

**MINUTES OF MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADUE
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015, 4:00 P.M.**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri was held on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., at the City Hall, 9345 Clayton Road. The following were present:

The Hon. Nancy Spewak, Mayor, presiding.

Members of the Council present:

A. Charles Hiemenz
John M. Howell
Patrick Hensley
John R. Fox
Harold Burroughs
William Brennan

Six Council Members present.

Also present were Michael W. Wooldridge, Assistant to the Mayor/City Clerk; Police Chief Rich Wooten; Fire Chief John Bailot; Asst. Fire Chief Jeff Johnson; Ms. Anne Lamitola, Director – Public Works; Mr. Mike Gartenberg, Building Official and Planning Consultant; and Mr. John Maupin, City Attorney.

Approval and Adoption of the Agenda: Council Member Fox moved the adoption of the agenda; seconded by Council Member Brennan and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Spewak asked for any amendments, corrections or clarifications to the Minutes of the Regular and Closed Meetings of January 20, 2015. Council Member Hiemenz moved approval of the Minutes; seconded by Council Member Howell, which motion passed unanimously.

Public Forum: Karla Wilson, Manager - Deer Creek Watershed Alliance, discussed the Alliances 2015 – 2017 funding program which will focus on several areas of Ladue. The grant opportunities will focus 100% on private property in the limited target areas.

Public Hearing: None

Committee Report: None

Old Business: None

Zoning and Planning Matters: None

Proposed Legislation:

Bill 2108 an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Article XI, Building Official.

Mayor Spewak explained that the proposed bill allows the Mayor to designate the reporting of the Building Official and any deputies as directed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the majority of the members of the council.

Council Member Fox moved the introduction of Bill 2108, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, which motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Brennan moved the first reading of Bill 2108 seconded by Council Member Howell, which motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hensley moved the second reading of Bill 2108; seconded by Council Member Burroughs, which motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Burroughs moved adoption of Bill 2108, seconded by Council Member Fox, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Hensley	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"

Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Mayor Spewak declared Bill 2108 adopted as **Ordinance 2108**.

Mayor Spewak then announced the appointment of Anne Lamitola, Director of Public Works, as the individual to whom to the Building Official will report.

Financial Matters:

The Council reviewed the **vouchers for payment** for the month of January 2015. Council Member Fox moved their approval, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, which motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Treasurer and Collector's reports for January 2015. The Mayor ordered the reports filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Financial Report for January 2015. (no report year-end closing)

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Cash Flow Summary for January 2015. The Mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report as of January 2015. The Mayor ordered the report filed for information.

Department Reports:

Fire Department: The Council reviewed the Fire Department Activity Report for January 2015. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Mr. Wooldridge requested payment authorization for Chiodini Architect invoices 0018560R and 0018789R in the amount of \$19,217.32 related to the Fire Building

Needs Assessment Study. He stated these invoices were for work authorized by the City exceeding the original contract amount that have not been paid.

Council Member Fox advised that he and Mr. Bill Francis, as co-chairs of the Fire Building Oversight Committee, reviewed the information and recommend approval.

Council Member Howell moved the approval of the authorization to pay invoices 0018560R and 0018789 in the amount of \$19,217.31 related to the Fire Building Needs Assessment study. The motion was seconded Council Member Fox, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

Police Department: The Council reviewed the Police Activity Report for the period January 2015. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Chief Wooten requested approval for the purchase of four traffic analyzers with software at a cost of \$8,312.00 from Hoosier Company.

Chief Wooten stated the analyzers will be used to manage traffic studies and data on both public and private streets. Currently analyzers are borrowed from the City of Kirkwood when needed.

Council Member Fox moved the approval for the purchase of four traffic analyzer with software from Hoosier Company at a cost of \$8,312.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Burroughs, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"

Council Member Hensley	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Works: The Mayor and Council reviewed the Public Works report for the period through January 2015. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Ms. Lamitola requested approval of a contract with HR Green for a stormwater study (Phase 1) of the city at a cost of \$159,675.22. She explained this is the first part of a three phase program:

Phase I – Needs Assessment and Prioritization
Phase II – Development of a Master Plan
Phase III – Implementation

Council Member Hiemenz asked if improvements can be made on private property with public funding. Mr. Maupin stated public funds cannot be used for private property improvements.

Ms. Lamitola further advised that the study will use MSD information as appropriate throughout the study.

Council Member Fox moved the approval of the contract with HR Green for a stormwater study (Phase 1) of the city at a cost of \$159,652.22. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hensley, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. Lamitola reviewed the Dielman Road Improvement Project and funding application through the East-West Council of Governments. She stated the project may not score as well as past applications because the sidewalk will not connect to another pedestrian

pathway and the road surface is not as deteriorated. The application fee of \$5,694.68 will be returned if the grant is not received.

Ms. Lamitola advised that S. McKnight Rd. was closed at the south bridge for the demolition and replacement of the bridge. Council Member Hiemenz inquired if the utility work on S. Price Rd. could be suspended during the closure of S. McKnight Rd. Ms. Lamitola advised that she would contact Ameren Missouri and request that they suspend work on S. Price Road until S. McKnight Road reopens.

Municipal Court:

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Municipal Court report for January 2015. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Administration/City Clerk.

The Mayor and Council reviewed and filed the building department report for January 2015.

Mr. Gartenberg requested approval of the following permit extensions:

10050 Litzsinger Rd., Permit 69035, extended to March 30, 2015,
2 Whitfield Lane, Permit 69587, extended to March 9, 2015,
6 Picardy Lane, Permit 69128, extended to June 30, 2015,
9256 Clayton Rd., Permit 68509, extended to April 30, 2015
11 Pebble Creek Rd., Permit 140258, extended to August 9, 2015.

Council Member Hiemenz questioned the request for an extension of the permit at 9256 Clayton Rd. which expired on May 12, 2013. He stated it seemed inconsistent to grant an extension of a permit which has been expired for almost two years.

Council Member Hensley moved the approval of four of the permit extensions as recommended by the Mr. Gartenberg:

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The motion was seconded by Council Member Howell, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Spewak requested a motion to approve the recommendation of Mr. Gartenberg to extend the building permit at 9256 Clayton Rd. A motion was not offered and Mr. Gartenberg was advised to have the owner apply for a new permit.

Appointments: None

Liquor Licenses:

An application from Hats, Inc. d.b.a. Truffles in Ladue, 9202 Clayton Road, for renewal of their license to sell intoxicating liquors by the drink. The report from the police department finds no reason why the license should not be issued.

An application from Ladue Pharmacy, LLC, 9832 Clayton Road, for renewal of their license to sell intoxicating liquors and beer in the original package, not for consumption on the premises. The report from the police department finds no reason why the license should not be issued.

An application from The Women's Exchange, 8811A Ladue Road, for renewal of their license to sell intoxicating liquors by the drink. The report from the police department finds no reason why the license should not be issued.

An application from Sweetology, 9214 Clayton Road, for renewal of their license to sell intoxicating liquors by the drink with Sunday sales. The report from the police department finds no reason why the license should not be issued.

Council Member Fox moved the approval of the license renewals; seconded by Council Member Howell, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

Mayor Spewak stated the next regular meetings would be March 16 and April 20, 2015.

Mayor Spewak advised there were items for discussion in executive session involving legal and personnel matters under RSMo. Section 610.021 (1) & (3).

Council Member Hiemenz moved to go into closed session for discussion of legal and personnel matters as provided under RSMo. 610.021 (1) & (3); seconded by Council Member Hensley, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

(The Mayor and Council went into closed session at 5:00 PM with Mr. Wooldridge, Mr. Maupin, and Ms. Julie O'Guinn).

(The Mayor and Council returned to open session with Mr. Wooldridge, Mr. Maupin, and Ms. O'Guinn at 5:07 PM)

Mayor Spewak requested approval of the appointment of Julie O'Guinn as the City Finance Director effective February 23, 2015.

Council Member Hiemenz moved the approval of the appointment of Julie O'Guinn as Finance Director effective February 23, 2015; seconded by Council Member Hensley, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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

The motion was passed unanimously.

A discussion was held regarding complaints about deer in the City. Council Member Burroughs advised he has been in contact with the Department of Conservation to discuss the options available for a deer management program. The Mayor and Council agreed that a presentation from the Department of Conservation about the issue at a future meeting would be appropriate.

Council Member Fox moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, which motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.

APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF MARCH 2015.



Nancy Spewak, Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk & Assistant to the Mayor

