

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADUE
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
MONDAY, JUNE 20TH, 2022**

The meeting of the City Council of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri, was held on Monday June 20th, 2022, at 4:00 p.m., at City Hall, 9345 Clayton Road, and via Zoom. The following members were present:

The Hon. Nancy Spewak, Mayor, presiding.

Members of the Council present:

Stacey Kamps
John Fox (via Zoom)
Patrick Hensley
William Brennan
Harold Burroughs
John Howell

Six Council Members present.

Also, present Police Chief Ken Andreski, Jr.; Fire Chief Steven Lynn; Mr. Roger Stewart, Building Commissioner; Ms. Andrea Sukanek, City Planner; Ms. Lamitola, Director of Public Works; Ms. Erin Seele, City Attorney; and Ms. Stacey Mann, City Clerk (via Zoom).

Approval of the Agenda: Council Member Hensley moved to amend the agenda to include a request for capital purchase under the Fire Department Report, upon second by Council Member Howell the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes: Mayor Spewak asked if there were any amendments, corrections, or clarifications to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 16, 2022, Council Member Hensley moved approval of the minutes as submitted; upon second by Council Member Brennan, the motion passed unanimously.

Presentation:

Chief Andreski and Mayor Spewak presented Sgt. Jim Gehm with a years of service award. Chief Andreski thanked Sgt. Gehm for his five years of service.

Presentation:

Chief Lynn and Mayor Spewak presented to Firefighter Tom Marischen a letter of commendation.

Presentation:

Mayor Spewak and Charlie Hiemenz, Chairman of the 85th Anniversary Committee, announced Joe Rechter as the winner of the 85th Anniversary Favorite Memories Competition.

Public Forum:

George Hruza, candidate for Missouri State Senate, introduced himself to the Council and provided a brief background on his experience and why he was running for office.

Committee Report

C-1 Request for approval of a renewal with Cigna for Employee Medical Insurance.

C-2 Request for approval of a renewal with Mutual of Omaha Employee Dental Insurance.

C-3 Request for approval of a renewal with VSP for Employee Vision Insurance (Choice Network).

C-4 Request for approval of a one-year renewal for Property and Casualty Insurance with Travelers Insurance at a cost of \$427,626.

C-5 Request for approval of one-year coverage for Workers' Compensation Insurance with MEMS at a cost of \$126,507.

Mr. Wally Klein, Chairman of the Insurance Committee, provided a brief summary of the recommendations from the Insurance Committee regarding all of the City's lines of coverage which included renewal of the employee health insurance with Cigna at a 5% increase, the employee dental insurance will remain with Mutual of Omaha with a 3% increase in premiums and renewal of employee vision insurance was not necessary at this time, as the City entered into a four-year fixed-rate basis with VSP in 2021.

Mayor Spewak thanked Mr. Klein and the committee members for their effort on the renewals.

Council Member Howell moved approval of a renewal with Cigna for Employee Medical Insurance as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Howell moved approval of a renewal with Mutual of Omaha for employee dental insurance as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Brennan moved approval of a renewal with VSP for employee vision insurance as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Howell the motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hensley moved approval of a renewal with Travelers Insurance for property and casualty insurance as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hensley moved approval of coverage for worker's compensation with MEMS as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Brennan the motion passed unanimously.

Report by Milliman, Inc. regarding the valuations of the Uniformed and Non-Uniformed Employee Pension Plans as of January 1, 2022.

Mr. Winningham stated that the funding policy contribution decreased to \$1,669,111 from \$1,715,333 for the uniformed employee pension plan due to a gain on the actuarial value of assets, which was offset by assumption change increases, and had a 3.8% increase on an actuarial basis. Mr. Winningham stated that the overall number of participants have remained the same, and the funded percentage on a market value increased to 105.6%, looking at it over a five-year asset smoothing method. Mr. Winningham pointed out that on page nine of the report that the total actuarial value of assets was \$4,985,460.00, which is the number of gains from prior years that are being deferred due to the smoothing method. Mr. Winningham reviewed how the funding policy contribution was calculated, the schedule of amortization, and the detailed reconciliation.

Mr. Winningham stated that the non-uniform plan was similar to the uniformed plan, with a \$50,211 decrease in the funding policy contribution. Mr. Winningham stated that the overall number of participants have remained the same, and the funded percentage on a market value increased to 102%, again looking at it over a five-year asset smoothing method. Mr. Winningham reviewed how the funding policy contribution was calculated, the schedule of amortization, and the detailed reconciliation.

Mayor Spewak thanked Mr. Winningham for his thorough report.

New Business:

Proposed Legislation:

Bill 2304-A: An ordinance to amend Ordinance 1175 – the zoning ordinances of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri regarding requirement of traffic studies, site plan review procedures, and temporary wireless facilities

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2304-A followed by a second reading by Council Member Howell.

Council Member Howell moved approval of Bill No. 2304-A. Upon second by Council Member Brennan the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Brennan	“Aye”
Council Member Burroughs	“Aye”
Council Member Fox	“Aye”
Council Member Hensley	“Aye”
Council Member Howell	“Aye”
Council Member Kamps	“Aye”

There being six aye votes and zero nay votes the motion passed unanimously.

Bill 2306: An ordinance to amend Chapter 14 alcoholic beverages, by adding section 14-21, of the code of ordinances of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2306 followed by a second reading by Council Member Brennan.

Council Member Brennan moved approval of Bill No. 2306. Upon second by Council Member Burroughs the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Hensley	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Kamps	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"

There being six aye votes and zero nay votes the motion passed unanimously.

Bill 2307: An ordinance of the City of Ladue to amend section 120-2 of Chapter 120 – Residential Building Code Amendments – of the City of Ladue Code of Ordinances regarding trustee notification requirements

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2307 followed by a second reading by Council Member Hensley.

Council Member Hensley moved approval of Bill No. 2307. Upon second by Council Member Brennan the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Hensley	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Kamps	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

There being six aye votes and zero nay votes the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2022-10: A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri with Gershenson Construction Co., Inc. for Clayton Road ADA sidewalk improvements Phase 4 from Louwen to McKnight

Ms. Lamitola stated that this resolution was before Council in April and was continued due to budget concerns. Ms. Lamitola informed Council that after receiving bids that were under budget on other projects, as well as conferring with the Director of Finance, funding is available. Ms. Lamitola reminded Council that all easements have been received, and owners compensated.

Council Member Hensley moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-10, with second by Council Member Brennan the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2022-17: A resolution authorizing the mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri a services agreement order form and government agency customer agreement between the City of Ladue and Flock Group Inc., wherein Flock Group Inc. agrees to provide for the installation and maintenance of an automatic license plate detection system and related software and hardware services in connection therewith

Council Member Howell moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-17, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Matters:

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Vouchers for Payment for the month of May 2022. Council Member Fox moved their approval, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Collector's Report for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Cash Flow Summary for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

Department Reports:

Fire Department: The Mayor and Council reviewed the Fire Department Activity Report for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed.

Capital Fund Purchase – Fire Nozzles and Appliances

Council Member Hensley moved to approve the purchase of fire nozzles and appliances, upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion carried unanimously.

Police Department: Mayor and Council reviewed the Police Activity Report for the period January 1 – May 31, 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed.

License Plate Reading Cameras – Will Electronics

Chief Andreski stated that Will Electronics will be assisting staff in the installation of the cameras under an existing contract.

Council Member Brennan moved to authorize the work associated with the license plate reading cameras with Will Electronics under an existing contract, upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion carried unanimously.

Public Works & Building: Mayor and Council reviewed the report of the Director of the Public Works Department for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed.

Willow Hill Stormwater Infrastructure project status, budget update, and request for contingency increase of \$153,300.26

Ms. Lamitola informed the Council that the Storm Water Advisory Committee recently met and made several recommendations to the Council. Ms. Lamitola provided the Council the meeting minutes for the review, and briefly explained the concerns that a few residents had made during the meeting. Following the meeting, Ms. Lamitola stated that staff would be formulating a punch list to ensure the projects run smoothly.

Ms. Lamitola stated that Advisory Committee did recommend a 7.5% contingency increase for the Willow Hill project be approved due to unforeseen conditions.

Ms. Lamitola stated that the City has been approached by the contractor, E. Meier, regarding an asphalt unit price increase. Ms. Lamitola added that the contractor was seeking a cost differential due to rising costs, at an amount of approximately \$7.80 per ton, for a total of \$17,000 - \$20,000.

Ms. Tricia McCandles, trustee of Loren Woods, addressed the Council requesting financial assistance to perform additional pavement work which is adjacent to the City's project limits. Ms. McCandles stated that they have not received a bid for the entire project but received an estimate from E. Meier for 370 sq yards of the cul-de-sac in the amount of \$9,800.00.

Mayor Spewak suggested that bids be collected and provided to Council prior to the next meeting, to further discuss cost-sharing.

Ms. Lamitola stated that Willow Hills and Loren Woods have been impacted by this project and reminded the Council that the city did document the condition of these roads prior to the start of the project.

Mr. Marchesi, Bi-State Utilities, stated that when the project was first bid in spring 2021, oil costs were down significantly, and that he was seeking an increase of \$7.80 a ton to cover the difference. Mr. Marchesi stated that the increase will be to cover materials only and will not be used towards labor.

Ms. Lamitola stated that the asphalt indexing price, landscaping, and other unforeseen conditions are considered in the contingency amount, but the City consultant, HR Green, continues to evaluate these numbers.

Council Member Fox moved to approve the contingency increase in the amount of \$153,300.26 for the Willow Hill Stormwater Infrastructure project, upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Court: Mayor and Council reviewed the report of the Municipal Court for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed.

City Attorney: Nothing to report currently.

Administration: Mayor and Council reviewed the Administration report for May 2022. The mayor ordered the report filed.

Election of "Acting President of the Council" as prescribed by the Ladue Code of Ordinances Section 2-40

Council Member Brennan moved to elect Council Member Fox as Acting President of the Council, upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion carried unanimously.

Liquor License Renewals 2022-2023

Mayor Spewak asked for a motion to approve the liquor license renewals for 2022-2023.

Council Member Fox moved approval of the liquor license renewals numbered L-1 to L-18, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

Nomination of Lloyd Palans – Rate Commissioner with MSD

Council Member Brennan moved to nominate Lloyd Palans as Rate Commissioner with the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District's Rate Commission, upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session: Mayor Spewak advised there were items for discussion in executive session involving legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys pursuant to RSMO 610.021(1);

Council Member Burroughs moved to enter in to closed session to discuss matters involving legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys pursuant to RSMO 610.021(1); upon second by Council Member Howell the roll call vote there upon was as follows:

Council Member Hensley	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Kamps	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"


There being six aye votes and zero nay votes the motion passed unanimously.

Council went into closed session at 5:56 p.m. with Ms. Stacey Mann, Ms. Amanda Griffin, Ms. Erin Seele, and Ms. Anne Lamitola.

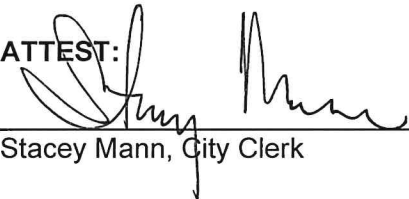
Council returned to open session at 6:26 p.m. with Ms. Stacey Mann, Ms. Amanda Griffin, Ms. Erin Seele, and Ms. Anne Lamitola.

Adjournment: Council Member Burroughs moved adjournment, with second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 18th DAY OF JULY 2022.



Nancy Spewak, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Stacey Mann, City Clerk