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A Council meeting of the Douglass Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Bonnie Jung at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2022. Members of the Council in attendance were, Mayor Bonnie Jung, Patti Eubanks, Bill Middleton, Matthew Nelson, Jeff Riddle, Neil Sandefur, Denise Scarpellini, City Clerk Clay Porter, City Treasurer Holly Sanford, City Attorney John Singler Public Works Director Burke Davis were also in attendance.

OFF DUTY POLICE SERVICES Darrell Spurgeon, of Off Duty Police Services, was absent from the meeting. Officer Roberto Grider advised citizens to lock their doors, leave lights on at night and add motion detectors if possible. Officer Grider reported that Off Duty Police Services will be performing 80 hours of patrol next month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the **November 3, 2022**, Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Middleton made a **motion** to accept the minutes; seconded by Mr. Sandefur. The **motion** passed 6-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Riddle moved to accept the **October 2022** Treasurer's report; seconded by Mrs. Scarpellini. The **motion** passed unanimously 6-0.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT Mr. Burke Davis reported that Public Works has been working on leaf removal. They have cleaned up Warren Walker Park, tennis courts and Bill Lile Park. Mr. Davis stated that Quality Contractors are in the process of clearing drainage ditches around the city. Mr. Davis asked the City Council to extend Crew Cuts mowing contract for one more year at the same price. Mr. Riddle asked the City Council to bid out the mowing contract for Blankenbaker Parkway. Mr. Sandefur stated that the tennis courts condition is becoming a problem and that the city will need to address the situation sooner than later.

GUEST SPEAKERS-NONE

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS- Rick Moreschi spoke about the intersection of Blankenbaker Parkway and Finchley Road regarding the proposed condo complex. He stated that he witnessed car accidents at the said intersection. Mr. Moreschi grew up off Dixie Highway and believes that the u turns employed on Dixie Highway have had no effect on safety. He believes that changing the intersection will cause major traffic problems. He asked the City Council and the developers to leave the intersection alone. Mr. Moreschi asked the developers attorney if

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there had been any traffic studies performed on the intersection. Mr. John Baker stated that there had been a traffic study done and it was submitted into evidence at the Board of Zoning Adjustments hearing last month.

Keith Watkins, of 11220 Finchley Road, stated that he was concerned about the new traffic pattern of new zoning proposal. He was afraid he and his wife would be trapped in their driveway.

Suzanne Bracksieck, of 519 Grand Vista Place, has been a citizen for 30 years. She stated that she was concerned about taking a left south bound on Blankenbaker Parkway. She was also worried about the timing of the lights and the length of time to wait at the light to turn.

Leo Sullivan was worried about traffic congestion at the intersection.

Mary Schoenbaechler stated that the intersection will become a major problem for traffic.

Kevin Melcel stated that he was a traffic engineer for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He was in favor of the new proposed intersection.

SAFETY COMMITTEE- Mr. Jerry McGraw reported that the Safety Committee had a light agenda this month. He stated that the Safety Committee had complaints about speeding on Gatehouse Lane. The speed detecting machine was deployed for a two-week period on Gatehouse Lane. The results where the average speeder was 6mph over the speed limit. Mr. McGraw indicated that there was very little speeding that occurred on Gatehouse Lane. Mr. McGraw announced that the Flock cameras will be service next week per the contract. Mr. McGraw suggested that cars parking in the opposite direction is becoming a problem in Douglass Hills. He asked the citizens of Douglass Hills to park in the direction of the flow of traffic.

TREE COMMITTEE- NONE

MAYOR JUNG'S REPORT-

- Mayor Jung congratulated the City Council for being reelected to a new term.
- Mayor Jung announced that election financial reports are due by December 9, 2022, to the State Election Board.
- Mayor Jung reminded the audience that Douglass Hills Christmas charity is the Lost Sheep Ministries. Please get the donations to City Hall as soon as possible.

OLD BUSINESS- -CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE #3, SERIES 2022 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR A ZONING CHANGE FROM R-4 TO R-5A, APPROVAL OF A REVISED DETAILED DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND CERTAIN BINDING ELEMENTS ON 4.1 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 600 TO 602 BURNETT RIDGE ROAD AND BEING IN THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, CASE NUMBER 21-ZONE-0156.

City Attorney John Singler did a second reading by summary **CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE #3, SERIES 2022**

Mr. Sandefur made a **motion** for City of Douglass Hills to accept **CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE #3, SERIES 2022 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR A ZONING CHANGE FROM R-4 TO R-5A, APPROVAL OF A REVISED DETAILED DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND CERTAIN BINDING ELEMENTS ON 4.1 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 600 TO 602 BURNETT RIDGE ROAD AND BEING IN THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, CASE NUMBER 21-ZONE-0156.**

Mr. Riddle seconded the **motion**. A roll call vote was taken Mr. Middleton Nay, Mr. Nelson Yea, Mr. Riddle Yea, Mrs. Scarpellini Yea, Mrs. Eubanks Yea, Mr. Sandefur Yea. The **motion** passed with a vote of 5-1.

NEW BUSINESS- Mr. William Amshoff, of Welenken CPAs, reported that there were no irregularities in the audit. He stated that Douglass Hills is a well-run city.

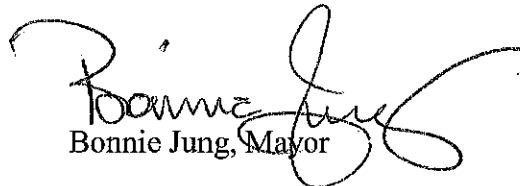
CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. #18, SERIES 2022 A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 AUDIT. Mr. Riddle made a **motion** for City of Douglass Hills to accept **CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. #18, SERIES 2022 A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 AUDIT.** Mr. Middleton seconded the **motion**. The **motion** passed with a vote of 6-0.

ADJOURMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Middleton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Riddle. The vote was 6-0 unanimous, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Clay Porter, City Clerk


Bonnie Jung, Mayor