

**CITY OF MASON
COUNCIL WORKSESSION
JUNE 21, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of Council were present: Charlene Pelfrey, Steve Osborne, Victor Kidd, Tony Bradburn, John McCurley and Tom Grossmann.

DOWNTOWN MASON REVITALIZATION

Linda Fitzgerald joined the meeting briefly to clarify some issues regarding the Downtown Mason Revitalization effort. She discussed the Secretary of Interior's standards for rehabilitation. She explained the second year of this program the standards would be expanded and more specific. It was noted the Preservation District is only for Commercial Buildings. It was also clarified we are not discussing a Historic Register District. Those standards are more specific and more demanding on property owners. She also stated the CDBG grant applies to interior and exterior of commercial buildings only. She added it is typically on a first come first serve basis for who receives the grant dollars.

ANNEXATIONS

Various issues on annexation were discussed including a pre-annexation agreement with Kings Island, a pre-annexation agreement with areas currently not contiguous to the corporation limits and general annexations interests.

JEDD.

A Joint Economic Development Agreement (JEDD) with Liberty Township and the City of Hamilton were discussed. Issues such as the impact on the city and benefits of such an agreement were discussed.

UPDATES

The members of the Court Liaison Committee reported on recent actions to improve the relationship with Mason Municipal Court.

A brief update was given on the various road improvements projects the City is looking at accomplishing in the future.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.


Clerk of Council


Mayor