OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI

April 8, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.
Office of the City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

The Council of the City of St. Joseph, Missouri, met in regular meeting in the Council Chamber at City Hall, on Monday, April 8, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor McMurray. Notice of said meeting had been established as every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. Further notice was provided by posting the regular meeting date and time in the City Clerk’s office at City Hall, and by written notice (together with a tentative agenda) three days in advance in the City Clerk’s office.

ROLL CALL:

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<td>Mayor Bill McMurray</td>
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<td>Councilmember Brenda Blessing</td>
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Total membership--9. Five members constitute a quorum.

Also present were City Manager J. Bruce Woody, City Attorney Bryan Carter, Police Chief Chris Connally, Administrative Services Director Tom Mahoney, Fire Chief Michael L. Dalsing, Health Director Debra Bradley, Public Works & Transportation Director Andrew Clements, Human Resources Director Alicia Nolan, Asst. Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities Director Jeff Atkins, City Planner Nic Hutchison, Asst. to City Manager/Communications & Public Relations Manager Mary Robertson, Multimedia Planner Ed Schilling, City Clerk Paula Heyde and Deputy City Clerk Rita K. Domini.

Under the Council voting rotation system, Councilmember Blessing voted first.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MINUTES:

44285  By general consent, the minutes of the regular meeting held March 25, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., were approved as transcribed in the office of the City Clerk.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS:

44286  Special Recognition Award:  Kenzie and Sheila Gilbert – Food for Kids

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ACCEPtANCE OF AGENDA:

44287 It was moved by Councilmember Moore and seconded by Councilmember Davis that the Agenda be accepted as published. Motion carried. Ayes, Blessing, Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak, O’Dell, Roach--9.

CONSENT AGENDA:

44288 It was moved by Councilmember Blessing and seconded by Councilmember Moore that Agenda Numbers 44289 through 44302 be passed by Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes, Blessing, Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak, O’Dell, Roach--9.

Nominations and Appointments:

44289 Filed 3/28/19: The nomination by Councilmember Novak was approved, appointing Byron Myers, Sr., 3002 Miller Road, as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a term expiring February 23, 2024; he is being reappointed.

Bills for Passage:

44290 (G.O. 2907) A Bill (#355-18) authorizing an amendment to Sections 5-1, 5-89, 5-93, 5-99 and 5-117 of Chapter 5 “Animals” of the Code of Ordinances to better clarify the minimum and maximum fine amounts associated with those sections, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44291 (S.O. 9567) A Bill (#352-18) sponsored by Councilmember Blessing authorizing an amendment to the Capital Projects Fund and acceptance of solar system rebates from KCP&L, both in the amount of $37,515.00, and authorizing execution of a Contract for Construction-Lump Sum with Solar Energy, LLC in the amount of $44,015.00 for the installation of a Solar Panel System at Fire Station 12, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44292 (S.O. 9568) A Bill (#353-18) amending the Fire Department budget in the General Fund to accept a grant from the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) in the amount of $26,087.18 to be used to purchase a storm warning siren from Federal Signal, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44293 (S.O. 9569) A Bill (#354-18) authorizing execution of a Consultant/Services Agreement with Thomas McGee, LLC for Worker’s Compensation Third-Party Administrator Services, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44294 (S.O. 9570) A Bill (#356-18) authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Cigna Group for group long term disability insurance coverage for City employees and others covered by the City’s group long term disability insurance plan, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44295 (S.O. 9571) A Bill (#357-18) authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Superior for voluntary group vision insurance coverage for City employees and others covered by the City’s group vision insurance plan, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

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44304 | (S.O. 9577) A Bill (#359-18) authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Surency to provide administrative services for a Section 125 “Cafeteria” Plan for City employees and others covered by the plan, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed. Ayes, Blessing, Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak, O’Dell, Roach--9.  

44305 | It was moved by Councilmember Moore and seconded by Councilmember Myers that a Bill (#330-18) sponsored by Councilmember Myers authorizing an amendment to Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances to enact a new Article XI titled “Residential Rental Property” establishing a rental unit certificate program that implements a rental inspection based, in part, on recommendations of a Voluntary Rental Inspection Committee formed by the City Council, be withdrawn. Motion carried. Ayes, Blessing, Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak, O’Dell, Roach--9.  

**EMERGENCY BILLS FOR PASSAGE:**  
None.  

**RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION:**  
None.  

**BILLS FOR FIRST READING:**  

44306 | A Bill (#364-18) authorizing an amendment to Chapter 28 entitled “Vehicles and traffic” of the Code of Ordinances to enact a new Section 28-809 entitled “Electric vehicle parking spaces” to limit parking in designated parking spaces with vehicle charging stations, was introduced and read the first time.  

44307 | A Bill (#365-18) authorizing execution of a Transportation Alternatives Funds Program (TAP) Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) to provide funding in an amount not to exceed $200,000.00 and the City will contribute matching funds in an amount not to exceed $85,714.29 for a total amount of $285,714.29 to construct the Urban Trail-Chicago Great Western Branch-Phase 2 Project on the former Chicago Great Western Railroad Corridor from Cook Road to Blackwell Road, was introduced and read the first time.  

44308 | A Bill (#366-18) redistricting a portion of the property located at 2300 Mitchell Avenue from C-1, Neighborhood Shopping District to M-1 Light-Manufacturing District, as requested by John Spencer on behalf of Western Alternative, LLC., was introduced and read the first time.  

44309 | A Bill (#367-18) redistricting the property located at 1703 South 12th Street from R-2, Two Family Residential District to RP-4 Planned Apartment Residential District, as requested by Stacy Kerns, was introduced and read the first time.  

44310 | A Bill (#368-18) authorizing an amendment to Section 31-010 “Definitions,” 31-029 “C-1 Neighborhood Shopping District,” and 31-034 “M-1 Light Manufacturing District” and enacting a new Section 31-012 “Medical Marijuana Facilities,” all in Chapter 31 “Zoning,” of the Code of Ordinances to provide land use regulations related to the cultivation, dispensing, and testing of medical marijuana, was introduced and read the first time.  

44311 | A Bill (#370-18) approving the proposed Conceptual Development Plan for the property located at 1703 South 12th Street, as requested by Stacy Kerns, agent for Sisters of Solace, was introduced and read the first time.  

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44296 (S.O. 9572) A Bill (#358-18) authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Municipal Pool through Minnesota Life for group term life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance coverage for City employees and others covered by the City’s group term life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance plan, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44297 (S.O. 9573) A Bill (#360-18) authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Cigna Group for group dental insurance coverage for City employees and others covered by the City’s group dental insurance plan, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44298 (S.O. 9574) A Bill (#362-18) authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City for group health insurance for City employees and others covered by the City’s group health insurance plan, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

44299 (S.O. 9575) A Bill (#361-18) authorizing the execution of a Unit Price Service Agreement with Doculock, LLC, to provide document scanning and archiving services, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed.

Resolutions for Adoption:

44300 (Resolution No. 44300 – 4323) A Resolution (#369-18) authorizing the execution of a Concession and Facility License Agreement with Pony Express Baseball, Inc. (PEB) in the amount of $500.00 for PEB to operate concessions and associated areas at Eagles Field and Hyde Park Complex for the 2019 PEB season, was read and adopted.

44301 (Resolution No. 44301 – 4324) A Resolution (#372-18) authorizing the execution of a Lump Sum Contract with Garney Companies, Inc. and the issuance of purchase orders towards said contract, in an amount not to exceed $2,374,000.00 for the Rosecrans WWTP/Lagoon Improvements Project, was read and adopted.

44302 (Resolution No. 44302 – 4325) A Resolution (#373-18) authorizing the execution of a work order with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for the construction phase services for the City’s Wastewater Treatment Plant at the Rosecrans Lagoon in the amount of $96,671.00, was read and adopted.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

None.

BILLS FOR PASSAGE:

44303 (S.O. 9576) A Bill (#351-18) authorizing execution of a Transportation Alternatives Funds Program (TAP) Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) to provide funding in an amount not to exceed $200,000.00 and the City will contribute matching funds in an amount not to exceed $85,714.29 for a total amount of $285,714.29 to construct the Urban Trail-Patee Branch-Phase 3, from 22nd Street to Mitchell Avenue, having been read the first time on March 25, 2019, was read the second time and passed. Ayes, Blessing, Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak, O’Dell, Roach--9.

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44312 A Bill (#371-18) authorizing the acceptance of a donation from the George Bode, Jr. Benevolent Trust and an amendment to the Bode Recreation Complex Program budget, both in the amount of $330,000.00, and authorizing the execution of Change Order Number One (1) to the contract with Schneider Electric Buildings Americas, Inc. for renovations to the HVAC system and dehumidifier in the Bode Ice Arena in an amount not to exceed $330,000.00, was introduced and read the first time.

44313 A Bill (#374-18) authorizing execution of a Transportation Consolidated Planning Grant Agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) in the amount of $19,691.00 with the City contributing matching funds in the amount of $4,923.00 to assist in Metropolitan Planning activities within the St. Joseph urbanized area, was introduced and read the first time.

REPORTS OF BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Filed 3/25/19: Minutes of the Housing Authority meeting held January 17, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., at the St. Joseph Housing Authority Office, 2902 South 36th Street.

Filed 3/27/19: Minutes of the Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting held March 26, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Filed 3/28/19: Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees Budget/Personnel Committee meeting held March 26, 2019, at 4:45 p.m., at the Carnegie Library, 316 Massachusetts Street.

Filed 3/28/19: Minutes of the Library Board meeting held March 26, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., at the Carnegie Library, 316 Massachusetts Street.

Filed 3/28/19: Minutes of the Administrative Violation Review Board meeting held March 12, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 3/29/19: Minutes of the Social Welfare Board meeting held February 26, 2019, at 2:30 p.m., at the Patee Market Health Center, 904 South 10th Street.

Filed 3/29/19: Minutes of the Human Rights Commission meeting held March 19, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 4/1/19: Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held March 28, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Filed 4/1/19: Minutes of the Museum Oversight Board meeting held March 18, 2019, at 11:35 a.m., at St. Joseph Museums, Inc., 3406 Frederick Avenue.

WORK SESSION MINUTES – CITY CLERK’S OFFICE:

Filed 3/22/19: Minutes of the Council Work Session held March 18, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Filed 3/29/19: Minutes of the Council Work Session held March 25, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 4/1/19: Minutes of the Council Work Session held March 28, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

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REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

Filed 3/21/19: Letter to Whitney Zoughby, President, Friends of the Animal Shelter, in re: Animal Shelter funding.


Filed 3/25/19: Memorandum in re: Acting City Manager (March 27, 2019).


DELEGATIONS, PETITIONS:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Filed 3/20/19: Minutes of the Police Pension Board meeting held February 20, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., in the 1st Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 3/21/19: Minutes of the Mayor’s Blue-Ribbon Crime Advisory Committee meeting held March 18, 2019, at 12:30 p.m., in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 3/21/19: Letter from Mayor McMurray appointing Robert (Robin) Kilgore, 307 N. 16th Street, to the Housing Authority for a term expiring December 14, 2022.

Filed 3/21/19: Memorandum from Wanda Burks, Supervisor, Police Records Division, in re: Disposition list.

Filed 3/22/19: City Link, March 21, 2019.


Filed 3/22/19: Letter signed by taxpaying senior citizens regarding repairing the Library Square parking lot.

Filed 3/25/19: Memorandum from Mayor McMurray in re: Absent from the City (April 2-4, 2019).

Filed 3/26/19: Minutes of the St. Joseph Area Transportation Study Coordinating Committee meetings held March 22, 2018, May 24, 2018, July 26, 2018, September 27, 2018, November 15, 2018 and January 24, 2019, in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 3/26/19: Commendation for Parks, Recreation and Civic Facilities Department employee.

Filed 3/26/19: Letter from Susan Stegeman, Vice President, Special Olympics of Missouri in re: Contribution amount of $15,000.00 (for State Indoor Championships).

Filed 3/26/19: Memorandum from Chuck Kempf, Parks, Recreation and Civic Facilities Director, in re: Departmental Annual Report.

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COMMUNICATIONS: (Cont’d)

Filed 3/26/19: Minutes of the St. Joseph Museums, Inc. Black Archives Museum Committee meeting held March 5, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Museums, Inc., 3406 Frederick Avenue.


Filed 3/27/19: Letter from Shelby Brandt, Compliance Specialist, Missouri Department of Economic Development, to Mayor Bill McMurray in re: Buchanan County’s audit for the year ending June 30, 2018 of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Filed 3/27/19: Minutes of the St. Joseph Museums, Inc. Programming Committee meeting held March 5, 2019, at 1:31 p.m., at St. Joseph Museums, Inc., 3406 Frederick Avenue.

Filed 3/27/19: Minutes of the Sustainable Environment Advisory Committee meeting held March 20, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., in the 1st Floor Conference Room at City Hall.


Filed 3/28/19: Letter from Dan Lambe, President, Arbor Day Foundation, to Mayor Bill McMurray in re: Congratulations on St. Joseph earning recognition as a 2018 Tree City USA.

Filed 3/28/19: Letter from Alex Shubert, Manager - National Processing Center, Insurance Services Office (ISO), to Mayor Bill McMurray in re: Public Protection Classification survey results for the structural fire suppression delivery system.

Filed 3/29/19: Minutes of the St. Joseph Museums, Inc. Membership Committee meeting held February 14, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., at St. Joseph Museums, Inc., 3406 Frederick Avenue.

Filed 3/29/19: Correspondence and commendations in regard to the Police Department.

Filed 4/1/19: Minutes of the St. Joseph Museums, Inc. Fundraising Committee meeting held on March 14, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at St. Joseph Museums, Inc., 3406 Frederick Avenue.


OTHER BUSINESS:

City Manager’s Report – City Manager J. Bruce Woody recognized and congratulated Chief Building Official Jim Haake for his work and efforts to complete his chief building official examination. Pictures were shown of a special City housing rehab project at 2507 S. 11th St. that was completed this week. The cost of the project was $53,800.00. The house is available to those who meet certain qualifications. The transient boat dock installation has been delayed until the river reaches a level that is safe for Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities Department staff and the contractor. Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities Department staff waded into the Bill McKinney Softball Complex at Heritage Park last week for an early view of flood damage. They found some extensive damage to structures, fences and grounds. As the flood water recedes City staff will determine more specific damage. Pictures of the Complex were shown including one taken today showing the current water line. He said the Parks, Recreation & Civic

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Facilities Department hosted the Special Olympic Winter games last weekend at the Civic Arena. Mayor McMurray received a recognition for the sponsorship and financial assistance provided by the City Council. It was a very successful and well attended event. Missouri Department of Transportation will have a meeting on April 9 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Remington Nature Center to reveal alternatives for the I-229 highway through the downtown. The Household Hazardous Waste event will be held April 13 at the nature center parking lot.

A moment of silence was held in honor of long-term Fire Department veteran Captain Travis Owens who passed away last week.

44315 It was moved by Councilmember Blessing and seconded by Councilmember Myers that the debate be closed and the question on the motion by Councilmembers Novak and Blessing be put. Motion carried. Ayes, Blessing Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak---7. Nays, O’Dell, Roach---2.

44316 It was moved by Councilmember Novak and seconded by Councilmember Blessing to propose a resolution that since the CIP Committee did approve appropriations for the animal shelter on Corporate Drive, and the previous Council approved that, that the Council resolve that that would be the new location for the animal shelter contingent upon the fact that they would raise the $1.5 million for the $1,000,000 CIP match. Motion carried. Ayes, Blessing Davis, Kovac, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak---7. Nays, O’Dell, Roach---2.

44317 It was moved by Councilmember Myers and seconded by Councilmember Moore that the Council put together an ad-hoc committee with each councilmember appointing two citizens to look at a comprehensive city charter review with the limitation of keeping the city manager/council form of government. Motion carried. Ayes, Blessing Davis, McMurray, Moore, Myers, Novak--6. Nays, Kovac, O’Dell, Roach--3.

Councilmember Blessing asked that a work session be scheduled to evaluate the past year and come up with some goals or ideas that the Councilmembers have for the next year. The work session will be held at the same time as the review of the strategic plan and response to the community survey prior to the budget sessions.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pat Jones, 5314 Savannah Road, asked for information on the public safety tax and spoke in defense of the City Manager and Councilmember Kovac regarding the Public Safety Tax Fund financial situation.

Steve Holdrenried, 2125 S. 11th St., spoke about the manner in which the Planning Commission meeting was conducted and Bill #366-18 and said he hopes the Councilmembers vote the way the people want you to vote.

Travis Smith, 1908 Blackwell Road, spoke about the hike and bike trail from Cook Road to Blackwell Road and said he is against Plan A. He’s invited the Councilmembers to come to his property to take a look at the location.

Rusty Summers, 612 Fillmore St., said she has some pictures of how the trail affects Mr. Smith’s property if anyone is interested in looking at them. Mr. Smith is blind and a trail going through is backyard is very unsafe for him and that is kind of hindering his human rights.

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Agenda Number 44286 – Councilmember Myers read the Special Recognition Award and presented it to Kenzie and Sheila Gilbert. Mrs. Gilbert thanked the City for their assistance with some of the activities they provide to the children. She asked Mayor McMurray if the City could provide some free bus passes and pool passes for the children. Mayor McMurray said the pool passes can be provided and he will help raise some money to buy the bus passes.

By general consent, the Council adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.  

Minutes transcribed by Paula Heyde, CMC, City Clerk.