

**ROLLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, MAY 3, 2021; 6:30 P.M.  
ROLLA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
901 NORTH ELM STREET**

**Presiding:** Mayor Louis J. Magdits, IV

**Council Members in Attendance via Zoom Videoconferencing:** - None

**Council Members in Physical Attendance:** Moriah Renaud, Terry Higgins, Megan Johnson, Ann Murphey, Matt Fridley, Lister Florence, Jody Eberly, Robert Kessinger, Stanley Mayberry, Carrolyn Bolin, Victoria Steen, and Deanne Lyons

**Council Members Absent:** None.

**Department Directors in Attendance via Zoom Videoconferencing:** Finance Director Steffanie Rogers

**Department Directors and Other City Officials in Physical Attendance:** City Administrator John Butz, Fire Chief Ron Smith, City Engineer Darin Pryor, Police Captain Doug James, Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson, Public Works Director Steve Hargis, RMU General Manager Rodney Bourne, Community Development Director Steve Flowers, Parks Director Floyd Jernigan, and City Counselor Lance Thurman.

Mayor Magdits called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and asked Councilperson Matt Fridley to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Consider Approval of the City Council Minutes of:

- 1) City Council Meeting – April 5th, 2021
- 2) City Council Meeting – April 19th, 2021

A motion was made by Bolin and seconded by Eberly to accept the proposed Minutes. A voice vote unanimously carried to approve as submitted.

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

**III. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS and SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

A. Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) and Southeast Missouri Transportation Service Inc. (SMTS) Deviated Fixed-Route study.

A presentation was given by Anne Freand (MRPC), and Jenny Smith, and Daniel Smith (SMTS) regarding a study being conducted to assess the feasibility for a deviated fixed-route bus service in the Rolla area with possible connections to St. James and Salem. Citizens were encouraged to participate in the survey to gauge interest and help identify

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needs.

- B. Proclamation for the National Day of Prayer – Mayor Magdits Proclaimed May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as the National Day of Prayer. He stated that the community has been supportive of this particular day for over two decades. Dr. Samuel Frimpong spoke on the history of the National Day of Prayer and encouraged citizens to participate in the “Jericho Walk” as participants convoy (drive) around the City of Rolla and pray for the city.

**IV. REPORT OF MAYOR and COUNCIL/REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS/CITY DEPARTMENTS**

- a. Environmental Services Department Monthly Report – March 2021
- b. Building Codes Monthly Report - March 2021
- c. Parks Monthly Activity Report – May 2021
- d. Police Department Monthly Report – March 2021
- e. Animal Control Division Report – March 2021
- f. Rolla Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes for April 13th, 2021
- g. Development Review Committee Minutes for April 20th, 2021
- h. The Centre Health & Rec Complex Monthly Income Statement – February 2021
- i. RMU monthly reports - March 2021

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. **Ordinance** to approve the minor subdivision final plat of Drury Development Addition – 2004/2006 N. Bishop. (City Planner Tom Coots) **Final Reading**  
City Planner Tom Coots said the Drury Development plat is located at Highway 63 and I44 where Steak & Shake and the Peartree Inn are located. The applicant seeks to subdivide the property into two commercial lots, with the restaurant on one lot, and the motel on the other lot so they can be sold separately.  
City Counselor Lance Thurman read the proposed Ordinance for its final reading by title: **ORDINANCE NO. 4615: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE MINOR SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT OF DRURY DEVELOPMENT ADDITION. (SUB20-01)**  
A motion was made by Eberly and seconded by Murphey to approve the ordinance as written. A roll call vote showed the following results: Ayes: Fridley, Kessinger, Higgins, Bolin, Renaud, Steen, Mayberry, Murphey, Lyons, Johnson, Eberly, and Florence. Nays: none. Ordinance Passed
- B. **Resolution** approving license agreement for MS&T Little Miners Child Care Center to construct and maintain a canopy within the public right-of-way. (Public Works Director Steve Hargis) **Motion**  
Director Hargis stated the license agreement is to replace the existing canopy with one that is larger. While it will be in the right-of-way, it will not affect the sidewalk.

City Counselor Lance Thurman read the proposed Resolution for one reading by title:

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RESOLUTION NO. 1989: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, A GRANT OF LICENSE BY THE CITY OF ROLLA BETWEEN MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LITTLE MINERS CHILD CARE CENTER AND THE CITY OF ROLLA, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A CANOPY. A motion was made by Bolin and seconded by Lyons to approve the resolution as written. A voice vote unanimously carried to approve as submitted. Resolution passed.

- C. **Ordinance** Rezoning: 512 E. 18<sup>th</sup> Street from M-2, Heavy Manufacturing district to the C-3, Highway Commercial district. (City Planner Tom Coots) **Final Reading**  
City Planner Tom Coots advised the proposed property is on 18<sup>th</sup> Street near the railroad tracks. The request is to rezone from M-2 to C-3. The proposed use is a baseball training facility.

City Counselor Lance Thurman read the proposed Ordinance for its final reading by title: ORDINANCE NO. 4616: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE RE-ZONING OF 512 E 18<sup>TH</sup> STREET FROM M-2, HEAVY MANUFACTURING TO C-3, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (ZON21-01) A motion was made by Eberly and seconded by Kessinger to approve the ordinance as written. A roll call vote revealed the following results: Ayes: Murphey, Lyons, Mayberry, Bolin, Renaud, Steen, Kessinger, Higgins, Eberly, Florence, Fridley, and Johnson. Nays: zero. Ordinance passed.

- D. **Ordinance** to authorize a minor subdivision at 608 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 625 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street. (City Planner Tom Coots) **Final Reading**  
City Planner Tom Coots stated the property is on Highway 63 between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> street. Otherwise known as the late Ford dealership. There used to be a utility easement running beside the property. The easement is no longer used and one of the buildings sits on the easement. This ordinance will reorganize the lot into two commercial lots, allowing the two lots to be sold separately and to vacate the utility easement.

City Counselor Lance Thurman read the proposed Ordinance for its final reading by title: ORDINANCE NO. 4617: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE MINOR SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT OF DCM HOLDINGS SUBDIVISION. A motion was made by Eberly and seconded by Johnson to approve the ordinance as written. A roll call vote showed the following results: Ayes: Bolin, Higgins, Steen, Fridley, Mayberry, Murphey, Lyons, Johnson, Kessinger, Florence, Eberly, and Renaud. Ordinance passed.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **Motion** to allow temporary closure of 9th street from Elm to Oak Street for AK Vendor Events. (City Engineer Darin Pryor) **Motion**  
After some discussion, it was discovered that this was not a street closure issue but a parking lot issue. City Engineer Darin Pryor, AK Vendor events, and a representative of the Farmers Market all spoke on the parking issue. The Farmers Market is concerned that

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the use of the band shell parking lot would be detrimental to the attendance of the Farmers Market. It was decided that the city would do their best to work on making both events work for this first year.

- B. **Motion** to allow temporary street and parking lot closures for Rolla's 2021 Route 66 Summerfest on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. (Public Works Director Steve Hargis)  
Director Hargis submitted a list of street and parking lot closures for Rolla's Annual Route 66 Summerfest to be held on June 4<sup>th</sup> and June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A motion was made by Kessinger and seconded by Bolin to approve the closures. A voice vote unanimously carried to approve as submitted.

### VII. CLAIMS and/or FISCAL TRANSACTIONS -None

### VIII. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- A. Robert Miller 2101 Vienna – Expressed appreciation for Law Enforcement and Military, stating that our community will never be safe without them. Mayor Magdits added that May 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> was National Police week with May 15<sup>th</sup> being Peace Officer Memorial Day.

### IX. MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. Proclamation for Missouri Local Government Week. Mayor Magdits read his proclamation celebrating May 2-8, 2021 as Local Government Week and thanked all the employees and those that volunteer their time to the City of Rolla.
- B. Pending City Council appointments:
1. Planning & Zoning Commission representative (April 2022)
    - a. Lister Florence Jr.  
A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Murphey to accept the nomination. A voice vote unanimously carried to approve.
  2. Finance Audit Committee (April 2022)
    - a. Jody Eberly
    - b. Robert Kessinger
    - c. Matt Fridley  
A motion was made by Lister and seconded by Bolin to accept the nomination. A voice vote unanimously carried to approve.
  3. Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (April 2024)
    - a. Moriah Renaud  
A motion was made by Eberly and seconded by Higgins to accept the nomination. A voice vote unanimously carried to approve.

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**X. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- A. Capt. Doug James - Rolla Police Department's Citizens Police Academy – The Rolla Police Department is taking applications for their Citizens Police Academy; an 8 week course set to begin on June 2nd. Applications will be taken until the end of May, allowing 25-30 participants.
- B. Councilperson Deanne Lyons spoke on non-traditional family and need for love and respect.
- C. Councilperson Florence spoke on the late Fred S. Kummer and his contribution to the University and community.

**XI. CLOSED SESSION: NONE**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:51 PM  
Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Lorri Thurman.

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR

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