



Mount Vernon

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Paul Mayville Appointed City Auditor

Sworn into office following departure of Interim Auditor Samantha Ramsier

MOUNT VERNON, September 30, 2024 – Paul Mayville has been appointed Auditor of the City of Mount Vernon.

Mayville was sworn into the office by Mayor Matthew Starr on the morning of Monday, September 30, 2024. Interim Auditor Samantha Ramsier’s last day in the office was Friday, September 27. She was appointed to her position on September 6, beginning work the next day. On August 26, Terry Scott announced that he would retire effective September 6, after serving in the elected position for 30 years.



Paul Mayville, right, takes the oath of office as Auditor for the City of Mount Vernon from Mayor Matthew Starr on Monday, September 30, 2024, in Council Chambers, Mount Vernon City Hall.

On Thursday, September 26, the designated members of the Knox County Republican Central Committee met and voted unanimously to appoint Mayville the City’s Auditor.

“Paul brings a wealth of experience and a strong commitment to modernizing the Auditor’s office and improving communication across all levels of City government. We can now move forward with making this office more responsive, and Paul is fully on board with this mission,” said Mayor Starr.

“Samantha was instrumental in stabilizing the situation and initiating the necessary updates to our processes. She started the process of modernizing procedures and appointed staff that has been working around the clock to keep the City operating,” Starr said. “We are immensely grateful to her.”

During this recent transition in the Auditor’s office, it became evident that outdated policies and procedures led to delays in bill payments, payroll disruptions and challenges in general auditing and reporting processes. Staffing shortages in the office affected

communication with other City departments and elected officials, leading to further delays and misunderstandings.

“Our focus is on creating a more responsive and effective Auditor’s office that meets the needs of our City today and into the future. This includes updating our technology, improving communication channels, and ensuring that our processes are streamlined and efficient,” said Safety-Service Director Tanner Salyers.

“The Auditor’s office is now working closely with other departments and elected officials to restore effective collaboration so that everyone is informed and engaged in the process,” he said.

Mayville’s appointment as Auditor extends to November 2025, when he will have to run for the latter half of the current elected term, which concludes at the end of 2027.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON:

The City of Mount Vernon is an innovative community with an authentic hometown feel. The City is dedicated to providing modern services with an emphasis on continual improvement, customer service and equitable laws that support our citizens and visitors, while retaining and attracting investors in our community. Home to 17,000 people, Mount Vernon is the county seat for Knox County and boasts historic buildings and districts as well as business and professional, educational and recreational opportunities through many adaptive reuses of the community’s infrastructure and spaces. The City has strong ties to higher education, with Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Kenyon College and Central Ohio Technical College operating satellite locations in the historic downtown. Located 40 miles northeast of Columbus, Mount Vernon is near the geographic center of Ohio and has connections all over the globe.

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