

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, MISSOURI  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

**INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:**

The Regular Meeting of the City of Washington, Missouri, City Council was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 7:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Mayor Doug Hagedorn opened the meeting with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>Mayor:</b>	Doug Hagedorn	Present
<b>Council Members: Ward I</b>	Al Behr	Present
	Duane Reed	Present
<b>Ward II</b>	Mark Hidritch	Present
	Mark Wessels	Present
<b>Ward III</b>	Chad Briggs	Present
	Jeff Patke	Present
<b>Ward IV</b>	Mike Coulter	Present
	Joe Holtmeier	Present

<b>Also Present:</b>	City Attorney	Mark Piontek
	City Administrator	Darren Lamb
	City Clerk	Sherri Klekamp
	Public Works Director	John Nilges
	Economic Development Director	Sal Maniaci
	Police Chief	Jim Armstrong
	Human Resources Manager	Shauna Pfitzinger
	Parks Director	Wayne Dunker
	Emergency Management Director	Mark Skornia

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 of Minutes:**

- \* Approval of the Minutes from the August 15 & 22, 2022 Council Meetings

A motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Councilmember Briggs, seconded by Councilmember Holtmeier, passed without dissent.

**Approval and Adjustment of Agenda including Consent Agenda:**

- \* Change Order #3 & Final Payment Request – 2021 Fourth Street & Fair Street Overlay Project
- \* Final Payment Request – Sanitary Sewer Slip Lining
- \* Street Excavation/Right-of-Way Permit (carried over from September 6, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting)

- \* RFP – Auditing Services (carried over from September 6, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting)  
After a brief discussion on the Final Payment Request for Sanitary Sewer Slip Lining, a motion to accept and approve the agenda including the consent agenda accordingly made by Councilmember Holtmeier, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

**PRIORITY ITEMS:**

**Mayor’s Presentations, Appointments & Re-Appointments:**

- \* Board of Adjustment Appointment  
*August 24, 2022*  
*To the City Council*  
*City of Washington*  
*Washington, Missouri*  
*Dear Council Members:*  
*I herewith submit for your approval the following for appointment to the Board of Adjustment:*  
*Lori Strubberg (alternate) – term expiring Sept. 2027*  
*Respectfully submitted,*  
*James D. Hagedorn*  
*Mayor*

A motion to accept and approve the appointment made by Councilmember Hidritch, seconded by Councilmember Holtmeier, passed without dissent.

- \* Washington Area Highway Transportation Committee Appointment  
*August 31, 2022*  
*City Council*  
*City of Washington*  
*Washington, Missouri 63090*  
*Dear Council Members:*  
*I herewith submit for your approval the following for appointment to the Washington Area Highway Transportation Committee:*  
*Sandy Lucy – term expiring August 2025*  
*Respectfully submitted,*  
*James D. Hagedorn*  
*Mayor*

A motion to accept and approve the appointment made by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Coulter, passed without dissent.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- \* None

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

- \* Sandy Lucy 231 West Main Street addressed the Council regarding the America in Bloom National Symposium, which is September 29 – October 1, 2022.
- \* Clint Schneider 113 Johnson Street addressed Council regarding the noise from Elijah McLean's.
- \* Karen Parham 111 addressed Council regarding the noise from Elijah McLean's.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- \* None

### **REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS**

- \* Street Excavation/Right-of-Way Permit

Public Works Director John Nilges discussed Gateway Fiber performing boring operations in October and how that would affect the right-of-ways and public/private utilities, utility locates, excavation permits and keeping up with production. Staff will be looking at improving the current ordinance to reduce the risk of damage to existing infrastructure.

- \* RFP – Auditing Services

*September 6, 2022*

*Honorable Mayor & City Council*

*City of Washington*

*405 Jefferson Street*

*Washington, MO 63090*

*RE: RFP – Auditing Services*

*Honorable Mayor & City Council:*

*In July, the Finance Department contacted over 10 regional firms inquiring about governmental auditing services. In response, a Request for Proposals for Auditing Services was sent to eight regional firms.*

*One proposal was received from Sikich LLP which is the same firm the City has had in the past.*

*Attached is a spreadsheet comparing both the qualifications and fee proposal for the current 5-year contract to the past 5-year contract. This firm appears to possess the qualifications, experience and adequate staffing to perform a quality audit and has stated in the proposal that they are able to meet the City's needs and time frame for field work and reporting requirements. In addition, the firm received a "pass" rating (which is the highest qualification that can be achieved) at their latest peer review.*

*The Finance Committee has reviewed the proposal submitted by Sikich LLP and is recommending this firm to perform the City's auditing services and prepare the annual comprehensive financial report. The agreement will be for five years and cover fiscal years 2022 through 2026. Either party may cancel the agreement by giving 90 days written notice prior to September 30.*

*If City Council concurs with this recommendation, I will prepare an ordinance for the City Council to approve at the October 3, 2022 City Council meeting.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Mary J. Sprung, CPA  
Finance Director*

City Administrator Darren Lamb discussed the recommendation. After a brief discussion, a motion to approve made by Councilmember Wessels, seconded by Councilmember Holtmeier, passed without dissent.

\*Public Works Director John Nilges discussed the upcoming Stormwater MS4 Audit from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

**Bill No. 22-12650, Ordinance No. 22-13610, an ordinance authorizing and directing the City of Washington, Missouri to accept the proposal from George L. Crawford and Associates D/B/A as CBB for Professional Services associated with the Highway 100 and Rabbit Trail Analysis and CMAQ Application and amend the 2022 Budget.**

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Holtmeier.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Wessels-aye, Briggs-aye, Reed-aye, Hidritch-aye, Patke-aye, Coulter-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Behr-aye.

### **COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS**

\* None

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

\* Thank you for coming tonight.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

\* None

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

\* None

### **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 7:51p.m. on the following roll call vote; Wessels-aye, Briggs-aye, Reed-aye, Hidritch-aye, Patke-aye, Coulter-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Behr-aye.

The regular session reconvened at 9:08 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn made at 9:08 p.m. by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Behr passed without dissent.

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Adopted: 09-19-22

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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President of City Council

Passed: 09-19-22

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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Mayor of Washington, Missouri