



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 22, 2016

7:00 pm

The following councilmembers were present with Mayor John McTaggart presiding:

Garrett Mellott Jason Gillam
Margaret Shriver Chuck Adams
 Chuck Stites

The following staff members were present:

- Michael Webb, City Manager
- Mark Mathies, Police Chief
- Tim Whitham, Fire Chief
- Tony Burr, EMS Supervisor
- David Duckers, City Attorney
- Michelle Bounds, City Treasurer
- Zack Daniel, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk

APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 8, 2016

Councilmember Mellott made the motion to approve minutes of August 8, 2016. Councilmember Shriver seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed 4-0, with Councilmember Stites abstaining.

STATEMENT OF BILLS PAID \$139,162.65

Councilmember Mellott made the motion to approve the statements of bills paid. Councilmember Stites seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

REQUESTS OR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Tim Gates, owner of the property at 9775 Schwartz, addressed the City Council regarding a notice of violation of several codes related to commercial property being stored on the property. City Manager Mike Webb stated that this appearance will count at the formal notice of a request for a public hearing with the City Council and that staff will communicate with him regarding next steps.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2016-13 SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE VILLAGE SOUTH AT EDWARDSVILLE TIF PROJECT PLAN AREA 1

Mr. Webb began by stating that there are legal representatives from both parties present should they be needed to answer questions. He reviewed the history of the development to this point. The TIF District was created by an earlier Council action item. Following this, the TIF Plan must be developed and approved by the City Council. This plan will outline the working relationship between the City and the development, including financial incentives. A summary of the Feasibility Study and description and map of the area to be developed will be sent to the School District and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County.

Councilmember Adams made the motion to adopt Resolution 2016-13 setting the public hearing for the TIF Project Plan Area 1 for September 26, 2016. Councilmember Mellott seconded the motion. Councilmember Stites noted that we would like to have a workshop prior to this



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meeting. After discussion, it was agreed that said workshop would be conducted August 29, 2016. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 ANNUAL BUDGET

Mr. Webb reviewed the current budget figures as they were discussed in previous Council work sessions. He noted there are no changes made since the publication of the maximum budget amount the week before. He also reviewed the internal budgeting process as compared to the state budgeting process outlined in the state budget worksheets. What is proposed for the 2017 Budget is \$5.3 million in revenue, \$5.5 million in proposed expenses and an ending cash balance of \$503,600. The differences in the state worksheets are due to the fact that the state assumes 100% ad valorem tax collection while the City assumes a 3% delinquency rate and that the state assumes that all of the revenue will be spent in the budget year.

Some of the key budget discussions to this point have been regarding a commitment to maintaining the mill levy at the 2016 rate, pay adjustments for City staff, the replacement and transfer of police vehicles, City Hall security renovations, and replacing the City Hall telephone system. Deferred acquisitions which are included in the budget include construction of a covered parking area for police, purchase of a medication dispenser for EMS, and vehicle/equipment purchased for Public Works (including an articulated right-of-way mower). Mr. Webb then provided a summary of the debt service fund summary as well as a high level overview of the other funds as well.

Councilmember Gillam made the motion to open the public hearing, which Councilmember Adams seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote which passed unanimously.

Gary Carpenter of 11030 Riverview stated he did not see any money budgeted for the north end development. He asked if there are any City expenses dedicated to this project. Mr. Webb confirmed that there are no expenses related to this development in 2017.

Councilmember Stites inquired on the estimated costs to light the new futsal courts. Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk Zack Daniel responded that costs were estimated at around \$25,000, not including any necessary upgrades to the power source at the City Park. Mr. Webb noted that the item is not budgeted currently, but it could be pursued in 2017 through special sales tax funding. Mr. Webb also noted that the Park Advisory Board would also need to be involved. Councilmember Stites noted that he would like to see this area explored in more depth.

Councilmember Adams made the motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilmember Gillam. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

CONSIDER CERTIFYING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 ANNUAL BUDGET

Councilmember Gillam made the motion to certify the Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Budget. Councilmember Adams seconded. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.



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CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 967 ADOPTING THE 2016 STANDARD TRAFFICE ORDINANCE FOR KANSAS CITIES

Mr. Webb reviewed the process behind the development and adoption of both the STO ordinance and the UPOC for Kansas cities. There are a number of changes that are highlighted in the handbook related to each action. Chief Mathies also provided some clarification on the changes as well.

After some additional discussion related to the shooting zones in the City, Councilmember Gillam made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 968. Councilmember Shriver seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed unanimously.

CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 968 ADOPTING THE 2016 UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE FOR KANSAS CITIES

Councilmember Adams made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 967 noting that the map will be updated. Councilmember Shriver seconded the motion. Mayor McTaggart requested a roll call vote, which passed 4-1, with Councilmember Stites dissenting.

ADVISORY REPORTS

CITY MANAGER

Mr. Webb confirmed that the futsal courts are completed and that staff is gathering pictures to help promote it. He also noted that Parks and Recreation will be adding basketball to their programming due to a new court that was installed at Edwardsville Elementary. This league will have a relationship with the Turner Recreation Commission. Mr. Webb reminded the group about the upcoming Fall Family Picnic and 5K that is coming up on October 1. Finally, he gave an update on the ongoing Kansas Ave. project and upcoming Planning Commission items.

CHIEFS (POLICE & FIRE)

Police Chief Mathies gave an update on the homicide investigation from the previous week. He also provided an update to recruitment and hiring process to this point as well as the status of current new hires at the academy. Chief Mathies also reviewed body camera procedure and ways the department has explored improving this process.

Fire Chief Whitham noted that EMS Supervisor Tony Burr was named the KEMSA EMS Administrator of the Year for 2016.

CITY ATTORNEY

David Duckers, City Attorney, shared an anecdote about a futsal court near his home.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR COMMENTS

Councilmember Adams asked whose responsibility it is to maintain the grass in the Kansas Ave. I-435 area. Mr. Webb noted that technically those are the City's responsibility, but upkeep is a



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challenge. Councilmember Adams also thanked the Police Chief for his professionalism in his TV appearance related to the homicide.

Councilmember Gillam asked if any of the I-435 bridge over the river is the City's responsibility. Mr. Webb noted that that is typically handled by KDOT. Councilmember Gillam also asked that when staff appears on television, they try to refrain from statements that make it seem like the City is unsafe or requires assistance from other agencies. His primary concern is that he does not want the City to appear ill-equipped to handle emergency or safety situations.

Councilmember Mellott congratulated Tony Burr on his award.

Councilmember Shriver asked what service provider would utilize the proposed cell tower. Mr. Webb responded that potentially several providers would take advantage of the tower. She also congratulated Tony Burr on his award and thanked Mike Martin for all his efforts for Parks & Rec.

Councilmember Stites thanked for Chief Mathies for his professionalism during his TV appearance. He also congratulated Tony Burr for his award and thanked staff for their effort in putting together the budget. Councilmember Stites asked on the status of recruiting for the Public Works Director position, which Mr. Webb provided an update. Finally, Councilmember Stites stated he has reservations of putting a cell tower in the proposed location. There was additional discussion regarding planning a work session related to the North End development.

Mayor McTaggart congratulated Tony Burr on his award.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Zachary Daniel
City Clerk