

**CITY OF OLIVETTE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 26, 2016**

The Olivette City Council met on January 26, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers at Olivette City Hall located at 9473 Olive Boulevard, Olivette, Missouri. Mayor Ruth Springer called the meeting to order.

Item #1 – Roll call

On roll call, the following persons were present: Mayor Ruth Springer, Chairman Pro-tem J. Gregory Carl, Council Member Maxine Weil, Council Member Missy Waldman and Council Member Suzanne Sewell.

Also in attendance were City Manager Barbara Sondag, City Attorney Paul Martin, Police Chief Rick Knox, Fire Chief Scott Avery, Finance Director Darren Mann, Public Works Director Bruce McGregor, Parks and Recreation Director Beverly Tucker-Knight, and City Clerk Myra Bennett.

Item #2 – Communications

City Clerk Bennett noted that no written communications were submitted for the January 26, 2016 City Council meeting.

Item #3 – City Manager's Report

City Manager Sondag reported the following:

- Ms. Sondag stated that she would like to focus on some of the items contained in the Department Status Reports for the month.
 - Community Development Report – Commercial Activity – New Businesses
 - 1223 North Price, Auto Beauty Specialists
 - 1212 Dielman Industrial, Bates Sales Company
 - 9715 Olive Boulevard, Signorama
 - 9654 Olive Boulevard, Anytime Fitness
 - 9626 Olive Boulevard, LuLu's
 - Parks and Recreation Department Report
 - Parks and Recreation Director Tucker-Knight gave an overview of the recent Youth Basketball Clinic held at Washington University. In addition, she noted that registration is full for the March 2016 Spring Break Camp. Director Tucker-Knight also gave a status update on the "mile marker" project at Stacy Park, by Eagle Scout, Cedrick Eavereart.
 - Construction – 2016
 - Earthwork to begin at the new Olivette City Center municipal building
 - Old Bonhomme Road, sidewalk and roadway project
 - North Price Road project
 - Community Center roof repair
- The City received an update from the Municipal League today regarding SB 572. This bill would add municipal zoning and nuisance ordinance violations to the calculation

limiting the percentage of annual general operating revenue that can come from fines and court costs for "minor traffic violations", contained in SB 5, and would limit fines for these violations to \$200. The proposed legislation would also reduce the percentage of votes needed to dis-incorporate a city under the current law.

- Union negotiations continue with Firefighters Local 2665.
- The City anticipates that the new website will be live as of March 31, 2016. Staff will be trained on the use of the website February 16th - 18th.
- Staff is in the process of planning a Volunteer Recognition event for City volunteers.
- The City will be hosting a citywide document destruction/drug take back/electronics recycling event to be held in June.
- There will be a "Social Hour with the Mayor" event on February 17th, at 5:30 PM, at Olivette City Hall.

Item #4 – City Council Reports

Council Member Waldman gave a summary of actions taken at the December 17, 2015, January 7, 2016, and January 21, 2016 Planning and Community Design Commission (PCDC) meetings. She noted that the next PCDC meeting is scheduled to be held February 4, 2016.

Council Member Sewell stated that she attended the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) meeting on January 20, 2016. She noted that a presentation was given regarding the Mid County Inclusion program; however, the cost to participate is \$10,000 annually. She noted a report was given regarding the Weed Warrior project, and regarding the status of the benchmark survey. In addition, staff is in the process of developing a work plan for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Council Member Weil stated that she has nothing to report at this time.

Chairman Pro-tem Carl noted that two Economic Development Commission (EDC) meetings were held to interview developers regarding the I-170/Olive Boulevard project. He stated that these meetings were held in closed session; therefore, he has nothing to report at this time.

Mayor Springer stated that she has attended no meetings. She asked if a Pension Board meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2016. The City Manager stated that she will verify the date and e-mail the City Council.

Item #5 – Finance Report for the period ending December 31, 2015

Finance Director Mann gave a summary of revenues and expenditures for all funds for the period July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. Discussion held regarding protested taxes.

Item #6 – Hearing from Citizens (Part I) – Three (3) Minutes Per Person, Ending Approximately at 8:00 PM

Morton Bertish, 8829 Chisholm Court, addressed the City Council, encouraging residents to vote at the April election. He stated that, in addition, he would like to apologize for some things he said a few meetings ago. He stated that he would like to be remembered for the good things he has done for the City of Olivette, not for being a "sore loser".

Mark Biernacki, 31 Kentom Drive, addressed the City Council, thanking them for their service to the community, and commending them on the progress being made in the City.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #7 – Resolution No. 2016-107: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Construction Services for the Construction of the New Municipal Center

City Manager Sondag reported that, on January 12, 2016, the City received four bid proposals for construction of the new Municipal Center. Bids were received from United Construction, Hankins Construction Company, ICS Construction Services, and K&S Construction. She stated that, on January 19th, representatives from Archimages (architectural firm), PARIC (owners representative), and staff interviewed the three lowest bidders: United, Hankins, and ICS. She noted that all four base bids came in under budget. City Manager Sondag stated that, on recommendation by staff, Archimages, and PARIC, the Council is being asked to approve Resolution No. 2016-107, authorizing the City to enter into a contract with United Construction for construction of the new Municipal Center, for a cost of \$8,812,000.

Council Member Weil made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-107: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Construction Services for the Construction of the New Municipal Center. Motion seconded by Council Member Sewell.

POLL OF THE COUNCIL:

Council Member Weil	Yea
Council Member Sewell	Yea
Council Member Waldman	Yea
Chairman Pro-tem Carl	Yea
Mayor Springer	Yea

Motion passed.

Item #8 – Resolution No. 2016-108: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Construction Services for the Old Bonhomme Road Project

City Manager Sondag reported that, on January 14, 2016 the City received five bid proposals for construction of the Old Bonhomme Road Project. Bids were received from Spencer Contracting, NB West, Gershenson Construction, KJ Unnerstall, and Krupp Construction. Ms. Sondag noted that the bids were reviewed by Cochran Engineering, the City’s Construction Engineer. She stated that the Council is being asked to approve Resolution No. 2016-108, awarding the contract to the low bidder, Spencer Contracting, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract in the amount of \$1,984,811.75.

City Manager Sondag noted that the project consists of mill and over-lay of 1.8 miles of road, new curbing, and sidewalks on both the north and south sides of Old Bonhomme Road, from Olive Boulevard to Price Road. She noted that the low bid of \$1.98M is near the initial amount budgeted for this construction of this project (\$2.16M). She reported that a Federal STP grant accounts for \$1.98M of this project’s funding, with the City’s share originally projected at approximately \$500,000. City Manager Sondag noted that the project is over-budget, due to higher than expected costs in engineering and right of way acquisition. She stated that approximately \$360,000 of additional City funding is necessary, and noted that the Capital Improvement Fund is able to cover the overage. It was also noted that this project’s grant

application and budget were originally prepared in 2011, and given the number of years that have passed since the original budget calculations, staff is pleased with the bid results.

Council Member Waldman made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-108: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract for Construction Services for the Old Bonhomme Road Project. Motion seconded by Chairman Pro-tem Carl.

POLL OF THE COUNCIL:

Council Member Waldman	Yea
Chairman Pro-tem Carl	Yea
Council Member Sewell	Yea
Council Member Weil	Yea
Mayor Springer	Yea

Motion passed.

Item #9 – Quarterly Investment Report – Operational Funds

Finance Director Mann provided the City Council a summary statement from FTN Financial, who facilitates the purchase of investments for the City's operational fund activities. He noted that, since the last report was given in October, general fund investment activity saw two 12 month \$250,000 CD's mature and were reinvested with similar or better returns, as well as the filling of the previously vacant October rung of the ladder with a .5% 12 month \$250,000 CD. He noted that this increased the City's holdings to a total of nine CD's with 12 month durations, and he stated that gaps remain for the January, March, and May rungs of the ladder. Finance Director Mann also reported that a redemption summary has now been added to track investments and earnings.

Item #10 – Resolution No. 2016-109: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Stratus Building Solutions for professional Services for the Purpose of Providing Janitorial and Maintenance Services for the City of Olivette Community Center

Finance Director Mann stated that a request for proposals (RFP) was placed for janitorial and maintenance services for the Olivette Community Center. He noted that the responses to the RFP were opened on Friday, January 22, 2016. Six proposals were received, and three companies were interviewed. He stated that staff is requesting that the City Council approve Resolution No. 2016-109, authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Stratus Building Solutions for janitorial and maintenance services for the Olivette Community Center, at a cost of \$1150.00 per month.

Chairman Pro-tem Carl made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-109: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Stratus Building Solutions for professional Services for the Purpose of Providing Janitorial and Maintenance Services for the City of Olivette Community Center. Motion seconded by Council Member Sewell.

POLL OF THE COUNCIL:

Chairman Pro-tem Carl	Yea
Council Member Sewell	Yea
Council Member Waldman	Yea
Council Member Weil	Yea
Mayor Springer	Yea

Motion passed.

Item #11 – Review and Approval of the Minutes of the January 12, 2016 City Council Meeting

Mayor Springer asked if there were any corrections to be made to the minutes of the January 12, 2016 City Council meeting.

Council Member Waldman asked that a revision be made to the first sentence on page 3 of 7, by clarifying the Parks Director's name as either "*B. Tucker Knight*" or "*Beverly Tucker Knight*". She also asked that wording be added to the first sentence of paragraph 2 of the City Attorney's report, on page 6 of 7, to clarify the topic being discussed. City Attorney Martin suggested that the language be amended to read "...a request for summary judgment *on the Police Standards lawsuit* was filed in December..."

Council Member Weil made a motion to approve the January 12, 2016 City Council meeting as amended. Motion seconded by Chairman Pro-tem Carl.

POLL OF THE COUNCIL:

Council Member Weil	Yea
Chairman Pro-tem Carl	Yea
Council Member Sewell	Yea
Council Member Waldman	Yea
Mayor Springer	Yea

Motion passed.

Item #12 – Hearing from Citizens (Part 2) – Three (3) Minutes per Person

No speaker cards were submitted.

Item #13 – City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Martin stated that, regarding the "Police Standards" lawsuit against St. Louis County, a "consolidation hearing" has been scheduled for February 5th. He stated that it is his understanding that the City of Bridgeton has also signed on to the case. Mr. Martin stated that he is hopeful that the request for summary judgment will be held by the end of March. Questions were posed regarding the number of municipalities participating in the lawsuit. Mr. Martin stated that approximately 12 municipalities are involved in the suit.

City Attorney Martin stated that he is scheduled to attend the Missouri Municipal League Legislative Conference in Jefferson City on February 9th, which is also the date of the next City Council meeting. He stated that, if there are any issues at the February 9th Council meeting that require his attendance, please let him know; otherwise, he would like to attend the Conference. Mayor Springer noted that the annual Mayors' luncheon will be held on February 9th, as well.

Council Member Waldman posed questions to Fire Chief Avery regarding the revised Fire Department report that was submitted this evening, specifically regarding the number of calls to the Elmwood area. Discussion held regarding number of calls, as well as the current contract for services for this area. City Manager Sondag noted that the City will be reviewing this contract.

Item #14 – Adjournment

Being no further business, Chairman Pro-tem Carl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Council Member Sewell. Mayor Springer adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:29 PM.


Mayor Ruth Springer

ATTEST:


Myra G. Bennett, CMC/MPCC
City Clerk
City of Olivette