



AGENDA
ATHENS CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024
7:00 PM
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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

- Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia (ORCA Membership)

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

- Hiring Freeze
- Then & Now Certificate
- Appropriations

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

- Stimson Avenue Bridge, Project #358 (amend 0-63-23)

Sam Crowl
President of Council

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Introduced by Sam Crawl, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PAY THE 2024 MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR THE OUTDOOR RECREATION COUNCIL OF APPALACHIA (ORCA), TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE CITY'S TRANSIENT GUEST TAX FOR THE BAILEYS TRAIL SYSTEM ALONG WITH OTHER RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: The Mayor is hereby authorized to pay the 2024 membership fee to the Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia (ORCA), a Council of Governments (COG), for funding the Baileys Trail System, along with other recreational activities, in the amount of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) from the City's Transient Guest Tax paid into the General Fund, provided that the proceeds of such tax are sufficient, legally available, and lawfully appropriated for the purpose. ~~Said authorization shall be contingent upon the same level of financial support by the County of Athens.~~

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect at the earliest moment permitted by law upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

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Introduced by Jeff Risner, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS INSTITUTE A HIRING FREEZE FOR POSITIONS FUNDED BY THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND UNTIL A POSITION REVIEW HAS TAKEN PLACE.

WHEREAS, the City Council believes vacant positions in the General Fund should be carefully reviewed prior to filling in order to alleviate any need for a reduction in force, while at the same time recognizing that some vacant positions will, by necessity, be advertised and filled;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: All elected officials are hereby requested to institute a hiring freeze for positions funded by the City's General Fund until a position review has taken place. This policy shall remain in effect until December 31, 2024.

SECTION II: This Resolution shall be in effect and full force upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Mayor

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Introduced by Jeff Risner, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A THEN-AND-NOW CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT
TO BIS DIGITAL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: A Then-and-Now Certificate in the amount of Three Thousand
Three Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars (\$3,358.00) to BIS Digital for a digital recording
system maintenance contract is hereby approved for payment.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for
the preservation of the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the City of Athens,
Ohio, in order to maintain fiscal integrity, and it shall be in full force and effect upon its
passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

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Introduced by Jeff Risner, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 130-23;
AND AUTHORIZING AN INTERFUND TRANSFER.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: The 2024 Appropriation Ordinance 130-23 is hereby amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$167,000.00) to ARPA Fund, 286, for transfer, and increasing the total appropriations by said amount.

SECTION II: The Auditor is hereby authorized to make the following interfund transfer:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
ARPA Fund, 286	ACIC Fund, 906	\$167,000.00

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be in effect and full force upon passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

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Introduced by Solveig Spjeldnes, Chair
Transportation Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 65-23; AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR REHABILITATION OF THE STIMSON AVENUE BRIDGE, PROJECT (#358).

WHEREAS, the City was awarded \$3,292,795 from the ODOT Local Major Bridge Program funds to rehabilitate the Stimson Avenue Bridge; and

WHEREAS, after a more detailed review of the costs involved, the City has been awarded an additional \$1,422,590 from ODOT; and

WHEREAS, said rehabilitation includes a new concrete deck, approach slab replacement, rocker replacement, steel painting, and street lighting improvements;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: The 2024 Appropriation Ordinance 130-23 is hereby amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.00) to Street Rehabilitation Fund, 572, T.C. 500, and increasing the total appropriations by said amount.

SECTION II: Section III of Ordinance 65-23 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section III: The Service-Safety Director is further authorized to expend up to ~~Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00)~~ Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$580,000.00) from Street Rehabilitation Fund, 572, T.C. 500, for said Project (#358).

SECTION III: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor