

**Fishers City Council  
Minutes  
June 15, 2020**

**BOARD/COMMISSION:** City Council Meeting

**DATE:** 6/15/2020

**DIRECTIONS:** [Fishers City Hall](#)

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, 7:00 p.m., Launch Fishers - 12175 Visionary Way, Fishers, IN 46038**

- 1. Meeting Called to Order with the Pledge of Allegiance**
  - The meeting was called to order by Cecilia Coble. Other council members physical present were Selina Stoller, David George, Pete Peterson, John Weingardt, Brad DeReamer, and Todd Zimmerman. Jocelyn Vare and Samantha DeLong were present remotely.
  - Others present: City Clerk Jennifer Kehl (remotely), Deputy Mayor Elliott Hultgren, Chris Greisl, Lisa Bradford, Tony Bagato, Ashley Elrod, Jessie Boshell, Steve Harden and Kevin Wilson
- 2. Announcements:**
  - a. **Pride Month** - Samantha DeLong read the announcement.
  - b. **20 Year Service Award** - Deputy Mayor Elliott Hultgren presented Chief of Police Ed Gebhart his 20-year service award.
- 3. Proclamations:**
  - a. **National Gun Violence Awareness Day**
    - Cecilia Coble read the proclamation.
- 4. Presentations: None**
- 5. Finance Committee Report:**
  - John Weingardt gave a summary of the Finance Committee meeting that was held on Wednesday, June 10, 2020. Finance Committee voted to send #8 and #9 to the full council for approval.
- 6. Consent Agenda:**
  - a. Request to approve the previous meeting minutes: [May 18, 2020](#)
    - Pete Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2020 meeting. Todd Zimmerman second the motion. There was no remonstrance and all members voted yay. The motion passed.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

***Economic Development***

- **None**

### ***Government/Miscellaneous***

7. **061520A** - An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Fishers Amending the City of Fishers Code regarding the City of Fishers Health Department - **1<sup>st</sup> Reading: [Council Action Form](#) | [Ordinance](#) | [Exhibit A](#) | [Exhibit B](#) | [Exhibit C](#) | [Exhibit D](#) | [Exhibit E](#)**
- Chris Greisl made his presentation to the city council members.
  - Pete Peterson made a motion to have a first reading on ordinance **061520A**.

### ***Budget/Financial***

8. **061520** - An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Fishers Establishing a Non-Reverting Fund for Payments in Lieu of Open Space - **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading: - Signed Adoption**
- Lisa Bradford made her presentation to the city council members.
  - Jocelyn Vare asked wanted to confirm that the fees from small business went to the parks and the commercial business went to the arts in Fishers.
  - Pete Peterson made a motion to suspend the rules and have the **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**. John Weingardt seconded the motion. There was no remonstrance and the motion passed.
  - Pete Peterson made a motion to approve ordinance **061520**, an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Fishers Establishing a Non-Reverting Fund for Payments in Lieu of Open Space. John Weingardt seconded the motion. Cecilia Coble, Selina Stoller, David George, Pete Peterson, John Weingardt, Brad DeReamer, Jocelyn Vare and Samantha DeLong voted yay and Todd Zimmerman voted nay. The vote was 8 Yay to 1 Nay. The motion passed.
9. **051820** - An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 032320A, Authorizing General Obligation Bonds of the City of Fishers, Indiana - **2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading: - Signed Adoption**
- Lisa Bradford made her presentation to the council members.
  - Jocelyn Vare requested that the language in the Council Action Form and Ordinance be revised to state clearly that the \$2.5 Million increase to the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020 pays for cost overrun on fire station #91 demolition/construction project. Chris Greisl stated that the legal language cannot be adjusted. Vare then requested that the meeting minutes reflect that the \$2.5 Million is for cost overrun on fire station #91 demolition/construction project, so that project description is documented.
  - Todd Zimmerman made a motion to approve ordinance **051820**, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 032320A, Authorizing General Obligation Bonds of the City of Fishers, Indiana. Pete Peterson seconded the motion. There was no remonstrance and all members voted yay. The motion passed.

## **Planning & Zoning**

- 10. 051820B** - Request to approve a rezone of two (2) properties from ER and R-2 to PUD-R. The properties consist of 154 acres and are located at the corner of 113th Street and Southeastern Parkway. Project is known as Grantham PUD - **1st Reading: [Council Action Form I Ordinance](#)**
- Jessie Boshell made his presentation to the city council members.
  - Samantha DeLong had a question about the homes.
  - Steve Harden spoke and explained the updates made to the ordinance from the May meeting.
  - Pete Peterson made a motion to have the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

## **REGULAR ITEMS**

- 11.** Any other Unfinished / New Business
- None
- 12.** Community Comment
- Scott Sunderman, Roland Schloot, and Eric Moor all came forward to speak on ordinance **051820B**, a Request to approve a rezone of two (2) properties from ER and R-2 to PUD-R. The properties consist of 154 acres and are located at the corner of 113th Street and Southeastern Parkway. Project is known as Grantham PUD.
  - Doug Alman spoke on the traffic issues.
  - See the attached comments made electronically.
- 13.** Meeting Adjournment
- Pete Peterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David George seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
- ❖ ***All members of the council were contacted via email to obtain their permission to sign the approved ordinances electronically.***

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer L. Kehl  
Fishers City Clerk

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<b>Name</b>	Madisen Petrosky
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<b>Subdivision or business name</b>	Delaware Crossing
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<b>Project Name/Number</b>	Affordable/Low-Income Housing
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**City Council Comment 6/15/2020**

In the wake of the rightful civil unrest in the United States since the killing of George Floyd, I have attended two demonstrations in Hamilton County and one in Indianapolis. After learning that Fishers' Black population is just about 5% of the nearly 100,000 people who live in this city, we must actively encourage more diversity. Fishers has \*one\* low-income apartment complex. It is building \*one\* affordable apartment complex. I'm excited about the affordable living, but it's just 62 units. There is more to be done.

What will the City Council do to encourage the development of more low-income and affordable housing in Fishers? RealAmerica received the "competitive, annual federal tax credit through the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority" to help keep rents lower than average (IndyStar). Because tax credits seem to be the only way to entice companies to invest in projects at smaller profit margins, what is Fishers doing to encourage investment in diversifying our community via housing, in addition to the high-end apartments and subdivisions in development?

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<b>Would you like to receive email communications and updates from the City of Fishers?</b>	Yes
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**Subdivision or business name** Ridgefield subdivision

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**Project Name/Number** Granite Ridge - finish the sidewalks

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**City Council Comment 6/15/2020** Granite Ridge housing development started 3 years ago and adjoins our subdivision. Out of 20 lots only 5 have homes built. The houses start at \$500k, the lots are small and for the 14 years since we built our home, the area was woods and floods. The homes are overpriced and most have sold for much less than listed for. I'd like to see a rule that says if the developer hasn't sold and built on at least 2/3s of the subdivision within 2 years, then the developer must finish the sidewalks! It looks horrible and we owners in Ridgefield drive the street - Granite Ridge - to get to our homes. We'd also like to walk on the sidewalks that now adjoin our neighborhood. The houses are over priced for the area and haven't sold and it doesn't look like they're going to sell anytime soon. The developer, Bedrock Builders, should finish the sidewalks so they can be used by the community. It is only 1 street with 20 homesites with only 5 homes built in the past 3 years. It is an eyesore for the rest of us.

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**Subdivision or business name** Weaver Creek

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**Project Name/Number** Health Department

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**City Council Comment 6/15/2020** Hello, I have some questions regarding the formation of the City of Fishers Health Dept.

By creating this department to oversee the city, does it not act as a form of double taxation on the residents if by already paying county taxes for services provided by the Hamilton County Health Department, these services were already being provided by the county? I would ask that someone speak to any redundant services between the two entities.

Also, by establishing the City Health Dept is there a claim that the county health dept was not fulfilling it's duty or are we acknowledging that Fishers has unique challenges that the county was not capable of managing?

As a resident, it seems that the formation of the Fishers Health Dept sprung up over night. When and how was the formation of this communicated to the citizenry? Additionally, is there a reason why an OB/GYN is serving as the medical director when the Health Dept website seems to be tasked with prevention and management of infectious disease? Is there not an infectious disease specialist available or in the rush to get this established was there not time for a more formal vetting process?

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