

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONDON, KENTUCKY,
HELD

AUGUST 12, 2020

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of London, Kentucky, was held on August 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the London Community Center, Council Chambers, London, KY. Mayor Troy Rudder presided, and the following duly qualified and acting members of the City Council were present:

Councilperson Steve Berry
Councilperson Daniel Carmack
Councilperson Bobby Joe Parman
Councilperson Danny Phelps
Councilperson Noah White

City Attorney Larry Bryson was present.

Absent from the meeting was Councilperson Judson Weaver

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rudder

THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS:

1. First Reading of Ordinance No. 2020-09 “An Ordinance of Intent to Annex an Area of Property Owned by Elmo Greer and Sons, Inc, and Elmo Greer and Sons, LLC Located at the Intersection of Kentucky Highway 192 and Esquire Lane”
2. First Reading of Ordinance No. 2020-10 “An Ordinance of Intent to Annex an Area of Property Owned by G & M Oil Company, Inc., Located at the Intersection of Interstate 75 and West Cumberland Gap Parkway and the Intersection of Interstate Route 75 and State Route 192 Area”

Mayor Rudder commended the Council Members who advocated the annexation of the two properties. Mayor Rudder stated, “I’ve worked with this council for the last year and a half and we’ve seen the City explode. We have had new businesses and new jobs, and we have got more jobs than we have people to work. We only make up 40% of our work force, with the people from other areas coming here to work. People move here because they want to be where they can prosper. We now have a housing shortage. People want to move here but there are no houses available even in the pandemic. The Council knows that a City can’t stand still, and they aren’t shying away from that.”

Attorney Larry G. Bryson introduced two attorneys who have worked with the City on the annexation, Attorney Keith Brown and Attorney David Pike. Attorney Bryson stated two surveyors worked on this matter, Ralph Peters on the Greer Property and Steven Flinchum with Kentucky Surveys on the I-75 Garland property. Attorney Bryson stated that the Council Members have reviewed the plats, the property description and the Intent to Annex Ordinances. Mayor Rudder stated that the plats, property description, photographs and Intent to Annex Ordinances have been received as evidentiary documents and will be placed in the record.

The first area to be discussed is the property at the intersection of KY 192 and Esquire Lane, which is the roadway leading to Saint Joseph London. The property is

owned by Elmo Greer and Sons, Inc., and Elmo Greer and Sons, LLC, is approximately 7.9 acres and is a voluntary annexation initiated by the property owners. This is a voluntary annexation by the property owners, who submitted an irrevocable request for annexation.

The second area is the property located off Interstate 75 with its intersection at Exit 29 in Southern Laurel County. The proposed area will include the roadway of West Cumberland Gap Parkway, known as US 25-E from the Intersection of US 25- South and Westward along KY 770 for a total of 91 acres.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-09 “AN ORDINANCE OF INTENT TO ANNEX AN AREA OF PROPERTY OWNED BY ELMO GREER AND SONS, INC., AND ELMO GREER AND SONS, LLC, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF KENTUCKY HIGHWAY 192 AND ESQUIRE LANE”

Ordinance No. 2020-09 “An Ordinance of Intent to Annex an Area of Property Owned by Elmo Greer and Sons, Inc, and Elmo Greer and Sons, LLS Located at the Intersection of Kentucky Highway 192 and Esquire Lane’ was read for the first time by Attorney Larry G. Bryson.

Mayor Rudder indicated certain documentary evidence, including photographs supporting this annexation had been sent to the Council Members in advance of the meeting and was included in the record of this meeting.

A motion was made by Councilperson Daniel Carmack and seconded by Councilperson Steve Berry to approve the first reading of said Ordinance.

Then upon said motion came the following vote:

Councilperson Steve Berry, yes
Councilperson Daniel Carmack, yes
Councilperson Bobby Joe Parman, yes
Councilperson Danny Phelps, yes
Councilperson Noah White, yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-10 “AN ORDINANCE OF INTENT TO ANNEX AN AREA OF PROPERTY OWNED BY G & M OIL COMPANY, INC., LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE 75 AND WEST CUMBERLAND GAP PARKWAY AND THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE ROUTE 75 AND STATE ROUTE 192 AREA”

Ordinance No. 2020-10 “An Ordinance of Intent to Annex an Area of Property Owned by G & M Oil Company, Inc., located at the Intersection of Interstate 75 and West Cumberland Gap Parkway and the Intersection of Interstate Route 75 and State Route 192 Area” was read for the first time by Attorney Larry G. Bryson.

Mayor Rudder indicated certain documentary evidence, including photographs, supporting this annexation had been sent to the Council Members in advance of the meeting and was included in the record of this meeting.

A motion was made by Councilperson Steve Berry and seconded by Councilperson Bobby Joe Parman to approve the first reading of said Ordinance

Then upon said motion came the following vote:

Councilperson Steve Berry, yes
Councilperson Daniel Carmack, yes
Councilperson Bobby Joe Parman, yes
Councilperson Danny Phelps, yes
Councilperson Noah White, yes

Attorney Brown informed the Council Members the next step is a City Clerk's Notice required by statute which is to be followed at least 14 days thereafter by second reading of the Intent to Annex Ordinances. Attorney Brown will work with Attorney Bryson to get that accomplished. Certain further notices and publications are required by statute. Ultimately, after final Annexation Ordinances are passed, each Annexation Map would be sent to the Kentucky Secretary of State for mapping approval and the County Clerk for recording.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilperson Steve Berry and seconded by Councilperson Daniel Carmack to adjourn the meeting.

Then upon said motion came the following vote:

Councilperson Steve Berry, yes
Councilperson Daniel Carmack, yes
Councilperson Bobby Joe Parman, yes
Councilperson Danny Phelps, yes
Councilperson Noah White, yes

Mayor Rudder declared the meeting adjourned.


CAROLYN ADAMS, City Clerk


TROY RUDDER, MAYOR