



Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 17, 2024 - 6:30 PM
AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation - Pastor Matt Van Winkle; Johnstown United Methodist Church
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Action on Minutes
 - a. August 20, 2024
7. Citizen comments on matters not on the agenda
8. Council Committee reports
 - a. **Planning & Zoning:** Met 9/10/24; Next 9/24/24 @ 6:30 pm Council Chambers
 - b. **Design Review Board:** 9/10/14 Canceled; Next 9/24/24 @ 5:00 pm Council Chambers
 - c. **Finance:** 9/17/24; Next 10/1/24 @ 5:00 pm Council chambers
 - d. **Township Liaison:** 9/9/24 Canceled
9. Director Reports
 - a. Police Chief
 - b. City Manager
10. Council decision on Zoning Map Amendment - TABLED June 18, 2024
11. Tabled Legislation - None
12. Public Hearings of Legislation
 - a. **RESOLUTION 2024-35** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE JOHNSTOWN NEW COMMUNITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 - b. **ORDINANCE 23-2024** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT FOR THE INNOVATION PARK DATA CENTER CAMPUS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.
13. Introduction of Legislation
 - a. **ORDINANCE 24-2024** AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR JOHNSTOWN CITIZENS WHO WORK AND LIVE IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN
 - b. **ORDINANCE 25-2024** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1131.09 OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES
14. Other Business

15. Executive Session to consider the appointment of a public official
 - a. **RESOLUTION 2024-36** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A BOARD MEMBER TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
 - b. **RESOLUTION 2024-37** RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE GREATER JOHNSTOWN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN
16. Executive Session to consider the purchase of property
17. Adjourn

Next Council Meeting October 1, 2024



Regular Council
Tuesday, August 20, 2024 - 6:30 PM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Donald Barnard called to Order the City of Johnstown Regular Council Meeting for August 20, 2024 at 6:31 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present - Mayor Barnard, Tiffany Hollis, Ryan Green, Dave Selan, Wesley Kobel, Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini
Absent - None

Staff present - Sean Staneart - City Manager, Dave Delande - Finance Director, Rusty Smart - Chief of Police, Anthony Severyn - City Legal Counsel/Frost Brown Todd, Teresa Monroe - Clerk of Council

Public present - Terri Fetters, Paul Grice, Jim Davidson, Daryl Wernette, Nick Hubbell, Jamie McNally, Greg Stype, Andrea Ford

3. Invocation - Johnstown Independent Baptist Church

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Approval of Agenda

ACTION: Bob Orsini moved to approve as written; Jeff Barr seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

6. Action on Minutes

a. August 6, 2024

ACTION: Dave Selan moved to approve; Jeff Barr seconded and the vote was as follows:

AYES: Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Wesley Kobel due to absence

Passed 6 - 0

7. Citizen comments on matters not on the agenda

1. Terri Fetters

- Asked who was in charge of maintaining the mastodon site at the trailhead, it is not in

very good shape right now. There is a lot of water and moss growing on the bench.

Sean Staneart said that they believe a tile was severed at some point, it does have more water than it ever has before. The city is working with its engineer and the developer already on site. More than likely in the next month or so, there will be an under drain cut in the area to alleviate some of the water and allow that path to be more accessible.

8. Executive Session to discuss imminent court action

9. Executive Session to discuss imminent court action

ACTION: Donald Barnard moved to enter executive sessions to discuss imminent court action on two different items, to include members of council, the City Manager and the respective city attorneys; Bob Orsini seconded and the vote was as follows:

AYES: Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

Council entered Executive Session at 6:40 pm and returned to Regular Session at 8:34 pm.

10. Council Committee reports

a. **Planning & Zoning:** Met 8/13/24; Next 8/27/24 @ 6:30 pm Council Chambers
Discussed marijuana legislation.

b. **Design Review Board:** Met 8/13/24; Next 8/27/24 @ 5:00 pm Council Chambers
An application for a new pavilion and pickleball court for Concord Crossing East was approved. Applications also approved for siding on a Greenscape Ct. commercial building, a residential garage addition and exterior improvements to the 62 Car wash. Applications remain tabled for a covered porch, a sun room addition and for solar panels. Mr. Staneart updated council on a position taken by the board, any solar panels visible from the street, they are not looking to approve. Jeff Barr asked if the applicant would have any kind of recourse if denied. Sean Staneart said that if the determination is made that the board will not approve an application, they would not issue a COA, and the applicant could follow the appeal process laid out in Section 1187. Mr. Barr said he is in favor of informing applicants who are denied that they have due process and there is an appeal procedure. Some further discussion, Mr. Orsini said for the sake of time, this could be discussed in Rules Committee.

c. **Finance:** 8/20/24; Next 9/3/24 @ 4:30 pm council chambers
Discussed the Local Waste contract ending. Cea Media has identified three subscriptions necessary that amount to \$75 per month, Mayor Barnard said he sees this as minimal; no objection from council.

d. **Safety & Service:** Next 9/3/24 @ 5:45 pm council chambers
Ryan Green said there was an issue with sidewalks in Leafy Dell and the construction project. This was remedied before school started, he thanked the service department. Wes Kobel said he does have a concern about kids walking home from school, he has noticed a lot of earth moving equipment active at that time of day; discussion on closing that side of sidewalk off from pedestrians.

Jeff Barr noted an issue with the function of the pedestrian crossing light on North Main Street at Edwards, one side working, the other not; service department to check into.

Tiffany Hollis added that the Economic Development committee met on July 10th with Tech Rubber, they have a large expansion under way. She said no need for discussion tonight, but they have asked what is the status of the road that was promised connecting their expansion to Commerce Blvd.

11. Director Reports

- a. Chief of Police
Report included in the packet.
- b. City Manager
Report included in the packet. Sean Staneart provided a recap update to council on making the move from LCATS to MORPC. Mr. Staneart also provided an update on the union negotiations, Ohio Council 8 has been elected to be the exclusive representative for the full-time employees of the city wastewater/sewer, streets and water department. That process has begun and within the next two to three months, the city will have the opportunity to engage in those negotiations with staff to put together an agreement for wages, hours, terms, conditions of employment etc.

12. Council decision on Zoning Map Amendment - TABLED June 18, 2024
Remains tabled at the applicants request.

13. Tabled Legislation

- a. **ORDINANCE 17-2024** AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT CANNABIS DISPENSARIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. Tabled July 2, 2024

Anthony Severyn with Frost Brown Todd was in attendance as requested, to brief council members on what is known with the cannabis industry and changes in the law. The law allows cities like Johnstown to have a say in whether or not, and to what degree it will allow adult use cannabis and cannabis operations in their jurisdictions. Mr. Severyn let council know their options for regulating. He added that it is their opinion that council's previous vote for a moratorium on cannabis dispensaries until December 31, 2024 is in effect and that the failed vote on the written resolution did not invalidate the motion voted on by voice before. Bob Orsini said that his support for the moratorium was out of an abundance of caution to prevent any legal action should there be a challenge to the current zoning code, and it is not a no, it is a not right now, until there is more clarity at the state level. Some further discussion and questions answered by Mr. Severyn.

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to take Ordinance 17-2024 from the table; Dave Selan seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Jeff Barr, Dave Selan, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel
NOES: Bob Orsini, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 4 - 3

Dave Selan said that the impact on the Johnstown Police force for calls for service would

increase for property checks, impaired driving, loitering, theft, traffic and also response to calls from residents who will call-in concerns about the people that frequent these establishments.

That the vast majority of objection is the absolute increase for calls for service to our Police Department. 45.5% of the time there is one JPD Officer on duty. This past week, he said he visited both nearby locations, the Amplify store, 5304 N Hamilton Rd, Columbus, OH, and the Curaleaf location in Newark (150 N 21st St.). The one by Home Depot is serviced by Columbus Police. The general rule of thumb is that there are about 150 Officers assigned to each zone. Newark's location is in their 6th Ward (of 7), overall, NPD employs 78 Officers overall. These staffing levels are sufficient for these types of operations and even Newark has put a moratorium on more, recognizing the necessity to observe the impacts. If a city the size of Newark, that has medical marijuana experience, has called a pause, we should see the signaling of that action. Johnstown employs 9, including our Chief.

He said he understands the topic of zoning this in areas that we feel could compartmentalize the impact. Zoning it in our light industrial areas will actually create a bigger issue as those calls for service will pull our Police from the heart of the City, further away from where they already spend the majority of their time responding to calls. It will create longer response times to assist in Fire Department calls for service. Finally, if zoned into an area of light industry, we will see light/small vehicle traffic increased in an area that sees a good level of large, semi and box truck traffic. Smaller vehicles competing for space with larger trucks will increase the likelihood of accidents, something our City does not need either.

Traffic, as we have seen on 62 and 37 is already a burden between the hours of 3:30pm and 6:00pm. An added attraction of a recreational marijuana dispensary would only add to that traffic.

Finally, we do not see a significant increase in revenue from these establishments, the first bucket being the income tax on employees that work there. Like lottery, the vast majority of the revenue generated through taxes washes through the State's coffers and comes out the other side to statewide distribution. Confirmed through a member of the State's Commerce team, we would only see 30% of the 10% excise tax that is levied on marijuana sales.

Meaning, if a marijuana dispensary were to be in Johnstown, and sold \$1M of product, we would only see \$30,000.

For all these reasons, Mr. Selan said that he feels that right now, is not an ideal time to even consider the placement of a marijuana dispensary.

Council discussion on security of cannabis dispensaries and dispatched calls to the police department. Mayor Barnard asked Chief Smart if there were any issues with just the vape shops in town. Chief Smart said the issue has been with our youth, where there is access, there is opportunity. Underage sales have been an issue, fines are issued when underage sale has been found to be a crime. He said his issue with this is the youth, underage sales or breaking the glass to get what they want. Ms. Hollis asked if this has been an issue with alcohol, at the bars or wherever sold with underage sales. Chief Smart said not during his tenure but in the past yes; it is vaping now that has been large issue in the schools, and they can put marijuana in the vapes. Mr. Selan said again, for all the reasons he stated, he thinks that adding an unknown factor impact into our community is just not fair to our police department. Further council discussion on the ordinance before them. Ryan Green said his question is when it comes to types of use and what building goes where, there can be legal challenges if you don't zone a legal business into a certain situation. Mr. Severyn said that this is different, the state law makes it very clear that it can be prohibited outright, if you don't do that, you do put yourself in a position of having an incomplete answer in the zoning code. To

be fair, a moratorium can have the same effect for a period of time.

Public Hearing: There were no comments either for or against the legislation.

Jeff Barr said that he sent an email to fellow council members that he wanted to pull this off the table tonight because he would vote for the prohibition of cannabis dispensaries and declare an emergency for adult recreational use marijuana. He said he wants to be clear to all the position he is taking. Legal counsel said that if this prohibition ordinance passed, this action would mute the moratorium.

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to declare an emergency for passage of Ordinance 17-2024; Dave Selan seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Tiffany Hollis; stated that she is the VP of the Chamber of Commerce and she feels this could potentially be viewed as a conflict of interest.

Passed 6 - 1

Ms. Hollis moved from the council table and took a seat in the audience.

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to pass Ordinance 17-2024; Dave Selan seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Tiffany Hollis; conflict of interest.

Passed 6 - 1

- b. **RESOLUTION 2024-28** A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A TWELVE-MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE COMMERCIAL CULTIVATION AND PROCESSING OF ADULT-USE CANNABIS IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN. Tabled July 2, 2024

Mayor Barnard said this was initially put in place because at the time there were no recreational marijuana cultivators but because of their inaction on this, they now have one that has been granted a provisional license and allowed to continue. Mayor Barnard asked legal counsel if there was a need now to have this legislation. Mr. Severyn said this moratorium would apply to future users that haven't gone through the state licensing process yet, this would not affect the current one. It was noted that the recommendation to Council by the Planning and Zoning Commission was to reject the moratorium and vote down this ordinance. Ryan Green said when discussing this in zoning, they want to make sure they update the code, nothing is listed for adult use. Ms. Hollis removed herself from the council table and sat in the audience.

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to take Resolution 2024-28 off the table, tabled from July 2, 2024.
AYES: Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini

NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Tiffany Hollis; conflict of interest

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Bob Orsini said the moratorium serves a purpose, allows time for gathering additional information and respond to the states evolving legislation of this matter, he thinks it is appropriate.

Public Hearing: There were no comments either for or against the legislation.

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to pass Resolution 2024-28 Imposing a twelve-month moratorium on the commercial cultivation and processing of adult use cannabis in the City of Johnstown; Dave Selan seconded, and the vote was as follows:

AYES: Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel

NOES: Ryan Green

ABSTAIN: Tiffany Hollis; conflict of interest

Passed 5 - 1

14. Public Hearings of Legislation

- a. **ORDINANCE 20-2024** AN ORDINANCE TO ADD APPROXIMATELY +/- 9 ACRES TO JOHNSTOWN COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA #4 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Greg Stype and Jamie McNally present. Mr. Stype said council has previously accepted these nine acres into the city to complement the "missing pieces" of a prior annexation. At a prior meeting council adjusted the boundaries of the TIF district to include these nine acres. This Ordinance simply adjusts the boundaries of the CRA that was previously approved to also include these nine acres.

Mayor Barnard inquired on the need for the emergency. Mr. Stype said that if they had to wait thirty days for this to take effect, it would get in the way of a potential real estate sale and closing. This takes effect immediately so they can then move on to consider with council a real estate tax exemption in connection with that closing.

No debate by Council.

Public Hearing: There were no comments either for or against the legislation.

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to waive the second reading and pass by emergency; Tiffany Hollis seconded and the vote was as follows:

AYES: Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to pass Ordinance 20-2024; Tiffany Hollis seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

b. **RESOLUTION 2024-31** RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE TOWNSHIP LIAISON COMMITTEE AND APPOINT MEMBERS

Mayor Barnard said this is something they have talked about establishing to work on with partners and the townships around us.

All seven Council members expressed interest in being appointed to three seats, Mr. Selan, Mr. Green, Ms. Hollis and Mr. Kobel made their case for appointment. Mayor Barnard, Jeff Barr, and Bob Orsini said they would withdraw their interest. After discussion, council decided to take some time to evaluate who would be appointed.

ACTION: Bob Orsini moved to table Resolution 2024-31; Jeff Barr seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel
NOES: Jeff Barr
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 6 - 1

c. **RESOLUTION 2024-32** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIGELOW DRIVE TRAFFIC SIGNAL

Mayor Barnard said he asked Mr. Liggett if he was good with accepting this traffic signal and that he stated yes. Sean Staneart said this legislation accepts the traffic light which then releases the bond, the bond is tied specifically to the traffic light, not in association with the rest of the development, there is still a punch list outstanding that needs to be taken care of, typically that punch list is taken care of and then the roads are accepted, so this is not an acceptance of the entirety, just of the traffic light. He added that the light has not been activated, they are still working through that with city engineers, it is also not striped for that reason, there has been a payment in lieu of striping made by the developer so that if the signal is activated we can complete that.

No debate by council.

Public Hearing: There were no comments either for or against the legislation.

ACTION: Donald Barnard moved to approve Resolution 2024-32; Tiffany Hollis seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini, Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

15. Introduction of Legislation

- a. **ORDINANCE 21-2024** AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT CONVEYANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND UTILITY AND STREETScape EASEMENTS, ALONG DUNCAN PLAINS AND CLOVER VALLEY ROAD

Sean Staneart said this is associated with the planned development currently being proposed, internally they have discussed the street typology and city expectation, any time a development happens, we need additional right-of-way to make sure we have the street-scape in line. This could allow for additional lanes, street trees, multi-use trails etc. Each roadway is classified as it stands right now through our Comprehensive Plan, so our expectation is that the developer would provide the necessary right-of-way so that we can do those street-scape projects as well as some easements that may be necessary. This would only be for the property owned by the Johnstown Land Company in association with their development.

Jamie McNally said that sums it up well, they are trying to set a standard for future growth along the triangle around their planned development, they think that the twenty-five foot street-scape and utility easement is appropriate for today and for future growth. They can't future proof the area entirely, but by having a one hundred foot street section on Duncan Plains and an eighty-foot street section at Clover Valley, that is consistent with what they have been doing in the business park in New Albany and is also based on learning from some mistakes made in the past by not getting enough easement area for utilities and street-scape. This has been reviewed with the TID and MKSK, they have given their blessing on the standards, hopefully this becomes the standard all along Duncan Plains.

Jeff Barr expressed concern that the agreement says that the grantee, aka the city, will be solely responsible for maintenance of the easement which could be a multitude of things, mowing grass, mulching beds, replacing trees as they die, pesticide/insecticide etc. Mayor Barnard asked Mr. McNally if he could come with some more clarification on this for the second reading, he said yes. Mr. Orsini said that it also says that we maintain it at our sole discretion, but at the same time we want it to be nice. Mr. Staneart added that it emphasizes the improvements, so there has to be improvements done before we are obligated. Mr. Barr said landscaping and mulch are not cheap. Mr. McNally said that there has been a business park association filed, which could address a lot of this, where the business operating on the property would maintain that land or the association. He added that when they come with a final development plan, they will work with the city on what every party wants when it comes to landscaping, screening, mounding, etc. He said the concern being called out was not the intent, they can clarify. Sean Staneart highlighted that Mink is not included in this, reasoning is because it is not associated with the particular development up for conversation at this point.

Second reading and Public Hearing on September 3, 2024.

- b. **ORDINANCE 22-2024** AN ORDINANCE TO REALIGN PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS BY MODIFYING APPROPRIATIONS FROM ONE ACCOUNT TO ANOTHER WITHIN THE FUND AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 24-2023, TO APPROVE NECESSARY CHANGES OF APPROPRIATIONS

Mayor Barnard introduced the Ordinance. Second reading and Public Hearing on September 3, 2024.

16. Other Business

1. NCA Board appointment discussion. Mayor Barnard asked when the appointments needed to be made by. Jamie McNally said probably by September 4th. Tiffany Hollis to reach out to potential appointees previously discussed by council. Mr. McNally said that the NCA Board is a quasi-public-private board, the next few years will focus on having development pay for development. The developer will appoint three, the city will appoint four; at any point that there's a vote, the city has to have the majority present (3 of the 4 appointed). The time commitment for meetings the first year may be monthly, but after a while could be quarterly. The board will be stewards of the money and the funds. The first few years are really just about financing infrastructure, the timing of the infrastructure, the scope, understanding who pays for what when. Over time, once infrastructure gets built out, maybe a decade or multiple decades, there could be funds for other projects. Mr. Kobel asked who the developer appointees would be. Mr. McNally said himself, Molly Iams who is their General Counsel and Brent Bradbury who is their CFO. He added that Molly and Brad are also on other NCA's, they know the routine and can help get started. He added that Brent would be happy to be the Treasurer too for the first year to get it started and get proper procedures in place.
2. Ryan Green highlighted upcoming events: Historical Society Patsy Cline concert, Football Friday night in Zanesville, Cupola Classic car show, Fallfest and to catch adult softball on Sundays. Mayor Barnard added that the Johnstown Farmers Market is tomorrow night.
3. Jeff Barr thanked Mike Gianini and the Greater Johnstown Park and Recreation Board for putting on Art in the Park, they did a great job. Also highlighted a school math program that started with fifth graders this year, gave a shout out to all who got that up and running.
4. Dave Selan updated that the first week of school went well, the convocation held was phenomenal, CTEC and the Johnstown school district are doing a great job laying out career paths for our students.
5. Jeff Barr congratulated all the kids and parents who participated in the Hartford Fair.

17. Executive Session to Consider the Appointment of a Public Official

- ACTION:** Donald Barnard moved to move to executive session to consider the appointment of a public official, with members of council, city manager and clerk of council with possible action to follow; Tiffany Hollis seconded and the vote was as follows:
- AYES:** Dave Selan, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Jeff Barr, Bob Orsini
- NOES:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None

Passed 7 - 0

Council entered Executive Session at 10:25 pm and returned to Regular Session at 10:41 pm.

18. Adjourn

With no action following Executive Session, Mayor Barnard moved to adjourn, Mr. Barr seconded and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 10:41 pm.

Next Council Meeting September 3, 2024



Patrol Statistics

	2023													2024												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Calls for Service	270	238	324	290	386	326	322	355	296	282	255	249	3593	214	630	628	588	590	593	731	667					4641
Officer Initiated Calls	78	85	127	109	148	138	144	143	106	130	121	89	1418	84	442	470	410	422	436	535	487					3286
Dispatched Calls	192	153	197	181	238	188	178	212	190	152	134	160	2175	130	186	158	178	168	157	196	180					1353
Case Reports	5	14	28	27	21	15	15	15	29	14	16	25	224	12	19	13	25	16	28	22	17					152
Crash Reports	12	10	9	7	8	11	6	8	9	7	6	8	101	9	6	7	8	10	8	11	8					87
Arrests	8	3	2	3	1	1	2	0	3	1	3	3	30	0	2	3	2	2	2	4	5					20
Traffic Citatitons	43	44	61	46	46	41	31	63	33	45	35	25	513	17	16	51	30	35	35	69	48					301
Parking Citations	7	1	2	5	1	8	4	3	1	2	1	3	38	2	0	1	2	2	0	7	0					14
Business Checks	2	4	1	5	4	25	29	23	16	23	30	17	179	20	313	302	255	216	305	312	248					1971
House Checks	0	0	2	5	23	9	5	2	4	0	0	8	58	16	53	30	54	30	8	31	35					257
Traffic Crashes	14	13	8	10	12	11	7	13	12	16	11	12	139	12	16	8	10	14	12	15	12					99
Traffic Stops	73	76	110	82	97	82	91	99	59	87	68	45	969	23	35	92	46	72	55	115	132					570
Theft	3	8	7	5	7	2	3	5	6	2	4	5	57	3	2	4	2	9	9	8	4					41
Domestic Violence	5	5	2	3	5	3	4	4	4	4	0	4	43	2	5	8	3	7	9	5	3					42
Assault	0	0	5	0	1	1	2	0	3	2	1	0	15	5	0	0	1	2	0	3	0					11
OVI	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1					3
Vandalism	1	3	2	2	2	0	1	0	3	2	3	1	20	3	2	6	4	3	5	5	1					29
Juvenile Complaint	0	1	4	4	2	3	3	6	5	5	2	2	37	1	5	3	4	2	3	2	5					25
Trespassing	3	1	4	0	3	2	2	3	3	0	2	2	25	0	4	3	0	0	1	2	0					10
Other Agency Assist	3	6	4	3	3	4	4	3	7	2	6	2	47	16	15	5	6	13	6	10	9					80
Warrant	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	2	2	18	0	4	2	0	1	2	0	3					12
Overdose	0	2	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0					2
Suicide Threat	1	2	1	2	1	0	2	1	2	0	2	2	16	3	2	1	2	2	1	2	3					16
Alarm Drops	11	7	10	8	18	8	10	10	3	17	7	10	119	15	10	16	17	14	7	24	17					120
911 Hang Up/Misdial	41	26	21	36	53	45	37	38	28	12	14	11	362	19	20	12	14	20	15	29	22					151

Accident Statistics

	DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	NON INJURY	INJURY	UNOCCUPIED	HIT SKIP	CAD #
1	1/2/2024	TUES	1654	W COSHOCTON ST @ 8 W COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-0010
2	1/2/2024	TUES	1826	N MAIN ST @ 8 N MAIN ST	X				2024-0011
3	1/6/2024	SAT	1156	S KASSON ST @ E PRATT ST	X				2024-0056
4	1/8/2024	MON	1821	W COSHOCTON ST @ N MAIN ST	X				2024-0077
5	1/9/2024	TUES	600	W COSHOCTON ST @ 708 W COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-0080
6	1/9/2024	TUES	2144	W COSHOCTON ST @ CLARK DR	X				2024-0084
7	1/12/2024	FRI	1557	E JERSEY ST @ S MAIN ST	X				2024-0095
8	1/13/2024	SAT	1545	E COSHOCTON ST/N MAIN ST	X			X	2024-0104
9	1/23/2024	TUES	1433	14 S WILLIAMS ST	X		X	X	2024-0149
9					9	0	1	2	
1	2/7/2024	WED	2020	N MAIN ST @ 259 N MAIN ST				X	2024-0315
2	2/10/2024	SAT	1031	E COSHOCTON ST @ 80 E COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-0252
3	2/17/2024	SAT	1340	W JERSEY ST @ HILLVIEW DR	X				2024-0526
4	2/17/2024	SAT	1508	W COSHOCTON ST @ 65 W COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-0527
5	2/26/2024	MON	1649	W DOUGLAS ST @ S WILLIAMS ST	X				2024-0799
6	2/29/2024	THUR	1241	E CDOUGLAS ST @ S MAIN ST	X			X	2024-0839
6					5	0	0	2	
1	3/11/2024	MON	1653	W COSHOCTON ST @ CLARK DR	X				2024-1056
2	3/12/2024	TUES	657	W COSHOCTON ST @ CHEERYHILL RD	X				2024-1074
3	3/13/2024	WED	810	W COSHOCTON ST @ BIGELOW DR	X				2024-1238
4	3/18/2024	MON	804	E COSHOCTON ST @ 8 N MAIN ST	X				2024-1198
5	3/20/2024	WED	1428	E COSHOCTON ST @ 35		X			2024-1244
6	3/24/2024	SUN	1306	W COSHOCTON ST @ 296	X				2024-1335
7	3/29/2024	FRI	1226	E COSHCOTON ST @ N MAIN ST	X				2024-1437
7					6	1	0	0	



Accident Statistics Continued

	DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	NON INJURY	INJURY	UNOCCUPIED	HIT SKIP	CAD #
1	4/1/2024	MON	658	E COSHOCTON ST @ 425	X			X	2024-1482
2	4/5/2024	FRI	1635	W COSHOCTON ST @ S WILLIAMS ST	X				2024-1571
3	4/7/2024	SUN	1649	W COSHOCTON ST @ CLARK DR	X				2024-1609
4	4/8/2024	MON	1522	73 S WILLIAMS ST		X			2024-1628
5	4/13/2024	SAT	1613	W COSHOCTON ST @ 580	X				2024-1743
6	4/17/2024	WED	1402	W COSHOCTON ST @ N OREGON ST	X				2024-1834
7	4/20/2024	SAT	1925	W COSHOCTON ST @ S MAIN ST	X				2024-1896
8	4/27/2024	SAT	1738	MIDDLEBURN ST @ 319			X	X	2024-1992
8					6	1	1	2	

1	5/7/2024	TUES	657	S OREGON ST @ W JERSEY ST		X			2024-2171
2	5/12/2024	SUN	1030	S MAIN ST @ 241	X				2024-2274
3	5/15/2024	WED	1535	W COSHOCTON ST @ BIGELOW DR	X				2024-2346
4	5/19/2024	SUN	1830	E COSHOCTON ST @ 80		X			2024-2457
5	5/20/2024	MON	1420	S MAIN ST @ W JERSEY ST	X				2024-2469
6	5/21/2024	TUES	1347	E PRATT ST @ TRACK ST	X				2024-2490
7	5/21/2024	TUES	1442	N WILLIAMS ST @ W COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-2492
8	5/23/2024	THUR	1739	W COSHOCTON ST @ CLARK DR	X				2024-2525
9	5/25/2024	SAT	1031	N MAIN ST @ E COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-2546
10	5/31/2024	FRI	1816	W COSHOCTON ST @ MAIN ST	X				2024-2651
10					8	2	0	0	

1	6/1/2024	SAT	1120	W COSHOCTON ST @ 370	X				2024-2660
2	6/11/2024	TUES	1337	W COSHOCTON ST @ WESTVIEW DR	X				2024-2841
3	6/13/2024	THUR	805	E COSHOCTON ST @ POST OFC ALLEY	X				2024-2882
4	6/14/2024	FRI	1000	W COSHOCTON ST @ 670	X				2024-2899
5	6/19/2024	WED	1720	W COSHOCTON ST @ 8	X				2024-3033
6	6/21/2024	FRI	1616	W COSHOCTON ST @ 907	X				2024-3077
7	6/21/2024	FRI	2049	PHALEN PL @ S WILLIAMS ST			X	X	2024-2030
8	6/28/2024	FRI	1831	N MAIN ST @ W COSHOCTON ST	X				2024-3198
8					7	0	1	1	

	DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	NON INJURY	INJURY	UNOCCUPIED	HIT SKIP	CAD #
1	7/1/2024	MON	2329	W COSHOCTON ST @ 708	X				2024-3264
2	7/9/2024	TUES	1248	800 W COSHOCTON ST			X	X	2024-3414
3	7/10/2024	WED	1521	E COSHOCTON ST @ 425	X				2024-3436
4	7/17/2024	WED	1018	E COSHOCTON ST @ 429	X				2024-3616
5	7/19/2024	FRI	1020	W COSHOCTON ST @ 755		X			2024-3666
6	7/20/2024	SAT	1858	711 W COSHOCTON ST			X	X	2024-3695
7	7/21/2024	SUN	1442	W COSHOCTON ST @ FORD AVE		X			2024-3711
8	7/24/2024	WED	1516	S MAIN ST @ W COSHOCTON ST	X			X	2024-3793
9	7/26/2024	FRI	1845	STONE HEDGE ROW DR @ 299	X		X		2024-2846
10	7/28/2024	SUN	1506	BIGELOW DR @ W COSHOCTON ST		X			2024-3888
11	7/30/2024	TUES	553	WESTVIEW DR @ 60		X			2024-3927
11					5	4	3	3	

1	8/1/2024	THUR	2119	W COSHOCTON ST @ CLARK DR	X				2024-3991
2	8/3/2024	SAT	1120	E COSHOCTON ST @ POST OFC ALY	X				2024-4028
3	8/5/2024	MON	1553	S MAIN ST @ W COLLEGE AV	X				2024-4079
4	8/6/2024	TUES	2116	S MAIN ST @ E DOUGLAS ST	X				2024-4108
5	8/7/2024	WED	1155	W JERSEY ST @ HILLVIEW DR	X				2024-4121
6	8/15/2024	THUR	1117	W COSHOCTON ST @ 383	X				2024-4280
7	8/21/2024	WED	735	S MAIN ST @ 10	X				2024-4384
8	8/28/2024	WED	1320	S KASSON ST @ E COLLEGE AV	X				2024-4560
8					8	0	0	0	

67	2024 TOTALS				54	8	6	10	
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1. **NCA, TIF's & CRA ---**

- CRA – council is currently reviewing a CRA agreement for development in the PD district. CRA area #4
- CRA district evaluation and structure review with legal: This is being done to maximize our negotiation position and create a more consistent set of expectations.

2. **Annexation** – Nothing new. OK

3. **Personnel Review** – Nothing new

4. **HR** – Vehicle and Travel policy is drafted and in the September 17th packet for council consideration.

5. **LCATS** – MORPC has verbally agreed to pick up the balance previously being covered by LCATS leafy Dell traffic signal. MORPC would award these funds in the spring of 2025. There is an attributable fund meeting which is slightly different than the funding meetings format the council is familiar with. If there is concern on this MORPC is happy to provide a memo or verbally explain this to the council.

6. **TID** – ASP has provided a fee proposal and a scope of Services agreement for the 62-37 mitigation study. This has been accepted by the LTID and the study should began in the 4th Quarter of 2024.

7. **Union Negotiations** – The city is working to provide AFSCME with information items they requested.

8. **Design Review Board** – Finance committee will be reviewing the cost associated with the proposal from MKSK.

9. **Johnstown Water & Sewer Partnership** –

- Council members & JAG representatives will be meeting with members of SWL on September 19 @ 3:00 to discuss the proposal submitted to SWL for their review.
- **Johnstown NPDES permit** -- Jersey Township submitted a letter requesting a hearing from the OEPA in regards to our NPDES permit associated with out sewer plant expansion. This hearing will be held at Johnstown Independent Baptist Church, 7397 Johnstown-Alexandria Rd on Oct 22 @ 6:00pm. This hearing will be a great opportunity for us to share information and data as it relates to our sewer plant expansion.
- EMH&T is continuing to work on the regional water and sewer utility master planning effort.
- **15 County Water Study**-- an update by H&S was given two weeks ago. They anticipate a deliverable being provided for Licking County by this fall. This study is being done to provide estimates on water resources as well as estimates on anticipated demand. An item that can

prove to be problematic is the demand estimates are based on comprehensive plans submitted by townships and municipalities. The framework initiative has identified area comp plans with FLUM which have drastically over planned for what is considered to be reasonable growth. We have shared these concerns with H&S as well as MORPC And they too are trying to balance what is submitted versus what is realistic. This is rather complex because they are doing a macro level (15 county) and this dives into a micro level scale.

10. **Parks and Recreation** – I had indicated in the past I would like to have MKSK do a parks, recreation and conservation master plan. I would like to dive deeper into this initiative as we start to budget for 2025. As more land begins to develop without a plan in place we have the potential to miss out on major moves for this critical initiative.
11. **Schools Discussion** -- Dr Wagner and I met this week with MKSK to do a high-level inventory/review of current property and facility assets, items of discussion included administrative buildings, classroom space, athletic facilities and open field space. MKSK will be reviewing the functionality of our current sites as well as opportunities and areas for future expansion and facility placement.
12. **Leafy Dell Traffic Signal** – The City anticipates the RW Acquisition process later this year (Fall 2024).
13. **MS-4 Program and Floodplain Administrator** -- Met with EMH&T to assess current and future policies associated with these items. The floodplain administrative role will be something utilized immediately, and the MS-4 program will be something phased in over a multi-year period.
14. **Brightspeed** - Met with Bright Speed last week to discuss the installation of fiber and relay the comments and concerns provided by the council. They have received these comments and will be reviewing the feasibility of addressing some of our concerns.
15. **Water and Wastewater Treatment Planning** -- Jack and I met with Jacobs engineering to go over cost and loan submission associated with WWTP engineering as well as the amended cost for additional engineering associated with the Water Plant. Dave and I will be working with our engineering firm to submit for both design and construction loans associated with these projects.
16. **HNTB Peer Exchange** --- I have been by HNTB Engineering to participate in what's being called a peer exchange in Round Rock TX. Official and Administrators from Licking County would engage with local leader to understand the struggles and successes that come with increased development.
<https://www.roundrocktexas.gov/news/round-rock-ranked-15-top-city-for-economic-growth/>
17. **Traffic signalization projects** –
 - Leafy Dell Signal — push back 1 year will likely start in 2026, traffic agreement has been signed with Coughlin
 - Bigelow Dr. traffic signal – Committee and staff are currently reviewing a corridor study.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sean Stanart
City Manager



RESOLUTION 2024-35

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE JOHNSTOWN NEW
COMMUNITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 11-2024 passed and effective April 4, 2024 by this City Council, the Johnstown New Community Authority (the "Authority") was created and organized as a body corporate and politic pursuant to Chapter 349.04 of the Ohio Revised Code with its new community district (the "District") having the boundaries provided in that Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6 of that Ordinance the Board of Trustees of the Authority is to have seven members with the City Council of the City of Johnstown, Ohio, to appoint four (4) Citizen Members with three (3) of those Citizen Members representing the interests of present and future residents of the District and one (1) Citizen Member to serve as a Representative of Local Government and with two (2) of those Citizen Members to be appointed to one (1) year terms and two (2) of those Citizen Members to be appointed to two (2) year terms;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the City of Johnstown, County of Licking, State of Ohio, that;

Section 1. The following Citizen Members are hereby appointed to a one (1) year term on the Board of Trustees of the Authority commencing on the effective date of this Resolution to represent the interests of present and future residents and employers of the Authority's District:

Appointee
Name: _____
Address: _____ _____
Name: _____
Address: _____ _____

Section 2. The following Citizen Member is hereby appointed to a two (2) year term on the Board of Trustees of the Authority commencing on the effective date of this Resolution to represent the interests of the present and future residents and employers of the Authority's District:

Appointee
Name: _____
Address: _____ _____

Section 3. The following Citizen Member is hereby appointed to a two (2) year term on the Board of Trustees of the Authority commencing on the effective date of this Resolution as a representative of local government:

Appointee
Name: _____
Address: _____ _____

Section 4. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and any of its committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 5. This resolution is declared to be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote: September 17, 2024

By: _____

Mayor Donald Barnard

ATTEST TO:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director

CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, OHIO



ORDINANCE 23-2024

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A
COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT FOR THE INNOVATION PARK
DATA CENTER CAMPUS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, this Council by its Ordinance 28-2018 adopted September 4, 2018 (the “Original CRA Legislation”), created the Johnstown Community Reinvestment Area #4 (the “Original Area”), and by its Ordinances No. 14-2024 passed and effective June 4, 2024 and No. 20-2024 passed and effective August 20, 2024 (collectively, the “CRA Expansion Legislation” and together with the Original CRA Legislation, collectively the “CRA Legislation”), amended the designation of the Original Area to include certain other parcels within the City that now collectively comprise the Area; and

WHEREAS, the Directors of the Department of Development of the State of Ohio and the Ohio Development Services Agency (successor and predecessor to one another) have determined and certified that the aforementioned Area contains the characteristics set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 3735.66 and confirmed that Area as a “Community Reinvestment Area” pursuant to that Section 3735.66; and

WHEREAS, there has been submitted to the City the application attached to the Community Reinvestment Area Agreement (the “CRA Agreement”) referred to in Section 1 of this Ordinance (the “Agreement Application”), together with the fee referred to in Section 6 of that CRA Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Officer of the City designated under Ohio Revised Code Section 3735.65 has reviewed the Application and has recommended the same to this Council on the basis that the Company is qualified by financial responsibility and business experience to create and preserve employment opportunities in the CRA and to improve the economic climate of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City, having appropriate authority, desires to provide certain property tax incentives to encourage the development of the Project (as defined in the CRA Agreement); and

WHEREAS, the Project Site (as defined in the CRA Agreement) is located in the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District and it has waived its rights to (i) receive notice of this Agreement under Ohio Revised Code Sections 3735.671 and 5709.83, and (ii) approve this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Project Site is also located in the Licking County Joint Vocational School District (also known as “Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County” or “C-TEC”) and the City has provided notice to that District as required by Section 5709.83 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure necessary to provide for the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to permit the immediate commencement of arrangements for new development of the Innovation Park Data Center Campus in Johnstown Community Reinvestment Area #4;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Council for the City of Johnstown, County of Licking, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. The CRA Agreement for the Project with the City, in the form presently on file with the Clerk of the Council which provides for a 100% CRA exemption for 15-years for the proposed Project is hereby approved and authorized with any changes therein and amendments thereto not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to this City which shall be approved by the City Manager. The City Manager, for and in the name of this City, is hereby authorized to execute that CRA Agreement and approve the character of any changes or amendments thereto as not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to this City that are approved by the City Manager, which approval shall be conclusively evidenced by the City Manager's execution of that CRA Agreement.

Section 2. This Council hereby further authorizes and directs the City Manager, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Clerk of Council, or any such other appropriate officer of the City, to prepare and sign all agreements and instruments and to take any other actions may be appropriate to implement this Ordinance and the transactions referenced or contemplated in this Ordinance and the CRA Agreement authorized and approved in this Ordinance, including the assignment of that CRA Agreement.

Section 3. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare, such emergency arising from the need to proceed promptly with the public purpose of economic development within the City, and therefore this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Date of Introduction: September 3, 2024

Date of Public Hearing & Vote: September 17, 2024

Effective Date:

By: _____

Mayor Donald Barnard

ATTEST TO:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF CRA AGREEMENT FOR
INNOVATION PARK DATA CENTER CAMPUS**

Project Site Covered by CRA Agreement – 154 acres on attached map to be sold by Johnstown Land Company (JLC) to data center developer with closing targeted for late September. City will initially enter into CRA Agreement with JLC and JLC will assign agreement to data center developer at time of real estate closing.

Project to be Developed on Project Site – construction (in multiple phases) and operation on that Project Site one or more data centers (each a “Data Center”) as well as certain buildings, structures and infrastructure for accessory, supporting, associated or related uses, such as (but not limited to) offices and utility buildings, structures and appurtenances (collectively, the “Project”)

Currently anticipated –

Initial data center of 100,000 square feet operational in 2028

Potential for 9 additional data centers of 250,000 square feet to follow
based on demand

Estimated Private Investment – \$44,000,000 for initial 100,000 s.f. data center

Estimated Payroll and Job Creation -- five (5) full time permanent jobs with a pay of \$375,000
for each operational data center

CRA Incentive for each data center -- fifteen (15) year 100% real property tax abatement for each building
(land continues to be subject to real property taxes)

Payments from each data center –

9.75 mill NCA charge on value of each building and underlying land

Existing real property taxes on current land value

TIF payments on increase in value of land and on value of building after fifteen year
real property tax abatement expires

Municipal income taxes on payroll of workers at each data center and on net profits of
company attributable to each data center

72.5% to City of Johnstown

27.5% for Johnstown Monroe LSD

Minimum required payments from each data center from NCA charge, 72.5% of municipal income taxes to
City, and TIF payments -- \$1.11 per s.f. (adjusted over time for cost of living increases)

\$1.11 per s.f. = \$111,000 for 100,000 s.f. data center and \$277,500 for 250,000 s.f. data
center

These tax abatement terms and minimum payment approach are modeled generally on the tested approach
of the City of New Albany.



ORDINANCE 24-2024

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR JOHNSTOWN CITIZENS WHO WORK AND LIVE IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN

WHEREAS, the City of Johnstown, Ohio (“Johnstown”) has placed an income tax measure on the November 5, 2024, ballot, which would set the local income tax rate at 2.25% with a 75% credit; and

WHEREAS, should the citizens vote to approve this income tax ballot measure, Johnstown wishes to create an economic assistance program (the “Program”) to provide relief to Johnstown residents who also work in the City; and

WHEREAS, any individual over the age of 18, who works and lives in the City of Johnstown, and makes between \$20,000 and \$75,000 annually in Johnstown as an individual, as reflected on the individual’s filed tax return, will be eligible for a \$250 rebate check under the Program; and

WHEREAS, Johnstown wishes to allocate \$100,000 for this Program; and

WHEREAS, eligible residents may apply for the rebate under the Program once annually, beginning on April 15, with the application window closing on July 15; and

WHEREAS, the Program will sunset after 5 years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Council does hereby create the Program, *subject to and conditioned upon the approval of the income tax ballot measure.*

SECTION 2. That Council hereby directs appropriate City staff members to do anything necessary to implement the Program, should the ballot measure pass, for the Program to begin in 2026 (for taxes paid in tax year 2025).

SECTION 3. That the City Manager, Law Director, Clerk of Council, and other officials of the City are authorized to take such actions and to execute such documents as are necessary to effectuate this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council or its committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees

that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Date of Introduction: September 17, 2024

Public Hearing/Vote: October 1, 2024

Effective Date:

By: _____

Mayor Donald Barnard

ATTEST TO:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director

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ORDINANCE 25-2024

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1131.09 OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, Section 1131.09 of the City of Johnstown Codified Ordinances provides for Notice of Public Hearing requirements for Conditional Use Applications; and

WHEREAS, at the September 10, 2024 meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission, there was a recommendation to Council that revisions be made to section 1131.09; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to take the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation for the changes; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That Section 1131.09 of the City of Johnstown's Codified Ordinances be amended as follows. Additions are shown in *italics* and deletions are ~~struck~~.

1131.09 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

Notice shall be given at least seven days prior to the public hearing and be published on the City of Johnstown webpage. Property owners as listed under Section 1131.02(d) ~~may~~ *shall* be notified at least seven days prior to the hearing by ~~certified mail return receipt requested~~. Such notice shall include the place, time, date and nature of the conditional use applied for. *Failure of ordinary mail delivery shall not be a basis for appeal, nullification, or reversal of the Planning and Zoning Commission's action on any application.*

Section 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings so open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the City of Johnstown, Licking County, Ohio.

Date of Introduction: September 17, 2024

Public Hearing/Vote: October 1, 2024

Effective Date:

BY: _____

Mayor Donald Barnard

ATTEST TO:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director



A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A BOARD MEMBER TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Whereas, Section 7.03 (a) of the Charter of the City of Johnstown states that the Planning and Zoning Commission shall consist of five electors of the Municipality who shall serve overlapping four-year terms; and

Whereas, Benjamin Lee has resigned from the Planning and Zoning Commission leaving an unexpired term; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Johnstown, Licking County, Ohio as follows:

Section One: City Council herein approves the following appointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term ending on December 31, 2025

Section Two: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that meetings of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Charter of the CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Date of Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote: September 17, 2024

By: _____

Mayor Donald Barnard

ATTEST TO:

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director



RESOLUTION 2024-37

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE GREATER JOHNSTOWN
PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF
THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN**

WHEREAS, by mutual agreement of the City of Johnstown and the Johnstown-Monroe Local School Board of Education, Resolution 2021-08 established a joint recreation district for the control, management, operation, maintenance, and repair of recreational properties and facilities in the boundaries and territories of the Parties; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to make an appointment to the Greater Johnstown Park and Recreation District Board of Trustees (formerly the Johnstown Joint Recreation District) in accordance with Section Three of Resolution 2021-08 and Section 3 of the GJPRD Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Shook was appointed to a term that ended on August 15, 2024, leaving a vacancy on the board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the CITY of Johnstown, State of Ohio:

Section 1. _____ is hereby appointed to the Greater Johnstown Park and Recreation District Board of Trustees as a representative of the City of Johnstown with a term commencing August 15, 2024 and expiring August 15, 2026; and

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of 'this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that meetings of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action where meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Charter for the CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Date of Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote: September 17, 2024

By: _____

Mayor Donald Barnard

ATTEST TO:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director