



CITY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, April 01, 2024 at 5:00 PM

1 Benjamin Franklin Way Franklin, Ohio 45005

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVE THE CLERK'S JOURNAL AND ACCEPT THE TAPES AS THE OFFICIAL MINUTES
 - [A.](#) December 04, 2023
4. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Finance Update
 - B. Appropriations
 1. 2024 Tax Refunds
 2. Sound Communications
 3. Speeding Dispatch for Emergency Services
 - C. Economic Development
 - D. Investment Account Holdings
 - [E.](#) Bulk Water Sales (COLA)
 - F. Fire & EMS Funding
5. ADJOURNMENT



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Monday, December 04, 2023 at 4:30 PM
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CLERK'S JOURNAL

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Centers called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Chair Denny Centers
Michael Aldridge
Matt Wilcher

3. APPROVE THE CLERK'S JOURNAL AND ACCEPT THE TAPES AS THE OFFICIAL MINUTES

A. November 6, 2023

Motion made by Aldridge, Seconded by Wilcher.

Voting Yea: Chair Centers, Aldridge

Voting Abstaining: Wilcher

Motion passed.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Monthly Overview

Ms. Trice gave an update on the City's Finances as of November 30, 2023. All Funds had a balance of \$27,245,437. Total revenues equaled \$26,704,276 while total expenditures were at \$26,238,691.

B. 2024 Budget

Ms. Trice reviewed the 2024 budget. The debt service funds will increase due to the Streetscape project. The Division of Fire will need to explore additional funding options for operational expenses. More discussions will be had in early 2024. Some sort of levy will likely be needed. The roundabout on SR-123 and a new water tower and pump station are projects included in the 2024 budget. This budget is considered a permanent budget for 2024 and any changes will be brought to Council as appropriation requests.

C. K-9 Fund

After the loss of K-9 Fury, several individuals and groups have offered funds to aid in obtaining another K-9 for the Division of Police. Staff is exploring an opportunity to work with the Middletown Community Foundation to create a 501c3 option for those wanting to give in honor of Fury. This would create a

long-term financing opportunity that would support the City’s K-9 efforts moving forward. Mr. Centers spoke in favor of working with the Community Foundation.

Mr. Westendorf had a meeting with the School Administration scheduled to finalize the cost associated with the explosive detective K-9. Those costs would be split between the City and the Schools with each paying approximately \$20,000. Mr. Westendorf asked for a formal recommendation to move forward with the explosive detective K-9.

Motion made by Wilcher, Seconded by Aldridge.

Voting Yea: Chair Centers, Aldridge, Wilcher

Motion approved.

Mr. Conway added that the Ohio Department of Development has released more funding. Staff will be applying for funding for four projects; water meter replacement, replacement of a lift station on Moses Drive, painting the water tower on Fourth Street, and replacing the water main on Martha.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Aldridge, Seconded by Wilcher.

Voting Yea: Chair Centers, Aldridge, Wilcher

Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:55PM.

Denny Centers, Chair

SECTION 1: AMENDMENT “APPENDIX A - Rates And Fees” of the City of Franklin Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

AMENDMENT

APPENDIX A - Rates And Fees

All of the rates and fees set forth below shall be subject to an annual increase equal to the percentage obtained by averaging the national inflation rate from the United States Labor Department, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the previous three years. This increase shall be referred to as the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). The new flat rate is established by adding the COLA to the then existing flat rate. When the yearly COLA is applied, all fees/licenses less than \$50 shall be rounded up to the nearest \$.25 and all fees/licenses greater than \$50 shall be rounded to the nearest dollar, and all charges/rates based on volume shall be rounded to the nearest penny. This increase shall be implemented by the City Management no later than March 1st of each year.

| <i>FEE OR PERMIT NAME</i> | <i>FLAT RATE OR FEE</i> |
|---|------------------------------------|
| BUSINESS REGULATIONS – PART SEVEN, FRANKLIN CODIFIED ORDINANCE | |
| <u>Carnivals and circus, per day</u> | \$79.00 |
| <u>Junk Yard/Recycling Center/Recycling Plant</u> | \$42.00 |
| Renewal | \$42.00 |
| <u>Mechanical Amusement Device License</u> | |
| Jukebox | \$42.00 |
| Mechanical amusement device | \$42.00 |
| <u>Motor Vehicle Salvage Dealers License or Salvage Motor Vehicle Auction License or Salvage Motor Vehicle Pool License</u> | \$79.00 each |
| Renewal for each | \$79.00 |
| <u>Taxi Cabs</u> | |
| Certificate of Public Convenience | \$79.00 |
| Vehicles | \$42.00 each |
| <u>Rooming House</u> –Per Ordinance 2009-23, passed 10/5/09, effective 11/4/09 | |
| License for New Owner of Existing Rooming House | \$135.00 |
| License Renewal | \$135.00 |

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| Duplicate/Replacement License | \$70.00 |
| TRAFFIC CODE – PART THREE, FRANKLIN CODIFIED ORDINANCE | |
| Commercial and Heavy Vehicle Permit | \$10.25 |
| Police Officer, first hour & fraction thereof | \$16.75 |

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| STREETS, UTILITIES & PUBLIC SERVICES – PART NINE, FRANKLIN CODIFIED ORDINANCE | | |
| <u>Waste Collector’s License</u> | \$166.00 | |
| <u>Curbings, Curbs, Gutters, Driveway Approaches</u> Constructing, Repairing or Replacing | \$41.75 each | |
| <u>Excavation Permit</u> | \$0.75 per sq. yard \$41.75 minimum | |
| <u>Water</u> | \$16.27 per 333 cu. ft., or fraction thereof, per month | |
| <u>Bulk Water</u> | <u>\$4.26 per 1,000 gallons</u> | |
| <u>Water Tap-in Fees</u> | | |
| <u>Line Size</u> | <u>Tap-in fee</u> | <u>Installation Fee Water Utilization Fee</u> |
| 3/4" line | \$3,421.00 | \$2,602.00 \$813.00 |
| 1" | \$3,854.00 | \$2,766.00 \$813.00 |
| 1-1/2" | \$4,278.00 | \$3,254.00 \$813.00 |
| 2" | \$4,709.00 | \$3,740.00 \$813.00 |
| 3" | \$5,987.00 | \$813.00 |
| 4" | \$7,700.00 | \$813.00 |
| 6" | \$11,984.00 | \$813.00 |
| 8" | \$25,669.00 | \$813.00 |
| 10" | \$30,807.00 | \$813.00 |
| 12" | \$37,654.00 | \$813.00 |
| <u>Multi Family Units</u> | | |
| 2 or more families | water tap-in fee + utilization fee for each unit | |
| <u>Sewer</u> | | |
| Sewer Rate | \$20.96 per 333 cu. ft. or fraction thereof, per month. | |
| <u>Sewer Tap-in Fees (based on water line size)</u> | | |

| <u>Line size:</u> | <u>Fee:</u> |
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| 3/4" line | \$3,421.00 |
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| <u>Multi Family Units</u> | 2 or more families sewer tap-in fee + rate adjustment fee (915.041 CO) Flow Assisted by Pump Station sewer tap-in fee + \$813.00 |
| Standard Solid Surcharge* | additional charge of \$738.00 Per ton for all suspended solid in excess of two hundred twenty-five milligrams (225mg) per liter |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand Charge* | additional charge of \$186.00 per ton in excess of six hundred milligrams (600 mg) per liter |
| <u>Stormwater Management</u> | Stormwater User Fee \$6.25 per ERU Curb and Gutter Surcharge \$2.75 per month |
| <u>Solid Waste, Recycling and Yard Waste Collection</u> | Administration Fee \$4.50 per month |

| PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE – PART THIRTEEN, FRANKLIN CODIFIED ORDINANCE (Ord. 2019-07, emergency, passed 8-5-19 and Ord. 2019-10, passed 9-19-19) | |
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| Abatement of Violation, Inspection & Administration | \$298.00 |
| Emergency Repair Administration | \$298.00 |
| Administration | \$298.00 |
| Furniture Administration | \$298.00 |
| Rubbish or Garbage Administration | \$298.00 |
| Appeal Application | \$1193.00 |
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| Pre-sale Inspection and Certificate of Occupancy (Required for new owners and tenants) | \$695.00 |
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| FIRE PREVENTION - PART FIFTEEN, FRANKLIN CODIFIED ORDINANCE | |
| Safety Occupancy Permit | \$106.00 |

(Ord. 2004-46. Passed 12-20-04; Ord. 2005-22. Passed 7-18-05; Ord. 2005-40. Passed 10-3-05; Ord. 2005-41. Passed 10-17-05; Ord. 2008-23. Passed 8-18-08; Ord. 2009-06. Passed 3-16-09; Ord. 2018-01, passed 3-19-18; Ord. 2018-10, passed 6-4-18; Ord. 2019-07, (emergency) passed 8-5-19; Ord. 2019-10, passed 8-19-19; Ord. 2020-13, (emergency) passed 10-19-2020; Ord. 2020-14, passed 12-07-2020)