



MINUTES

City Council Regular Session BUILDS Building, 4221 S. Wilson's Creek Blvd. June 03, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Eric Franklin, Mayor
Eric Gerke, Ward I
Garry Wilson, Ward II
Christopher Updike, Ward III
Justin Neal, Ward IV

Justin Shaw, Ward I
Darran Campbell, Ward II
Brian Fields, Ward III
Daniel Harter, Ward IV

Call Meeting to Order

The regular session meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Greene County, Missouri, was called to order by Mayor Eric Franklin at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present included Justin Neal, Garry Wilson, Chris Updike, Brian Fields, Darran Campbell, Daniel Harter, and Justin Shaw. Others in attendance were: Chief of Staff Lisa Addington, City Attorney Megan McCullough, Fire Chief Duane Compton, IT Manager Michael Sallee, Police Chief Brian Sells, Police Major Jamie Burks, Police Lieutenant Zach Richards, Chief Financial Officer Bob Ford, Associate Planner Patrick Ruiz, BUILDS Administrator Karen Haynes, City Clerk Laura Burbridge, and Parks and Recreation Director Kris Parks.

Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Mayor Franklin.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Franklin.

Mayor's Announcements

Mayor Franklin announced the appointments to the Housing Authority, Planning and Zoning Commission, and Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board.

1. Re-appoint Mary Vincent to the Housing Authority for a Four-year Term.
2. Re-appoint Brian Doubrava to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a Four-year Term and Brian Fields as Council Liaison for a One-year Term.
3. Re-appoint Todd Wojciechowski, Allen Kunkel, Blake Cantrell, and Macy Mitchell to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board for a Four-year Term.

Citizen Participation

Mayor Franklin opened citizen participation at 6:02 p.m. No one came forward so Mayor Franklin closed citizen participation at 6:02 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Council Member Neal and seconded by Council Member Harter to approve the consent agenda. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

4. Approve the May 20, 2025 City Council Minutes.
5. 25-R-21 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing an Agreement with Midwest Public Risk for Property and Liability Insurance for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Board, Commission, and Committee Schedule

Board of Adjustment Meeting	June 5, 2025-Cancelled
Planning & Zoning Meeting	June 9, 2025
City Council Meeting	June 17, 2025
Board of Adjustment Meeting	July 3, 2025



Old Business and Tabled Items

6. **25-14 An Ordinance of the City Council Approving Amendment of the Zoning Classification of Approximately 1.69 Acres of Real Property, Located at the 7700 Block of West Farm Road 174, from Local Commercial (C-1) to Multi-Family Residential (R-3).**

Motion was made by Council Member Updike and seconded by Council Member Neal to have the second reading of Bill 25-14 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Patrick Ruiz was available for questions of Council. Council Member Updike motioned for the passage of Bill 25-14. Council Member Neal seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

7. **25-15 An Ordinance of the City Council Approving Amendment of the Zoning Classification of Approximately 9.9 Acres of Real Property, Located at 4297 S. Wilson's Creek Boulevard, from Agricultural (AG) to General Commercial (C-3).**

Motion was made by Council Member Updike and seconded by Council Member Neal to have the second reading of Bill 25-15 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Patrick Ruiz was available for questions of Council. Council Member Neal motioned for the passage of Bill 25-15. Council Member Updike seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

8. **25-17 An Ordinance of the City Council Amending Title IV ("Land Use"), Chapter 420 ("Flood Damage Prevention"), of the Municipal Code of The City of Republic, Missouri.**

Motion was made by Council Member Updike and seconded by Council Member Neal to have the second reading of Bill 25-17 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Patrick Ruiz provided an update and was available for questions of Council. Council Member Wilson motioned for the passage of Bill 25-17. Council Member Updike seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

New Business (First Reading of Ordinances)

9. **25-18 An Ordinance of the City Council Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for Maintenance of Specified Portions of the Trail Along Wilson's Creek Boulevard.**

Motion was made by Council Member Updike and seconded by Council Member Neal to have the first reading of Bill 25-18 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Harter, Neal, Shaw, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Kris Parks gave an overview of the bill. Mayor Franklin reminded Council this is a first read and to get with staff with questions prior to the next meeting.

Other Business (Resolutions)-none

Reports from Staff

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington thanked the Mayor and Council for their support of her and the city employees. She expressed that she would miss David Cameron but would continue to embrace the city's Mission, Vision, and Values. She noted that the vacancy had been posted. Mrs. Addington announced

there would be no work session on June 10th. She added that the Purchasing Policy would be discussed during a work session at 5:00 p.m. on July 15th.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington encouraged everyone to attend Have-A-Blast on June 27th. Mrs. Addington congratulated the Police Department for receiving the Niche Excellence in Partnership Award, which included participation from 180 agencies. Mrs. Addington noted that The Rush had opened and emphasized the need for good weather.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington informed the Council that the audit results would be presented at the next Council meeting. She stated that the audit team would join via video conference due to a scheduling conflict but highlighted the importance of meeting the June 30th deadline.

Mayor Franklin stated that the Have-A-Blast event would be here before they knew it. Mayor Franklin also congratulated the Police Department on receiving the award. He commended Rooting Republic for a great work week and noted another opportunity would take place Thursday at the greenhouses behind the Senior Center. Mayor Franklin expressed appreciation to Lisa Addington, Karen Haynes, and Bob Ford for their dedication and leadership during the transition. He also thanked staff for their conversations and assistance. Mayor Franklin stated that sunny days were ahead for The Rush but also reminded everyone to be prepared for upcoming severe weather.

Adjournment

Mayor Franklin adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

Eric Franklin, Mayor