



Minutes of the Common Council Regular Meeting of June 15, 2021

6:00 p.m. Council Chambers, Police & Court Building, 111 East Jefferson Street, Goshen, Indiana

Mayor Jeremy Stutsman called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Megan Eichorn (District 4), Julia King (At-Large), Jim McKee (District 1),
Doug Nisley (District 2), Gilberto Perez, Jr. (District 5),
Matt Schrock (District 3), Council President Brett Weddell (At-Large),
Youth Advisor Hazany Palomino (Non-voting)

Absent: None

Presentation of Plaques to Outgoing Youth Advisors

Josh Schrock – 1st Environmental Resilience Youth Advisor
Jacob Smith – 1st Park Board Youth Advisor
Mislenny Moreno – Community Relations Commission
Hazany Palomino – City Common Council and Intern in Mayor's Office, received a key to the City.

Keystone RV Representative Collin Becket presented each of the Youth Advisors with a \$1,000 scholarship to be used at the school of the advisors choosing.

Swearing in of Incoming Youth Advisors

Adrian Mora was sworn in by Mayor Stutsman as the new Youth Advisor to the City Common Council.

Sophia Yordy – Mayor's Environmental Advisory Committee
Ashley Garcia – Parks Department
Steve Bermudez – Community Relations Commission
Katie Batson – Shade Tree Board
Aysia Adkins – Goshen High School, School Board



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Doug Nisley (District 2), Gilberto Perez, Jr. (District 5),
Matt Schrock (District 3), Council President Brett Weddell (At-Large),
Youth Advisor Adrian Mora (Non-voting)

Absent: None

No minutes were presented.

King/Eichorn moved to approve the agenda as presented. Passed 7-0

Privilege of the Floor

No one spoke.

Resolution 2021-23: Development Agreement with Last Dance, LLC

Weddell/McKee moved for the passage of Resolution 2021-23.

Community Development Director Mark Brinson presented the agreement.

Redevelopment Project Manager Becky Hutsell provided a presentation going of the main points of the agreement and the plans for the developed land. Added the total project cost is estimated to be \$14 million. Stated the developer, Last Dance, LLC, is funding the design to the Cities standards.

Mayor Stutsman stated that the annexation portion of the agreement will be presented at the July 6, 2021 meeting.

Schrock asked Hutsell if they could meet to discuss plans for flood and routing control by Rock Run Creek.

Discussion regarding page 9 and the state tax credit line followed.

King and Brinson discussed the nature of the jobs the developed land would create and how that would factor in with the labor shortage.

King also expressed concern in passing this agreement before residents had an opportunity to discuss the annexation.



Mayor Stutsman stated that there would be two more public hearings regarding the annexation before it was brought to the council again.

King attempted to table the agreement. Motion failed.

Becket representing Keystone stated that any business brought in through this developed land would be a direct competitor and asked for a level playing field in the future. Added that Keystone has always been proud of their property within the City and they represent it well.

Voice Vote to pass Resolution 2021-23. Passed 5-yes, 1-no, 1-pass

Eichorn:	Yes
King:	Pass
McKee:	Yes
Nisley:	Yes
Perez:	No
Schrock:	Yes
Weddell:	Yes

Resolution 2021-24: Transfer of Appropriations: Electric-assisted Bicycles

Environmental Resilience Director Aaron Sawatsky-Kingsley presented the agreement.

Kingsley expressed the benefits he believes the City and the staff will gain by using the bicycles for quick errands or quick trips around the City.

Division Chief Mario Mora stated the Police Department is looking forward to using them for their bike patrol and hopes this will strengthen community relations.

Kingsley added two types of bikes have been purchased, Class 1 and Class 3. Class 1 travels at 18-20 MPH and the Class 3, designated for the Police Department, travels as 28 MPH.

Perez asked about maintenance followed by Shrock asking about winter storage.

Kingsley stated that maintenance on the bikes would be done by Lincoln Avenue Cycling and they would store the bikes during the winter.

McKee expressed is concern on spending money on electric bicycles when regular bikes are available and no money have been put into the City's rainy day fund. McKee stated he felt \$1 million should be put into the fund or the fund should be eliminated. McKee also suggested that any department wanting and electric bike should take money from their budget and assist in paying for the bikes.

Voice Vote to pass Resolution 2021-24. Passed 7-0



Elected Official Report

Eichorn shared an update from the Community Relations Committee and progress on the Sundown Town marker. Stated the CRC is going to reach how to residents that are people of color and collect their opinions for the marker. Also added that the CRC is looking to hire a Dr. Janet Riley to assist in training the committee on diversity and cultural situations.

Weddell asked if that was not the reason Community Relations Coordinator AJ Delgadillo was hired. Mayor Stutsman stated that he and AJ are currently in discussions.

Scharf announced this would be his last meeting and made a statement in response to Keystone RV asking for a level playing field. He expressed caution on TIFs not being used for the right reason and stated how the State of California crashed their TIF system by not balancing funds. He cautioned the council that if the funds were not balanced, the City could see harmful effects.


Nisley teased that exciting things were coming to the airport but would not clarify further.

Council Members and Mayor Stutsman expressed their thanks and fond moments toward Scharf.

King/Eichorn moved to adjourn. Passed 7-0

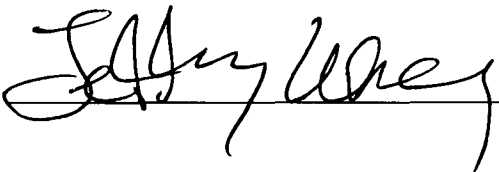
Meeting Adjournment 7:25 p.m.

APPROVED:



Jeremy P. Stutsman, Mayor of Goshen

ATTEST:



Goshen City Clerk-Treasurer