

REGULAR MEETING

April 18, 2022

The Independence City Council met for a Regular Meeting, April 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 111 E. Maple.

Mayor Weir asked for a moment of silence in honor of the life and service of Councilmember Karen DeLuccie.

Carole Price, Outreach Minister at Community of Christ, provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Eileen Weir, Presiding Officer of the City Council, called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the following members of the City Council were present: Mike Huff, John Perkins, Brice Stewart, Mike Steinmeyer, Daniel Hobart and Mayor Eileen Weir. Absent – None. *At the time of this meeting, one At-Large seat on the City Council is now vacant.*

CITIZENS REQUEST TO SPEAK:

Councilmembers Steinmeyer and Perkins moved to suspend the Council Rules of Procedure to allow for non-residents to speak.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

Councilmembers Perkins and Steinmeyer moved to suspend the Council Rules of Procedure to allow for Councilmember Comments after the Ordinance section of the agenda.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

Teresa Tweedie spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Robert Brackenbury spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Deborah Wilson spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Gerald Wilson spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Ashley Smith spoke to Council regarding McBee Acres.

Gary George spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Muriel Luedeman spoke to Council regarding improving the quality of life in Independence.

Steve Kellogg spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Leslie Schuenemeyer spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Kenneth Love spoke to Council regarding the April 5, 2022 election and resident concerns.

Donna Huff spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Carina Wilson spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

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Stan Adkins spoke to Council regarding the NorthPoint Development.

Monica Chiles spoke to Council regarding appointments.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

Councilmember Stewart requested that Item No. 8 and Bill No. 22-740 be pulled for separate consideration.

Councilmembers Huff and Steinmeyer moved to approve the AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA minus Item No. 8 and Bill No. 22-740.

1. Council action is requested to issue a change order increase on contract #500000520 with contractor Wiedenmann, Inc in the amount of \$250,000 in order to complete additional jobs in the 2021 Emergency Repair Project (No. 131802).
2. Council action is requested to issue a purchase order to R.E. Pedrotti Company Inc, in the amount of \$59,551.33 for Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) upgrade parts for Rock Creek and Sugar Creek Pump Stations for the Municipal Services Department.
3. A request for Council approval to authorize the City Manager to direct the Police Department to submit a revised application and participate in the 2022/2023 Occupant Protection grant as provided through the Missouri Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Division.
4. A request for Council approval to authorize the City Manager to direct the Police Department to submit a revised application and participate in the 2022/2023 DWI Enforcement Grant as provided through the Missouri Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Division.
5. Council action is requested to authorize the City Manager to purchase video detection system equipment from Gades Sales Company Inc for an amount not to exceed \$57,684.00 for the replacement of existing vehicle detection systems at three intersections, as part of the Replace Loop Detection with Video Detection Project (No. 112206).
6. Council action is requested to issue a one (1) year contract, with four (4), one-year renewal periods for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services with USIC Locating Services for the Power & Light, Municipal Services and the Water Departments.
7. Council action is requested to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$145,333.66 to Electronic Technology Inc. (ETI) for a camera system, license plate readers & components for four (4) City Hall Parking Lots, Animal Shelter and for a Camera Monitoring System for the Water Tower sites for the Tech Services Division of the Finance & Administration Department.

Bill No. 22-732, entitled, [Res. #6786]

“A RESOLUTION NAMING JEFF BLOBAUM, TIM COSENS AND ALAN JOHNSON AS BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE 23RD & STERLING COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.” – *Individual Appointment-Mayor Eileen Weir*

Bill No. 22-733, entitled, [Res. #6787]

“A RESOLUTION NAMING TIM COSENS AND ALAN JOHNSON AS BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MARKETPLACE SHOPPING CENTER COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.” – *Individual Appointment-Mayor Eileen Weir*

Bill No. 22-734, entitled, [Res. #6788]

“A RESOLUTION NAMING NANCY CLAYTON AND KRISTINE ZERR AS BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MARKETPLACE SHOPPING CENTER COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.” – *Individual Appointment-Mayor Eileen Weir*

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Bill No. 22-736, entitled, [Res. #6790]

“A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BRANDY SPEARMAN TO THE INDEPENDENCE SQUARE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

Bill No. 22-737, entitled, [Res. #6791]

“A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALEX GONZALEZ TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

Bill No. 22-738, entitled, [Res. #6792]

“A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING KAREN MEHL AS THE CITY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION WHEN SAID BOARD IS CONSIDERING ASSESSMENTS OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE.”

Bill No. 22-739, entitled, [Res. #6793]

“A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MERIDETH ROSE AND QUENTIN TEMPLETON AS MEMBERS OF THE BRAND INDEPENDENCE COMMITTEE.” – *Individual Council Appointment-Brice Stewart*

Upon roll call, Councilmember Hobart stated he had meant to request that Bill No. 22-735 be pulled for separate consideration. The Mayor asked for the roll call to start at the top minus Item No. 8, Bill No. 22-740 and Bill No. 22-735.

Upon roll call, the vote to approve the AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion carried, and the AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA was approved.

In response to Councilmember Stewart, Deputy City Manager Adam Norris provided additional information about this item and advised this is still expected to take some time before completion.

Councilmembers Stewart and Perkins moved to approve Item No. 8.

8. Council action is recommended to approve a change order to a purchase order between the City and Spencer Fane in the amount of \$51,000 for legal services pertaining to the Police overtime investigation.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

Councilmember Stewart stated that he is in support of this item.

Councilmembers Stewart and Perkins moved to approve Bill No. 22-740.

Bill No. 22-740, entitled, [Res. #6794]

“A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI ADDING JUNETEENTH AS AN OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED CITY HOLIDAY.”

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

Councilmember Hobart stated that he has received communication from residents that this builder did not follow through on a promise to fix a road that still causes some issues, and he will be voting no on this item and the ordinance.

Councilmembers Hobart and Perkins moved to approve Bill No. 22-735.

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Bill No. 22-735, entitled, [Res. #6789]

“A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DESIGNATING PROPERTY NORTH OF EAST US 24 HIGHWAY, GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN SALEM DRIVE AND BAY AVENUE, AS RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.”

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer and Mayor Weir. Noes – Councilmember Hobart. Abstentions – Councilmember Huff. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Mayor Weir opened a full public hearing on the annexation of a portion of Old Lexington Road right-of-way west of US 24 Hwy and east of Bay Road into the corporate limits of the City of Independence. Assistant Community Development Director, Rick Arroyo, provided background information on this item. There being no speakers, Mayor Weir declared the public hearing closed. *Full Public Hearing.*

Bill No. 22-023, entitled, [Ord. #19315]

“AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING A “CONTIGUOUS AND COMPACT” AREA OF LAND CONSISTING OF A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF OLD LEXINGTON ROAD LOCATED GENERALLY WEST OF US 24 HIGHWAY AND EAST OF N. BAY AVENUE IN UNINCORPORATED JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO DO THOSE THINGS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH SAID ACTION.”

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, and Mayor Weir. Noes – Councilmember Hobart. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

Mayor Weir opened a new information only public hearing for the application by McBee Construction Company requesting a rezoning from C-2, General Commercial, to R-12/PUD, Two-Family Residential/Planned Unit Development, and approving a preliminary development plan for the property located at Salem Drive and US 24 Highway. Mr. Arroyo provided background information on this item. *New Information Only.*

Bill No. 22-025, entitled, [Ord. #19316]

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING FROM DISTRICT C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO DISTRICT R-12/PUD (TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) AND APPROVING A PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE PROPERTY SOUTHWEST OF SALEM DRIVE, EAST OF BAY AVENUE, NORTH OF US 24 HIGHWAY, IN INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer and Mayor Weir. Noes – Councilmember Hobart. Abstentions – Councilmember Huff. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

Mayor Weir opened a new information only public hearing for the application by Spencer Rosenbaum requesting a Special Use Permit to operate a Bed & Breakfast at 909 W. Waldo Avenue. Mr. Arroyo provided background information on the item. *New Information Only.*

Bill No. 22-026, entitled, [Ord. #19317]

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A BED AND BREAKFAST AT 909 W. WALDO AVENUE, IN INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

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Mayor Weir opened a full public hearing for the application received from Gas N Smokes, LLC; for a Retail Selling of Intoxicating Liquor in the original package license for the Discount Smokes Convenience Store with gas located at 16390 E 23rd Street S. Community Development Director, Tom Scannell, provided background information on this item. In response to Councilmember Stewart, Mr. Scannell provided information about surrounding businesses with liquor licenses and stated that 17 letters were sent out to property owners and received no objections. In response to Councilmember Hobart, Councilmember Stewart stated that he has not heard any objections to this. There being no additional speakers, Mayor Weir declared the public hearing closed. *Full Public Hearing.*

4. Council action is requested regarding the application received from Gas N Smokes, LLC; for a Retail Selling of Intoxicating Liquor in the original package license located at 16390 E 23rd Street S. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

ORDINANCES:

Bill No. 22-022, entitled, [Ord. #19318]

“AN ORDINANCE VACATING ALL EXISTING UNCONSTRUCTED RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ALL THAT PART OF BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAIN VIEW, A SUBDIVISION IN INDEPENDENCE, JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI.”

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

Bill No. 22-024, entitled, [Ord. #19319]

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BORROWING OF NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 FROM THE MISSOURI DEVELOPMENT FINANCE BOARD TO REFINANCE THE COSTS OF CERTAIN PROJECTS RELATED TO THE CITY'S ELECTRIC SYSTEM; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCING AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSOURI DEVELOPMENT FINANCE BOARD; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.”

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

Bill No. 22-027, entitled, [Ord. #19320]

“AN ORDINANCE FINDING, DETERMINING AND DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF ACQUIRING TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION AND GRADING EASEMENTS AND GENERAL UTILITY EASEMENTS FOR THE SUB K REBUILD PROJECT (PROJECT NO. 201706); AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS IF NECESSARY; APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EXPERTS AS NEEDED; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS AND THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS TO PROPERTY OWNERS OR OTHERS HOLDING PROPERTY RIGHTS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROJECT.”

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage. Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart, Steinmeyer, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the bill approved.

Mayor Weir and Councilmember Hobart moved to postpone Bill No. 22-028 until the June 6, 2022 Council Meeting.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Perkins, Hobart and Mayor Weir. Noes – Councilmembers: Huff, Stewart and Steinmeyer. None. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion failed.

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Bill No. 22-028, entitled, [Ord. #19321]

“AN ORDINANCE CREATING A CHARTER AMENDMENT ADVISORY BOARD, TO CONSIST OF NINE MEMBERS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL; DEFINING THE PURPOSES AND DUTIES OF SAID BOARD AND THE OBJECTIVES SOUGHT TO BE ACCOMPLISHED; AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND PLAN OF OPERATION OF SAID BOARD.” – *Requested by Mayor Eileen Weir*

was given its second reading by title and placed on final passage.

Councilmembers Stewart and Huff moved to amend Bill No. 22-028 to change the number of members from nine to seven and include that these will be individual Council appointments.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Perkins, Stewart and Steinmeyer. Noes – Councilmember Hobart and Mayor Weir. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

Councilmember Perkins stated that in concept he is in favor of this but will be voting no and believes this should be something the new Council should address.

Upon roll call for Bill No. 22-028 as amended, the vote was: Ayes – Councilmembers: Huff, Stewart, Steinmeyer and Mayor Weir. Noes – Councilmember Perkins and Hobart. Absent – None. The Mayor declared the motion approved.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Mayor Weir reflected on her time as Mayor and thanked the citizens for their involvement. Mayor Weir thanked her family. Mayor Weir thanked the city for opportunity to serve.

Councilmember Huff thanked his supporters and stated he loves Independence.

Councilmember Perkins spoke in remembrance of Councilmember DeLuccie. He stated it has been great working with Mayor Weir and thanked her for her service to the city.

Councilmember Stewart spoke in remembrance of Councilmember DeLuccie. He thanked Councilmember Huff and Mayor Weir for their service to the city and stated it has been great working with both of them.

Councilmember Steinmeyer stated he appreciated his time working with Mayor Weir and stated he appreciates the service that each member of Council gives to the community. Councilmember Steinmeyer wished the best for the incoming Councilmembers and spoke in remembrance of Councilmember DeLuccie.

Councilmember Hobart stated he was proud of all the boy scouts in attendance tonight. Councilmember Hobart spoke in remembrance of Councilmember DeLuccie. Councilmember Hobart thanked Mayor Weir for being patient with him and he’s learned a lot from her and thanked her for her service.

Mayor Weir called for a short recess at 7:24 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 7:32 p.m.

Laurie Dean Wiley, member of EPIC Church, provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Scouts Charlie McGrail and Ayden Wrisinger of Troop 738 and Zakery Wrisinger of Troop 201.

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Mayor Eileen Weir, Presiding Officer of the City Council, directed the City Clerk to call the roll. On roll call, the following members of the City Council were present: Mike Huff, John Perkins, Brice Stewart, Mike Steinmeyer, Dan Hobart and Mayor Eileen Weir. Absent: None.

Mayor Weir instructed the City Clerk, Becky Behrens, to administer the Oaths of Office to Councilmembers elect and Mayor Elect.

Ms. Behrens presented a certificate to the family of Councilmember Karen DeLuccie.

Ms. Behrens administered the Oaths of Office to Councilmember Jared Fears and Mayor Rory Rowland.

Mayor Rowland, Presiding Officer of the City Council, instructed the City Clerk to call the roll of the new City Council. On roll call, the following members of the City Council were present: Jared Fears, John Perkins, Brice Stewart, Mike Steinmeyer, Daniel Hobart and Mayor Rory Rowland. Absent: None.

Councilmembers Perkins and Fears nominated Councilmember Hobart as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilmember Steinmeyer nominated Councilmember Stewart as Mayor Pro Tem, but this nomination was not considered due to lack of a second. There being no other nominations, the nominations ceased. Councilmembers Perkins and Fears moved to appoint Councilmember Hobart as Mayor Pro Tem. There being no objections, Mayor Rowland declared that Councilmember Hobart had been elected to serve as Mayor Pro Tem.

FIRST READINGS:

Bill No. 22-029, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, ACTING THROUGH ITS MUNICIPAL UTILITY, INDEPENDENCE POWER AND LIGHT AND MISSOURI NETWORK ALLIANCE D/B/A BLUE BIRD NETWORK, LLC, FOR POLE ATTACHMENTS. THIS WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON ANY TAX REVENUES OR GENERAL REVENUES.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-030, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING FROM DISTRICT R-6/PUD (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) AND C-2/PUD (GENERAL COMMERCIAL/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) TO DISTRICT I-1 (INDUSTRIAL) FOR PROPERTIES ALONG M-78 HIGHWAY, E. TRUMAN ROAD AND LITTLE BLUE PARKWAY, IN INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-031, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING FROM DISTRICT R-6 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL), DISTRICT R-6/PUD (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT), O-1 (OFFICE RESIDENTIAL) AND DISTRICT C-1 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO DISTRICT BP/PUD (BUSINESS PARK/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) AND APPROVING A PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO REZONE PROPERTIES NORTH OF R.D. MIZE ROAD AND EAST OF THE LITTLE BLUE PARKWAY, IN INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-032, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING FROM DISTRICT R-6/PUD (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT), C-2/PUD (GENERAL COMMERCIAL/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) TO DISTRICT BP/PUD (BUSINESS PARK/PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) AND APPROVING A

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PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PROPERTIES AROUND THE M-78 HIGHWAY, E. TRUMAN ROAD, AND THE LITTLE BLUE PARKWAY.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-033, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2022-2026 CONSOLIDATED PLAN, CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN AND FY 2022-23 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS, AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A WRITTEN AGREEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF CDBG AND HOME PROGRAM FUNDS UNDER THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974; AND MAKING THE NECESSARY APPROPRIATIONS.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-034, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INC. AND THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-035, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY FOR THE HOLDING OF AN ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE COUNCIL FOR THE COUNCILMEMBER AT-LARGE, ESTABLISHING A PRIMARY ELECTION ON AUGUST 2, 2022, AND A GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022, PROVIDING THAT THE PRIMARY ELECTION WILL BECOME THE GENERAL ELECTION IF NO MORE THAN TWO CANDIDATES FILE FOR THIS POSITION.”

was given its first reading by title.

Bill No. 22-036, entitled

“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND NORTHPOINT DEVELOPMENT, LLC AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.”

was given its first reading by title.

INFORMATION ONLY:

1. The certified results of the April 5, 2022 Mayor and At-Large Councilmember election results, from the Jackson County Board of Election Commissioners have been received by the City Clerk.
2. Cases 22-100-03, 22-125-02, 22-125-03, requests from NorthPoint Development to rezone the property generally situated along Little Blue Parkway beginning around R.D. Mize Road to Truman Road then along M-78 Highway to M-7 Highway, were advertised for a new information only public hearing at the April 18, 2022 City Council meeting. At staff's request, these cases will have their first reading on April 18, 2022 and 2nd reading on May 2, 2022. This will move the the new information only public hearings on these cases to May 2, 2022.
3. Municipal Division Monthly Case Report March 2022
4. Semi-Annual Report of the Jackson County Animal Welfare Committee
5. The City Clerk's Office is in receipt of the Susquehanna East Shopping Center Community Improvement District Proposed Budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.
6. Semi-Annual Report of the Parks Commission
7. Semi-Annual Report of the Independence Tourism Commission
8. Semi Annual Report of the Public Safety Tax Oversight Committee
9. Streets Improvements Oversight Committee (SIOC) Semi-Annual Presentation to Council.

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10. Recommendation by the SWOC for this presentation to Council.
11. Please Note: In accordance with RSMo 610.021, the City Council may convene in an Executive Session at 5:15 pm, in the Council Chambers and move to Conference Room D for the closed meeting, on matters of litigation, legal action, and/or attorney client communications, as permitted by Sec. 610.021(1), on matters of personnel, as permitted by Sec. 610.021(3) and personnel records, as permitted by 610.021(13), on matters of contracts, as permitted by 610.021(12), on matters of real estate, as permitted by 610.021(2) and/or matters of labor negotiations, as permitted by 610.021(9).

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Stewart congratulated and welcomed Councilmember Fears and Mayor Rowland.

Councilmember Perkins congratulated and welcomed Councilmember Fears and Mayor Rowland.

Councilmember Fears thanked people for their support and recognized his scout troop for being in attendance. Councilmember Fears spoke in remembrance of Councilmember DeLuccie. Councilmember Fears talked about his goals as a Councilmember and looks forward to working with the other members of Council.

Councilmember Steinmeyer congratulated Mayor Rowland and Councilmember Fears and looks forward to working together and thanked the people in attendance.

Councilmember Hobart welcomed Mayor Rowland and Councilmember Fears. Councilmember Hobart recognized Councilmember DeLuccie's daughter, Mary Rose, for a recent award and for helping her mother during treatment.

Mayor Rowland thanked those who supported him and his family. Mayor Rowland talked about goals he has in his role as Mayor and hopes the Council comes together and can work united to make positive changes.

At 7:57 p.m. the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned to a Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m., May 2, 2022, in the Council Chambers.

Presiding Officer of the City Council
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

City Clerk