



MINUTES

City Council Regular Session Municipal Court Building, 540 Civic Blvd September 10, 2024 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 Shaw, Brian Fields, Justin Neal, Eric Gerke, Darran Campbell, Chris Updike, and Daniel Harter. Others in attendance were: Chief of Staff Lisa Addington, City Attorney Megan McCullough, Fire Chief Duane Compton, City Clerk Laura Burbridge, Chief Financial Officer Bob Ford, Community Development Director Karen Haynes, Data and Security Supervisor Michael Sallee, Police Chief Brian Sells, Police Lieutenant Zach Richards, Engineer Angel Falig, Engineer Stefani Fitzpatrick-Duncan, and Parks and Recreation Director Kris Parks.

Opening Prayer

Opening prayer was led by Mayor Eric Franklin.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Eric Franklin.

Citizen Participation

Mayor Franklin opened citizen participation at 6:00 p.m. Kevin Cash-126 E. Hadley-spoke about how forward thinking the City of Republic is and read a post regarding The Rush and disc golf. Mayor Franklin closed citizen participation at 6:06 p.m.

Consent Agenda

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

1. Approve the August 27, 2024 City Council Minutes.
2. Approve the Vendor List.
3. As per RSMo. 109.230(4), City records that are on file in the City Clerk’s office and have met the retention schedule will be destroyed in compliance with the guidelines established by the Secretary of State’s office.
4. 24-R-37 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing the City’s Return of Contributed Funds to Greene County due to Postponement of the Highway MM Expansion/Cost-Share Project.

Board, Commission, and Committee Schedule

City Council Workshop	September 24, 2024 at 11:00
City Council Meeting	October 1, 2024
Board of Adjustment Meeting	October 3, 2024
Planning & Zoning Meeting	October 7, 2024
City Council Meeting	October 15, 2024



Old Business and Tabled Items

5. **24-52 An Ordinance of the City Council Authorizing the City Administrator to Enter into a Developer Agreement with Wal-Mart Stores East, LP for the Construction of Public Water Main Improvements at Lot 7 of the Hankins Farm Planned Development District.**

Motion was made by Council Member Neal and seconded by Council Member Harter to have the second reading of Bill 24-52 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Karen Haynes was available for questions of Council. Council Member Fields motioned for the passage of Bill 24-52. Council Member Harter seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. Motion Carried.

New Business (First Reading of Ordinances)

6. **24-55 An Ordinance of the City Council Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the City's Acceptance of Certain Grant Funds and Contribution of Local Match Funding for Public Improvements Included in the Route MM Realignment Project (Greene County Job Number 8S0836D).**

Motion was made by Council Member Harter and seconded by Council Member Neal to have the first reading of Bill 24-55 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Karen Haynes gave an overview of the bill. Mayor Franklin reminded Council that this is a first read and to get with staff prior to the next meeting with any questions.

7. **24-56 An Ordinance of the City Council Approving Execution of a Developer Agreement with Empire District Electric Company for Parking Lot Access for the Future Morris Park on West State Highway 174.**

Motion was made by Council Member Harter and seconded by Council Member Neal to have the first reading of Bill 24-56 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Stefani Fitzpatrick-Duncan gave an overview of the bill. Mayor Franklin reminded Council that this is a first read and to get with staff prior to the next meeting with any questions.

Other Business (Resolutions)

8. **24-R-38 A Resolution of the City Council Awarding the Bid for Stormwater Materials for the Iron Grain Lane Project to Scurlock Industries of Springfield, Inc.**

Motion was made by Council Member Neal and seconded by Council Member Harter to take up Resolution 24-R-38. Angel Falig presented the Resolution and answered questions of Council. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

9. **24-R-39 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing Supplemental Agreement No. 3 for the Shuyler Creek Trail Project (STBG-6900 (813)) with Olsson Engineering for Additional Engineering Services in the Amount of \$64,113.85.**

Motion was made by Council Member Campbell and seconded by Council Member Neal to take up Resolution 24-R-39. Karen Haynes presented the Resolution and answered questions of

Council. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

10.24-R-40 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing Execution of a Task Order for Engineer-Owner Agreement for Task Order No. 16 With Burns and McDonnell Engineering Co., Inc. Relating to Phase One of the Water Master Plan Update.

Motion was made by Council Member Neal and seconded by Council Member Harter to take up Resolution 24-R-40. Karen Haynes presented the Resolution and answered questions of Council. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

11.24-R-41 A Resolution of the City Council Designating Two Economic Development Focus Areas for the Missouri Department of Transportation's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Prioritization.

Motion was made by Council Member Harter and seconded by Council Member Neal to take up Resolution 24-R-41. Karen Haynes presented the Resolution and answered questions of Council. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

12.24-R-42 A Resolution of The City Council Awarding the Bid for Supply of Water Main Materials for Lot 7 of the Hankins Farm Planned Development District to Schulte Supply, Inc.

Motion was made by Council Member Gerke and seconded by Council Member Harter to take up Resolution 24-R-42. Angel Falig presented the Resolution and answered questions of Council. The vote was 7 Aye-Campbell, Fields, Gerke, Harter, Neal, Shaw, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

Reports from Staff

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington thanked staff for the great job done tonight, noting there was a lot of heavy lifting on this agenda. Mrs. Addington wished Laura a happy birthday.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington directed everyone's attention to the Administrator's Report, noting it includes information regarding the City's intent to issue a Request for Qualifications using the Construction Manager at Risk project delivery method for a potential new City Hall/Administrative building. The City is looking to construct this building as an expansion of the existing BUILDS Department building, consistent with the Project Exodus initiatives to bring City officials and staff back into a workplace more supportive of collaboration amongst the various Departments of the City. The section in the Administrator's Report includes some basic background information as well as the selection criteria that will be used in the evaluation process. For anyone who is interested in that information, she encouraged them to review this section of the report. The RFQ is expected to be published next Wednesday.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington noted a document provided to Council from the Police regarding comprehensive data on the roundabout at Hines and Lynn. Mrs. Addington noted we have received concerns regarding the roundabout so staff compiled data, adding we are implementing safety enhancements such as flashing yield signs along with Facebook posts with instructions on roundabout use.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington provided an update on Project Genesis, noting the consultant was here last week for evaluation and preparation. Mrs. Addington noted we appreciate having them here and they added efficiency gains in the interim prior to implementing new software.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington noted the city partnered with Ozark Food Harvest, and staff donated 310 pounds of food, which is the equivalent of 270 meals. Mrs. Addington thanked all the staff who donated.

Chief of Staff Lisa Addington gave a shout out to Garry Wilson, noting she hopes he is recovering well and will be at the next meeting.

Mayor Franklin thanked staff for the changes in the September meetings, noting some Council Members will be attending the MML conference next week to learn new information and network. Mayor Franklin expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to attend. Mayor Franklin noted Council Member Brian Fields is now certified as a Certified Municipal Official. Mayor Franklin noted the program is designed to be completed in two years and he knocked it out. Mayor Franklin noted that he and Mr. fields will both be on stage representing Republic in receiving certifications.

Mayor Franklin thanked city staff for the work on the agenda. Mayor Franklin also thanked Mr. Cash for coming to speak on something encouraging.

Adjournment

Mayor Franklin adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

ATTEST:

Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

Eric Franklin, Mayor