

**CITY OF HAZELWOOD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 5, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Hazelwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Matthew G. Robinson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, in the Council Chambers of Hazelwood City Hall, 415 Elm Grove Lane.

Mayor Robinson asked those present to join in a moment of silent meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following members of the Council were present:

Mary G. Singleton
Carol A. Stroker
Robert M. Aubuchon
Don W. Ryan
Michael J. Conley
Matthew G. Robinson
Russell Todd
Warren H. Taylor

Councilwoman Rosalie Hendon was not present. Mrs. Wolf declared a quorum was present.

Also present were City Manager Matt Zimmerman, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, and City Clerk Colleen Wolf.

AGENDA

There being no amendments proposed, Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mrs. Singleton, the adoption of the agenda as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Robinson requested an amendment to the consent agenda by the addition of a closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

Mrs. Stroker moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to amend the consent agenda by the addition of a closed session to discuss a personnel matter and to adopt the consent agenda as amended. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 8</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mrs. Singleton	
Mrs. Stroker	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Conley	

Mayor Robinson
Mr. Todd
Mr. Taylor

The motion passed unanimously and the consent agenda, including a closed meeting immediately following the regular meeting to discuss a negotiated contract in accordance with the provisions of RSMo 610.021(12) and a personnel matter in accordance with the provisions of RSMo 610.021(13), was adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Stroker moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the minutes of the October 8 special Council meeting and the October 15 regular Council meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

WHAT'S NEW

Communications Coordinator Tim Davidson reported on City news, events, and programs.

Hazelwood Firefighter/Paramedic Amanda Boyer and her children were featured recently in a KMOV-TV segment about Halloween safety tips. Amanda gave viewers tips for safe trick-or-treating and pumpkin carving.

Complete Auto Body's 2nd annual Trunk-or-Treat drew a large crowd with over 300 children and their parents attending.

Bommarito Ford hosted a VIP launch party for the 2015 Ford F-150 pickup truck. City officials, regional business leaders, and local residents got a sneak peek at the all new F-150. For each test drive, Bommarito donated \$50 to The Backstoppers.

Due to the budget deficit, the annual leaf vacuuming program was cut from this year's budget. As an alternative, residents may sign up with Allied Services for yard waste collection. The service is \$8.21 per month for a minimum of three months and includes collection of grass clippings, leaves, and branches.

TAGG Logistics is celebrating its one year anniversary of providing employment opportunities to persons with disabilities at its St. Louis fulfillment center in Hazelwood. The business has established an ongoing partnership with Valley Industries sheltered workshop to create a supervised enclave of employees working on kitting and assembly projects.

Information on City programs and upcoming events is available on the City's website at www.hazelwoodmo.org.

GREEN COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Ron Darling, chairman of the Green Committee, gave the annual committee report and summarized the past year's activities.

Five Saturday litter pickup events were held at the Taylor/Lynn Haven/Lindbergh intersection and one at Truman Park. An estimated 350 pounds of trash were removed of which approximately 10% was recyclable. Recycling education events were conducted during three ward meetings, one Council meeting, and Harvestfest. A new recycling incentive program called "Bin and Win" was held with 24 residential recycling prizes of \$25 each awarded. Prize funds were provided by Allied Services. A St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste District grant was received and will be used to purchase portable recycling stations for special one-time events. Twenty permanent recycling bins, purchased with funds from a previous grant, were placed at 12 Hazelwood parks. A plastic park bench, made of recycled materials, was donated for placement at Truman Park. Industrial Development Authority dollars remaining from the I-270/Lindbergh intersection beautification project were used to trim landscape plants and provide for additional grass cutting at the intersection. The June electronics recycling event serviced over 300 vehicles with 80 tons of material collected. Discussions on local storm water issues, City building energy usage, the Bridgeton Landfill, and household hazardous wastes were held. Guest speakers at meetings included Mary Patterson, the recycling coordinator for St. Louis County, and a representative from MSD. Representatives from Allied Services also attended several meetings.

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARD Police Officer Brian Hale was not present to receive his service award.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION FOR VALOR Police Chief Gregg Hall presented the Distinguished Service Citation for Valor to Police Officer Patrick Grelle for risking his life to save the life of another.

During a heavy rainstorm on August 6, at approximately 9:00 p.m., Officer Grelle was checking for flooded roads in the Missouri Bottom area. Upon his arrival, Aubuchon Road was covered by two feet of water. The water was rising rapidly and had a swift current. Near the 4600 block of Aubuchon Road, he saw an SUV occupied by a loan female driver trapped in the flooded roadway. He immediately requested a Fire Department watercraft rescue. However, the department was on another call and could not respond for 10 to 15 minutes. Realizing how quickly the water was rising, Officer Grelle entered the water on foot. Upon his arrival at the vehicle, the water was up to his waist and the woman was sitting on the roof of the SUV. He was able to help her off the vehicle and escort her to safety.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

MAJOR MANSKER RETIREMENT PROCLAMATION Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a proclamation in honor of Major Henry Mansker who retired from the Hazelwood Police Department on November 2.

There were no objections and Proclamation 1415 was read.

Mr. Conley moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of Proclamation 1415 expressing appreciation to Major Henry Mansker for his many years of dedicated

service to the citizens of Hazelwood and extending sincere good wishes for a long and happy retirement. The motion passed unanimously.

The proclamation was presented to Major Mansker.

BUDGET AMENDMENT Finance Director Lori Helle explained the staff
RESOLUTION recommendation to amend the fiscal year 2015 budget to increase revenues and expenses.

Ms. Helle explained the Fire Department received a Federal grant in the amount of \$291,037.50 of which \$199,350 will go to Capital Improvement Fund revenue and will be used to purchase self-contained breathing apparatus gear and workout equipment. The balance of \$91,687.50 will go to General Fund revenue and will be used for firefighter training and a wellness program. The Fire Department will also be purchasing \$10,000 worth of rescue equipment that was not budgeted in the Capital Improvement Fund. In addition, last year's Capital Improvement Fund budget included \$10,000 for Fire Department kitchen cabinets, but the project was not completed during the fiscal year. Therefore, \$10,000 will be re-budgeted for the expense in the fiscal year 2015 Capital Improvement Fund. Bids for the Musick Park improvement project came in much higher than expected and it's necessary to increase Capital Improvement Fund grant revenue by \$56,100 and the expense allocation for park improvements by \$74,651. Due to the Ferguson incident, the City has incurred an additional \$46,000 in police overtime to date and the General Fund appropriation for police overtime will be increased by that amount. Last year the backhoe was damaged and the insurance money was deposited in the General Fund in fiscal year 2014. An appropriation of \$16,539 to repair the backhoe will now be budgeted in the fiscal year 2015 General Fund budget. Proceeds of \$714,749 from the lease purchase of the fire truck and ambulance and appropriations for the related expenditures will be included in the Capital Improvement Fund. Ms. Helle noted these amendments will decrease the General Fund balance by \$40,626 and increase the Capital Improvement Fund balance by \$74,968.

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a resolution to amend the fiscal year 2015 budget to increase revenues and expenses as recommended by staff.

There were no objections and Resolution 1408 was read by title only:

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET TO INCREASE REVENUES AND EXPENSES.

Mr. Conley moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the adoption of Resolution 1408. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 8

NAY - 0

Mrs. Singleton
Mrs. Stroker
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Ryan
Mr. Conley

Mayor Robinson
Mr. Todd
Mr. Taylor

Resolution 1408 was unanimously adopted.

CITIZEN HEARINGS AND PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Mayor Robinson explained the procedures to be followed during a hearing. He invited anyone desiring to make a comment to come forward at this time.

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL Sister Karl Mary Winkelmann, president of Trinity Catholic High School, stated Trinity is an affordable, coed, college preparatory, comprehensive high school and the only Archdiocese school in North County.

Sister Winkelmann invited those present to visit the school on Redman Road

ALLIED SERVICES YARD WASTE SERVICE Daniel Ramirez, 7358 Caione Court, asked if the City could negotiate with Allied Services to increase the limitation of eight bags of yard waste per week.

Mr. Ramirez stated he had 15 bags last week.

Mayor Robinson stated the City Manager will investigate and respond to Mr. Ramirez.

Mr. Ramirez asked if the City has considered offering the leaf vacuuming service to the residents for a fee.

Mr. Zimmerman stated there are statutory limitations for the City in terms of selling services. He stated, when both referendums didn't pass in August, the City was forced to eliminate services.

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION An application for a Wholesaler/Solicitor Liquor License had been received from R S Francis, Inc., d/b/a International Beers Unlimited, at 4880 Park 370 Boulevard.

The requisite record check had been conducted and Police Chief Gregg Hall has recommended approval of the application.

Rick Francis, president of R S Francis, Inc., stated the business recently moved into Park 370 and operates a wholesale distributorship for Kraft Beer.

Mrs. Stroker moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to grant the Wholesaler/Solicitor Liquor License for R S Francis, Inc., d/b/a International Beers Unlimited, at 4880 Park 370 Boulevard. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS

- LOCAL GOVERNMENT BRIEFINGS The October 9 issue of Local Government Briefings was received from East-West Gateway Council of Governments.
- 370/MO.BTM./TAUSSIG CID BUDGET The 370/Missouri Bottom Road/Taussig Road Community Improvement District proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 was received from Armstrong Teasdale, LLP.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT BRIEFINGS The October 16 issue of Local Government Briefings was received from East-West Gateway Council of Governments.
- TIP FUNDS OBLIGATION DEADLINE A reminder of the December 31 obligation deadline for construction funds for the Fee Fee Road Transportation Improvement Program project was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT BRIEFINGS The October 23 issue of Local Government Briefings was received from East-West Gateway Council of Governments.
- NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM A letter concerning floodplain management measures essential for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program was received from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (FEMA Region VII).

Mrs. Stroker moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to receive and file all communications. The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

- WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEMS Mayor Robinson suggested moving the December 10 work session to January 14 for the purpose of holding a Council retreat to continue discussions from the last retreat.

There were no objections.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- AMEND AGREEMENT MCDONNELL BLVD. BRIDGE ENHANCEMENTS Public Works Director David Stewart reported staff recommends authorization of an amendment to the agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for McDonnell bridge enhancements to reflect the schedule and grant amounts based on current estimates.

Mr. Stewart stated the project is scheduled for bidding in January with start of construction mid April 2015. It's slated to take 90 days for completion.

Mr. Todd asked if MoDOT is in concurrence with the amendment.

Mr. Stewart replied the amendment was drafted by MoDOT.

Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by Mr. Conley, to concur with the staff recommendation to authorize an amendment to the agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for McDonnell bridge enhancements and to place the draft bill on this agenda for introduction. The motion passed unanimously and the bill was added to the agenda as item 17.a.

AMEND CONTRACT EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE Assistant City Manager Bob Frank reported staff recommends authorization of an amendment to the contract with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for employee health insurance to continue the coverage through calendar year 2015.

Mr. Frank stated there are three changes to the contract. The attachment point for large claims will increase from \$50,000 to \$55,000, the rates will increase approximately 9.5%, and Cigna is allocating \$5,000 for healthcare/wellness education programs. He explained the plan is a hybrid between a self-insured fund and a traditional insurance program. Any claim at \$55,000 or below is technically paid by the City in the premiums paid to Cigna. Last year, the City had two claims above the attachment point. He stated there's a sharing of any savings between the City and Cigna. The City would receive 2/3 of any savings and Cigna would receive 1/3. The increase in attachment point will affect any savings. However, the City's claims are currently at 107%. Mr. Frank noted in addition to the premiums, the City will be required to pay Health Care Act fees of approximately 1%.

Mrs. Singleton moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to concur with the staff recommendation to authorize the amendment to the contract with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for employee health insurance and to place the draft bill on this agenda for introduction. The motion passed unanimously and the bill was added to the agenda as item 17.b.

FVFPD TAX INCREASE Mr. Zimmerman reported at the November election the voters approved a \$.40 tax increase for the Florissant Valley Fire Protection District.

Mr. Zimmerman stated the increase will cost the City an estimated \$265,000 additional per year. He noted it's too late to apply the increase to tax bills going out this December. Therefore, the increase won't affect the City until next fiscal year.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

CANDIDACY FILING FOR APRIL 7, 2015 ELECTION Mrs. Wolf reported filing for the April 7, 2015 election will open on December 16 at 8:00 a.m. and close on January 20, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Petitions for a three year term as Mayor can be picked up from the City Clerk's office during regular business hours. Candidates must be 21 years of age, a registered voter, and a resident of the City of Hazelwood for at least two years immediately prior to the election.

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

Mrs. Stroker moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to receive and file the minutes of the September 22 Historic Preservation Commission meeting, the October 13 Neighborhood Watch Commission and Board of Adjustment meetings, and the October 14 Community Enrichment Commission and Pension Plan Board of Trustees meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS - None

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

AGREEMENT MCDONNELL BRIDGE ENHANCEMENTS Mayor Robinson called for the first reading of a bill to authorize a supplemental agreement to the agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the construction of McDonnell bridge enhancements.

There were no objections and Bill 4486 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, APPROVED BY ORDINANCE 4253-12, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MCDONNELL BRIDGE ENHANCEMENTS.

Bill 4486 will be on the agenda for second reading on November 19.

AMEND CONTRACT HEALTH INSURANCE Mayor Robinson called for the first reading of a bill to authorize an amendment to the contract with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for employee health insurance.

There were no objections and Bill 4487 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE 4336-14, BY AMENDING

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of Bill 4485 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 8

NAY - 0

Mrs. Singleton
Mrs. Stroker
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Ryan
Mr. Conley
Mayor Robinson
Mr. Todd
Mr. Taylor

Bill 4485 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4377-14.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLIDAY Mayor Robinson announced City Hall will be closed on November 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

COUNCIL MEETING Mayor Robinson announced the next regular Council meeting will be held Wednesday, November 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Matthew G. Robinson - Mayor
City of Hazelwood, Missouri

ATTEST:

Colleen Wolf, MMC - City Clerk
City of Hazelwood, Missouri