



An Innovative Community; Authentically Hometown

Brian Marvin to Enforce Property Maintenance for City

Will provide support to City Inspector as Assistant City Inspector

MOUNT VERNON, April 29, 2025 – The City of Mount Vernon has hired military and law enforcement veteran Brian Marvin as its new Assistant City Inspector. His first day in the position was Monday, April 21, 2025. He replaces Greg Bemiller, who retired as the City’s Code Enforcement Officer at the end of February 2025.



Brian Marvin

The Assistant City Inspector is responsible for administering and enforcing the provisions of the City’s Property Maintenance Ordinances, Chapter 1305 in the City’s Codified Ordinances. This role also includes providing support to the City Inspector in the enforcement of the Municipal Zoning Code, ensuring compliance with all relevant regulations to maintain and improve the safety, health and aesthetic quality of the community.

Marvin will work closely with City Inspector Scott Zimmerman, who began working in that newly created position on April 7, 2025.

“I am excited to contribute my skills and energy to the mission and goals of the City of Mount Vernon. This opportunity represents a new milestone in my career, and I am appreciative of the trust and confidence this administration has placed in me,” said Marvin.

“I have spent the majority of my adult life in public service, starting with my enlistment in the Army and then a 25-year law enforcement career, during which I served as an officer, detective and support services supervisor. After I retired from law enforcement, I thought my time in public service was over. My wife and I moved to Mount Vernon in 2024 and immediately fell in love with the area. When this job became available, I was drawn to it as I felt that my years of experience in law enforcement and administration could add value to this position. It is my great hope that I can be an integral part in assisting Mayor Matthew Starr in achieving this vision for the future of the City.”

Marvin served as a military police officer in the U.S. Army from 1991-96. That was followed by 25 years with the City of Reynoldsburg’s Division of Police, first as a police officer, then as a detective, which included work with the FBI Cybercrimes Task Force, followed by working as a support services supervisor.

“Brian has some big shoes to fill in taking over for Greg Bemiller, who made significant progress in improving the look of the properties in our City during his time with us,” said Mayor Matthew Starr. “But if anyone can fill those shoes Brian can. I have the utmost confidence that he will keep us moving in the right direction.”

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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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