



City Council Meeting

Regular Session Minutes

September 9, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Liberty, Missouri was held in the Council Chambers at City Hall on September 9, 2013 with Mayor Lyndell Brenton presiding. Mayor Brenton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Gene Gentrup who then led the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Paul Jenness, Ward I
Greg Duncan and Jeff Moore, Ward II
Kevin Graham and Jeff Watt, Ward III
Michael Hagan and Gene Gentrup, Ward IV

Council Members Absent: Harold Phillips, Ward I

Staff Present: Curt Wenson, City Administrator
Dan Estes, Assistant City Administrator
Steve Hansen, Public Works Director
Janet Snook, Parks and Recreation Director
James Simpson, Police Chief
Jonna Wensel, Community Development Manager
Janet Pittman, Deputy City Clerk

Public Present: 25 members of the public

IV. APPROVE MINUTES AND SUMMARIES

A. Study Session Summary of August 19, 2013

Council Member Watt moved to approve the minutes as distributed. Council Member Hagan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. Regular Session Minutes of August 26, 2013

Council Member Hagan moved to approve the minutes as distributed. Council Member Moore seconded the motion, which carried 6-0-1. Council Member Jenness abstained due to absence.

V. CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION

A. Constitution Week Proclamation

Mayor Brenton read the Constitution Week Proclamation and presented it to Nancy George (Alexander Doniphan Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution) and Bob Corum (William C. Corum Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution)

LeRoy Coe, Liberty resident and Vice Commander of the American Legion, invited the Mayor and City Council to attend their upcoming meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., where Missouri State Boys and Girls and Cadet Patrol participants will provide a deposition of the positions they held at state camp. He encouraged Council to attend and congratulate these future leaders of our community.

VI. MEETING SCHEDULE

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Amusement License for Fall Festival

Action: Council Member Hagan moved to approve the motion. Council Member Watt seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

Yes: Council Members Jenness, Moore, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup

No: None

Abstain: None

B. Appointments/Reappointments

1. Historic Downtown Review Commission

- a. Appoint Debbie Davis to a term expiring 7-1-2017
- b. Appoint Dail Hobbs to a term expiring 7-1-2015

2. Liberty Arts Commission

- a. Re-appoint Carol Kariotis to a term expiring 5-15-2016
- b. Re-appoint Phil Young to a term expiring 5-15-2016
- c. Re-appoint Greg Duncan to a term expiring 5-15-2016
- d. Appoint Aaron Money to a term expiring 5-15-2016
- e. Appoint Bill Stilfied to a term expiring 5-15-2014

Council Member Hagan moved to approve the appointments/re-appointments. Council Member Watt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

IX. ORDINANCES, CONTRACTS AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Acknowledgement of vendor payments for the period of August 16 to August 30, 2013.

Mayor Pro Tem Duncan took over as Chair of the meeting.

Document No. 7783 was read.

Action: Council Member Hagan moved to approve the vendor payments. Council Member Jenness seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

Yes: Council Members Jenness, Moore, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10104.

Mayor Brenton resumed as chair of the meeting.

B. Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (TRIM) Grant

The purpose of the approved TRIM grant is to complete a Citywide Street Tree Inventory and to develop a Tree Management Plan that will include an Emerald Ash Borer Response Plan.

1. Ordinance approving an agreement with Missouri Department of Conservation Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (T.R.I.M.) Grant program for a Citywide Street Tree Inventory and Tree Management Plan in the amount of \$10,000.

Document No. 7784 was read.

Action: Council Member Hagan moved to waive the rules and consider the ordinance on first reading. Council Member Duncan seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Council Member Watt moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Hagan seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

Yes: Council Members Jenness, Moore, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Mayor and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10105

2. Ordinance approving an agreement with Davey Resource Group pertaining to a Street Tree Inventory and Tree Management Plan in Liberty, Missouri in an amount not to exceed \$10,600.

Document No. 7785 was read.

Action: Council Member Hagan moved to waive the rules and consider the ordinance on first reading. Council Member Jenness seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Council Member Hagan moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Graham seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

Yes: Council Members Jenness, Moore, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10106.

C. Ordinance approving an Inter-governmental Cooperative Agreement between Clay County, Missouri and the City of Liberty, Missouri for Bridge Resurfacing

The Inter-governmental agreement will allow Clay County to use their chip spreader in connection with City operations to resurface the Richfield Road and Withers Road Bridges at no cost to the City.

Document No. 7786 was read.

Action: Council Member Watt moved to waive the rules and consider the ordinance on first reading. Council Member Hagan seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Council Member Hagan moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Ducan seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 6-0-1

Yes: Council Members Jenness, Moore, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup

No: None

Abstain: Council Member Graham

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10107.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

Neighborhood Enhancement Grant Program - report

Community Development Manager Jonna Wensel noted that the Neighborhood Enhancement Grant program began in 2011, offering grants to Homeowner's and Neighborhood Associations ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. To be eligible, neighborhoods are not required to be incorporated or to have a 501 (c) 3 designation but are required to be organized with an elected board with officers, by-laws and membership. City staff is available to assist neighborhoods establish, or revive, a neighborhood organization.

Eligible projects are required to be neighborhood improvements that benefit the entire neighborhood. Council discussed increasing the available grant monies to \$10,000/year. This item will be reviewed by the Budget Committee.

- XI. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR
- XII. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS FROM MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor

Attest:

Deputy City Clerk