Mayor J. Byron Chapman

Commissioners Paul Hayden Amy Oliver Mark Stigers Ron Wolf



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#### **MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Byron Chapman called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE MAYOR.
- 3. ROLL CALL- City Clerk Brittany Veto called the roll:
  - Commissioner Amy Oliver Present- via Zoom
  - Commissioner Paul Hayden Present
  - · Commissioner Mark Stigers Present
  - Commissioner Ron Wolf Present
  - Mayor Byron Chapman Present
  - · Also present, Treasurer Tracy Dohn

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 Commissioner Mark Stigers made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2025, meeting with amendments to include Tracy Dohn as present and the Mayor attending via Zoom. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ron Wolf and approved unanimously.

#### 5. TREASURERS REPORT

- a) A motion to approve the General Fund Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Amy Oliver and seconded by Commissioner Ron Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.
- b) A motion to approve the Road Fund Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Ron Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Paul Hayden. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 6. MIDDLETOWN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, INC.,

a. A motion to approve the Cemetery Fund Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Paul Hayden and seconded by Commissioner Amy Oliver. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES- No updates/announcements were given.
- 8. PRESENTATIONS- No presentations were presented during this section of the meeting.

#### 9. REPORTS

#### a. Police Department Report

Chief Rob Herman presented the department report, highlighting that crime trends remain stable with no significant increases, while retailers have shown greater cooperation in preventing shoplifting. Officer Adrian Wheeler is pursuing additional training through the department's tuition reimbursement program. Commissioner Ron Wolf praised the annual police report, highlighting Barbara's contributions to its quality.

#### b. Middletown Operations Report

Marty Stansbury provided updates on city operations. Preparations are underway for potential winter weather, while the city is also addressing tree removal concerns on the right-of-way. Commissioners have requested code enforcement to investigate and resolve any potential hazards.

#### c. Middletown Business License and Occupational Tax Update

Treasurer Tracy Dohn reported that tax reconciliations are underway, with Ann diligently processing submissions.

#### d. Middletown Museum Report

Commissioner Mark Stigers reported that January saw low visitor numbers at the community center, with attendance increasing during community events. He proposed installing an AED in the facility due to past medical emergencies and the increasing use of the space. Commissioner Ron Wolf motioned to allocate up to \$2,000 for the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Paul Hayden. The motion passed unanimously.

#### e. Middletown Chamber of Commerce Update

Chamber President Tom Stone provided an update. System upgrades are moving forward and are expected to be completed within two weeks. Planning for the Easter Egg Hunt and concerts is well underway, with discussions about logistics, including sound systems and potential entertainment options. Commissioners also considered bringing in a local food truck, with Romero's Food Truck mentioned as a possible vendor. The truck would offer a kid-friendly menu, requiring a \$1,000 minimum in sales, with the city covering any shortfall. While the event is expected to draw enough attendees to meet this requirement, concerns were raised about prioritizing local businesses for participation.

#### 10. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT- no public comments

#### 11. CONTRACTS/MUNICIPAL ORDERS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

- a. Ordinance 01-23-2025-A Franchise Agreement With Lumos Fiber (Second Reading) (See EXHIBIT "A")
  - The Commission approved a franchise agreement with Lumos Fiber for fiberoptic internet expansion in Middletown. Grace Simrall from Lumos confirmed
    that the project will include 100% fiber-optic service, with 80% underground
    and 20% aerial lines, and a 24-hour customer service response time. The
    agreement was amended to ensure Urton Woods and Cross Creek subdivisions
    are included in the initial build, with Lumos updating Exhibit A to reflect this. A
    \$100,000 performance bond will be required before permits are issued. Lumos
    will notify residents via door hangers, social media, and direct city
    communication. Commissioner Oliver along with Grace, all involved social
    media teams, and marketing representatives, had a meeting on February 7 to
    discuss and coordinate social media strategies, announcement plans, and
    contact information.
  - A motion to approve was made by Mayor Chapman and a rollcall vote was made and passed unanimously. Lumos announced a groundbreaking ceremony on February 20th at Belmont Park, inviting city officials to attend.

### b. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-A Accepting A Bid For Work On The Playground (See EXHIBIT "B")

- The Commission approved a bid for playground improvements, awarding the work to Bluegrass Recreation for \$39,270. The project includes site preparation and gravel installation as a necessary step before installing new playground equipment. Commissioner Ron Wolf inquired about the project timeline, with city staff confirming that work will begin promptly following approval. Marty Stansbury will coordinate with the contractor and provide updates on the schedule. The project will be funded through the city's budget, as ARPA funds have been fully allocated.
- A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Hayden, seconded by Commissioner Oliver, and passed unanimously.

## c. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-B Approval Of Grant Funding- Eastern High School Project Graduation- Karen Pridemore, PTSA President (See EXHIBIT "C")

- The Commission approved a \$2,000 grant to support Eastern High School's Project Graduation. Karen Pridemore, PTSA President, along with two student representatives, presented the request, highlighting the event's role in preventing impaired driving and providing a secure celebration venue. Project Graduation will be held at MidAmerica and is funded entirely through donations. The grant will help cover the venue rental cost of \$2,200, ensuring a safe, supervised space. Commissioner Amy Oliver encouraging parental pickup to reduce risks from driver fatigue.
- A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Mark Stigers, seconded by Commissioner Paul Hayden, and passed 4-1, with Commissioner Ron Wolf

voting against due to the city's funding policy limiting grants to within 90 days of an event. The grant application will be updated and presented at the next meeting to reflect the municipal order.

- d. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-C Approval of Grant Funding- Eastern Track XC Booster Club-Michael Horan, Coach (See EXHIBIT "D")
  - The Commission approved a \$9,000 grant for Eastern Track XC Booster Club to support youth and middle school track meets hosted at Eastern High School. Coach Michael Horan presented the request, emphasizing the club's efforts to provide affordable competition opportunities for young athletes, including elementary, middle school, and open events. The funding will primarily cover timing and officiating costs, ensuring accurate results and professional event management. Commissioner Ron Wolf requested a schedule of upcoming meets for city promotion.
  - A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ron Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Mark Stigers, and passed unanimously.
- e. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-D Approval of Grant Funding- Middletown Police Foundation-Gary Edelen (See EXHIBIT "E")
  - The Commission approved a \$6,000 grant for the Middletown Police Foundation to support law enforcement initiatives, including drug testing kits, bicycle helmet distribution, and a grant-writing service to secure additional funding. Gary Edelen presented the request, explaining that the foundation had already spent \$7,300 on drug testing kits and committed \$1,540 for bicycle helmets to be distributed at the Easter Egg Hunt. Commissioners discussed the foundation's financial sustainability, with Commissioner Paul Hayden suggesting a focus on building reserves. Commissioner Amy Oliver recommended funding only future expenses rather than past purchases, but the Commission ultimately approved the full amount.
  - A motion to approve was made by Mayor Chapman, seconded by Commissioner Hayden, and passed unanimously.
- f. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-E Approval Of An Extension To The Professional Service Contract For The City's Auditor (See EXHIBIT "F") A three-year contract extension was approved for the city auditor at \$10,750 per year.
  - Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Mark Stigers, seconded by Commissioner Hayden, and passed unanimously.
- g. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-F Job Descriptions Of Commissioners And Mayors (See EXHIBIT "G")
  - The Commission approved updates to the job descriptions for the Mayor and Commissioners with minor revisions. To avoid quorum issues, Commissioner Paul Hayden will attend event planning meetings while

- The Commission discussed and approved an amendment to the lease agreement with the church currently occupying city-owned property. The church requested an additional 522 square feet of space on the lower level for expansion, which is currently used for sports equipment storage by a local youth organization. The organization will relocate its equipment to another city facility. Under the amendment, the church will lease the additional space at the same per-square-foot rate as their existing lease, bringing in approximately \$500 per month in additional revenue for the city. Any renovations or improvements to the space will be the church's responsibility.
- A motion to approve the lease amendment was made by Commissioner Paul Hayden, seconded by Commissioner Mark Stigers, and passed unanimously. The city attorney will draft the formal lease amendment for final approval at the next meeting.

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

- A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Amy Oliver, seconded by Commissioner Ron Wolf.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Approved by:

Mayor Byron Chapman

Date: 3/18/a

coordinating separately with Commissioner Amy Oliver. Commissioner Ron Wolf proposed clarifying the Mayor's role as administrative oversight rather than mandatory attendance at all committee meetings and suggested explicitly listing the Mayor as a member of all subcommittees for transparency.

A motion to approve the order with these amendments was made by Commissioner Ron Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Oliver, and passed unanimously.

#### h. ABC Inter-Local Agreement With Louisville Metro- Update (See EXHIBIT "H")

The Commission reviewed the annual renewal of the ABC Inter-local Agreement with Louisville Metro, which allows Metro to handle alcohol licensing and enforcement within Middletown. The agreement renews automatically unless action is taken to terminate it. No changes were proposed, and the Commission opted to let the agreement renew without further action. *This decision was noted in the meeting minutes for record-keeping.* 

#### Resolution No. 02-13-2025 Opposing Mandated Centralized Collection Of Local Occupational Fees/Taxes (See EXHIBIT "I")

- The Commission approved a resolution opposing state-mandated centralized collection of local occupational taxes, citing concerns over delayed payments, reduced local control, and potential revenue shortfalls. Commissioner Ron Wolf warned that the legislation could lead to centralized collection of additional local taxes in the future.
- A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ron Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Paul Hayden, and passed unanimously.

## j. Municipal Order No. 02-13-2025-G Kentucky Law Enforcement Training Facility Proposal (See EXHIBIT "J")

- Chief Rob Herman and Commissioner Ron Wolf outlined a proposal to develop a Kentucky Law Enforcement Regional Training Facility, aimed at providing advanced training resources for local agencies. The work was awarded to architect Tony Bayes for \$15,000 to create design plans and renderings needed for state funding requests.
- Commissioner Ron Wolf made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Mark Stigers. The motion passed with Commissioner Hayden opposed.

#### **12. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

#### a. SENATE BILL 59 DISCUSSION

 Discussion on concerns regarding loss of local zoning control. Commissioners agreed to follow up with KLC for potential opposition efforts.

#### 13. LEASE AMENDMENT FOR CHURCH EXPANSION IN CITY-OWNED PROPERTY

#### CITY OF MIDDLETOWN ORDINANCE 01-23-2025-A AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A UNIFORM FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government publicly advertised bid proposals from parties interested in obtaining franchises to erect, install or maintain communication facilities or provide communication services by use of said communication facilities within the confines of Louisville Metro, Kentucky, which includes all the area in Jefferson County, Kentucky,

AND WHEREAS, Lumos Fiber of Kentucky LLC (hereinafter "Provider"), with its principal office located at 4100 Mendenhall Oaks Parkway, Suite 300, High Point, NC 27265, submitted a bid proposal to Louisville Metro for a communications services franchise pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 116 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances and was approved as the winning bidder by the City of Louisville Council meeting of the 12th day of December 2024,

AND WHEREAS, The City of Middletown, being located within the confines of Louisville Metro (Jefferson County), also desires to approve a non-exclusive franchise with Lumos Fiber of Kentucky LLC, since a portion of the project will be located upon rights of way owned by the City of Middletown, but which are still in the geographic area of the bid notice,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY:

#### SECTION 1:

That the City of Middletown hereby recognizes, adopts the bid process and all the related findings of Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government supporting the franchise approval of Lumos Fiber of Kentucky LLC, contained in the record of such approval at the Louisville Metro Council meeting. Further, based on the findings herein, the certain non-exclusive franchise agreement for telecommunication services in Jefferson County, by and between the City of Middletown and Lumos Fiber of Kentucky LLC, be and hereby is approved by the City Commission. Further the City Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement, along with any other documents required to effectuate the terms of the referenced Agreement, attached, and fully incorporated herein as Exhibit One.

#### SECTION 2:

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	This Ordinance shall take effect upon its reading, passage, approval, and publication according to		
law.	7		
	First reading: 1/23/25 Second Reading: 2/3/25		
	Second Reading: 2//3/25		

Bryon Chapman, Mayor

Owner (s) name LUMOS FIBER OF KENTUCKY
Contact Person ERACE SIMRALL

Contact Person GRACE SIMRALL

Contact phone# 502-509-1720 Contact equail GRAVE. SIMBALL @ LUMOSFIBER. com

## CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ORDER 02-13-2025-A A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO ACCEPTING A BID FOR WORK ON THE PLAYGROUND

WHEREAS, the City of Middletown desires to enter into a contract to place and compact a gravel base for one it its city playgrounds,

#### BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

Section 1. That the attached proposal from Sexton Construction LLC for the purchase and placement of gravel, which is detailed in the attached quote, in the total lump sum amount of \$39,270.00 be and hereby is approved. The funds will be expended from the following budgeted expense account: 21.0276 – Wetherby Park Playground Construction.

Section 2. This Municipal Order shall take effect upon its passage and approval as required by law.

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2025.

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

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Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

Those Opposed:

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# CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ORDER 02-13-2025-B A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO APPROVAL OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN FOR EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL PTA PROJECT GRADUATION

WHEREAS, the City has received an Application for Grant Funding From the Eastern High School PTSA; and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Attorney for the City and he has determined that the Grant complies with established precedent as an expenditure for a public purpose, in that the Applicant has shown that the grant will be used to fund a portion of the cost of the 2025 PTSA Project Graduation held at Eastern High School.

#### BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

Section 1. The City Commission specifically finds that the spending for the grant will go to a public purpose, which is to help fund a community event that will take place within the City of Middletown and benefit City of Middletown residents, as set out in the Applicant's application for funding of 1/24/25, which is incorporated herein.

Section 2. That the City approves the funding request in the amount of up to

\$ 2,000.00

Section 3. That such funding request is conditioned upon:

- The funds shall be used for the purpose of funding of community development events within the City of Middletown.
- The City shall only pay invoices directly, up to the amount stated in Section 2 and only for those items detailed in the Application referenced herein.

3. The use of the funds shall be monitored by the Mayor, or his designee;

Section 4. The City commission finds that funds exist in the City Budget to fund this application for grant, which shall be paid through city account number 525.2,

Community Outreach.

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2025.

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

Those Opposed:

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# CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ORDER 02-13-2025-C A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO APPROVAL OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN FOR EASTERN TRACK XC BOOSTER CLUB

WHEREAS, the City has received an Application for Grant Funding From the Bastern High School Track XC Booster Club; and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Attorney for the City and he has determined that the Grant complies with established precedent as an expenditure for a public purpose, in that the Applicant has shown that the grant will be used to fund the purchase of timing, awards, meet officials, meet management and other related meet expenses when Cross Country events are held at Eastern High School.

#### BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

Section 1. The City Commission finds that the spending for the grant will go to a public purpose, which is to help fund a community event that will take place within the City of Middletown and benefit City of Middletown residents, as set out in the Applicant's application for funding of 1/15/25, which is incorporated herein.

Section 2. That the City approves the funding request in the amount of up to

\$ 9000.00

Section 3. That such funding request is conditioned upon:

- The funds shall be used for the purpose of funding of community development events within the City of Middletown.
- 2. The City shall only pay invoices directly, up to the amount stated in Section 2 and only for those items detailed in the Application referenced herein.

3. The use of the funds shall be monitored by the Mayor, or his designee.

Section 4. The City commission finds that funds exist in the City Budget to fund this application for grant, which shall be paid through city account number 525.2,

Community Outreach.

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2025.

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

# CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ORDER 02-13-2025-D A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO APPROVAL OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN FOR MIDDLETOWN POLICE FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, the City has received an Application for Grant Funding From the Middletown Kentucky Police Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Attorney for the City and he has determined that the Grant complies with established precedent as an expenditure for a public purpose, in that the Applicant has shown that the grant will be used to fund the purchase of bicycle helmets and for the Car Show.

#### BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

Section 1. The City Commission finds that the spending for the grant will go to a public purpose, which is to help fund a community event that will take place within the City of Middletown and benefit City of Middletown residents, as set out in the Applicant's application for funding of 1/29/25, which is incorporated herein.

Section 2. That the City approves the funding request in the amount of up to

Section 3. That such funding request is conditioned upon:

- The funds shall be used for the purpose of the funding of community development events within the City of Middletown.
- The City shall only pay invoices directly, up to the amount stated in Section 2 and only for those items detailed in the Application referenced herein.
- 3. The use of the funds shall be monitored by the Mayor, or his designee;

Section 4. The City commission finds that funds exist in the City Budget to fund this application for grant, which shall be paid through city account number 525.2, Community Outreach.

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2025.

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

# CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 02-13-2025-E A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF AN EXTENSION TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE CITY'S AUDITOR

WHEREAS, the City of Middletown Commissioners have reviewed a proposal to extend the professional services contract of the current auditor for the city, Maddox and Associates,

#### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

1. That the current professional services contract of Maddox and Associates for conducting the annual audit of the city is hereby extended for an additional three-year period in the lump sum amount of \$10,750.00 for each of the next three fiscal years ending 6/30/25, 6/30/26 and 6/30/27 for professional services providing the City's annual audit in accordance with generally accepted governmental accounting standards. If an Alternative Compliance Examination Engagement is required there will be an additional fee of \$1,000.00 per year. If a Single Audit is required there will be an additional fee of \$2,000.00 per year. This contract is conditioned upon the audit being completed prior to the November City Commission meeting in each fiscal year.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the City Commission held on January 13th, 2025.

J. Byron Chapman, Mayor

Attest:

Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

Opposed:

#### CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY MUNICIPAL ORDER 02-13-2025-F JOB DESCRIPTIONS OF COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR

WHEREAS the City of Middletown is a Commission form of government and under Kentucky Revised Statutes Section 83A.140, and Middletown Ordinance Section 32.04, the Commission must designate departments for each Commissioner to oversee,

AND WHEREFORE, the City, after due consideration, feels that it is necessary and proper at this time to recognize the duties and responsibility of all Commission members under KRS 83A.140,

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Middletown does hereby create following descriptions:

- Commissioner Wolf Serve as a liaison between Middletown Public Works and Middletown City Commission and advocate for the department as they strive to maintain a level of service that the residents of Middletown have come to expect. Serve as a liaison between Middletown Ethics Commission and Middletown City Commission. Partner with city on financial needs with KLC Investment Pool. Serve as a liaison on the Kentucky Veteran's Day Parade.
- Commissioner Oliver- Assist with City of Middletown social media, website, Light Up Middletown and help maintain the city's personnel policy. Serve as a liaison with the Middletown Code Enforcement Board and Middletown City Commission. Serve as a liaison for the city with KLC.
- Commissioner Hayden Primary contact for Middletown Inn Preservation
  Corporation. Serve as a contact for the Middletown Concerts in the Park,
  Middletown Family Fun Festival and Light Up Middletown. Provide leadership
  in developing all Middletown parks.
- 4. Commissioner Stigers Serve as a liaison between Middletown Police Department and Middletown City Commission. Chair the Middletown Historic Preservation Commission and serve as a liaison between the Preservation Commission and Middletown City Commission. Ensure full compliance with the KY Heritage Council requirements. Organize and lead the six meetings per year as required (meetings should be every other month) and select and nominate board members, as necessary. Serve as primary contact for Middletown Museum and Middletown Cemetery. Act as a liaison with the Middletown Fire Department continuing to monitor, build and foster the excellent working relationship between the city and fire department.
- 5. Mayor Chapman Administer City Government and finances to ensure administrative compliance with Kentucky State law. Supervise non-elected city employees, pursuant to City ordinances. Maintain City Office. Oversight and

## CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL ORDER 11-09-2023-A A MUNICIPAL ORDER ADOPTING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City Commission understands that the enforcement of Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) laws through its Local Administrator is an important regulatory task,

AND WHEREAS, the City Commission further finds that maintaining sufficient resources to enforce ABC law should also include partnerships with other governmental bodies, such as Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government,

AND WHEREAS, the City Commission has negotiated an agreement with Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government by which the City of Middletown may utilizes the extensive resources of Metro to help the City of Middletown Local Administrator to better enforce ABC laws,

#### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

Section 1.	That the certain Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Middletown and
	Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government, dated the 9th day of 100, 2023,
	be, and hereby is approved. This agreement allows Louisville/Jefferson County Metro
	Government to assist the City of Middletown Local ABC Administrator to better enforce
	ABC laws within the City of Middletown, Kentucky.
Adon	ted this 9-th day of Nov., 2023.

TEST:

Marianne Butler, City C

Those in Favor:

Those Opposed:

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implementation of financial affairs and budget. Zoning, development, and construction project oversight. Taxation, including tax rate, billing, and collection. City records, including record retention and open records compliance. Additionally, the Mayor attends and administers city committee meetings, facilitating coordination between the City Commission and various departments.

Enacted and approved on this the 13th day of February, 2025.

. Byron Chapman, Mayor

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Those voting in favor:

#### THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, KY

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_02.13.2025\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY, OPPOSING ANY BILLS BROUGHT FORTH DURING THE 2025 KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION BY ANY MEMBER OF THE KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE, IN FULL OR IN PART, THAT PROVIDES FOR THE MANDATED CENTRALIZED COLLECTION OF LOCAL OCCUPATIONAL FEES/TAXES BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY OR OTHER THIRD PARTIES.

WHEREAS, under Section 181 of the Kentucky Constitution, the Commonwealth of Kentucky cannot impose or require a state-wide occupational license fee/tax for local purposes; and

WHEREAS, many cities and counties across the Commonwealth of Kentucky have enacted and imposed local occupational license requirements; and

WHEREAS, the receipts affiliated with these funds are recorded into the general fund of the local government and allocated towards providing critical services, including police, fire and emergency management services, public infrastructure improvements, and other critical programs and services to citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Middletown provides clear, transparent, and efficient payment/reporting services to those impacted by occupational license fees/taxes, which is best accomplished at the local level by professionals who have local experience and local knowledge of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Middletown strongly believes that mandated state or third-party collection of local occupational license taxes and fees would be detrimental, ineffective, and would have a severely adverse effect on the fiscal condition and economic development of the City of Middletown and all local government entities if mandated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Middletown strongly opposes the adoption of any bills into law, in whole or in part, by the Kentucky General Assembly that provide for the mandated centralized collection of local occupational license fees/taxes and urges all members of the General Assembly to vote against proposals of this nature.

This resolution shall have the full effect and force of the law upon passage according to the Laws and Ordinances of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and under my signature this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

. Byron Chapman, Mayo

rittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

### CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY MUNICIPAL ORDER 02-13-2025-G

A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN AND BAYUS DESIGN WORKS FOR PRELIMINARY ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED KENTUCKY LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING FACILITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Middletown is considering the development of a regional police training facility to enhance law enforcement training capabilities within the region; and

WHEREAS, in order to secure state funding for the project in the 2026 State Budget, a preliminary architectural design package must be submitted to Kentucky State Representative Jason Nemes by mid-year 2025; and

WHEREAS, Bayus Design Works has provided a proposal for professional services, including study of concept plans, land use and code research, preliminary design, and budget assistance, for a total not-to-exceed fee of \$14,700.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has reviewed the proposal and finds that the services provided therein are necessary for the advancement of the project and serve a public purpose in the interest of law enforcement training and public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY:

Section 1. The City Commission hereby approves the agreement with Bayus Design Works for preliminary architectural services as outlined in the proposal dated February 11, 2025, in the total not-to-exceed amount of \$14,700.00.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City of Middletown, or his designee, is authorized to execute the necessary agreements and documents to facilitate the engagement of Bayus Design Works for the aforementioned services.

Section 3. The funds for this expenditure shall be allocated from the City's budget under Account No. KY Law Enforcement Training Facility- Capital Project KLE.1-691.1

Section 4. The Mayor, or his designee, shall monitor and oversee the use of funds and the execution of services as outlined in the agreement to ensure compliance with the scope of work and project objectives.

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2025.

. Byron Chapman, May

Brittany Veto, City Clerk

Those in Favor:

Those Opposed:

1- Commissioner Hayden

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