

**CITY OF HAZELWOOD  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 2, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Hazelwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tempore Robert Aubuchon at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, in the Council Chambers of Hazelwood City Hall, 415 Elm Grove Lane.

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

Mayor Robinson joined the meeting at this time.

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

Russell Todd  
Warren H. Taylor  
Rosalie Hendon  
Mary G. Singleton  
Matthew G. Robinson  
Carol A. Stroker  
Robert M. Aubuchon  
Don W. Ryan  
Robert Parkin II

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**

Mrs. Hendon moved, seconded by Mr. Aubuchon, the adoption of the consent agenda as printed. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mr. Todd  
Mr. Taylor  
Mrs. Hendon  
Mrs. Singleton  
Mayor Robinson

Mrs. Stroker  
Mr. Aubuchon  
Mr. Ryan  
Mr. Parkin

The motion passed unanimously and the consent agenda, including a closed meeting immediately following the regular meeting to discuss negotiations with employee groups in accordance with the provisions of RSMo 610.021(9) and a matter of proprietary interest in accordance with the provisions of RSMo 610.021(15), was adopted.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Hendon moved, seconded by Mr. Aubuchon, to approve the minutes of the November 18 regular and closed Council meetings 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 firefighters brought Russell and McNair Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> grade essay contest winners to school in a fire truck. The contest was one of October's Fire Prevention Month activities.

Eric Prescott of Boy Scout Troop 740 recently completed an Eagle Scout project that should benefit many residents. In October, he and his troop planted four new trees in Aubuchon Park. After consulting with the Parks and Recreation Superintendent, Eric decided to introduce a new tree – the Katsura Tree. The trees were donated by Waldbart & Sons Nursery.

Mayor Robinson introduced Eric to the Council who thanked him for planting the trees.

In keeping with the annual tradition, the City's holiday decorations and lights were ready to shine in time for the "Light Up St. Louis" event on Friday, November 20.

Upcoming events include the Visit with Santa on December 12, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, at the Community Center. Additional information on City programs and events is available on the City's website at [www.hazelwoodmo.org](http://www.hazelwoodmo.org).

**OATH OF OFFICE**

No board or commission members were present to receive the oath of office.

**EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS**

As their biographies were read, Firefighter/Paramedic Gerard Hagedorn was presented with a 15 year service award and Recreation Leader Shaquala Shepherd was presented with a 10 year service award.

**GREEN COMMITTEE  
ANNUAL REPORT**

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

The committee adopted the Lindbergh Boulevard and Lynn Haven Lane/Taylor Road intersection area for litter pickup and collected trash in the area five times during the year. Trash was also collected at Truman Park, at Howdershell Park during Harvestfest, and at White Birch Park during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. Recyclable items were separated from the trash. The committee worked with students from Hazelwood West High School on two special litter-control events. During the year, emphasis was placed on increasing recycling in the community. Republic Services contributed \$1,000 to stimulate future recycling activities. The committee is currently working on a program which should be finalized in December and will utilize the funds for prizes to reward residents' recycling efforts. Educational events included the Recycle Day in June when residents' questions were answered as they dropped off recyclables and Harvestfest where the committee had a booth with a recycling quiz. The committee represented the City in two regional recycling coordination meetings: the Green Home Festival and the Recycle Bank business presentation sponsored by the St. Louis County Health Department. The committee also keeps up-to-date on activities at the Westlake Landfill as well as grant opportunities.

**PRESENTATION OF  
FY 2015 CAFR & AUDIT**

Penny Scovill of Hochschild, Bloom & Company presented the fiscal year 2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and audit and gave an overview of the findings.

Mrs. Scovill stated a clean opinion was issued, meaning no material misstatements were detected. She reviewed the primary changes from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**MICHELLE GRIGSBY  
PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a proclamation recognizing Michelle Grigsby, recipient of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority's Apple for the Teacher award.

There were no objections and Proclamation 1522 was read.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of Proclamation 1522 recognizing Michelle Grigsby, recipient of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority's Apple for the Teacher award, for her compassion and devotion to educating our youth. The motion passed unanimously.

The proclamation was presented to Ms. Grigsby.

GRANT APPLICATION      Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a resolution  
RESOLUTION              supporting application to the Municipal Park Grant  
Commission for grant funds to be used for updating the  
Queen Ann Park Master Plan.

There were no objections and Resolution 1515 was read by title only:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAZELWOOD, MISSOURI,  
SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS TO BE USED FOR  
UPDATING THE QUEEN ANN PARK MASTER PLAN.**

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Doug Littlefield reported the Municipal Park Grant Commission is currently accepting applications for park master plans. The application is for an 80/20 grant for an \$8,000 master plan. The City's contribution would be \$1,600.

Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by Mrs. Hendon, the adoption of Resolution 1515. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9                      NAY - 0  
Mr. Todd  
Mr. Taylor  
Mrs. Hendon  
Mrs. Singleton  
Mayor Robinson  
Mrs. Stroker  
Mr. Aubuchon  
Mr. Ryan  
Mr. Parkin

Resolution 1515 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.

No one came forward to address the Council.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

CHARTER                      A summary of the quarterly franchise fee payment for the  
FRANCHISE FEE              period from April to June 2015 was received from Charter  
PAYMENT                      Communications.

CHARTER  
FRANCHISE FEE  
PAYMENT

A summary of the quarterly franchise fee payment for the period from July to September 2015 was received from Charter Communications.

EWGCG  
LOCAL BRIEFINGS

The November 19 issue of Local Government Briefings was received from East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

370/MO. BTM./TAUSSIG  
CID BUDGET

A preliminary budget for the 370/Missouri Bottom Road/Taussig Road Community Improvement District, for the fiscal year from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, was received from Armstrong Teasdale LLP.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS**

WORK SESSION  
AGENDA ITEMS

No items were added to the March 9 Council work session agenda.

APPRECIATION TO  
CHARTER REVIEW  
COMMISSION

Mayor Robinson expressed appreciation to the Charter Review Commission, particularly Chairman Don Young, for all their hard work in putting together a recommendation to amend the City Charter.

Mayor Robinson stated Mr. Young suggested holding a public hearing to solicit citizen input on the recommendation. He stated the Council will continue discussions on the recommendation during the December 16 meeting and a bill will be introduced during the January 6 meeting. He suggested holding a public hearing on January 6. There were no objections.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

PURCHASE OF RIFLES

Police Chief Gregg Hall reported staff recommends the purchase of six rifles from Rock River Arms at a total cost of \$8,514.

Chief Hall stated \$9,375 has been allocated in the fiscal year 2016 Capital Improvements Budget. Six of 18 rifles, that have been deployed approximately 20 years and are losing accuracy due to age and usage, would be replaced. The department's firearms instructor developed a program to replace the rifles over a three year period by purchasing six per year beginning this year. Four bids were received, with Rock River Arms submitting the most favorable bid.

In response to Council questions, Chief Hall replied the rifle comes with a warranty. He added it also has the sighting system requested in the specs. He stated the old rifles may be used for the range or destroyed during the annual evidence destruction.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to concur with the staff recommendation to purchase six rifles from Rock River Arms at a total cost of \$8,514. The motion passed unanimously.

**2016 FIREWORKS  
DISPLAY**

Mr. Littlefield reported staff recommends authorization of a contract with J & M Displays, Inc., for the 2016 pyro-musical fireworks display at a cost not to exceed \$24,000.

Mr. Littlefield stated staff advertised for proposals and the only proposal received, for the fourth consecutive year, was from J & M Displays. If approved, this will be the sixth consecutive show they've produced for the City. He stated staff was fortunate to be able to seek bids early because a significant price increase is expected in the industry next year. He noted the shell count in the 2016 show will be identical to 2015. Funds will be allocated in next year's General Fund Budget.

Mrs. Hendon moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to concur with the staff recommendation to authorize the contract with J & M Displays, Inc., for the 2016 pyro-musical fireworks display 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.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - None**

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT - None**

**COMMISSION AND  
BOARD REPORTS**

Mrs. Hendon moved, seconded by Mr. Aubuchon, to receive and file the notice of no quorum for the November 9 Neighborhood Watch Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS - None**

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS**

**CONTRACT  
FIREWORKS**

Mayor Robinson called for the first reading of a bill to authorize a contract for the 2016 pyro-musical fireworks display.

There were no objections and Bill 4564 was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH J & M DISPLAYS, INC., FOR THE 2016 PYRO-MUSICAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$24,000.**



Mrs. Singleton  
Mayor Robinson  
Mrs. Stroker  
Mr. Aubuchon  
Mr. Ryan  
Mr. Parkin

Bill 4552 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4445-15.

BILL 4553  
CONTRACT  
EXTENSION

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 4553 to authorize an extension to the contract for employee vision insurance.

There were no objections and Bill 4553 was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 4434-14 BY AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION TO THE CONTRACT WITH VISION BENEFITS OF AMERICA, INC., FOR EMPLOYEE VISION INSURANCE FOR A TWO YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016.**

Mrs. Singleton moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the adoption of Bill 4553 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mr. Todd  
Mr. Taylor  
Mrs. Hendon  
Mrs. Singleton  
Mayor Robinson  
Mrs. Stroker  
Mr. Aubuchon  
Mr. Ryan  
Mr. Parkin

Bill 4553 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4446-15.

BILL 4557  
SLUP

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 4557 to grant a Special Land Use Permit for vehicle storage and a vehicle service and repair facility at 9050 Pershall Road.

There were no objections and Bill 4557 was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND GRANTING A PERMANENT SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT TO TMT PROPERTIES, INC., FOR VEHICLE STORAGE AND A VEHICLE SERVICE AND REPAIR FACILITY AT 9050 PERSHALL ROAD AND PROVIDING THE CONDITIONS OF SUCH USAGE.**

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of Bill 4557 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 9</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mr. Todd	
Mr. Taylor	
Mrs. Hendon	
Mrs. Singleton	
Mayor Robinson	
Mrs. Stroker	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Parkin	

Bill 4557 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4447-15.

BILL 4559  
AGREEMENT

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 4559 to authorize a new employment agreement with City Manager Matt Zimmerman.

There were no objections and Bill 4559 was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT WITH CITY MANAGER MATTHEW ZIMMERMAN SETTING FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF HIS EMPLOYMENT AND COMPENSATION THEREFORE.**

Mrs. Hendon moved, seconded by Mr. Todd, the adoption of Bill 4559 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 9</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mr. Todd	
Mr. Taylor	
Mrs. Hendon	
Mrs. Singleton	
Mayor Robinson	
Mrs. Stroker	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Parkin	

Bill 4559 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4448-15.

BILL 4561  
RETIREMENT PLAN

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 4561 to adopt a total restatement of the retirement plan for City Council members.

There were no objections and Bill 4561 was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A TOTAL RESTATEMENT OF THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF HAZELWOOD, MISSOURI.**

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mrs. Hendon, the adoption of Bill 4561 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mr. Todd  
Mr. Taylor  
Mrs. Hendon  
Mrs. Singleton  
Mayor Robinson  
Mrs. Stroker  
Mr. Aubuchon  
Mr. Ryan  
Mr. Parkin

Bill 4561 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4449-15.

BILL 4562  
RETIREMENT PLAN

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 4562 to adopt a total restatement of the retirement plan for City employees.

There were no objections and Bill 4562 was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A TOTAL RESTATEMENT OF THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF HAZELWOOD, MISSOURI.**

Mrs. Hendon moved, seconded by Mr. Parkin, the adoption of Bill 4562 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mr. Todd  
Mr. Taylor  
Mrs. Hendon  
Mrs. Singleton  
Mayor Robinson  
Mrs. Stroker  
Mr. Aubuchon

Mr. Ryan  
Mr. Parkin

Bill 4562 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4450-15.

BILL 4563 Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 4563 to  
AMEND SEC. 510.130 amend *Section 510.130: Billboard Districts* to add a new  
district and to approve related conditions and agreements.

Mr. O'Keefe stated the Council has been provided with Bill 4563.1 in which the blanks in the previous draft have been completed. In addition, revised exhibits which reflect a more thorough legal description of the billboard district as well as other details effectuating the agreement have been included.

Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by Mrs. Hendon, to amend Bill 4563 by the text of Bill 4563.1 and by substituting the new exhibits. The motion passed unanimously.

There were no objections and Bill 4563, as amended, was read by title only:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 510.130: BILLBOARD DISTRICTS, OF THE HAZELWOOD CITY CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF SUBPARAGRAPH 9 AND APPROVING CONDITIONS AND AGREEMENTS PERTAINING TO THE SAME.**

Mr. Parkin moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of Bill 4563, as amended, as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 9</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mr. Todd	
Mr. Taylor	
Mrs. Hendon	
Mrs. Singleton	
Mayor Robinson	
Mrs. Stroker	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Parkin	

Bill 4563, as amended, was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4451-15.

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

COUNCIL MEETING Mayor Robinson announced the next regular Council meeting will be held Wednesday, December 16, 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 8:25 p.m.

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Matthew G. Robinson - Mayor  
City of Hazelwood, Missouri

ATTEST:

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

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