

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021
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 MINUTES HELD ON APRIL 6, 2021.
2. REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES HELD ON APRIL 6, 2021.

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):

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM BROOK PARK RESIDENT RELATING TO SEVERAL CITY CONCERNS.

K. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS:

L. REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:

M. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: FIRST READING:

N. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. ORDINANCE NO. 11192-2021, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CREATE A 'SAFE EXCHANGE ZONE' BY THE BROOK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Gammella and Council as a Whole.

O. THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

P. ADJOURNMENT:

**SYNOPSIS OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 4, 2021**

SECOND READING:

Ord. No. 11192-2021 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CREATE A "SAFE EXCHANGE ZONE" BY THE BROOK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

SYNOPSIS: An ordinance creating a safe, video surveilled parking area at the police station, where our residents can buy, sell or trade items from private social media transactions.

**PREPARED BY THE BROOK PARK LEGAL DEPARTMENT
April 21, 2021**

CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO

TO 4-6-21 SAFETY
GA 4-13-21
1st R 4-20-21
2nd R 5-4-21
3rd R

ORDINANCE NO: 1192-2021

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILMAN MENCINI, CLW + MAYOR GAMMELLA

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CREATE A "SAFE EXCHANGE ZONE" BY THE
BROOK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, many of our Brook Park residents buy, sell, or trade items in private party transactions and need a safe environment to do so; and

WHEREAS, a "Safe Exchange Zone" will provide a safe environment, with designated parking spaces at the police station and 24-hour video surveillance; and

WHEREAS, even with safe exchange zones, please keep these safety tips in mind when conducting such transactions:

- Do not go to a transaction alone
- Make sure a friend or family member is aware of the transaction details
- Insist on meeting in a public area like our safe transaction zone
- Do not go into someone else's house, and do not allow them into yours
- Complete the transaction during daylight hours
- Be extra cautious when buying or selling valuable items such as vehicles and jewelry
- Trust your instincts and be cautious of scams

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

SECTION 1: The Mayor is hereby authorized to create a "Safe Exchange Zone" by the Brook Park Police Department, with 24-hour surveillance for our Brook Park residents to safely conduct private party transactions.

SECTION 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance 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 action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare in the City, and for the further reason to authorize the Mayor to create a "Safe Exchange Zone"; therefore provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of at least five (5) members elected to Council it shall take effect and be in force immediately from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

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