



City Council Meeting

Regular Session Minutes
May 14, 2018

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 May 14, 2018 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 Council Member Hagan, who then led the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

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

Council Members Absent: Rae Moore, Ward II

Staff Present: Curt Wenson, City Administrator
Dan Estes, Assistant City Administrator, Finance Director
Andy Noll, Public Works Director
Jeanine Thill, Community Development Manager
Brian Hess, Utilities Director
BJ Staab, Parks and Recreation Director
James Simpson, Police Chief
Janet Pittman, Deputy City Clerk

Public Present: Kellie Houx, Liberty Tribune
35 members of the public

IV. APPROVE MINUTES AND SUMMARIES

A. Regular Session Minutes of April 23, 2018

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

B. Executive Session Minutes of April 23, 2018

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

V. CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION -

A. National Public Works Week Proclamation

Mayor Brenton read and presented the proclamation to Andy Noll, Public Works Director.

B. National Police Week Proclamation

Mayor Brenton read and presented the proclamation to Spencer Schwandt, Police Officers.

Allison Otte, Discovery Middle School Teacher, introduced sixth grade students in attendance to present their persuasive speeches. The first group spoke in support of the City continuing to contract for trash and recycling service vs. allowing citizens to contract with their own provider. They noted the merits of maintaining a City sponsored program, which included environmental and safety impacts as well as wear and tear on City streets. The second group discussed the pros and cons of allowing beekeeping within the City. The students provided information on the importance of bees for pollination and the growth of crops. With bees being endangered, so is our food production. They also noted that bees are noisy when in a group and bees such as carpenter bees can destroy homes. Also of concern is that a bee may mistake you for a flower if you are wearing bright colors, and such stings can be deadly to 5% of the population which are allergic.

Leisha Barry, 901 Wildbriar Drive, thanked Council for rescinding their decision to explore more tennis courts at Bennett Park. She stated that communication is important. With more people using various platforms to communicate, it's important to encourage City Council to communicate with its citizens.

VI. MEETING SCHEDULE

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Authorize payment to Henry Pratt Company for an amount not to exceed \$20,738 for the repair or replacement of a discharge valve for the Water Treatment Plant high service pumping system.

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

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

- B. Resolution authorizing the Filing of a Grant Application with the Missouri Department of Conservation and Missouri Community Forestry Council for Reimbursement and Aid in Conservation of the Trees within the City of Liberty, Missouri

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

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0
Yes: Council Members Phillips, Jenness, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup
No: None
Abstain: None
Inscribed in Resolution No. 2977

C. Animal Shelter Task Force Appointments

1. Dr. Joe Howard
2. Dr. Chris Morrow
3. Dr. Lori Rolhfing
4. Bill Taylor
5. Laurie Brown
6. Councilwoman Rae Moore - City Council Liaison
7. Councilman Jeff Watt - City Council Liaison
8. Shawwna Funderburk – Staff Liaison
9. Samantha Lehman – Staff Resource

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

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0
Yes: Council Members Phillips, Jenness, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup
No: None
Abstain: None

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

IX. ORDINANCES, CONTRACTS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

A. Acknowledgement of vendor payments for the period of April 13 to May 4, 2018.

1. Ordinance excluding Westland Landscape payments

Document No. 8683 was read.

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

Roll Call

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0
Yes: Council Members Phillips, Jenness, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup
No: None
Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10916.

1. Ordinance including Westland Landscape payments

Document No. 8684 was read.

Action: Council Member Phillips moved to approve the vendor payments. Council Member Graham seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Vote: Motion passed 6-0-1

Yes: Council Members Phillips, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup

No: None

Abstain: Council Member Jenness, due to potential conflict of interest

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10916.

Mayor Brenton resumed as chair of the meeting.

B. Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Rights-of-Way Use Agreement with MCImetro Access Transmission Services Corp. D/B/A Verizon Access Transmission Services

Document No. 8685 was read.

Action: Council Member Phillips 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 Gentrup moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Jenness seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10917.

C. Ordinance approving a Contract with Kitch's Lawncare and Landscape Service, Inc. for the 2018 Mowing and Trimming Project in an amount not to exceed \$122,000.00

Document No. 8686 was read.

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

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

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

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

Yes: Council Members Phillips, Jenness, Hagan, Graham, Watt, Duncan and Gentrup
No: None
Abstain: None
Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10918.

- D. Ordinance approving a Contract with Star Signs, LLC for the Wayfinding Signage & Kiosk Project in an amount not to exceed \$53,000.00

Document No. 8687 was read.

Action: Council Member Phillips 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 Gentrup seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10919.

- E. Ordinance amending Chapter 20, "Motor Vehicles & Traffic," of the Code of the City of Liberty, Clay County, Missouri (speeding in construction zones)

Document No. 8688 was read.

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

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

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

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10920.

- F. 2017 Storm Water Improvements Project

1. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 10766, approving a Contract with Holthouse Construction, LLC for the 2017 Storm Water Improvements Project

Document No. 8689 was read.

Action: Council Member Phillips 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 Jenness moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Gentrup seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10921.

2. Resolution Accepting the 2017 Storm Water Improvements Project

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

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Inscribed in Resolution No. 2978.

G. 2017 Encumbrances

1. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 10837, "Adoption of the 2018 Budget for the City of Liberty, Missouri"

Document No. 8690 was read.

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

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Council Member Phillips moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Gentrup seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10922.

- 2. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 10838, "Adoption of the Annual Park and Parks Sales Tax Budgets for the City of Liberty, Clay County, Missouri for the Fiscal Year 2018"

Document No. 8691 was read.

Action: Council Member Phillips 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 Phillips seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0

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

No: None

Abstain: None

Approved by the Chair and inscribed in Ordinance No. 10923.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

XI. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS FROM MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Mayor

Attest:

Deputy City Clerk