

**NOTES:**

- 1 1. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic all upcoming Regular or Special meetings; Governor DeWine's directive for meetings and social distancing will strictly be enforced.
  
2. The public is encouraged to email comments related to agenda items or general communications to the Clerk of Council, Michelle Blazak, email address by 4:30 p.m. the day of said meeting. All emails received will be shared with all elected officials and either read at said meeting or attached to the minutes' journal.

**NEW as of 10/20/20 Council meeting:**

3. Residents are requested to call in to the regularly scheduled Council meeting between letters A and J of the Council agenda. This can be done by utilizing the below list of phone numbers, followed by entering the provided meeting ID number and passcode when prompted. Upon entrance/acceptance to the meeting, you will be placed into a waiting room, on mute. At letter 'L' of the agenda you will be brought out of the waiting room in the order your call was received, to join the meeting and have your voice heard. Upon completion of your statement(s) you will then be removed from the meeting and the next person in the waiting room will then be brought out to speak. This format will be followed for each person in the waiting room until completed. **No phone calls will be accepted after the completion of letter 'J' of the Council agenda to allow for uninterrupted continuation of the meeting:**

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**TOLL CHARGES MAY APPLY:**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO  
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020  
7:30 P.M.**

**A. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS:**

1. CAUCUS PRIOR TO MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 20, 2020.
2. REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 20, 2020.

**D. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Aviation & Environmental Committee - Chairwoman, Schmuck  
Finance Committee - Chairman, Scott  
Legislative Committee - Chairman, Mencini  
Parks & Recreation Committee - Chairman, Poindexter  
Planning Committee - Chairman, Orcutt  
Safety Committee - Chairman Troyer  
Service Committee - Chairman, Salvatore  
Board of Zoning Appeals - Chairman, Mencini

**E. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

Southwest General Health Center - Trustee, Orcutt  
Berea Board of Education Representative, Mencini  
Technology and Innovation Council Representative - Poindexter

**F. REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**G. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:**

**H. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

- I. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS:**
  
- J. **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS, AND VERBAL APPROVAL: (INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION):**
  
- K. **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS:**
  
- L. **REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:**
  
- M. **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: FIRST READING:**
  - 1. RESOLUTION NO. 21-2020, URGING THE OHIO LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT HOUSE BILL 308, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE FIRST RESPONDERS PTSD BENEFITS BILL, SPONSORED BY REPRESENTATIVE, TOM PATTON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Troyer.
  
- N. **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**
  
- O. **THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**
  
- P. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**SYNOPSIS OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS  
FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2020**

**FIRST READING:**

Res. No. 21-2020

A RESOLUTION URGING THE OHIO LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT HOUSE BILL 308, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE FIRST RESPONDERS PTSD BENEFITS BILL, SPONSORED BY REPRESENTATIVE TOM PATTON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

SYNOPSIS: A Resolution in support of House Bill 308 to help, support, assist and protect the mental health and wellbeing of police, fire and emergency medical workers.

**PREPARED BY THE BROOK PARK LEGAL DEPARTMENT  
November 13, 2020**

P/C 10-20-20 LEGISLATIVE  
CA 11-10-20  
1st R 11-17-20  
2nd R \_\_\_\_\_  
3rd R \_\_\_\_\_  
B/C \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2020

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILMAN TROYER

A RESOLUTION  
URGING THE OHIO LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT HOUSE BILL 308,  
COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE FIRST RESPONDERS PTSD BENEFITS BILL,  
SPONSORED BY REPRESENTATIVE TOM PATTON,  
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the 133rd General Assembly of the State of Ohio is presently considering House Bill 308, with is commonly referred to as the First Responders PTSD Benefits Bill, sponsored by State Representative Tom Patton; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 308 has already been passed by the Ohio House of Representatives, and several other States have previously adopted similar legislation; and

WHEREAS, this Bill, if enacted into law, will allow first responders, including peace officers, firefighters and emergency medical workers who suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), acquired on the job and due to their employment, to be eligible to receive compensation and benefits, whether or not they possess accompanying physical injuries; and

WHEREAS, PTSD is a psychiatric disorder that can occur in people who have experienced or witnessed traumatic events such as serious accidents, acts of crime, terror, war or combat, and those who have been threatened with death, sexual violence or serious injury and symptoms of PTSD can manifest themselves as anxiety, sleeplessness, trouble concentrating, irritability, anger, aggressive behavior, guilt, substance and alcohol abuse, negative job performance and suicidal thoughts and/or attempts; and

WHEREAS, several groups have testified in support of House Bill 308 including the Ohio Association of Professional Fire Fighters, the Ohio State Medical Association, the Columbus Fire Fighters IAFF Local 67 and the Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of House Bill 308 will, as declared by Representative Patton, "ensure the much needed relief for first

responders who have served the public and suffer from PTSD as a result of performing their duties", and their courage and selflessness certainly demands that they be afforded the treatment and care they both need and deserve.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the City of Brook Park, State of Ohio that:

**SECTION 1:** That the Council of the City of Brook Park, hereby urges the Ohio General Assembly to pass House Bill 308 to help support, assist and protect the mental health and wellbeing of the courageous individuals who serve and the public as peace officers, firefighters and emergency medical workers.

**SECTION 2:** The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the introducer of the bill, Representative Tom Patton, State Senator Nickie Antonio, Representative Bride Rose Sweeney and Governor Mike DeWine.

**SECTION 3:** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 4:** This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of said City, and for the further reason that the City of Brook Park show it support of House Bill 308; therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

I HEREBY APPROVE THE WITHIN  
INSTRUMENT AS TO LEGAL FORM  
AND CORRECTNESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
DIRECTOR OF LAW