

ORDINANCE NO. 1 , 2023

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING METHODS FOR PUBLICATION OF LEGISLATIVE ACTION

WHEREAS, Article VII of the Charter of the City of Montgomery, Ohio requires Council, through its Clerk of Council, to publish all Ordinances and Resolutions ("Legislative Action") which are passed by Council, either in full or by title with an accompanying summary; and

WHEREAS, Section 7.03 of Article VII requires Council, through the Clerk of Council, to either publish such Legislative Action in a newspaper of general circulation within the City, or by posting a copy of such Legislative Action in a conspicuous public place which place shall be designated from time to time by Council; and

WHEREAS, Council's practice has been to publish a Summary of Legislative Action in the City newsletter and through the City's webpage, recognizing that the methods of public notice and public communication have shifted from print media to digital media; and

WHEREAS, recognizing this trend, Council does desire to update its method of publication formally recognizing both digital media and non-digital media,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Montgomery, Hamilton County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Consistent with Article VII, Section 7.03, Council does designate the City's webpage, periodic newsletter, and Safety Center Bulletin Board as the official sites for publication of Legislative Action. The Clerk of Council shall properly publish all Legislative Action passed by the Council in the following manner:

(a) By posting a Summary of Legislative Action, listing the legislation passed and a brief summary of the Resolution and Ordinances, within the City's webpage.

(b) By posting a Summary of Legislative Action, listing the legislation passed and a brief summary of the Resolution and Ordinances, on the bulletin board in a secure location at the Safety Center accessible to the general public.

(c) By publishing monthly Legislative Action by Council for circulation within the City's periodic newsletter.

SECTION 2. Council deems that these methods of publication satisfy the Charter requirement in accordance with Ohio law to provide appropriate publication and notice of Legislative Action, and such alternate methods of publication will best serve the Residents of the community of Montgomery recognizing the evolution and shift to digital communications within a community.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect the earliest opportunity as allowable by law.

PASSED: January 4, 2023

ATTEST: Connie M. Gaylor
Connie M. Gaylor, Clerk of Council

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