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MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING/5:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** MAYOR BRIAN TRAU GOTT PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS MARY BRADLEY, LAURA DAKE, LISA JOHNSON, KEN KERKHOFF, AND FRED SIEGELMAN. COUNCIL MEMBER AARON SMITHER WAS ABSENT. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT.

**DEPT. HEADS:** BART MILLER, MIKE MURRAY, T.A. RANKIN, AND ELIZABETH REYNOLDS WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was received.

David Rhodes, Director of Construction Management with The Walker Company, and Phil Schilffarth, Vice President of Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., were present to discuss the Downtown Revitalization Project. Mr. Schilffarth presented a schematic design that included a donor recognition feature, an improved Big Spring Park Overlook, and a 3-Season Market Pavilion. He noted that the design includes enhanced parking.

Council member Kerkhoff, as Chair of the Downtown Revitalization Ad-hoc Committee, stated that fourteen years ago a study was completed and it showed the need to connect Big Spring Park and downtown. He noted that meetings will be held January 3, 2023, at 12:30pm and 6:30pm at the Versailles Presbyterian Church to receive the input on the design.

**MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY DAKE TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.**

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

At the request of Council member Bradley, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2022-38 Amending the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of City Government Services, as follows:

**CITY OF VERSAILLES  
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-38**

**TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY  
ANNUAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES  
AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION  
OF CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Versailles City Council has approved and adopted the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-2023 General Fund budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be amended as provided by said Versailles City Council; and **NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

**SECTION 1:** That the proposed General Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 hereby be amended as follows:

	<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>	
<b><u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u></b>		
Property Taxes	\$ 765,000	
License and Permits	6,866,500	
Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>3,942,805</u>	<u>4,258,761</u>
Charges for Services	122,000	
Other Income	<u>89,000</u>	<u>108,505</u>

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<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$11,785,305</b>	<b><u>\$12,120,766</u></b>
<b><u>ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</u></b>		
<b><u>General Government</u></b>		
City Council	\$2,132,286	<u>\$ 2,191,969</u>
City Clerk	436,315	
Mayor	79,758	
<b><u>General Public Service</u></b>		
Police	\$5,461,921	
Asset Forfeiture	30,000	
Fire	1,921,871	
Street	<u>1,083,309</u>	<u>1,104,309</u>
Cemetery	<u>—339,426</u>	<u>341,726</u>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$11,484,884</b>	<b><u>\$11,567,869</u></b>
<b><u>ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES</u></b>		
Council	\$ 345,000	
Clerk	35,000	
Police	404,920	
Fire	<u>—219,000</u>	<u>252,199</u>
Street	<u>—283,000</u>	<u>438,641</u>
Cemetery	<u>—24,000</u>	<u>44,000</u>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 1,310,920</b>	<b><u>\$1,519,760</u></b>
<b>ESTIMATED EXPENSES (OPERATING/CAPITAL) (OVER)/UNDER REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$(1,010,499)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (966,863)</u></b>
<b>PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 6,636,626</b>	
<b>PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2023</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,626,127</u></b>	<b><u>\$5,669,763</u></b>

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

APPROVED:

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 BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR  
 CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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 ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2022-38 AMENDING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL GENERAL FUMND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

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At the request of Council member Siegelman, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2022-39 Amending the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual Enterprise Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of the Enterprise Fund, as follows:

CITY OF VERSAILLES  
 ORDINANCE NO. 2022-39

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF  
 VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET  
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
 JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND  
 APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has approved and adopted the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be amended by said Versailles City Council; and NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

SECTION 1: That the proposed Enterprise Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 hereby be amended as follows:

WATER, SEWER, GARBAGE

ESTIMATED REVENUES

Water Service	\$ 3,300,000	
Meter Sales of Water	1,500	
Sewer Service	3,500,000	
Turn-On Fees	22,000	
Tap-On Fees	150,000	
Penalties	150,000	
Check Fees	3,000	
Sewer Service – Stonegate	330,000	
Sewer-Septic Tank Waste	140,000	
Interest Income	40,000	
Refuse Collection Revenue	700,000	
Wastewater Impact Fees	100,000	
<u>2018-19 Bond Issue Revenue</u>		<u>212,400</u>
<u>Sale of Equipment – Govdeals</u>		<u>1,595</u>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ <del>8,436,500</del></b>	<b>\$ <u>8,650,495</u></b>

ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES

Water Department	\$ <del>3,440,691</del>	\$ <u>3,453,306</u>
Sewer Department	<del>3,547,249</del>	<u>3,544,223</u>
Garbage Department	700,000	
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ <del>7,687,940</del></b>	<b>\$ <u>7,697,529</u></b>

ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES

Water Department	\$ <del>1,013,900</del>	\$ <u>1,016,025</u>
Sewer Department	\$ <del>850,500</del>	<u>1,095,175</u>
Garbage Department	0	
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ <del>1,864,400</del></b>	<b>\$ <u>2,111,200</u></b>

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ESTIMATED EXPENSES (OPERATING/CAPITAL) (OVER)/UNDER REVENUES	\$ <del>(1,115,840)</del>	\$ <u>(1,158,234)</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2022	\$ 12,438,973	
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2023	\$ <del>11,323,133</del>	\$ <u>11,280,739</u>

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

APPROVED:

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BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2022-39 AMENDING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND.**

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

**MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPOINT CHRIS SHARP TO THE VERSAILLES HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

**MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPOINT PAUL PINKSTON TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025.**

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

**Department Directors**

City Clerk Elizabeth Reynolds presented a request from Robert Dearmond to release two development bonds for Legends Phase 1 and Phase 2. She noted that they have been working with Assistant Public Works Director Dan Knight and he has recommended that the two current development bonds be released and replaced with new certificates of deposits for lesser amounts. Mr. Dearmond has already secured the two new certificates of deposit in the City's name.

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO RELEASE THE DEVELOPMENT BOND CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT FOR LEGENDS PHASE 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$163,238.00 TO ROBERT DEARMOND.**

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

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**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO RELEASE THE DEVELOPMENT BOND CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT FOR LEGENDS PHASE II IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,705.00 TO ROBERT DEARMOND.**

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, and Siegelman voting aye.

Deputy Director Clark with Disaster and Emergency Management provided an update on the anticipated severe winter weather that is expected to hit Central Kentucky beginning Thursday night. He stated that they had participated in a conference call with the National Weather Service and temperatures are expected to drop Thursday from a high of 48° down to -1°. He noted that wind gusts are expected to be 40-50 mph with light accumulation. He encouraged everyone to be safe in the frigid temperatures and stated that warming centers and sheltering will be available as the need arises. Director Chandler noted that at least seven sights have been identified as possible shelters. Deputy Clark reiterated the importance of safety with space heaters and generators.

Chief Rankin seconded the concerns of Mr. Clark and Mr. Chandler. He also thanked Council members Kerkhoff and Siegelman for their service on the Council and their support of public safety.

**Mayor Miscellaneous**

Mayor Traugott noted that tonight is the last council meeting of the year and is Council members Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither's last meeting. He took the opportunity to roast each of them, garnering several laughs from everyone, and thank them for their service. He stated that Council member Siegelman had served the City for decades and that we are still reaping the benefits from his time as Mayor.

**Council Miscellaneous/ Committee Reports**

Council member Siegelman stated that he had enjoyed working with each person on the Council and that more great things are to come as the new council takes office.

Mayor Traugott stated that it is also John McGary's last meeting as he is leaving his position with the Woodford Sun, after 8+ years, to go to WEKU radio. He shared a few stories from when they both worked at the State Capitol in Frankfort.

Council member Dake presented minutes from the Water and Sewer Committee for approval.

**MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 18, 2022 WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING.**

The vote was as follows: Dake voting aye. Council member Kerkhoff abstained.

**MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2022 WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING.**

The vote was as follows: Dake and Kerkhoff voting aye.

Council member Johnson announced a Building Standards and Downtown Development ad hoc committee meeting will be held on January 5, 2023 at 5:00pm here at City Hall.

Ms. Johnson thanked Mr. Siegelman for always being welcoming to her and she fondly remembered riding in the City fire truck in the Christmas parade with his two young sons. Ms. Johnson also thanked Mr. McGary for his coverage of the City council meetings.

Mayor Traugott stated that the Swearing In Ceremony for the Mayor and Versailles City Council will be Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm at the Versailles Police Department.

He noted that the Versailles Christmas events this past Saturday were extremely well attended and thanked everyone that was involved.

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**Mayor Traugott adjourned the meeting without objections.**

**APPROVED:**

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**BRIAN TRAU GOTT, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK**