DIRECTING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT THE REFERENDUM OF ORDINANCE 2021 – 92 TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF MASON, OHIO, AT THE MAY 3, 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION

WHEREAS, Council has previously adopted Ordinance 2021-92; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Elections has certified that a sufficient number of valid signatures was submitted as part of a referendum petition related to Ordinance 2021-92; and

WHEREAS, Section 9.02 of the Mason Charter provides that an ordinance subjected to referendum shall be submitted to the electors for approval or rejection at the next succeeding general election or primary election occurring subsequent to ninety days after the certifying of such referendum petition to the Board of Elections or at a special election to be held on a date fixed by the Council by a vote of at least four of the members thereof and certified by the Clerk of Council to the Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, Council now desires to set the election date for the submission of such referendum to the electors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, six members elected thereto concurring:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to certify to the Warren County Board of Elections that the referendum of Ordinance 2021-92 shall be submitted to the electors of the City of Mason for approval or rejection at the usual polling locations and placed on the May 3, 2022 primary election ballot.

Section 2. That the following ballot language shall be submitted as part of such ballot issue:

SHALL ORDINANCE 2021-92 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH KEYSTONE LOT, LLC RELATED TO A DOWNTOWN MASON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT BE APPROVED?

YES

NO

This issue requires a majority of affirmative votes to pass.

<u>Section 3.</u> That this Ordinance is found to be the submission of a question to the electorate, and pursuant to Section 4.08 of the Charter of the City of Mason, shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

Passed this 8th day of November, 2021.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council