

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, MISSOURI
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 – 7:06 P.M.**

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:

Oath of Office – Newly Elected Officials: Mark Piontek, City Attorney; Steve Sullentrup, Ward 1; Mark Hidritch, Ward 2; Greg Skornia, Ward 3; Josh Brinker, Ward 4.

The Special Meeting of the City of Washington, Missouri, City Council was held on Monday, April 18, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Mayor Sandy Lucy opened the meeting with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor:	Sandy Lucy	Present	
Council Members: Ward I	Steve Sullentrup	Present	
	Walter Meyer	Present	
	Ward II	Jeff Mohesky	Present
	Mark Hidritch	Present	
Ward III	Jeff Patke	Present	
	Greg Skornia	Present	
Ward IV	Josh Brinker	Present	
	Joe Holtmeier	Present	

Also Present:	City Attorney	Mark Piontek
	City Administrator	James Briggs
	Assistant City Administrator/ Public Works Director	Brian Boehmer
	City Clerk	Mary Trentmann
	Police Chief	Ed Menefee
	City Engineer	John Nilges
	Economic Development Director	Darren Lamb
	City Planner	Sal Maniaci
	IT Manager	Robert Douglas
	Finance Manager	Mary Sprung
	Library Director	Jackie Hawes
	Street Superintendent	Jack Brinker
	Public Works Director	Kevin Quaethem
	Fire Chief	Bill Halmich
	Building Inspector	John McCreery
Police Captain	Jim Armstrong	
Police Sergeant	Joe Kaputska	
Police Officer	Doug Tollison	

Originals and/or copies of agenda items of the meeting, including recorded votes are available on record in the office of the City Clerk. Each ordinance is read a minimum of twice by title, unless otherwise noted.

Approval and Adjustment of Agenda including Consent Agenda:

- * Payments of over \$40,000 (+): RV Wagner, Inc. \$166,730.80 Pay Request #1 Jefferson Street Bridge.
- * Change Order – R.V. Wagner, Inc. – Jefferson Street Bridge
- * Change Order – BFA, Inc. – Jefferson Street Bridge Reconstruction
- * Final Pay Request – N.B. West, Inc. – 2015 Ultrathin Bond Wearing Surfaces
- * Treasurer’s Report – January 2016
- * Rabies Clinic: Thursday, May 5, Dr. Brinker; Thursday, May 19, Dr. Kansteiner
- * Municipal Record Disposal
- * Lewis, Rice L.L.C. Invoice – March 2016 Services
- * Liquor License – Business Relocation: Woozers
- * Table Item 6a and 6b

A motion to accept and approve the agenda including the consent agenda accordingly was made by Councilmember Mohesky, seconded by Councilmember Hidritch, passed without dissent.

PRIORITY ITEMS:

City Council Elections:

- * Election of Mayor Pro Tem:

Councilmember Mohesky nominated Councilmember Hidritch as Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilmember Sullentrup nominated Councilmember Patke as Mayor Pro Tem.

A motion to cease the nominations was made by Councilmember Mohesky, seconded by Councilmember Brinker, passed without dissent.

The nomination of Mark Hidritch as Mayor Pro Tem passed on a 5 to 3 vote after the following roll call; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-nay, Brinker-nay, Sullentrup-nay, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

The nomination of Jeff Patke as Mayor Pro Tem failed on a 3 to 5 vote after the following roll call; Skornia-nay, Meyer-nay, Mohesky-nay, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-nay, Holtmeier-nay.

- * Election of Council Member to P&Z Commission:

Councilmember Sullentrup nominated Councilmember Skornia.

A motion to cease the nominations was made by Councilmember Mohesky, passed without dissent.

The nomination of Greg Skornia passed without dissent.

* Election of Council Member to 353 Corporation:

Councilmember Patke nominated Councilmember Sullentrup.

A motion to cease the nominations was made by Councilmember Mohesky, seconded by Councilmember Brinker, passed without dissent.

The nomination of Steve Sullentrup passed on a 7 to 1 vote with Councilman Hidritch voting nay.

* Election of Board of Health:

Councilmember Patke nominated Councilmembers Sullentrup, Hidritch, Skornia and Brinker, seconded by Councilmember Mohesky.

A motion to cease the nominations was made by Councilmember Mohesky, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

The nominations of Steve Sullentrup, Mark Hidritch, Greg Skornia and Josh Brinker passed without dissent.

Mayor's Presentations, Appointments & Re-Appointments

* Proclamation – Welcome Sheba Comfort Dog:

Welcome Sheba Comfort Dog

Whereas, animals have long served as an important source of social contact and bonding for humans, and pet companionship has been associated with improved overall mental, social, and physiological health status; and

Whereas, Comfort Dogs are not assistance or service dogs but are trained to provide affection and comfort to people at churches, schools, nursing homes, hospitals, events and in disaster response situations; and

Whereas, on March 31, 2016, nine (9) handlers and caregivers from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Washington, Missouri embarked on a 3-day journey to learn how to handle a Comfort Dog; and

Whereas, Sheba is a trained LCC (Lutheran Church Charities) K-9 Comfort Dog at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School in Washington, Missouri and the 6th LCC k-9 Comfort Dog in the State of Missouri; and

Whereas, Sheba is a friend who brings a calming influence and allows people to open up their hearts and receive help for what is affecting them and is available to all residents of Washington; and

Whereas, an official "Passing of the Leash" was held at all services the weekend of April 9th and 10th, 2016 at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Now, Therefore, I Sandy Lucy, Mayor of the City of Washington and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council and all our citizens, do hereby tender this Proclamation welcoming Sheba to Washington, Missouri.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Washington, Missouri, this 18th day of April, 2016.

Sandy Lucy

Mayor

* Planning & Zoning Commission Appointment:

April 11, 2016

To The City Council

City of Washington

Washington, Missouri

Dear Council Members:

I herewith submit for your approval the following for appointment to the Planning & Zoning Commission:

Chuck Watson – term ending April 2020

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Lucy

Mayor

MKT:

A motion to accept and approve the Appointment was made by Councilmember Hidritch, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

* Police Department Reappointments:

April 12, 2016

To The City Council

City of Washington

Washington, Missouri

Dear Council Members:

I herewith submit for your approval the following for reappointment:

NAME	APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRES
Doug Tollison Patrol Officer	May 3, 2016	May 3, 2017
Jim Armstrong Captain	May 30, 2016	May 30, 2017
Joe Kapustka Sergeant	May 30, 2016	May 30, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Lucy

Mayor

MT:

A motion to accept and approve the Reappointments was made by Councilmember Hidritch, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

* None

CITIZENS DISCUSSIONS

- * Claire Saucier (Iron Spike, Inc.): the museum is getting a fully restored dining car. They would like to set it up as a functional restaurant that can seat up to 60 people, but they are happy to just set it up as a static display too. They are seeking letters of support and endorsement for this project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- * None

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

- * Law Enforcement Torch Run Resolution:

For the past 29 years, the Police Department has been helping with collecting donations for the Special Olympics. Over all these years, they have raised over \$30,000 for the Special Olympics Missouri, and they have received a resolution for this. Sergeant Kapustka has been leading the fundraising for the Washington Police Department for the past 12 years.

- * 537 E. 5th Street left turn removal recommendation:

April 12, 2016

Honorable Mayor & City Council

City of Washington

Washington, MO 63090

RE: Washington Traffic Committee Recommendation – Removal of Left Turn Lane – 537 E 5th Street

Dear Mayor & Council Members:

At the April 1, 2016 Traffic Committee meeting, the traffic committee reviewed a complaint in regards to the left turn lane, which is located on E. Fifth Street (Tri-Fitness and Dollar General). The complaint noted that when vehicles are east bound on 5th Street and merge into the left lane to enter the parking lot, westbound traffic often encroaches the turn lane almost causing head on crashes. The Committee agreed that the street in that area is really not wide enough for such a turn lane. After discussion, the Committee agreed that in the interest of safety, it would be best to remove the turn lane altogether.

In the event that Council does not agree with the Committee's recommendation, it would be suggested that the traffic committee re-visit the item, in order to discuss potential changes to striping as an alternative.

Respectfully,

Officer Mike Grissom #299

Washington Police Department

Chief Menefee recommends removal the left turn lane to avoid confusion for oncoming traffic.

A motion to accept and approve the Recommendation into the minutes was made by Councilmember Sullentrup, seconded by Councilmember Meyer, passed without dissent.

* Police Department Vehicle & Equipment Purchase Request:

Request is to purchase three new vehicles; two of them will be marked ones, and one will be unmarked.

A motion to accept and approve the Purchase Request into the minutes was made by Councilmember Sullentrup, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

* Police Department In-Car Digital Camera Purchase Request:

These cameras will go into the new vehicles; have had the current cameras since 2004.

A motion to accept and approve the Purchase Request in the minutes was made by Councilmember Sullentrup, seconded by Councilmember Hidritch, passed without dissent.

- * The 50/50 grant for the radar was cancelled; instead the state will give 100% for a new radar trailer.
- * Councilman Hidritch asked Jack Brinker for an update on the loose concrete that on the corner of Third Street and Highway 47. Jack explains that that belongs to MoDOT, Repairs can be made by the City if MoDOT agrees with that.
- * E-cycle collection event went well.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

TABLED, an ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to utilize 1808 East Fifth Street as a Road Side Stand in the City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

TABLED, an ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to utilize 311 West Fifth Street as a Vacation Rental in the City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

Bill No. 16-11500, Ordinance No. 16-11512, an ordinance authorizing and directing the execution of an Amendment #2 to Block Grant Agreement by and between the City of Washington, Missouri and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Brinker.

This is for an extension of the project completion date.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

Bill No. 16-11501, Ordinance No. 16-11513, an ordinance repealing Chapter 202 of the Code of the City of Washington, Missouri and enacting in lieu thereof a new Chapter 202 regulating Emergency Alarm Systems and Users, and all other Emergency Systems intended to solicit emergency response.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Holtmeier.

This is for a rate increase for false alarm calls.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

Bill No. 16-11502, Ordinance No. 16-11514, an ordinance amending Schedule V, Restricted Parking, of the Code of the City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Brinker.

Mark Piontek suggests putting “City Employee Only”, instead of just “Employee Only”. Councilman Brinker wants to approve the ordinance with this change.

Jim Briggs explains the parking plan briefly.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

Bill No. 16-11503, Ordinance No. 16-11515, an ordinance authorizing and directing the City of Washington to enter into a contract with Bazan Painting Company for the Painting of Two Pool Sides and Leasure Pool Water Feature.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Meyer.

This was the only bid received.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

Bill No. 16-11504, Ordinance No. 16-11516, an ordinance authorizing and directing the execution of an Easement Agreement by and between the City of Washington, Missouri and Hydra Sponge, Co., a Missouri Corporation.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Holtmeier.

An abutment on the Westlink Drive bridge encroaches onto their property. This was discovered after Hydra Sponge had a survey done on their property.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

Bill No. 16-11505, Ordinance No. 16-11517, an ordinance authorizing and directing the execution of a Release and Termination of Easement by and between the City of Washington, Missouri and Hydra Sponge, Co., a Missouri Corporation.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Patke.

This was a temporary easement for construction purposes. It is already expired.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

Resolution No. 16-11518, a resolution supporting the application for Federal Assistance from the Recreation Trails Program for Phase II of the Rotary Riverfront Trail in the City of Washington, Missouri.

The application is due on April 22. There will be two reviews; it could take up to a year for those to be approved.

A motion to accept and support the Resolution was made by Councilmember Brinker, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

Resolution No. 16-11519, a resolution declaring the necessity of changing the name of North Old Pottery Road to Westridge Drive, in the City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

The name change was requested by two homeowners that live there. Sent out two letters, received no opposition. After four weeks and no opposition an ordinance will be drafted for approval.

A motion to accept and support the Resolution was made by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Hidritch, passed without dissent.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

*** Preliminary Plat Approval – Phoenix Center II, Plat 9:**

April 12, 2016

Mayor & City Council

City of Washington

Washington, MO 63090

Re: File No. 16-0308 – Preliminary Plat – Phoenix Center II, Plat 9

Mayor and City Council:

At the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting held on April 11, 2016 the above mentioned subject was approved.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Holdmeier

This is a lot that will be split in two.

A motion to approve the Preliminary Plat was made by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Meyer, passed without dissent.

Bill No. 16-11506, Ordinance No. 16-11520, an ordinance approving the Final Plat of Phoenix Center II, Plat 9, City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Patke.

With no further discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-aye, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

MAYOR'S REPORT

*** Mayor's Liaison Committee Assignments:**

List of last year is included in the packet. This will be in the May packet for approval.

* MML Dinner is this Wednesday in Pacific.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

- * Report of the FEMA flooding paperwork.
- * Have been meeting with Multibank Securities. By going into an agreement with them, it would allow the City to purchase CD’s, treasuries, government securities. Talked to Bob Dobsch (Bank of Franklin County), he is in support of doing this. There will be an ordinance to authorize the City to purchase these securities through Multibank Securities, Inc.
- * There will be a mutual agreement between the City and Washington Community Fire Protection District to ensure fire protection until December 31, 2016.
- * Downtown Washington is looking into purchasing banners. They would like to purchase the banners that will be in the TIF district out of those funds. They also want to expand it further onto Fifth Street. Would have to have approval from Ameren on those, because it is their poles. This will be presented at a future meeting.
- * Started working on the budget.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Public vote on whether or not to hold a closed meeting to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters pursuant to Section 610.021 RSMo (2000) passed at 8:02 p.m. on the following roll call vote; Skornia-aye, Meyer-aye, Mohesky-nay, Patke-aye, Brinker-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye.

The regular session reconvened at 8:27 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:27 p.m. by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Meyer, passed without dissent.

Adopted: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

President of City Council

Passed: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor of Washington, Missouri