

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:

The Regular Meeting of the City of Washington, Missouri, City Council was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Mayor Doug Hagedorn opened the meeting with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also Present:	City Attorney	Mark Piontek
	City Administrator	Darren Lamb
	City Clerk	Sherri Klekamp
	Economic Development Director	Sal Maniaci
	City Engineer	Charles Stankovic
	Public Works Superintendent	Kevin Quaethem
	Street Superintendent	Tony Bonastia
	Emergency Management Director	Justin Frankenberg
	Police Chief	Jim Armstrong
	City Planner/GIS Specialist	Sarah Skeen

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 February 5, 2024, Council Meeting

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

Approval and Adjustment of Agenda including Consent Agenda:

- * Change Order #1 – Aviation Project Consultant T Hanger Construction
- * Liquor License Application – JBL Developments d/b/a Smokin Oak Wood Fire Pizza and Taproom

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

PRIORITY ITEMS:

Mayor's Presentations, Appointments & Reappointments

- * None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- * None

CITIZENS COMMENTS

- * Proposition ECC

President Dr. Jon Bauer and Vice President for External Relations Joel Doepker from East Central College presented to Council Proposition ECC which will go on the April 2, 2024, General Election Ballot. The proposition would give ECC the authority to increase the operating property tax levy ceiling to \$0.4472 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, the increase of \$0.0990 from the current operating property tax levy of \$0.3482 is to be offset by an expected \$0.0990 decrease in the debt service property tax levy, for the purpose of funding operations, facility maintenance, staffing, capital improvements, and safety/security measures within the College District. Proposition ECC is expected to result in a zero increase in ECC's property tax levy. Topics of discussion included ECC's Impact on the Community, Tax Levy Transfer and their Rolla Building Project. A brief discussion ensued regarding debt services and how ECC plays an important role in the community.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- * None

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

- * City Engineer Charles Stankovic updated Council on Stormwater with respects to the DNR MS4 Annual Report and the Bioretention Retrofit Projects. Brief discussions ensued.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Bill No. 24-12956, Ordinance No. 24-13924, an ordinance authorizing and directing the City of Washington, Missouri to enter into a Sales Contract with Hansen's Tree Service & Environmental Resources for Mulch Grinding Services.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Holtmeier.

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

Bill No. 24-12957, Ordinance No. 24-13925, an ordinance authorizing and directing the execution of a Contract Agreement with Lamke Trenching & Excavating, Inc. for the 2024 Steriger Avenue Shared-Use Path Extension Project.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Hidritch.

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

Bill No. 24-12958, Ordinance No. 24-13926, an ordinance extending a Special Use Permit for a RV Park located at 1550 West Main Street in the City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Holtmeier.

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

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

- * None

MAYOR’S REPORT

- * Brief discussion on Coffee with the Mayor.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

- * Update on Salary Study.
- * Received eight RFQ’s for the Parks Master Plan and will be reviewed by the committee this Thursday.
- * Received 11 bids for the 2024 Parking Lots Project.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- * Discussion on sewer rate increases.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn made at 8:15 p.m. by Councilmember Wessels, seconded by Councilmember Coulter passed without dissent.

Adopted: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

President of City Council

Passed: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor of Washington, Missouri