

**City of Westwood, Kansas
City Council Meeting
April 13, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.**

Council Present: Jeff Harris, Council President
Andrew Buckman, Councilmember
Jason Hannaman, Councilmember
Laura Steele, Councilmember
Holly Wimer, Councilmember

Council Absent: David E. Waters, Mayor

Staff Present: Leslie Herring, City Administrator
Curtis Mansell, Police Chief – via Zoom
Marcus Burke, Police Sergeant
John Sullivan, Public Works Director
Ryan Denk, City Attorney
Abby Schneweis, City Clerk

Call to Order

Councilmember Harris presided over the meeting in Mayor Waters' absence. Councilmember Harris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 13, 2023. The City Clerk called the roll. A quorum was present. The evening's meeting was held in a hybrid manner, with attendees joining both in person and via Zoom.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hannaman to approve the April 13, 2023, City Council meeting agenda as submitted. Second by Councilmember Wimer. Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote.

Public Comment

No comments were made by members of the public.

Presentations and Proclamations

Mayoral Proclamation of April as National Donate Life Month

Councilmember Harris proclaimed April as National Donate Life Month in Westwood.

Mayoral Proclamation of Arbor Day in Westwood

Councilmember Harris proclaimed April 28, 2023 Arbor day in Westwood.

Consent Agenda

All items listed below are considered to be routine by the Governing Body and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Governing Body so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately following approval of the consent agenda.

- A. Consider March 9, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Consider Appropriations Ordinance 749

Motion by Councilmember Hannaman to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Second by Councilmember Buckman. The City Clerk conducted a roll call vote. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor's Report

A Mayor's Report was not made during the meeting.

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Harris noted the Communities for All Ages Task Force has completed a series of five meetings. Councilmember Harris also shared that the City has been recognized at the silver level of the Communities for All Ages designation program. Councilmember Harris and Mrs. Herring will share a report about the award and the program at the June 2023 City Council meeting.

Councilmember Harris said he toured Karbank Holdings, LLC. (Karbank)-owned properties at 1900 and 2000 Shawnee Mission Parkway after the presentation made by Karbank at the March 9, 2023 City Council meeting. Councilmember Harris encouraged the public to contact Karbank with any questions about the proposal.

Councilmember Wimer thanked City staff for their work on the Easter Egg Scramble held on April 8th in Joe D. Dennis Park.

Councilmember Steele said she, Councilmember Hannaman, and City staff made a presentation at Westwood View to third graders about local government.

Staff Reports

Administrative Report

Mrs. Herring provided an overview of the March 2023 Administrative Report included in the agenda packet and offered to answer questions.

Public Works Report

Mr. Sullivan provided an overview of the March and April 2023 Public Works Report included in the agenda packet and offered to answer any questions.

Public Safety Report

Sergeant Burke provided an overview of the March 2023 Public Safety Report included in the agenda packet and offered to answer questions.

Treasurer's Report

The March 2023 Treasurer's Report was included in the agenda packet, no questions or comments were made about the report.

City Attorney's Report

Mr. Denk said that since Karbank's presentation at the March 9th meeting the City has met with Karbank representatives and has had meetings with the Shawnee Mission School District and the meetings have been productive. Mr. Denk said it is possible that there could be action items to begin the process of land acquisition of the former Westwood View Elementary site at 2511 W 50th Street on the City Council meeting agenda during the May City Council meeting. Mrs. Herring emphasized that the possible items on the May meeting agenda would be the beginnings of a land acquisition process, and would allow the City to conduct the public process to occur over the following months.

Old Business

No Old Business items were considered.

New Business

No New Business items were considered.

Announcements/Governing Body Comments

No announcements were made by the Governing Body.

Executive Session

No matters required an Executive Session during this meeting.

Adjournment

Motion by Councilmember Buckman to adjourn the meeting. Second by Councilmember Hannaman. Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
David E. Waters, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Abby Schneewis, City Clerk