



Shanette Strickland, President
Julie Towns, Ward 1
Louis Salvati, Ward 2
Bhuwan Pyakurel, Ward 3
Erin Hill, Ward 4
Barth Cotner, At-Large
Mildred Johnson, At-Large
Stacie A. Baker, At-large

City Council

Council Meeting

7232 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068
www.reynoldsburg.gov

Mollie Prasher, Clerk of Council
614-322-6836

Monday, February 24, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION - Pastor Renee Russell of City Church of Reynoldsburg**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. ROLL CALL**
- 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2025

7. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

The Community Comments portion of the meeting is an opportunity for citizens to address Council. Citizens may wish to bring matters to the attention of City Council or discuss items on the agenda with the exception of legislation scheduled for a public hearing. Comments related to a public hearing may only be made during the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Before addressing City Council, members of the public are asked to complete a speaker's form and give it to the Clerk of Council. The Council President will invite speakers to step to the microphone and give their name and address. All remarks should be addressed to Council as a whole and not exceed three minutes.

8. MOTIONS

- a. A Motion to Affirm a Resolution by the City Council of Reynoldsburg, Ohio Declaring Support for the Preservation of the Federal Tax Exemption Regarding Municipal Bonds
- b. A Motion to Approve a Resolution Recognizing the Kingdom of Bhutan as Responsible for the Oppression and Forced Eviction of More Than 130,000 Bhutanese Citizens

9. REPORTS

- a. Clerk of Court Report for January 2025
- b. Liquor Permit - Reynoldsburg Nepali Bazaar

c. Development, Parks & Recreation Committee

1. A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program Reimbursable Grant, Administered by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, in the Amount of \$115,200.00

d. Public Safety, Law & Courts Committee

1. An Ordinance Appropriating Funds from the Receipt of a Zurich American Insurance Company Payment, and Declaring an Emergency
2. An Ordinance to Amend Reynoldsburg Codified Ordinance Section 333.03 Maximum Speed Limits; Assured Clear Distance Ahead
3. A Resolution Authorizing the City Auditor to Remove Equipment from the City's Fixed Asset List for the Reynoldsburg Police Department

e. There is no Public Service & Transportation Committee meeting.

f. There is no Finance & Administration Committee meeting.

10. RESOLUTIONS - CONSENT AGENDA

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11. CONSENT AGENDA FOR EMERGENCY ADOPTION

- a. An Ordinance Appropriating Unencumbered Balances as of December 31, 2024, in Various Police Special Revenue Funds, Provided Revenue Funds Received during 2025 be Accepted, and Declaring an Emergency
- b. An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Implement the 2025 Grant Program for Female, Minority, and Veteran-Owned Businesses in the City of Reynoldsburg, Appropriate Funds Therefor, and Declaring an Emergency

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13. CONSENT AGENDA FOR SECOND READING

- a. An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with EMH&T for Implementation of 2025 Sanitary Sewer Program

14. OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS

15. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- a. March 6, 2025 Planning & Zoning Board
- March 10, 2025 Council
- March 20, 2025 Planning & Zoning Board
- March 24, 2025 Council

16. ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURNMENT



**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
February 10, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Shanette Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Cotner, Baker, Johnson, Strickland, Towns, Salvati, Pyakurel, Hill
ABSENT:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2025

The regular meeting minutes of January 27, 2025 were approved as submitted.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Tanya Dexter
7255 Sorrelwood Court

Ms. Dexter stated that she does not understand why animals like Cane Corsos are legal within Reynoldsburg but chickens are not. These dogs were bred to be war dogs and guard dogs for farms. She further reiterated that she does not understand why chickens are not legal within the City. She explained that during this time of the avian flu and the egg shortage, it is more important to her now that chicken ownership will be an option for them. She stated that she has been coming to Council to discuss this issue since October 2024 and still has not been given any response except from one Councilmember. She feels as though this issue has not been addressed and would like for the issue to be discussed with some sense of urgency.

Councilmember Pyakurel

Councilmember Pyakurel wanted to address the terrible incident that happened recently at a warehouse in New Albany. One of his friends that he grew up with in the refugee camp was killed in this mass shooting. He stated that the shooting itself is very sad, but his friend leaves behind a small child and a wife who is due to give birth soon.

He explained that he does not know what could be done to prevent situations like this but wants people to be aware of the tragedy.

Mayor Begeny

Mayor Begeny stated that on February 18 at 6pm at the Reynoldsburg library there will be a town hall to discuss flooding as the City recently received a grant to address this issue.

The Mayor will be giving his State of the City address on February 19th at 7pm at City Hall and live-streamed on the City's website.

PROCLAMATIONS

A Proclamation Recognizing Black History Month February 2025

Councilmember Baker read the Proclamation.

Councilmember Baker stated that even though February is Black History Month, black history is celebrated year round. He hopes that people reflect on this and continue to create a world that is more equitable and prosperous for all. He also wanted to add that everyone should get out and volunteer, if they are able. There is always a great need for volunteers and time spent volunteering is always valuable.

Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve this Proclamation. Second by Councilmember Pyakurel. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

City of Reynoldsburg - Updated Utility Numbers and Final Budget

Job Fair March 13, 2025

REPORTS

Development, Parks & Recreation Committee

This is the Development, Parks & Recreation Committee meeting for February 10, 2025.

Members in attendance are: Councilmember Cotner, Councilmember Towns, Councilmember Hill, Chair Salvati, and President Strickland.

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign and Execute a First Amendment for the Purchase Option Agreement with Metropolitan Housing Partners, Inc. for the Purpose of Future Sale and Re-Development of Real Estate

Director Meyer stated that this amendment to the Resolution does not change any of the financial terms from the previous agreement but adds a firm end date to the agreement, which is December 31, 2025, with an option for extension. This legislation has been included because as CMHA moves through the funding process, they have requested to have a specific end date. A typo was also addressed in the previous legislation.

Councilmember Salvati made a motion to forward this Resolution to Council for approval. Second by Councilmember Towns. Motion carried.

Public Safety, Law & Courts Committee

This is the Public Safety, Law & Courts Committee meeting for February 10, 2025.

Members in attendance are: Councilmember Cotner, Councilmember Towns, Councilmember Hill, Chair Johnson, and President Strickland.

A Resolution Authorizing the City Attorney and Mayor to Enter into a Grant Agreement for 2025 with the Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Board of Franklin County for Continued Operation of the Reynoldsburg Recovery Court

Attorney Shook stated that this is the annual contract with ADAMH which funds the Reynoldsburg Recovery Court. The funds they received are reimbursement funds for things like drug testing kits, alcohol monitoring ankle devices, treatment costs, and half of the salary of our recovery court administrator. This program has been tremendously successful since its implementation, but specifically over the last year. In the past year, we have had 9 individuals graduate from the program. He stated that over the course of two years, you really get to know these people and even though he is happy to see them graduate, he is sad to see them go because they were strong, contributing members to the program. He is looking forward to seeing new people step up as leaders to fill their roles in the future.

President Strickland congratulated them on the great work they do on this program and is appreciative that our community provides resources like this to those who want to get better.

Councilmember Baker stated that they do a great job with this program and had the opportunity to sit in on a graduation ceremony and stated that it was a wonderful celebration.

Attorney Shook gave a special shout out to Maria Watson, the recovery court administrator. He stated that the participants in the program really connect with her in ways that many others cannot. She is compassionate but also shows tough love when needed. She was even named employee of the month at the end of 2024.

Councilmember Johnson made a motion to forward this Resolution to Council for approval. Second by Councilmember Hill. Motion carried.

Public Service & Transportation Committee

This is the Public Service & Transportation Committee meeting for February 10, 2025.

Members in attendance are: Councilmember Cotner, Councilmember Towns, Councilmember Hill, Chair Pyakurel, and President Strickland.

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 67-2024 an Ordinance Appropriating Funds from Future Bonds for the Construction of the City's Parks and Public Service Facility (Owners Contingency), and Declaring an Emergency

This item has been requested as a single-read emergency.

Director Dorman stated that this amendment is to change the funding source. They will now be pulling funding from the general fund rather than from bonding. This is just the City's contingency for unforeseen costs, so they will hopefully not have to use these funds, but the precautions must still be in place for the contractor. He stated that this is for an 8% contingency to account for the large volume of this project. The emergency language has been requested since this project has already begun.

Councilmember Pyakurel made a motion to forward this Ordinance to Council for a first reading and emergency approval. Second by Councilmember Hill. Motion carried.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with EMH&T for Implementation of 2025 Sanitary Sewer Program

Director Dorman stated that this is the annual sewer program. The location is shown in the packet and this program is required by the EPA.

Councilmember Pyakurel made a motion to forward this Ordinance to Council for a first reading. Second by Councilmember Hill. Motion carried.

A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the ODOT Road Salt Purchasing Contract

Director Dorman stated that this Resolution is for an annual purchasing contract with ODOT for a cooperative purchasing agreement. We will provide anticipated quantities needed for road salt, and they will create one contract for all participants, allowing for a significantly cheaper purchasing price.

Councilmember Pyakurel made a motion to forward this Resolution to Council for approval. Second by Councilmember Towns. Motion carried.

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with Vector Disease Control International for Mosquito Management Services from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025

Director Dorman stated that several years ago, the Franklin County Board of Health used to do the mosquito management project for the county. When the West Nile became more prevalent, many communities wanted more options in their management program in terms of amount or frequency. They now use an independent contractor so that each community can have more control over their management. This is an annual contract with Vector for those services.

Councilmember Pyakurel made a motion to forward this Resolution to Council for approval. Second by Councilmember Hill. Motion carried.

Finance & Administration Committee

This is the Finance & Administration Committee meeting for February 10, 2025.

Members in attendance are: Councilmember Salvati, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Pyakurel, Chair Baker, and President Strickland.

An Ordinance Appropriating Unencumbered Balances as of December 31, 2024, for Various Police Special Revenue Funds, Provided Revenue Funds Received during 2025 be Accepted, and Declaring an Emergency

Chief Baker stated that these funds come from either forfeiture moneys or court fines. They are requesting emergency approval to make these funds available. They would like these funds for unexpected costs or purchasing.

Councilmember Baker made a motion to forward this Ordinance to Council for a first reading. Second by Councilmember Pyakurel. Motion carried.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Implement the 2025 Grant Program for Female, Minority, and Veteran-Owned Businesses in the City of Reynoldsburg, Appropriate Funds Therefor, and Declaring an Emergency

Mayor Begeny stated that this legislation will re-institute the program that originally began with the use of ARPA funds. They plan to continue this program, but are now using our own funds. They are requesting that Council discuss the allocation of this funding for individual businesses, asking if more businesses should be given funds at a lower rate or fewer businesses at a higher rate. This would be a reimbursable grant for purchases that qualify. The total requested for this grant program is \$100,000.

Councilmember Cotner asked if we have used all \$100,000 in the past for this program. Mayor Begeny stated that the previous year the City had awarded around \$168,000 in funds. Since this money was from the America Recovers Act, they had to use up all the funds before the end of the year. Councilmember Cotner asked if all the businesses were still operating that had received this funding. Mayor Begeny stated that he is not 100% sure, but there may have been 2 businesses that closed after receiving funding. He stated that he would find out more information about that and send it to Council. Attorney Shook stated that businesses who receive the grant funding agree to operate in the City for at least 1 year after receiving it. They do have to sign a personal guarantee to return the funds if that agreement is not met.

President Strickland stated that this grant is to provide extra funding to our small businesses and has been able to help 28 businesses so far. On average, each business received around \$6,000.

Councilmember Baker made a motion to forward this Ordinance to Council for a first reading. Second by Councilmember Johnson. Motion carried.

A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Etna Township as it Pertains to Contracting a Taylor Road Traffic Study

Mayor Begeny stated that this is for the possible expansion of the interchange at Taylor and 270. This was originally brought up in 2023, but they received no further information for a year. At the end of 2024, the purchase order had to be closed and then reopened once they received the information from ODOT. They were recently given that information and are now requesting an intergovernmental

agreement with ODOT.

Councilmember Baker stated that this study is really needed and is glad they are moving forward with it.

Councilmember Baker made a motion to forward this Resolution to Council for approval. Second by Councilmember Salvati. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS - CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	PASSED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Baker
SECONDER:	Salvati
AYES:	Cotner, Baker, Johnson, Strickland, Towns, Salvati, Pyakurel, Hill

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CONSENT AGENDA FOR EMERGENCY APPROVAL

RESULT:	PASSED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Salvati
SECONDER:	Pyakurel
AYES:	Cotner, Baker, Johnson, Strickland, Towns, Salvati, Pyakurel, Hill

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 67-2024 an Ordinance Appropriating Funds from Future Bonds for the Construction of the City's Parks and Public Service Facility (Owners Contingency), and Declaring an Emergency

CONSENT AGENDA FOR FIRST READING

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OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS

Councilmember Baker gave a shout-out to the Reynoldsburg boys basketball team as they are 19-1 this season. He also gave a shout-out to Attorney Shook and the mock trial team since they qualified to go to the state competition and to the bowling team for their success as conference champions. He also thanked PRD, retail workers, teachers, nurses, and doctors.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

February 17, 2025 Presidents' Day City Offices Closed

February 20, 2025 Planning & Zoning Board

February 24, 2025 Council

March 6, 2025 Planning & Zoning Board

March 10, 2025 Council

March 20, 2025 Planning & Zoning Board

March 24, 2025 Council

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Council President Strickland adjourned the meeting.

Shanette Strickland, Council President

Mollie Prasher, Clerk of Council



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: A Motion to Affirm a Resolution by the City Council of Reynoldsburg, Ohio Declaring Support for the Preservation of the Federal Tax Exemption Regarding Municipal Bonds

APPROVALS:

Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

A MOTION AFFIRMING A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE FEDERAL TAX EXEMPTION REGARDING MUNICIPAL BONDS.

WHEREAS, the tax-exempt municipal bond market is a widely used source of capital for states, local governments, tribes, territories, and non-profit borrowers that finances a tremendous share of the nation's public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments finance about three-quarters of the public infrastructure in the United States and use tax-exempt bonds to do so, with the federal government providing only about one-quarter of the investment; and

WHEREAS, federal tax exemption for municipal bonds, dating back to the 1800s and incorporated into the modern tax code in 1913, has been crucial for state and local governments to affordably finance critical infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, tax-exempt bonds offer borrowers to achieve a multiplier effect of 2.11, meaning that for every dollar, borrowers achieve \$2.11 in borrowing cost savings thereby demonstrating the efficiency and effectiveness of this exemption in facilitating infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS, tax-exempt bonds provide for essential infrastructure projects, such as roads, bridges, utilities, broadband, water and sewer systems, and hospitals, which are vital to the

health and well-being of our community such that without such bonds, the cost of borrowing would be more expensive thereby causing an increase in taxes and fees that would place an undue burden on taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City (“Governing Body”) finds and determines that tax-exempt municipal bonds provide an opportunity for economic development along its path, better facilitate the movement of agriculture products, equipment, and other goods, and increase safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City as follows: The Governing Body hereby encourages the Ohio Congressional Delegation to assist the City of Reynoldsburg, Ohio by preserving the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds by supporting and ensuring the protection of the federal tax exemption of municipal bonds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be furnished to all members of the Ohio Congressional Delegation.

**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: A Motion to Approve a Resolution Recognizing the Kingdom of Bhutan as Responsible for the Oppression and Forced Eviction of More Than 130,000 Bhutanese Citizens

APPROVALS:

Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE KINGDOM OF BHUTAN AS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPPRESSION AND FORCED EVICTION OF MORE THAN 130,000 BHUTANESE CITIZENS

WHEREAS, according to the 2020 U.S. Census and City estimates, the city of Reynoldsburg is home to thousands of Nepali-speaking Bhutanese, all of whom came to the United States as refugees from the Kingdom of Bhutan; and

WHEREAS, the government of Bhutan was responsible for the oppression and eviction of more than 130,000 Bhutanese of Nepali-speaking origin and the Tshanglaps, during the 1980s and 1990s, on the basis of their identity, culture, language, religion, and political opinion; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of individuals were arbitrarily arrested without formal charges or warrants, and detained in various detention centers in Bhutan, where they were subjected to severe physical and psychological incarceration, including but not limited to extreme torture, cruel, inhumane, and degrading treatment; and

WHEREAS, many of these detainees still serve prolonged confinement and protracted sentence terms without due process of law; and are denied fundamental human rights, such as access to legal representation; and

WHEREAS, Bhutanese citizens who fled persecution and entered Nepal were compelled to remain cloistered in ram-shackled refugee huts for nearly two decades, under dire and deplorable living conditions; and

WHEREAS, more than five thousand Bhutanese refugees continue to live in camps in Nepal, hoping for repatriation to Bhutan, which the Government of Bhutan continues to deny; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Nepali-speaking Bhutanese still residing in Bhutan continue to suffer political, social, and economic oppression as the Government of Bhutan has not reinstated their citizenship, or lands which were unjustly revoked or confiscated during the 1990s; and

WHEREAS, such acts of discrimination, forced displacement, human rights violations, torture and persecution perpetrated by individuals or state actors undermine the principles of justice, equality, and the rule of law; and

WHEREAS, the majority of the Bhutanese refugees (Nepali-speaking Bhutanese) have now been resettled in various western countries, including but not limited to Australia, Canada, Denmark, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the United Kingdom, and the United States; countries that have provided them, new opportunities to rebuild their lives again; and

WHEREAS, many of the Nepali-speaking Bhutanese refugees who have resettled in the United States have made Central Ohio, specifically, the City of Reynoldsburg, their home, where they have been welcomed and afforded the freedom to preserve and practice their cultural traditions, language, religion, and political beliefs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg acknowledges and recognizes the persecution and cultural suppression endured by the Nepali-speaking Bhutanese, in the hands of the Bhutanese government; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg expresses its unconditional appreciation to its Nepali-speaking Bhutanese residents, their culture, language, religion, as well as their contributions to the growth, diversity, and vibrancy of the city.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG:

Section 1. That this Council formally recognizes the responsibility of the Royal Government of Bhutan in the political, cultural, and economic oppression of the Nepali-speaking Bhutanese and Tshanglaps in Bhutan during the late 1980s and 1990s.

Section 2. That this Council hereby requests the Royal Government of Bhutan to immediately release all political prisoners whose sole crime was the peaceful demand for democracy and the protection of human rights.

Section 3. That this Council urges the Royal Government of Bhutan to resume bilateral talks with Nepal regarding the repatriation of Bhutanese refugees in the camps, the restitution of their citizenship and properties, and to accept the voluntary, dignified, and safe return of citizens, ensuring a secure and transparent repatriation process.

Section 4. That this Council encourages the Royal Government of Bhutan to initiate a

comprehensive peace building and reconciliation process, including the establishment of an independent Truth Commission to investigate human rights violations committed during the 1990s, publish its findings, and ensure the inseparability of the individual and his rights in the constitution.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: Clerk of Court Report for January 2025

APPROVALS:

Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

I am submitting monies collected from the courts held on 1/2, 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, and 1/30/25. I am also submitting monies collected during the same period pursuant to City Ordinance No/s. 146-94 and 104-02.

Fines &Waivers/Bond Costs/OLF Releases/Bond Forfeitures Order In	(#110.4512)	\$ 10,991.00
Court Costs & Misc. Costs Assessed (#110.4510)		\$ 12,734.00
Sub-Total (To General Revenue Fund)		\$ 23,725.00
Computerization Needs Fund	(#211.4510)	\$ 2,076.00
Enforcement & Education Fund	(#293.4616)	\$ 0.00
Sub-Total		\$ 2,076.00
Total Amount Submitted		\$ 25,801.00



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: Liquor Permit - Reynoldsburg Nepali Bazaar

APPROVALS:

Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE
AUTHORITY

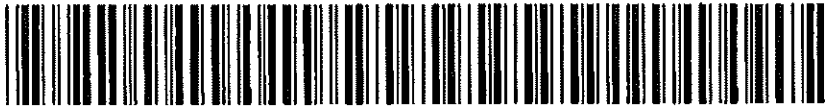
OHIO DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL
8608 TUSSING ROAD, P.O. BOX 4005
REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO 43088-9005
(614)644-2380 FAX(614)644-3180

TO

7315250		NEW		REYNOLDSBURG NEPALI BAZAAR LLC DBA TAYLOR RD ASIAN MARKET 8305 TAYLOR RD SW STE 150 REYNOLDSBURG OH 43068	
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MAILED 01/24/2025

RESPONSES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN.

02/24/2025

IMPORTANT NOTICE

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO THE DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL
WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS A REQUEST FOR A HEARING.

REFER TO THIS NUMBER IN ALL INQUIRIES

B NEW 7315250

(TRANSACTION & NUMBER)

(MUST MARK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING)

WE REQUEST A HEARING ON THE ADVISABILITY OF ISSUING THE PERMIT AND REQUEST THAT
THE HEARING BE HELD ☐ IN OUR COUNTY SEAT. ☐ IN COLUMBUS.

WE DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING. ☐

DID YOU MARK A BOX? IF NOT, THIS WILL BE CONSIDERED A LATE RESPONSE.

PLEASE SIGN BELOW AND MARK THE APPROPRIATE BOX INDICATING YOUR TITLE:

(Signature)

(Title) - ☐ Clerk of County Commissioner

(Date)

☐ Clerk of City Council

☐ Township Fiscal Officer

CLERK OF REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
7232 E MAIN ST
REYNOLDSBURG OHIO 43068



Department of Commerce

Division of Liquor Control

com.ohio.gov

Mike DeWine, Governor Jon Husted, Lt. Governor Sherry Maxfield, Director

Dear Local Legislative Authority Official:

Please find enclosed the legislative notice that is being sent to you regarding the applied for liquor permit as captioned on the notice. You **must**, within 30 days from the "mailed" date listed on the notice under the bar code:

- Notify the Division whether you object and want a hearing; or
- Ask for your one-time only, 30-day extension.
 - Any requests for a one-time, 30-day extension will be reviewed by the Division upon timely receipt. If granted, your additional 30-days runs from the expiration of the original 30-day period.

To be considered **timely**, your above response **MUST** be faxed, emailed, or mailed to the Division no later than the postmark deadline date stated on the form. To speed up processing times and reduce paper, the Division respectfully asks that you either fax or email your response. Please send your response to:

FAX: (614) 644 – 3166

EMAIL: Liquordocs@com.ohio.gov

MAIL: Ohio Division of Liquor Control
Attn: Licensing Unit
6606 Tussing Road
PO Box 4005
Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-9005

To find out who has disclosed an ownership interest in the permit application to us you can:

- Visit com.ohio.gov/liquorinfo. Select the "Search who has disclosed an ownership interest" tab. Where asked, enter the permit number listed on the legislative notice; or
- Contact your police department or county sheriff (if you are a township fiscal officer or county clerk). We also sent them detailed ownership information to review for any criminal background issues involving the disclosed persons.

We have resources for you at com.ohio.gov/govhelp. Never miss out on when renewal objections are due! Sign-up for our emails at com.ohio.gov/stayinformed.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation,

Division Licensing Section

(rev. 12/29/2023)



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program Reimbursable Grant, Administered by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, in the Amount of \$115,200.00

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

The City of Reynoldsburg has been awarded a reimbursable grant totaling \$115,200.00 to initiate a program aimed at enhancing mobility for older adults and individuals with disabilities. These funds will be utilized to contract professional services with a transportation company. Additionally, the City of Reynoldsburg will fulfill the required 20% matching contribution requirement.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 PROGRAM REIMBURSABLE GRANT FOR ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR OLDER ADULTS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, ADMINISTERED BY THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (MORPC)

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg is submitted an application to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding from the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program (Section 5310); and

WHEREAS, the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program provides eighty percent (80%) federal funds for capital projects and twenty percent (20%) local funds for operating projects to support alternatives to public transportation projects that assist Older Adults and individuals with Disabilities, new or expanded transportation services and

alternatives that go beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 for individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program is paid on a reimbursement basis, requiring the applicant to first expend funds then request reimbursement from MORPC, which will, in turn, request the funds from FTA; and

WHEREAS, the applicant certified that the City will provide at least twenty percent (20%) local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg has been awarded a grant totaling \$115,200 to initiate a program to enhance mobility for older adults and individuals with disabilities to contract with a transportation company to provide professional services for our seniors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg agrees to abide by federal requirements as a sub-recipient of FTA funds, including Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Certifications and Assurances inclusive of provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and all subsequent annual Certifications and Assurances during the length of the agreement, including federal procurement, maintenance, useful life, disposition standards, and ongoing reporting; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg is authorized to execute a contract with MORPC if selected for the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg that:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

SECTION 2: That upon reimbursement of the grant by MORPC, the funds shall be deposited into the General Fund (110).

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon approval by Council and the signature of the Mayor.



MID-OHIO REGIONAL
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111 Liberty St., Suite 100
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Judy Doran
City of Reynoldsburg
1520 Davidson Drive
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Dear Judy Doran,

Congratulations, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's 5310 Advisory Committee, MORPC Commission, Ohio Department of Transportation, and the Federal Transit Administration have approved your application for MORPC-administered Section 5310 Columbus urbanized area discretionary funds for the following projects:

1. Request for \$115,200 from the Section 5310 program to contract for transportation services. With a required local match (20%) of \$28,800, the total amount is \$144,000.

MORPC will be contacting you shortly to assemble a contract as a subrecipient. MORPC is also currently working with the Federal Transit Administration to get grantee approval to start spending down the grant award.

Thank you for your interest in improving accessibility for individuals with disabilities and older adults. If you have any questions, please contact Hannah Ruscin (hruscin@morpc.org, 614-233-4194) or Elliott Lewis (elewis@morpc.org, 614-233- 4185).

Sincerely,

Elliott Lewis, P.E.
Principal Planner



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance Appropriating Funds from the Receipt of a Zurich American Insurance Company Payment, and Declaring an Emergency

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

2 Read Emergency

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

To meet the operational needs of the city and the agency.

STAFF REPORT:

An ordinance requesting that \$38,591.00 be appropriated from the general fund to account 110.111.5632. The requested money is from Zurich American Insurance Company, claim number 272001349 which deemed two police cruisers as totaled.

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE RECEIPT OF A ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY PAYMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept funds from Zurich American Insurance Company for two police cruisers totaled from an accident; and

WHEREAS, an amount of \$38,591.00 were received from insurance with proceeds deposited into the General Fund (110).

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

Section 1. That an amount of \$38,591.00 in the unappropriated General Fund (110) should hereby be appropriated to account number 110.111.5632 Motor Vehicles.

Section 2. That this Ordinance is deemed to be an emergency measure necessary for the financial needs of the City in order to further to access participation in ordering vehicles;

wherefore, upon adoption by Council, this Ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon signature by the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance to Amend Reynoldsburg Codified Ordinance Section 333.03
Maximum Speed Limits; Assured Clear Distance Ahead

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND REYNOLDSBURG CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 333.03
MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS; ASSURED CLEAR DISTANCE AHEAD**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg recognizes that safety on the roadways is of paramount importance to the residents and visitors of the City; and

WHEREAS, excessive vehicular speed in sensitive areas of the City, such as residential streets and school speed zones, presents a specific and particular threat to the safety of the City's most vulnerable citizens - children; and

WHEREAS, this Council seeks to amend the speeding ordinance of the City to reflect the priorities of this community to promote the safety of our public roadways and, more specifically, our young people; and

WHEREAS, increased penalties for excessive speed in sensitive areas of the City will operate as a further deterrent to such unsafe driving.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
REYNOLDSBURG:**

Section 1. That Section 333.03 Maximum Speed Limits; Assured Clear Distance Ahead of the Codified Ordinances for the City of Reynoldsburg shall be amended as set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2. That upon passage by Council, this Ordinance shall be effective thirty days following the signature of the Mayor.

333.03 MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS; ASSURED CLEAR DISTANCE AHEAD.

(a) No person shall operate a motor vehicle at a speed greater or less than is reasonable or proper, having due regard for the traffic, surface, and width of the street or highway and any other conditions, and no person shall drive any motor vehicle in and upon any street or highway at a greater speed than will permit him or her to bring it to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead.

(b) It is prima facie lawful, in the absence of a lower limit declared or established pursuant to this section by the Director of Transportation or local authorities, for the operator of a motor vehicle to operate the same at a speed not exceeding the following:

(1) A. Twenty miles per hour in school zones during school recess and while children are going to or leaving school during the opening or closing hours, and when 20 miles per hour school speed limit signs are erected, except that on controlled-access highways and expressways, if the right-of-way line fence has been erected without pedestrian opening, the speed shall be governed by division (b)(4) of this section, and on freeways, if the right-of-way line fence has been erected without pedestrian opening, the speed shall be governed by divisions (b)(10) and (b)(11) of this section. The end of every school zone may be marked by a sign indicating the end of the zone. Nothing in this section or in the Manual and Specifications for a Uniform System of Traffic-Control Devices shall be construed to require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights, or giving other special notice of the hours in which the school zone speed limit is in effect.

B. As used in this section, “school” means all of the following:

1. Any school chartered under R.C. § 3301.16;
2. Any nonchartered school that during the preceding year filed with the Department of Education in compliance with O.A.C. 3301-35-08, a copy of the school’s report for the parents of the school’s pupils certifying that the school meets state minimum standards for nonchartered, nontax-supported schools and presents evidence of this filing to the jurisdiction from which it is requesting the establishment of a school zone;
3. Any special elementary school that in writing requests the County Engineer to create a school zone at the location of the school. Upon receipt of the written request, the County Engineer shall create a school zone at that location by erecting appropriate signs;
4. Any preschool education program operated by an educational service center that is located on a street or highway with a speed limit of 45 miles per hour or more, when the educational service center in writing requests that the County Engineer create a school zone at the location of that program. Upon receipt of such a written request, the County Engineer shall create a school zone at that location by erecting the appropriate signs.

C. As used in this section, “school zone” means that portion of a street or highway passing a school fronting upon the street or highway that is encompassed by projecting the school property lines to the fronting street or highway, and also includes that portion of a State highway. Upon request from local authorities for streets and highways under their jurisdiction and that portion of a State highway under the jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation or a request from a County

Engineer in the case of a school zone for a special elementary school, the Director may extend the traditional school zone boundaries. The distances in divisions (b)(1)C.1. through 3. below shall not exceed 300 feet per approach per direction, and are bounded by whichever of the following distances or combination thereof the Director approves as most appropriate:

1. The distance encompassed by projecting the school building lines normal to the fronting highway and extending a distance of 300 feet on each approach direction;

2. The distance encompassed by projecting the school property lines intersecting the fronting highway and extending a distance of 300 feet on each approach direction;

3. The distance encompassed by the special marking of the pavement for a principal school pupil crosswalk plus a distance of 300 feet on each approach direction of the highway.

D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to invalidate the Director's initial action on August 9, 1976, establishing all school zones at the traditional school zone boundaries defined by projecting school property lines, except when those boundaries are extended as provided in divisions (b)(1)A. and (b)(1)C. of this section.

E. As used in this division, "crosswalk" has the meaning given that term in Ohio R.C. 4511.01(LL)(2).

F. The Director may, upon request by resolution of the Legislative Authority and upon submission by the Municipality of such engineering, traffic, and other information as the Director considers necessary, designate a school zone on any portion of a State route lying within the Municipality that includes a crosswalk customarily used by children going to or leaving a school during recess and opening and closing hours, whenever the distance, as measured in a straight line, from the school property line nearest the crosswalk to the nearest point of a crosswalk is no more than 1,320 feet. Such a school zone shall include the distance encompassed by the crosswalk and extending 300 feet in each appropriate direction of the State route.

G. As used in this section, "special elementary school" means a school that meets all of the following:

1. It is not chartered and does not receive tax revenue from any source.
2. It does not educate children beyond the eighth grade.
3. It is located outside the limits of a municipal corporation.
4. A majority of the total number of students enrolled at the school are not related by blood.

5. The principal or other person in charge of the special elementary school annually sends a report to the superintendent of the school district in which the special elementary school is located indicating the total number of students enrolled at the school, but otherwise the principal or other person in charge does not report any other information or data to the superintendent.

(2) Twenty-five miles per hour in all other portions of the Municipality, except on state routes outside business districts, through highways outside business districts, and alleys;

(3) Thirty-five miles per hour on all state routes or through highways within the Municipality outside business districts, except as provided in divisions (b)(4) and (6) of this section;

(4) Fifty miles per hour on controlled-access highways and expressways within the municipality, except as provided in divisions (b)(12), (b)(13), (b)(14), (b)(15), and (b)(16) of this section;

(5) Fifty-five miles per hour on highways outside the municipality, other than highways within island jurisdictions as provided in division (b)(8) of this section, highways as provided in divisions (b)(9) and (b)(10) of this section, and highways, expressways and freeways as provided in divisions (b)(12), (b)(13), (b)(14), and (b)(16) of this section;

(6) Fifty miles per hour on state routes within the municipality outside urban districts unless a lower prima facie speed is established as further provided in this section;

(7) Fifteen miles per hour on all alleys within the municipality;

(8) Thirty-five miles per hour on highways outside the municipality that are within an island jurisdiction;

(9) Thirty-five miles per hour on through highways, except state routes, that are outside municipal corporations and that are within a national park with boundaries extending through two or more counties;

(10) Sixty miles per hour on two-lane state routes outside municipal corporations as established by the Director under Ohio R.C. 4511.21(H)(2);

(11) Fifty-five miles per hour on freeways with paved shoulders inside the municipality, other than freeways as provided in divisions (b)(14) and (b)(16) of this section;

(12) Sixty miles per hour on rural expressways with traffic control signals and on all portions of rural divided highways, except as provided in divisions (b)(13) and (b)(14) of this section;

(13) Sixty-five miles per hour on all rural expressways without traffic control signals;

(14) Seventy miles per hour on all rural freeways;

(15) Fifty-five miles per hour on all portions of freeways or expressways in congested areas as determined by the Director and that are located within a municipal corporation or within an interstate freeway outerbelt, except as provided in division (b)(16) of this section;

(16) Sixty-five miles per hour on all portions of freeways or expressways without traffic control signals in urbanized areas.

(c) It is prima facie unlawful for any person to exceed any of the speed limitations in divisions (b)(1)A., (b)(2), (b)(3), (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7), (b)(8) and (b)(9) of this section or any declared or established pursuant to this section by the Director or local authorities and it is unlawful for any person to exceed any of the speed limitations in division (d) of this section. No person shall be convicted of more than one violation of this section for the same conduct, although violations of more than one provision of this section may be charged in the alternative in a single affidavit.

(d) No person shall operate a motor vehicle upon a street or highway as follows:

(1) At a speed exceeding 55 miles per hour, except upon a two-lane state route as provided in division (b)(10) of this section and upon a highway, expressway or freeway as provided in divisions (b)(12), (b)(13), (b)(14), and (b)(16) of this section;

(2) At a speed exceeding 60 miles per hour upon a two-lane state route as provided in division (b)(10) of this section and upon a highway as provided in division (b)(12) of this section;

(3) At a speed exceeding 65 miles per hour upon an expressway as provided in division (b)(13) of this section or upon a freeway as provided in division (b)(16) of this section, except upon a freeway as provided in division (b)(14) of this section;

(4) At a speed exceeding 70 miles per hour upon a freeway as provided in division (b)(14) of this section;

(5) At a speed exceeding the posted speed limit upon a highway, expressway or freeway for which the Director has determined and declared a speed limit pursuant to Ohio R.C. 4511.21(I)(2) or (L)(2).

(e) Pursuant to Ohio R.C. 4511.21(E), in every charge of violating this section, the affidavit and warrant shall specify the time, place and speed at which the defendant is alleged to have driven, and in charges made in reliance upon division (c) of this section also the speed which division (b)(1)A., (b)(2), (b)(3), (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7), (b)(8) or (b)(9) of, or a limit declared or established pursuant to, this section or Ohio R.C. 4511.21 declares is prima facie lawful at the time and place of such alleged violation, except that in affidavits where a person is alleged to have driven at a greater speed than will permit the person him or her to bring the vehicle to stop within the assured clear distance ahead, the affidavit and warrant need not specify the speed at which the defendant is alleged to have driven.

(f) Pursuant to Ohio R.C. 4511.21(F), when a speed in excess of both a prima facie limitation and a limitation in division (d) of this section is alleged, the defendant shall be charged in a single affidavit, alleging a single act, with a violation indicated of both division (b)(1)A., (b)(2), (b)(3), (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7), (b)(8) or (b)(9) of this section, or of a limit declared or established pursuant to this section or Ohio R.C. 4511.21 by the Director or local authorities, and of the limitation in division (d) of this section. If the court finds a violation of division (b)(1)A., (b)(2), (b)(3), (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7), (b)(8) or (b)(9), or a limit declared or established pursuant to this section or Ohio R.C. 4511.21 has occurred, it shall enter judgment of conviction under such division and dismiss the charge under division (d) of this section. If it finds no violation of division (b)(1)A., (b)(2), (b)(3), (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7), (b)(8) or (b)(9) of this section, or a limit declared or established pursuant to, this section or Ohio R.C. 4511.21, it shall then consider whether the evidence supports a conviction under division (d) of this section.

(g) Pursuant to Ohio R.C. 4511.21(G), points shall be assessed for a violation of a limitation under division (d) of this section in accordance with Ohio R.C. 4510.036.

(ORC 4511.21(A) - (G))

(h) Whenever, in accordance with Ohio R.C. 4511.21(H) through (N), the maximum prima facie speed limitations as established herein have been altered, either higher or lower, and the appropriate signs giving notice have been erected as required, operators of motor vehicles shall be

governed by the speed limitations set forth on such signs. It is prima facie unlawful for any person to exceed the speed limits posted upon such signs.

(i) As used in this section:

(1) “Commercial bus.” A motor vehicle designed for carrying more than nine passengers and used for the transportation of persons for compensation.

(2) “Divided.” Means a roadway having two or more travel lanes for vehicles moving in opposite directions and that is separated by a median of more than four feet, excluding turn lanes.

(3) “Interstate system.” Has the same meaning as in 23 U.S.C. 101.

(4) “Noncommercial bus.” Includes but is not limited to a school bus, or a motor vehicle operated solely for the transportation of persons associated with a charitable or nonprofit organization.

(5) “Outerbelt.” A portion of a freeway that is part of the interstate system and is located in the outer vicinity of a major municipal corporation or group of municipal corporations, as designated by the Director.

(6) “Rural.” Means an area outside urbanized areas and outside of a business or urban district, and areas that extend within urbanized areas where the roadway characteristics remain mostly unchanged from those outside the urbanized areas.

(7) “Urbanized area.” Has the same meaning as in 23 U.S.C. § 101.

(R.C. § 4511.21(O))

(j) Penalty.

(1) A violation of any provision of this section is one of the following:

A. Except as otherwise provided in divisions (j)(1)B., (j)(1) C., and (j)(2) and (j)(3) of this section, a minor misdemeanor;

B. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to two violations of any provision of this section, Ohio R.C. 4511.21, or any provision of any other municipal ordinance that is substantially equivalent to any provision of that section, a misdemeanor of the fourth degree;

C. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to three or more violations of any provision of this section, Ohio R.C. 4511.21, or any provision of any other municipal ordinance that is substantially equivalent to any provision of that section, a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(2) If the offender has not previously been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of any provision of this section, Ohio R.C. 4511.21, or any other municipal ordinance that is substantially equivalent to any provision of that section, and operated a motor vehicle ~~faster than 35 miles an hour in a business district of the municipality~~, faster than 50 miles an hour in ~~other~~ portions of the municipality in which the posted speed limit is 35 miles an hour, 40 miles an hour in portions of the municipality in which the posted speed limit is 25 miles an hour, or faster than 35 miles an

hour in a school zone during recess or while children are going to or leaving school during the school's opening or closing hours, a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(3) Notwithstanding division (j)(1) of this section, if the offender operated a motor vehicle in a construction zone where a sign was then posted in accordance with Ohio R.C. 4511.98, the court, in addition to all other penalties provided by law, shall impose upon the offender a fine of two times the usual amount imposed for the violation. No court shall impose a fine of two times the usual amount imposed for the violation upon an offender if the offender alleges, in an affidavit filed with the court prior to the offender's sentencing, that the offender is indigent and is unable to pay the fine imposed pursuant to this division and if the court determines that the offender is an indigent person and unable to pay the fine.

(4) If the offender commits the offense while distracted and the distracting activity is a contributing factor to the commission of the offense, the offender is subject to the additional fine established under § 303.99(b).

(ORC 4511.21(P))



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: A Resolution Authorizing the City Auditor to Remove Equipment from the City's Fixed Asset List for the Reynoldsburg Police Department

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

Both vehicles will be traded in to Ricart Ford.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY AUDITOR TO REMOVE EQUIPMENT FROM THE CITY'S FIXED ASSET LIST FOR THE REYNOLDSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg Police Department is requesting the removal of two City vehicles; and

WHEREAS, these vehicles will be traded in at Ricart Ford.

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

SECTION 1. That the City Auditor be and is hereby authorized and directed to remove the following item from the City's Fixed Asset list:

<u>Tag #</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>VIN</u>
FA1984	2010 F - 150	1FTEW1E89AFB73216
FA1917	2010 CRV Honda	5J6RE4H34AL097907

SECTION 2. That upon adoption by Council, this Resolution shall be in effect immediately

following the signature of the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program Reimbursable Grant, Administered by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, in the Amount of \$115,200.00

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

The City of Reynoldsburg has been awarded a reimbursable grant totaling \$115,200.00 to initiate a program aimed at enhancing mobility for older adults and individuals with disabilities. These funds will be utilized to contract professional services with a transportation company. Additionally, the City of Reynoldsburg will fulfill the required 20% matching contribution requirement.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 PROGRAM REIMBURSABLE GRANT FOR ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR OLDER ADULTS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, ADMINISTERED BY THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (MORPC)

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg is submitted an application to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding from the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program (Section 5310); and

WHEREAS, the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program provides eighty percent (80%) federal funds for capital projects and twenty percent (20%) local funds for operating projects to support alternatives to public transportation projects that assist Older Adults and individuals with Disabilities, new or expanded transportation services and

alternatives that go beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 for individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program is paid on a reimbursement basis, requiring the applicant to first expend funds then request reimbursement from MORPC, which will, in turn, request the funds from FTA; and

WHEREAS, the applicant certified that the City will provide at least twenty percent (20%) local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg has been awarded a grant totaling \$115,200 to initiate a program to enhance mobility for older adults and individuals with disabilities to contract with a transportation company to provide professional services for our seniors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg agrees to abide by federal requirements as a sub-recipient of FTA funds, including Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Certifications and Assurances inclusive of provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and all subsequent annual Certifications and Assurances during the length of the agreement, including federal procurement, maintenance, useful life, disposition standards, and ongoing reporting; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg is authorized to execute a contract with MORPC if selected for the Enhanced Mobility for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg that:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

SECTION 2: That upon reimbursement of the grant by MORPC, the funds shall be deposited into the General Fund (110).

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon approval by Council and the signature of the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: A Resolution Authorizing the City Auditor to Remove Equipment from the City's Fixed Asset List for the Reynoldsburg Police Department

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

Both vehicles will be traded in to Ricart Ford.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY AUDITOR TO REMOVE EQUIPMENT FROM THE CITY'S FIXED ASSET LIST FOR THE REYNOLDSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg Police Department is requesting the removal of two City vehicles; and

WHEREAS, these vehicles will be traded in at Ricart Ford.

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

SECTION 1. That the City Auditor be and is hereby authorized and directed to remove the following item from the City's Fixed Asset list:

<u>Tag #</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>VIN</u>
FA1984	2010 F - 150	1FTEW1E89AFB73216
FA1917	2010 CRV Honda	5J6RE4H34AL097907

SECTION 2. That upon adoption by Council, this Resolution shall be in effect immediately

following the signature of the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance Appropriating Unencumbered Balances as of December 31, 2024, in Various Police Special Revenue Funds, Provided Revenue Funds Received during 2025 be Accepted, and Declaring an Emergency

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

two-read emergency

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

For the Fiscal Needs of the Reynoldsburg Police Department.

STAFF REPORT:

An Ordinance Appropriating Unencumbered Balances as of December 31, 2024, in Various Police Special Revenue Funds, Providing Revenue Funds Received during 2025 be Accepted, and Declaring an Emergency

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

Section I: That the unencumbered balances as of December 31, 2024, in various Police Special Revenue Funds be appropriated to the proper associated accounts in the following manner:

\$212,067.79 from the unappropriated Law Enforcement Fund (290) be appropriated to account 290.111.5529 Miscellaneous Distributions Law Enforcement Fund

\$ 21,919.54 from the unappropriated Law Enforcement Fund (290) be appropriated to account 290.111.5921 Immobilization Expenses Law Enforcement Fund

\$ 51,111.70 from the unappropriated Drug Enforcement Fund (291) be appropriated to

291.111.5529 Misc Distributions Drug Enforcement Fund

\$ 4,376.00 from the unappropriated Safety Belt Program Fund (292) be appropriated to 292.111.5529 Misc Distributions Safety Belt Program Fund

\$ 21,913.27 from the unappropriated DUI/ Education/ Enforcement Fund (293) be appropriated to 293.111.5529 Misc Distributions DUI EDUCATION FUND

\$ 166,044.45 from the unappropriated Federal Forfeiture Fund (294) be appropriated to 294.111.5529 Misc Distributions Federal Forfeiture Fund

\$ 237,931.69 from the unappropriated Law Enforcement Asst. Fund (295) be appropriated to 295.111.5529 Misc Distributions Law Enforcement Assistance Fund

SECTION 2. That any revenues received by the City for the various funds referred to in Section 1, during the year 2025, shall be credited to the proper funds, to appropriate when requested by the Administration and approved by City Council.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is deemed to be an emergency measure necessary for the financial needs of the City's government. Therefore upon adoption by Council, this Ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon signature of the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Implement the 2025 Grant Program for Female, Minority, and Veteran-Owned Businesses in the City of Reynoldsburg, Appropriate Funds Therefor, and Declaring an Emergency

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

two-read emergency

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

To begin the process of soliciting, receiving, and reviewing grant applications as soon as practicable.

STAFF REPORT:

An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Implement the 2025 Grant Program for Female, Minority, and Veteran-Owned Businesses in the City of Reynoldsburg, Appropriating Funds Therefor, and Declaring an Emergency

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg strives to create a more inclusive and diverse community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg recognizes and appreciates our local heritage and understands the need to preserve and enhance its character and style; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg continues to look for ways to grow and expand new and existing businesses within Reynoldsburg; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg understands the fiscal obstacles placed on minority, female, and veteran-owned businesses when first starting their new business; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg successfully implemented the minority, female, and

veteran-owned granted program in 2022 and 2023, utilizing federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reynoldsburg now seeks to implement a grant program in 2025 utilizing general funds for the benefit of these local businesses to enhance their potential for success in the community.

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

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is hereby directed to implement the 2025 Grant Program for female, minority, and veteran-owned businesses in the City of Reynoldsburg, placing an important emphasis on new businesses and applicants while affording continued grant opportunities to existing businesses and prior grant recipients in accordance with fund availability.

SECTION 2. That the amount of \$100,000.00 be appropriate from the unappropriated General Fund to account number 110.580.399 Other Miscellaneous Services to finance the Reynoldsburg Female, Minority, and Veteran-Owned Business Grant Program for 2025.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is deemed an emergency in order to distribute funding as quickly as possible; whereby, upon passage by Council and the signature of the Mayor, this Ordinance will be in effect immediately.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance Appropriating Funds from the Receipt of a Zurich American Insurance Company Payment, and Declaring an Emergency

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

3 Read Emergency

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

To meet the operational needs of the city and the agency.

STAFF REPORT:

An ordinance requesting that \$38,591.00 be appropriated from the general fund to account 110.111.5632. The requested money is from Zurich American Insurance Company, claim number 272001349 which deemed two police cruisers as totaled.

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE RECEIPT OF A ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY PAYMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept funds from Zurich American Insurance Company for two police cruisers totaled from an accident; and

WHEREAS, an amount of \$38,591.00 were received from insurance with proceeds deposited into the General Fund (110).

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

Section 1. That an amount of \$38,591.00 in the unappropriated General Fund (110) should hereby be appropriated to account number 110.111.5632 Motor Vehicles.

Section 2. That this Ordinance is deemed to be an emergency measure necessary for the financial needs of the City in order to further to access participation in ordering vehicles;

wherefore, upon adoption by Council, this Ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon signature by the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance to Amend Reynoldsburg Codified Ordinance Section 333.03
Maximum Speed Limits; Assured Clear Distance Ahead

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND REYNOLDSBURG CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 333.03
MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS; ASSURED CLEAR DISTANCE AHEAD**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg recognizes that safety on the roadways is of paramount importance to the residents and visitors of the City; and

WHEREAS, excessive vehicular speed in sensitive areas of the City, such as residential streets and school speed zones, presents a specific and particular threat to the safety of the City's most vulnerable citizens - children; and

WHEREAS, this Council seeks to amend the speeding ordinance of the City to reflect the priorities of this community to promote the safety of our public roadways and, more specifically, our young people; and

WHEREAS, increased penalties for excessive speed in sensitive areas of the City will operate as a further deterrent to such unsafe driving.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
REYNOLDSBURG:**

Section 1. That Section 333.03 Maximum Speed Limits; Assured Clear Distance Ahead of the Codified Ordinances for the City of Reynoldsburg shall be amended as set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2. That upon passage by Council, this Ordinance shall be effective thirty days following the signature of the Mayor.



**STAFF REPORT
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: February 24, 2025

RE: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with EMH&T for Implementation of 2025 Sanitary Sewer Program

APPROVALS:

Joe Begeny
Stephen Cicak
Chris Shook
Mollie Prasher

EMERGENCY:

REASON FOR EMERGENCY:

STAFF REPORT:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH EMH&T FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF 2025 SANITARY SEWER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City annually inspects and repairs of portions of the City's sanitary sewer network; and

WHEREAS, The City's preferred Engineering firm (EMH&T) will conduct closed-circuit television (CCTV) data collection and analysis, including manhole inspections, as part of the 2025 Sanitary Sewer Maintenance and Repair program; and

WHEREAS, the work will be focused on sewer mainlines and sanitary manholes, which currently service those properties along Marlan, Saratoga and Smithfield Avenues, as well Gilmore Drive and Saratoga Court; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for this program is \$49,500.00 as outlined in the attached proposal, and was included as part of the Public Service Annual Sanitary Sewer Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to enter into contract with EMH&T, in the amount of \$49,500.00 for sanitary sewer CCTV data collection and analysis as part of the City's 2025 Sanitary Sewer Maintenance and Repair program.

SECTION 2. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated from the unappropriated Sanitary Sewer Capital Improvement Fund (720) and the City Auditor shall establish such project codes as necessary.

SECTION 3. That wherefore upon adoption by Council, this Ordinance shall be in effect thirty days following the signature of the Mayor.



August 20, 2024

Mr. William Dorman
Director of Public Service
City of Reynoldsburg
7232 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

**Subject: Smithfield, Saratoga, Bartlett, and Marvin Areas Sewer Improvements
Proposal for Engineering and Bidding Services**

Dear Mr. Dorman:

EMH&T is pleased to submit our proposal for engineering and bidding services of the Smithfield, Saratoga, Bartlett, and Marvin Areas Sewer Improvements. This project was identified through the 2011-2014 Capacity Assessment and Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study that was completed as part of the City's response to the Ohio EPA Director's Final Findings and Orders (DFFO). Additionally, the City recommended these improvements in their 2023 Sewer Inspection and Cleaning Report and 2024 Capital Improvement Plan.

PROJECT ASSUMPTIONS

The anticipated construction cost for these improvements is approximately \$475,000. The proposed improvements include the installation of approximately 6,210 linear feet of 8-inch, 10-inch, and 12-inch, cured-in-place and rehabilitation and repair to approximately 34 manholes.

- Installation of 5,050 linear feet of 8-inch cured-in-place pipe
- Installation of 530 linear feet of 10-inch cured-in-place pipe
- Installation of 630 linear feet of 12-inch cured-in-place pipe
- Rehabilitation and repairs to aging and deteriorating manholes

SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Scope of Services for this improvement is outlined below:

1. Preliminary Engineering
 - a. Review existing available information including existing CCTV recordings/logs, manhole inspections, GIS information, and record plans.
 - b. Prepare a base map for the proposed improvements using GIS and record plan information. Please note that the project plans will be developed using GIS and record plan data and that no field survey is included in this scope of services, which is our typical procedure for sewer rehabilitation plans.
 - c. Perform site visit to verify accuracy of the base map and confirm size, location, condition of the sewer improvements. Manholes will be assessed for rehabilitation to determine the appropriate techniques. Additionally, the access to sewers and manholes for construction personnel will be evaluated by noting locations of obstructions, easements, and access areas.
 - d. Present preliminary plans and recommendations including updated cost estimates to the City for review and comment.

2. Final Engineering

- a. Develop detailed plans and specifications for the sewer rehabilitation improvements which will consist of cured-in-place pipe installation and spot open cut point repairs.
- b. Develop specifications and a work map for the rehabilitation of aged and deteriorated manholes that were identified within the project limits.
- c. Prepare sewer liner thickness calculations.
- d. Develop contractor maintenance of traffic, sewer access and bypass pumping plans.
- e. Submit to the City a plan and cost estimate at the pre-final and final design phases to review the improvements and coordinate on the budget and schedule.
- f. Prepare final access plan for the contractor and prepare right-of-entry agreements, exhibits, and cover letters for the City's use in coordinating with property owners.
- g. Coordination with private utility companies as needed.

3. Bidding Services

- a. Prepare 10 sets of bidding documents and publish the notice to contractors
- b. Respond to any requests for information from bidders during the bidding process
- c. Attend bid opening
- d. Prepare bid tab, award recommendation, and conformed copies of the contract documents

Construction Phase Design Support (Allowance / If Authorized)

It is our understanding the City is requesting that EMH&T provide a budgetary allowance for design support during construction. The scope of work to be performed under these allowances is as follows:

- a. Review shop drawings and material submittals as requested by the City / contractor. Provide review comments with recommendations.
- b. Review design-related requests for information (RFI) from the contractor as requested by the City and prepare responses.
- c. Attend preconstruction and other construction phase meetings as requested by the City.
- d. Review post-cleaning and post-lining CCTV and provide comments to City and Contractor.

These allowances are budgetary estimates for consultation during construction based on similar recent projects. EMH&T will provide services to support the construction phase in a task-oriented manner as directed by the City and to the level of effort desired by the City and limited by available budget.

DELIVERABLES

In conjunction with the services described herein, the following deliverables are planned:

- 50% Plan Submission
 - 2 - Plan Sets
 - Utility Submission (Number 1)
 - 50% Opinion of Probable Construction Cost
- 95% (Pre-final) Plan Submission
 - 2 - Plan Sets
 - Utility Submission (Number 2)

- 95% Opinion of Probable Construction Cost
- Final Plan Submission
 - Plan set with mylar cover
 - Final Opinion of Probable Construction Cost

EXCLUSIONS

1. Planning and zoning submittals and coordination
2. Traffic studies
3. Environmental studies or permitting
4. Floodplain modeling
5. Field survey

RIGHT OF ENTRY

It is understood the Client hereby grants EMH&T or represents and warrants (if the sites are not owned by the Client) that permission has been duly granted for Right-of-Entry by our firm, agents, staff, consultants, and subcontractors for the purpose of obtaining field information pertinent to the subject project.

SCHEDULE

We are prepared to begin work identified in this proposal immediately upon receipt of Authorization to Proceed from the City of Reynoldsburg.

FEE

These services will be provided as per the conditions of our Professional Services Agreement and the associated Time Rates for the City. Fees for the work described within the Scope of Services shall be hourly, not to exceed the amount shown in the Fee Summary table below without prior authorization from the City. Invoices will be submitted monthly and based on the progress of the work and are payable upon receipt.

EMH&T DESIGN SERVICES FEE SUMMARY

Description of Design Service/Task	Fee
1. Preliminary Engineering	\$11,500.00
2. Final Engineering	\$26,000.00
3. Bidding Services	\$4,500.00
<u>DESIGN TOTAL FEE</u>	<u>\$42,000.00</u>

EMH&T DESIGN CONSULTATION DURING CONSTRUCTION (IF-AUTHORIZED ALLOWANCE)

Description of Construction Phase Consultation/Task	Fee
1. Design Support	\$7,500.00
<u>CONSTRUCTION CONSULTATION ALLOWANCE</u>	<u>\$7,500.00</u>

EMH&T TOTAL FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION CONSULTATION: \$49,500.00

The receipt of a signed copy of this proposal will constitute authorization to begin work. If this proposal is not accepted and executed within ninety (90) days, EMH&T reserves the right to adjust the fee or withdraw the offer to perform the described services. Further, if the services are suspended for more than ninety (90) days, EMH&T shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the service fee and/or schedule.

If this description and estimated fee meet with your approval, please authorize with your signature below. If you should have any questions regarding this proposal, please do not hesitate to contact me at (614) 775-4555.

Respectfully submitted,



Ryan M. Andrews, PE

cc: Joseph Begeny, Mayor

Acceptance and Authorization to Proceed:

Authorized Signature/Date

PO Number/Date

Print Name