

# INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

Office of the City Administrator

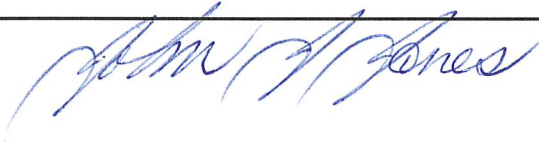
Springdale, Ohio

May 14, 2021

To: Mr. Thomas Vanover  
President  
Springdale City Council

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From: John J. Jones  
City Administrator



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Re: Report on Pending and Future Legislation

**Item I**

**An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change for the Real Property Located at 134 Merchant Street and 144 Merchant Street from General Business District (GB) and Office Business District (OB) to Planned Unit Development (PUD)**

At their April 13, 2021 meeting, the Springdale Planning Commission voted to recommend to Council a zone map amendment to change the zoning district for the 10.852 acres at 134 and 144 Merchant Street from General Business District (GB) and Office Business District (OB) to Planned Unit Development (PUD). The purpose of the change is to allow for the construction of a multi-family housing development.

An ordinance approving a zone change for the real property located at 134 Merchant Street and 144 Merchant Street was before Council for a first reading at the **05/05/2021** meeting. The second reading of the ordinance along with a Public Hearing is scheduled for the **05/19/2021** meeting.

**Item II**

**An Ordinance Approving the Preliminary Development Plan for the Properties Located at 134 and 144 Merchant Street**

Provided the previous ordinance approving the zone change for the two referenced properties on Merchant Street is passed, this legislation would approve the preliminary development plan submitted to and approved by the Planning Commission at their April 13, 2021 meeting. This preliminary development plan would allow for the construction of a multi-family housing development at the site.

An ordinance approving the preliminary development plan for the properties located at 134 and 144 Merchant Street was before Council for a first reading at the **05/05/2021** meeting. The second reading of the ordinance along with a Public Hearing is scheduled for the **05/19/2021** meeting.

**Item III**

**An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of a Hooklift Upgrade for the Swap Loader Truck from W.A. Jones Truck Equipment and Declaring an Emergency**

The 2021 Budget planned for the purchase of a replacement dump truck for use by the Public Works Department. Monies were set aside in the Street Maintenance Fund (061) in the amount of \$171,234. At the February 17, 2021 meeting, Council authorized the purchase of the cab and chassis portion of the dump truck at a cost of \$80,569.

The department is now planning for the upfit of the cab and chassis as a multiple bed platform, more commonly known as a swap loader, which will allow truck beds to be interchangeable. With this, the City will have better flexibility in the Public Works fleet and save money over time by only having to replace the truck or body components independently as they wear out. The current proposal was obtained through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program and includes the swap body equipment, a dump body, prewet system, and safety warning lights at a cost of \$85,700 from vendor W.A. Jones.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, authorizing the purchase of a hooklift upgrade for the swap loader truck from W.A. Jones Truck Equipment will be before Council at the **05/19/2021** meeting.

**Item IV**

**An Ordinance Enacting and Adopting the 2021 S-23 Supplement to the Springdale Code of Ordinances and Declaring an Emergency**

Each year, the State of Ohio adopts a number of amendments to the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). By law, cities (even Home Rule Charter cities) are required to adopt some of the revisions while others are at the option of the City whether they will be adopted. It is completely at the discretion of the organization. Historically, the City of Springdale has enacted or adopted the majority of these amendments.

Revisions in this code supplement include the elimination of the requirement to display a license plate on the front of a vehicle and the addition of language exempting 'to-go' alcoholic beverages from the open container prohibitions.

An ordinance, with an emergency clause, enacting and adopting the 2021 S-23 supplement to the Springdale Code of Ordinances will be before Council at the **05/19/2021** meeting. Due to the high number of pages associated with this ordinance, a copy of the supplement will not be attached to the legislation; however, will be made available for inspection in the office of the Clerk of Council/Finance Director. The need for the emergency clause is to enact and adopt the 2021 S-23 Supplement at the earliest possible date to ensure immediate compliance with revisions made to local, state and federal laws since the last update.

**Item V**

**An Ordinance Adopting Supplemental Appropriation/Estimated Receipts to Adjust Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures and Adjust Estimated Receipts for the City of Springdale, Ohio During the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2021**

The Commerce Park Tax Increment Financing Fund (080) was established in 2018 to account for activity regarding the Springdale Commerce Park TIF project, to include any pass-through payments to Princeton Schools and Great Oaks. When the 2021 Budget was completed, the TIF was not anticipated to generate any service payments, therefore nothing was included in the budget for this fund. We have now learned that service payments will be received this year. This ordinance is necessary to account for the activity which will occur as a result of the service payments. Because this is a TIF fund, there is no impact on the General Fund.

The supplemental appropriation/estimated receipts ordinance is scheduled to be presented for Council's consideration at the **05/19/2021** meeting. Due to the ordinance being financial in nature, it does not require an emergency clause to go into effect immediately.

**Item VI**

**A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to File an Application with the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) for Transit Infrastructure Funds Related to the East Kemper Road/CSX Bridge Repair Project and Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk of Council/Finance Director to Execute All Contracts and Other Documents Related to the Project**

In May 2020, the residents of Hamilton County voted to approve Issue 7, a sales tax initiative which authorized the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority to impose a 0.8% sales tax, effective January 2021, to raise revenue for infrastructure improvements and operating the Metro transportation system. Seventy-five percent of the levy is slated to fund Metro's bus service with the remaining twenty-five percent allocated toward road, bridge, and sidewalk improvements within Metro's service area.

The Transit Infrastructure Fund program was established to manage the funds dedicated to roadway infrastructure with the goal to assist localities within Hamilton County in improving their roads, bridges, and sidewalks as well as improve the overall mobility for residents by providing grant funds to improve roads within Metro's service area. The upcoming East Kemper Road/CSX Bridge Repair Project qualifies as an eligible project for the first round of grant funding. As part of the application process, Council will need to approve authorizing legislation. This is similar to the application process for Ohio Public Works Commission grant funding. Applications are due by the end of June 2021 with the award results expected in the fall 2021.

A resolution authorizing the City Administrator to file an application with the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) for Transit Infrastructure Funds related to the East Kemper Road/CSX Bridge Repair Project and authorizing the Mayor and Clerk of Council/Finance Director to execute all contracts and other documents related to the project is anticipated to be before Council at the **05/19/2021** meeting.

**Item VII**

**Other Items of Interest:**

1. Swearing-In and Introduction of New Fire Chief Anthony Stanley – **06/02/2021.**
2. Introduction of New Hires in the Fire Department – **06/02/2021.**
3. Introduction of New Hires in the Police Department – **06/16/2021.**
4. Introduction of Promoted Employees in the Police Department – **07/21/2021.**
5. Introduction of Promoted Employees in the Fire Department – **08/18/2021.**
6. Introduction of Other New Hires and Promotions – **09/01/2021.**

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