

**ROLLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 20th, 2023; 6:30 P.M.
ROLLA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
901 NORTH ELM STREET**

Presiding: Mayor Louis J. Magdits IV

Council Members in Physical Attendance: Moriah Renaud, Terry Higgins, Megan Johnson, Nathan Chirban, Lister Florence, Matt Fridley, Jaired Hall, Rob Kessinger, Victoria Steen and Tina Balch

Council Members Absent: Stanley Mayberry

Council Ward Vacancy: Ward 5 - Carrolyn Bolin

Department Directors and Other City Officials in Physical Attendance: PW Director Darin Pryor, Police Chief Sean Fagan, Fire Chief Jeff Breen, Finance Director Steffanie Rogers, Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson, City Planner Tom Coots, Parks Director Floyd Jernigan, Centre Recreation Director Marci Fairbanks, MIS Coordinator Brian Kinsey, Computer Tech Rob Hribar, and City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost.

Mayor Magdits called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and asked Councilwoman Megan Johnson to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS-

- A. **Public Hearing and Ordinance** for the rezoning of 1203 S. Bishop from the C-2, General Retail district to the C-3, Highway Commercial district. (City Planner Tom Coots) This rezoning would allow the property owner to rent out the subject property to a tenant who may sell mulch and landscape blocks which isn't allowed in the current C-2 District. The public hearing opened at 6:34pm. There were none that spoke for or against the rezoning and the public hearing was closed at 6:35pm. City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE RE-ZONING OF 1203 S BISHOP AVE FROM THE C-2, GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO THE C-3, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

- B. **Public Hearing and Ordinance** for the rezoning of 1708 Ashwood Dr. from the R-1, Single-family district to the R-2, Two-family district. (City Planner Tom Coots) This rezoning would allow for the applicant to build a duplex. The public hearing opened at 6:42pm. There were none that spoke for or against the rezoning and the public hearing was closed at 6:43pm. City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE RE-ZONING OF 1708 ASHWOOD DR. FROM THE R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DISTRICT TO THE R-2, TWO-FAMILY DISTRICT.

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- C. **Public Hearing** for the rezoning of 605 W 7th and 605/607 N. State from the C-2, General Retail district to the C-3, Highway Commercial district. **(Requested to be Postponed)** The applicant submitted a written request to postpone this item to the April 3, 2023 City Council Meeting.
- D. **Public Hearing** for the Annexation and Assignment of Zoning: A portion of 13063 Old Wire Outer Rd into the corporate limits of the City of Rolla and assigning a zoning of C-2, General Retail. **(Requested to be Postponed)** The applicant submitted a written request to postpone this item to the April 3, 2023 City Council Meeting

II. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS and SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS –

- A. Dawn Smith, Sue Eudaly, Lauren Ranney- SAVE: Animal Shelter Update and Spring Safari – A slide show and video were shared showing the dilapidated state of the current 50 year old Animal Shelter as well as the progress of the new Animal Shelter currently in Phase I. The public was invited to the Spring Safari fundraising event on April 15th at the Cub Creek Science Camp. Fundraising efforts to-date in addition to the \$100,000 ARPA funds earmarked by council totals \$950,000. It may require another \$300,000-\$400,000 to complete Phase II.
- B. Prop P Overview – Parks Director Floyd Jernigan shared with Council the details of the April 4th ballot issue that would reauthorize the 1/16th Park Tax to be used for park/cemetery capital improvements. While the 3/16th base tax helps fund the maintenance for existing park/cemetery properties and the 1/16th is for park capital improvements. Mr. Jernigan shared past improvements made possible by this tax and a list of possible future improvements.
- C. Pastor's Dave and Diane Hagnii: Dream Center – The Dream Center Distribution is in its 25th year of service to this community. What started as a program that supplied food to 75 families has grown to assist 500-600 families. Services have extended to cooking classes, skills training and Faith & Finance in cooperation with organizations such as Missouri University Extension and Missouri Enterprise.
- D. Retirement recognition of Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson – A plaque was provided to celebrate the March 31st retirement of Director Brady Wilson after nearly 25 years of service.

III. OLD BUSINESS – None

IV. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. **Motion** to approve street closures for the 2nd Annual Spring Craft Festival, April 1, 2023. (PW Director, Darin Pryor) Coordinator of the event, Amy Luebbert, shared the details of the event which has grown to 30+ vendors, 4 food trucks, and bounce houses. The event will take place at 9am and may run until 4pm A motion was made by Fridley and seconded by Higgins to approve the street closures. A voice vote showed 10 Ayes, zero Nays, and 1 absent (Mayberry).
- B. **Ordinance** authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Transportation Alternatives Funds Agreement. (PW Director Darin Pryor) City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI A CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE FUNDS PROGRAM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI AND MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR APPROXIMATELY REPLACEMENT OF 76 ADA CURB RAMPS.

- C. **Ordinance** to approve the Minor Subdivision to reorganize 3 commercial lots and create 1 additional commercial lot at 2339, 3409, and 3419 N. Bishop. (City Planner Tom Coots) This Minor Subdivision is to reorganize 3 commercial lots and create 1 additional commercial lot. City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE MINOR SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT OF RCP PLAT NO. 2.

V. **CLAIMS and/or FISCAL TRANSACTIONS** –

Award of Bid to Skyscraper Marine, LLC dba Tubbs & Son Construction for the demolition of the Ransdall Building – Project 561 and **Ordinance** authorizing the contract of same. (PW Director Darin Pryor) A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Kessinger to award the bid to Skyscraper Marine, LLC dba Tubbs & Son Construction for \$35,500. A voice vote showed 10 Ayes, zero Nays, and 1 Absent (Mayberry). City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI A CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI AND SKYSCRAPER MARINE, LLC dba TUBBS & SON CONSTRUCTION LLC.

VI. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

VII. **MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

- A. Appointment of Matt Miller for the Board of Adjustment – 1st term of 5 years (exp Mar. 2028) A motion was made by Kessinger and seconded by Steen to approve the appointment. A voice vote shoed 10 Ayes, zero Nays, and 1 Absent (Mayberry).
- B. City Administrator John Butz Reminded the pubic of the April 4, 2023 General Municipal Election and some of the ballot issues that will listed.

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

- A. Citywide Spring Cleanup, Saturday, April 1, 2023 - Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson reminded the public of the upcoming Spring clean-up and the items that would be accepted/denied.

IX. **CLOSED SESSION** –

Closed Session per RSMo 610.021- (21) City internal computer network (1) Legal (3) Personnel At 7:55pm, a motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Higgins to go into closed session. A roll call vote showed the following: Ayes: Higgins, Steen, Renaud, Chirban, Balch, Johnson, Kessinger, Florence, Hall, and Fridley. Nays: none. Absent: Mayberry.

At 9:48pm, Council returned from closed session where a discussion was had regarding a legal matter and a personnel issue where no final action was taken and a matter regarding the City internal computer network where one final action was taken.

X. **ADJOURNMENT** -

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:50 p.m.
Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Lorri Thurman.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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