



## MINUTES

### City Council Workshop BUILDS Building, 4221 S. Wilson's Creek Blvd. February 11, 2025 at 11:00 AM

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 work session meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Greene County, Missouri, was called to order by Mayor Eric Franklin at 11:00 a.m. Council Members present included Justin Neal, Darran Campbell, Garry Wilson, Chris Updike, Eric Gerke, Justin Shaw, and Daniel Harter. Others in attendance were: City Administrator David Cameron, City Attorney Megan McCullough, Fire Chief Duane Compton, City Clerk Laura Burbridge, Data and Security Supervisor Michael Sallee, Police Chief Brian Sells, Chief Financial Officer Bob Ford, Chief of Staff Lisa Addington, Community Development Director Karen Haynes, Associate Planner Patrick Ruiz, Engineer Stefani Fitzpatrick-Duncan, Data and Analytics Director Josh Jones, Principal Planner Chris Tabor, Right of Way Locator Tim Fowlkes, Engineer Angel Falig, and Parks and Recreation Director Kris Parks.

#### Presentations and Discussions

1. **Utility Damage Fee Proposal.**

Duane Compton presented the proposed ordinances and answered questions of Council.

2. **City Priorities for 2025.**

David Cameron provided the priorities of the City for 2025.

#### Council Member Updike Presentations and Discussions

3. **Sister City International Board.**

Council Member Updike presented his proposal to become a Sister City.

4. **Creation of a Women's Advocacy Council.**

Council Member Updike presented his proposal to create a Women's Advocacy Council.

5. **Creating a Youth Advisory Board.**

Council Member Updike presented his proposal to create a Youth Advisory Board.

Council took a break for lunch from 11:58 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

6. **Creating an Honorable Key to the City Board.**

Council Member Updike presented his proposal to create an Honorable Key to the City Board.

7. **Appointment of a Council Liaison to the Chamber of Commerce Board.**

Council Member Updike presented his proposal to a Council Liaison to the Chamber of Commerce Board.

Mayor Franklin opened the floor for Council to bring any of the proposals forward. City Administrator David Cameron gave an overview of upcoming workshops. Mr. Cameron explained the process to move forward with the proposals made by Council. Council must provide direction with a vote to proceed with a proposal by Council.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Franklin adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

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Eric Franklin, Mayor