

## City of Munford, Tennessee

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Mayor's Report January 23, 2022

At this month's meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (January 23), I will present an ordinance (2023-01-01) to consider adopting a Downtown Improvement Grant Program for the purpose of encouraging exterior improvements to buildings as well as providing certain incentives for new businesses in the Central Business District. This effort is the result of many months of work by the Munford Downtown Development Committee. This committee consists of several interested citizens for the purpose of promoting the aesthetic enhancement and beautification of the Central Business District of Munford. I commend each committee member for working together with Alderman Reed, Munford Parks and Recreation Director Griff Fisher, Cynthia Zickefoose, Sherry Yelvington and me for their input in providing this opportunity for property owners and business owners. We look forward to seeing downtown flourish further in the coming months and I am recommending approval of this Ordinance on the first reading. If passed on the first reading, I will also set a Special Called Meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to consider this ordinance on the second reading. This meeting will be held on February 2, 2023, at 5:00 PM in the Boardroom.

Also at this month's meeting, the Board will consider Resolution 2023-01-02, supporting the display of the National Motto, "In God We Trust," in the Boardroom or in a prominent place at City Hall. I am recommending approval of this Resolution.

The Munford Avenue Intersection Improvement, Sidewalk Rehab, and Curb and Gutter project is moving into the final stages. The expected substantial completion date is now February 20, with only the paving portion remaining. The paving will be completed as soon as the weather is warm enough to properly lay asphalt. We are looking forward to completing this essential project.

Several new businesses are moving into Downtown Munford and Central Business District. Two new boutiques, a Bookkeeping service, a bakery, and a chocolate store are but a few of the new businesses locating here. We are excited they have chosen Munford and I hope they can soon say, "Munford is My Kind of Town."

February can be an extreme weather month which causes havoc with utilities and streets. Please pray with me that we have a "normal weather February" this year.

Warmest regards, Dwayne Cole, Mayor



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