous consensual annexation ordinance 2022-19 of Tr 1 0.8646 acres and Tr 2, 0.08875 acres more or less and owned by KJS Investments, LLC. Councilman Barr made, and Councilman Gentry seconded a motion to approve. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 6 to 0.

***Second Reading -Roll call vote required***

The city attorney read the second reading of an ordinance relating to the rezoning of Tr 1 0.8646 acres and Tr 2, 0.08875 acres more or less and owned by KJS Investments, LLC from R-2 Residential to B-2 Central Business. Mayor Armstrong reiterated issues held at the first reading due to access to the property. Councilman Maddox made a motion to reject the recommendation of the Bullitt County Planning Commission due to improper infrastructure. Councilman Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 4 in favor and 2 against (Gentry & Thompson)

***Second Reading -Roll call vote required***

Hayden Sweat read the second reading on an ordinance amending Chapter 160.12 Downtown Commercial Building Exterior Improvement Program to expand the eligible cost to be incurred during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of the previous or incurred during the present fiscal year. Councilman Barr made, and Councilwoman Hockenbury seconded a motion to approve. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 6 to 0.

***Second Reading -Roll call vote required***

Attorney Sweat read the second reading of an ordinance relating to the rezoning of 83.86 acres more or less owned by William Coots from R-2 Residential to Agriculture. Councilman Armstrong made, and Councilman Barr seconded a motion to approve. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 6 to 0.

**Mayor's Report**

The mayor reminded the regular council meeting for December 26, 2022, is cancelled.

Barry Armstrong announced the Snapp Street Project is underway to improve the sidewalks, curbing and drainage and said there are detours and a schedule of the road closure on Facebook and website.

Dawn Hardin also said there is an additional Night Drop Box that will be installed at the MWPD for convenience for payments of the water bills that will remain indefinitely.

Mayor Armstrong wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked the outgoing city council members for their service as well as the incumbent council. The mayor thanked his administration for their service and everyone who supported him the past 8 years as mayor and the past 40 years as council member.

### **Report from the City Council**

Councilman Barr thanked the outgoing council members and said it was a pleasure working with them and thanked the mayor for almost 50 years of service.

Councilman Gentry thanked the out going council and thanked the mayor for everything he has done for this community and will he be missed and said he has a lot of respect for Barry Armstrong.

Councilwoman Hockenbury also thanked the outgoing city council members and Barry Armstrong for their service to this community.

Councilman Armstrong said it's been an interesting two years and said he has enjoyed serving the community.

Paul Branon stated at the next council meeting he will be raising awareness of a grease trap program that we will be reimplementing and will have more information at the next meeting. Paul Brannon thanked Barry Armstrong for the opportunity to work as the Public Works Director and said he appreciates the service of Dustin, George and Albert.

Councilman Thompson thank Barry for his service and said the past few years has been a great learning experience and wished the incoming Mayor and Council Member the best.

Councilman Maddox also thanked the citizens for their support and for the learning experience and thanked Barry Armstrong and the outgoing council for their service to this community.

Hayden Sweat thanked Barry Armstrong for the opportunity to work as City Attorney.

Dawn Hardin wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and also thanked Barry Armstrong and the outgoing city council for their years of service and looking forward to working with the incumbent council and newly elected mayor and council in continuing making this city the best place to live.

Councilman Maddox made, and Councilman Armstrong seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Motion carried.

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Elizabeth D Hardin  
City Administrator

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Barry Armstrong  
Mayor