

# **BRUNSWICK CITY COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE**

## **Agenda**

**APRIL 11, 2022**

**6:15 PM**

or Immediately Following  
Building & Building Code Committee

1. Discussion Items

- (a) Fair Housing Presentation

2. Motion Items

- (a) Acceptance of a Police K9 Officer
- (b) Motion to go out to bid for Design, Supply and Installation of an All-Inclusive Playground at Neura Park 4700 Center Road, Brunswick, Ohio 44212
- (c) Motion to approve an offer of employment to Nada Koury as the Assistant Clerk of Council

3. Review Legislation

**ORD. NO. 29-2022** - An emergency ordinance amending Section 282.01(a) of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances to increase the membership of the Board of Commemorative Affairs. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee of the Whole, *Administration/Ken Fisher*)

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4. General Discussion

5. Executive Session

- (a) Motion to enter into Executive Session to consider the purchase of property for public purposes.
- (b) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development as necessary to protect the interests of the applicant.

6. Adjournment

**CLEVELAND – March 14, 2022 – The Ripepi Family** announced today the recipients of SRT K9 Unit - Police K-9 Grants. The following Police Departments will each receive a Police K9 Officer (dog), complete six-week training course at Excel K-9 Services located in Hiram, Ohio, K9 equipment, and a tactical K9 vest: **Brunswick Police Department, Cleveland Police Department, Euclid Police Department, Metro-Heath Medical Center Police Department, and Parma Heights Police Department.** The goal was to purchase Four (4) K-9 Units, with the success of the 1<sup>st</sup> concert, **SRT K9 Unit and the A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc. we were able to purchase Five (5) police dogs for the Greater Cleveland area.**

The grant was made possible by funds raised during **The Danny Ripepi Memorial Concert**, a charity event which took place Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica on the West Bank of the Flats, and featured Multi-Platinum recording artist Night Ranger, Cleveland's own Beau Coup and High Voltage, the nation's premier AC/DC Tribute Band.

Planning for the **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Danny Ripepi Memorial Concert** is currently in the works for late fall of 2022. Details regarding this year's charity recipient and concert will be announced soon.

While Danny was heading to work on September 24, 2020, he was tragically killed in a freak accident when a dump truck caused a highway sign to crash onto his vehicle. Sadly, he died at the scene on I-480. He is survived by his wife, three children and three stepchildren.

In true Danny fashion, the memorial concerts are not to serve as a family fundraiser, however as an opportunity to give back to the community he loved so much. Danny believed in three things, Family, Faith and Friendship. His gentle demeanor, kind heart and his love as a devoted husband, dad, brother and friend to many, is the legacy he leaves behind. Now is our time to continue his legacy in the most poignant way, by giving back.

#### **About SRT K9 Unit 501 c(3):**

SRT K9 Unit is a non-profit 501-c3 organization made up of handler and dog teams in Ohio. The canine teams are certified in human remains detection, tracking, and trailing. They come together to provide the necessary resources to compliment federal, state, and local authorities in finding missing persons and/or their remains. Visit [www.srtk9.com](http://www.srtk9.com) for organization and event information.

#### **About A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc.:**

A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes' is committed to the families and communities it serves. Brothers, Stephen and Anthony Jr. together with their caring staff assist families with arrangements and support during life's most difficult time. They offer guidance for your loved one's last tribute at either of their two locations 18149 Bagley Road in Middleburg Heights and 3202 Fulton Road in Cleveland. Visit [www.aripepiandsons.com](http://www.aripepiandsons.com) for company information.

#### **CONTACT**

Ed Ripepi  
SRT K9 Unit  
A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc.  
[edriepi1125@gmail.com](mailto:edriepi1125@gmail.com)  
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**A. RIPEPI & SONS  
FUNERAL HOMES, INC.**



*the Danny Ripepi*

MEMORIAL CONCERT

DRIVING ETERNAL LIGHT INTO THE COMMUNITY



A. RIPEPI & SONS

FUNERAL HOMES, INC.



**5** GRANT  
RECEPIENTS

EUCLID POLICE

BRUNSWICK POLICE

METROHEALTH POLICE

CLEVELAND POLICE

PARMA HEIGHTS POLICE

SPECIAL THANKS TO EXCEL K-9 SERVICES, INC.



Telephone  
330-225-9111

# Brunswick Division of Police

4095 Center Road  
Brunswick, Ohio 44212



Fax Number  
330-225-6002

January 14, 2022

To: Ed Ripepi  
SRT K9 Unit Foundation & A Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc

Reference: K9 Unit application

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Brunswick Division of Police and Chief Brian Ohlin, please accept our application for consideration of the K9 donation.

The Brunswick Division of Police has had an established K9 Unit since 2005. Our K-9 Unit was most recently comprised of two dual purpose K-9 teams: Officer Mark Luciano with his K9 partner, Nico, and Officer Joseph Ceccacci with his K9 partner, Koda. With the recent retirement of Officer Luciano and K9 Nico, the Division is looking to replace the retiring K9 team.

The Brunswick Division of Police handles approximately 55,000 calls per year. The K9 teams are utilized throughout each year to assist with drug detection, tracking of fleeing and lost individuals, criminal apprehension, building searches, and article searches. Additionally, the K9 teams conduct numerous demonstrations and attend public events throughout the City of Brunswick and Medina County. Each year the K9 Unit has established and desires to continue to build a successful track record of promoting positive relationships between the Division of Police and the community.

Thank you for your consideration,

*Officer Joseph J. Ceccacci #49 & K9 Koda*



Brunswick Division of Police K-9 Unit  
4095 Center Road  
Brunswick, Ohio 44212  
jceccacci@brunswick.oh.us





## SRT K9 UNIT FOUNDATION

is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization within the state of ohio

# 2021 GUIDELINES FOR K9 UNIT:

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**In conjunction with The Danny Ripepi Memorial Concert, the proceeds from this event will be distributed to Excel K9 Services, Inc. for the purchase of 4 Law Enforcement Departments/Agencies throughout the Northeast Ohio Region.**

SRT K9 Unit welcomes applications, for support from November 22, 2021 to January 22, 2022. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted. SRT K9 Unit & A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc. will announce the selected departments/agencies on March 1, 2022.

### ELIGIBILITY:

Any Law Enforcement Department/Agency in the Northeast Ohio Region.

### REQUIREMENTS:

Please submit all of the following items and information in one proposal. Incomplete applications will not be accepted and may not be notified.

#### Proposals must include the following:

- A brief background on the department.
- **FOR EXISTING K9 UNITS:** Demonstrated success of the K9 unit, including the number of K9 calls received annually and a summary of how the K9 unit has previously been funded.
- **FOR NEW K9 UNITS:** Please outline the need for a new K9 unit and give an estimate of anticipated K9 related calls. In addition, include documentation proving the K9 has been approved by all necessary parties, if applicable.
- Give a description of how your department utilizes the K9 unit for Public Relations.
- What is the Demographic of your department location, (population, Median Income & crime rate).
- A K9 specific budget. Do not send the entire department/agency budget.
- How does your department/agency envision the K9 unit assisting with the law enforcement mission.
- What other specialize units does your department have.
- Please explain how the K9 unit will continue to support and sustain itself in the coming years.
  - 10 year financial commitment
  - \$2,000.00/year veterinary care
  - \$1,500.00/food allowance
  - 16 hours per month state required maintenance training
  - Officer commitment - work schedule & home environment inspection.
  - Department will be required to provide & outfit a vehicle to K9 spec's.
  - Officer compensation to care for K9 at home (FSLA)
  - Handler Leave, must commit to a minimum of 6-week training at Excel K9 Services – Hiram, Ohio
  - Yearly State Certification through the State of Ohio
- SRT K9 Unit & The A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Home Board must interview the K9 Candidates.
- Awarding Departments/Agencies must sign a release of liability for SRT K9 Unit & A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc.

## 2021 APPLICATION FOR THE SRT K9 FOUNDATION:

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Department Name: Brunswick Division of Police

Address: 4095 Center Road

City, State, Zip: Brunswick, Ohio 44212

Phone #: 330-225-9111 Website: brunswick.oh.us

Commanding Officer: Brian Ohlin Title/Position: Chief of Police

Phone #: 330-225-9111 Email: bohlin@brunswick.oh.us

If you are requesting start-up funds for a new K9 unit, does your department require pre-authorization from City Council or a similar entity?    YES    NO

If YES, has the acquisition of a K9 unit been approved? \_\_\_\_\_

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### MAIL TO:

SRT K9 Unit  
7424 Braewood Drive  
Independence, Ohio 44131  
ed@srtk9.com



## PROPOSED MOTION



**DATE:** 4/11/2022

**TO:** Vice Mayor Nicholas Hanek and Members of City Council

**FROM:** Carl S. DeForest, City Manager  
Taylor Petkovsek

**COPY:** Mayor Ron Falconi

**MOTION:** Motion to go out to bid for Design, Supply and Installation of an All-Inclusive Playground at Neura Park 4700 Center Road, Brunswick, Ohio 44212

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Brunswick plans to build an All-Inclusive Playground at Neura Park. The destination park currently has a playground, two (2) ballfields, sand volleyball court, swings, basketball court, pavilion, tennis/pickleball courts and restrooms.

**PURPOSE AND EXPLANATION:** If this motion is accepted the Request for Proposal for "Design, Supply and Installation of an All-inclusive Playground at Neura Park" would be advertised on April 19, 2022 and again on April 26, 2022.

**IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE:** A bid opening would be planned for May 10, 2022.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:** Once the bids come in, the City will evaluate those bids to determine the lowest and best bid and compare them to the available budget.

To date, 1) City Council has formally set aside \$175,000 in local funds for this project via Resolution #59-2021 adopted on May 24, 2021; 2) City Council authorized the City Manager to accept a \$61,040 Natureworks Grant from ODNR for the inclusive playground project and 3) various agencies are also fundraising for this project with the expectation that those funds will ultimately be donated to the City for this project. Some donations, however, may not be received until after the construction work has begun.

Any additional local funds needed beyond that stated above, would require additional legislation. The current desire is to plan for a \$450,000 all-inclusive playground project. Thus, additional and separate pieces of budget amendment legislation and amendments to Res #59-2021 would also be necessary. These separate pieces of legislation are anticipated and

expected to also be presented to the Finance Committee in the near future.

**RECOMMENDED  
ACTION:**

**ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION:**

## PROPOSED LEGISLATION



**DATE:** 4/11/2022

**TO:** Vice Mayor Nicholas Hanek and Members of City Council

**FROM:** Carl S. DeForest, City Manager  
Ron Falconi

**COPY:** Mayor Ron Falconi

**LEGISLATION:** **ORD. NO. 29-2022** - An emergency ordinance amending Section 282.01(a) of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances to increase the membership of the Board of Commemorative Affairs. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee of the Whole, *Administration/Ken Fisher*)

**BACKGROUND:** The Mayor has requested that the resident membership requirement for the Commemorative Affairs Board be increased from 3 members to 5, due to increased interest in the Board.

**PURPOSE AND EXPLANATION:** The recommended amendment will allow additional residents to become members of the Board.

**IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE:** Consideration for passage as an emergency with the suspension of the rules on 1st reading - April 11, 2022.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| One Reading         | Yes |
| Two Readings        | No  |
| Three Readings      | No  |
| Emergency           | Yes |
| Suspension of Rules | Yes |

If emergency or suspension of the rules, why the request?

Recommendation for passage as an emergency with suspension of the rules on April 11, 2022.

**ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION:**

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CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO  
ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BY:

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 282.01(a) OF THE  
CITY OF BRUNSWICK CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO INCREASE THE  
MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF COMMEMORATIVE AFFAIRS.

WHEREAS: THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: That Section 282.01(a) of the Codified Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(a) There is hereby established a Board of Commemorative Affairs consisting of ~~three~~ five qualified electors of the City to be appointed by the Mayor and approved by Council pursuant to Charter Section 6.01 to serve for a term of three years without compensation.

SECTION 2: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety or welfare, and for the additional reason that immediate passage is necessary to allow for appointment to the Board of Commemorative Affairs. Therefore, the same shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the required number of votes or from the earliest time allowed by law.

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PASSED: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Rules Suspended: AYES \_\_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_\_

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_ AYES \_\_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council  
Laura Timura

## PROPOSED LEGISLATION



**DATE:** 4/11/2022

**TO:** Vice Mayor Nicholas Hanek and Members of City Council

**FROM:** Carl S. DeForest, City Manager  
Nicholas Hanek

**COPY:** Mayor Ron Falconi

**LEGISLATION:** **ORD. NO. 31-2022** - An emergency ordinance to approve the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as components of the new Codified Ordinances; to provide for the adoption of new legislation in the updated revised Codified Ordinances; and to repeal ordinances in conflict therewith. - **1st Reading** - (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Laura Timura*)

**BACKGROUND:** This is the annual codification updates.

**PURPOSE AND EXPLANATION:** To approve the editing and inclusion of ordinances as components of the codified ordinances; to provide for the adoption of new legislation in the updated revised codified ordinances; and to repeal ordinances in conflict therewith.

### IMPLEMENTATION

**SCHEDULE:** To adopt as an emergency with suspension of the rules on April 11, 2022, to allow for the updates to be effective immediately.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| One Reading         | Yes |
| Two Readings        | No  |
| Three Readings      | No  |
| Emergency           | Yes |
| Suspension of Rules | Yes |

If emergency or suspension of the rules, why the request?

To adopt as an emergency with suspension of the rules on April 11, 2022, to allow for the updates to be effective immediately.

**ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION:**

ORDINANCE NUMBER 31-2022

BY: Committee of the Whole

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS COMPONENTS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW LEGISLATION IN THE UPDATED REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS: Section 3.18b. of the City Charter provides for the general codification of all City ordinances and resolutions having the force and effect of law and requires that such codification be kept current; and

WHEREAS: The Walter H. Drane Co. has completed its updating and revision of the Codified Ordinances of the City; and

WHEREAS: Various ordinances of a general and permanent nature that have been enacted by Council since the date of the last updating and revision of the Codified Ordinances need to be include in the Codified Ordinances of the City; and

WHEREAS: Certain changes made in the Codified Ordinances to bring City law into conformity with State law.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: That the editing, arrangement and numbering or renumbering of the ordinances and parts of ordinances attached hereto as "Exhibit "A" as though fully herein written, are hereby approved as parts of the various component codes of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brunswick, Ohio, so as to conform to the classification and numbering system of the Codified Ordinances.

SECTION 2: That the sections of the Traffic and General Offenses Codes, as amended and attached hereto as Exhibit "B" as though fully herein written, are hereby approved and adopted as amended or enacted so as to conform to enactments of the Ohio General Assembly.

SECTION 3: That all ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof that are in conflict with any of the provisions of the new matter approved, adopted and listed on Exhibit "A" and in Section 1 are hereby repealed, except as follows:

- (a) The enactment of such matter shall not be construed to affect a right of liability accrued or incurred under any legislative provision prior to the effective date of such enactment, or any action or proceeding for the enforcement of such right or liability. Such enactment shall not be construed to relieve any person from punishment for an act committed in violation of any such legislative provision or to affect an indictment or prosecution therefor. For such purposes, any such legislative provision shall continue in full force notwithstanding its repeal for the purposes of revision and recodification.
- (b) The repeal provided above shall not affect any legislation enacted subsequent to December 16, 2019

SECTION 4: That a copy of this ordinance shall be posted in the five public places set forth in Section 222.01 of the Codified Ordinances, together with notice as to where copies of the February 2022 Replacement Pages for the Codified Ordinances of the City, hereby approved, adopted and enacted, may be viewed and inspected by the public. A copy shall also be furnished to City Officers, Medina County Law Library and the Brunswick Public Library.

SECTION 5: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the additional reason that it is immediately necessary to have an up-to-date codification of the laws of the City, pursuant to Section 3.18b. of the City Charter, that is in conformity with State Law, where such conformity is required by Article XVIII, Section 3, of the Ohio Constitution, with which to administer the affairs of the City and to preserve law and order of the City. Therefore, this Ordinance and the February 2022 Replacement Pages for the Codified Ordinances, hereby approved, adopted and enacted, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the required number of votes, as set forth in Section 3.16 of the City Charter.

PASSED:

Rules Suspended: AYES \_\_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_\_

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_ AYES \_\_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council  
Laura Timura

**EXHIBIT "A"**

| <u>Ord. No.</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>C.O. Section</u>                    |
|-----------------|-------------|----------------------------------------|
| 68-2021         | 9-27-21     | 1252.02(26)                            |
| 69-2021         | 9-27-21     | Repeals<br>1261.04(c), (r)             |
| 70-2021         | 9-27-21     | 1254.01                                |
| 71-2021         | 9-27-21     | 1266.01                                |
| 72-2021         | 9-27-21     | 1270.14(a)                             |
| 73-2021         | 9-27-21     | Pt. 12 Appendix I                      |
| 88-2021         | 11-8-21     | 866.01 to 866.07,<br>866.99            |
| 90-2021         | 11-8-21     | Repeals<br>1252.04(h)                  |
| 91-2021         | 11-8-21     | Repeals<br>1254.03(f), (g),<br>(i)     |
| 92-2021         | 11-8-21     | Repeals<br>1260.04(o)                  |
| 93-2021         | 11-8-21     | Pt. 12 Appendix                        |
| 105-2021        | 10-25-21    | September 2021<br>Replacement<br>Pages |
| 107-2021        | 1-10-22     | 1260.04(x)                             |
| 108-2021        | 1-10-22     | 606.30                                 |
| 121-2021        | 12-13-21    | 282.01(a)                              |

## **EXHIBIT "B"**

### **Administrative Code**

202.03 Rules of Construction. (Amended)

### **Traffic Code**

404.082 Private Tow-Away Zones. (Amended)  
404.083 Impounding Vehicles on Public Property. (Added)

### **General Offenses Code**

612.07 Open Container Prohibited. (Amended)  
624.15 Sale of Dextromethorphan. (Added)  
630.01 Gambling Definitions. (Amended)  
630.02 Gambling. (Amended)  
630.06 Methods of Conducting a Bingo Game; Prohibitions. (Amended)  
630.08 Raffles. (Amended)  
630.09 Charitable Instant Bingo Organizations. (Amended)  
630.11 Bingo or Game of Chance Records. (Amended)  
630.13 Bingo Exceptions. (Amended)  
630.14 Instant Bingo Conduct by a Veteran's or Fraternal Organization. (Amended)  
630.15 Skill-Based Amusement Machines. (Amended)  
630.16 Electronic Instant Bingo; Prohibited Conduct. (Added)  
636.18 Hazing Prohibited. (Added)