

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 18, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2022 in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette, Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Dewey Hendrix; Council Members Leon Thompson, Tim Reeder, Drew Green, Robert Ashford, Charles Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Dan Brandt and Christina Benitez; City Administrator JD Kehrman, Acting City Counselor Don Stouffer and City Clerk Julie Lewis.

Council Member Brandt made a motion, seconded by Green, to adopt the agenda as written. A roll call vote was taken with Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder and Green voting aye. Motion carried.

Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Ashford, to approve the Special Session minutes of July 5, 2022 and Regular Session minutes of July 5, 2022. A roll call vote was taken with Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green and Ashford voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council Member Ashford made a motion, seconded by Leon Thompson, to open the Public Hearing. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford and Guthrey voting aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Hendrix said the purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments or concerns regarding a request by Kurt Ahrens to re-zone a tract of land as described on warranty deed document number 2022-0362 in Marshall, Missouri from R-1 Residential to R-2 Residential (vacant lot located on South Lincoln Avenue).

Mr. Carl Gerding asked if the property will be high density.

Mr. Darrell Ahrens, representing Kurt Ahrens, said the property will be low density with a duplex.

There were no other comments or concerns.

Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Craig Thompson, to close the Public Hearing. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford, Guthrey and Craig Thompson voting aye. Motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no business from the audience.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

No report.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Council Member Reeder gave the Police Department Report for the month of June:

Traffic Stops – 143

Citations – 14

Arrests – 13

Police Reports Taken - 115

Arrests - 32

Offenses Reported to NIBRS - 51

Municipal Court Warrants – 31

Officers Calls for Service – 1700

Public Relations:

With the weather reaching 90 degrees plus, the temperature inside your vehicle can reach 140 degrees in a short period of time. Do not leave children or animals inside your vehicle.

Do not leave your vehicle running with the doors locked, in an attempt to keep the vehicle cool. This is a simple way for someone to steal your vehicle.

Please take your children with you and leave your animals at home.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Council Member Brandt reported a total of 729 tons of solid waste collected during the month of June; that amount is up from last month and down from the previous year. Tipping fees for June totaled \$34,481.

Airport Activity saw an increase from 303 in May to 710 in June due to agricultural services.

Year-to-date activities total 1824, which is 238 more than the same time frame from last year.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

City Administrator reported on the following:

The Airport terminal roof was damaged in a storm and quotes have been obtained to replace the roof. Our insurance carrier and adjuster will be approving a quote in the amount of \$77,000 from CCR Roofing.

Continuing to work on Land Bank legislation. The City did provide testimony and will be included on a conference call on August 1st.

The Regional Planning Commission will conduct an Economic Competitiveness meeting in Sedalia on July 27th with attendees from most of the major entities within Marshall.

The Subdivision Advisory Board met regarding Watermill Estates. The engineer is developing a request for proposals for a master developer and should have a draft request for proposals by the end of the month.

Asbestos abatement at the old Fitzgibbon hospital building is significantly ahead of schedule and could be completed by mid-August; demolition will begin soon thereafter. We are working with the Saline County Historical Society regarding some of the architectural pieces of the building. The potential platting of the property will be discussed with our engineer and the Subdivision Advisory Board will meet in August.

Administrator Kehrman said he has been working on a number of items regarding the Sanitation Department including pay increases, 4-day work weeks and automation. We are continuing to lose CDL drivers. The Municipal Services Committee will meet and bring recommendations back to Council.

Administrator Kehrman introduced Armor Equipment Representative Mark Harliss.

Mr. Harliss demonstrated a 96-gallon cart used for curbside collection of refuse. He explained how the automation process works with fully automated trucks.

Council Members discussed the proposed automation process with Mr. Harliss.

Mr. Harliss invited Council Members to Rolla, MO to see a full-scale demonstration.

EVENT REQUEST:

The Marshall High School Alumni Association's Return to the Roost All School Reunion Committee would like to request Council's approval for Return to the Roost 2025 on June 13 and 14, 2025. The request letter details specific street closures and the suspension of Code of Ordinances Section 600.070 (G) Drinking in Public.

Police Chief Donnell requested there be no glass containers allowed at the event.

Council Member Ashford made a motion, seconded by Craig Thompson, to approve the request as presented. A roll call vote was taken with Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

An ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL AND CUNNINGHAM, VOGEL & ROST, P.C., FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES" was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Brandt, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was

taken with Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder and Green voting aye. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Ordinance No. 8687.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM “R-1” SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT TO “R-2” RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Ashford, to approve the first reading. A roll call vote was taken with Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt and Benitez voting aye. Motion carried.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, AND THE CITY’S BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS” was given its second reading by title only.

Council Member Leon Thompson said MMU is currently working to improve their cash reserve and loan policies. We would like to put this off for now and allow MMU time to build back cash reserves and to work on MPOA recommendations. The Economic Development Subcommittee, consisting of two Council and two BOPW members, will continue to meet and look at ways to work together towards economic development efforts.

The proposed ordinance died on the floor due to lack of a motion.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, AND RICKETTS FARM SERVICE OF MARSHALL, INC. FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Ashford made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to approve the first reading. A roll call vote was taken with Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder and Green voting aye. Motion carried.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Ashford made a motion, seconded by Reeder, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford and Guthrey voting aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8688 entitled “AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS” was given its second

reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Brandt, seconded by Reeder. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford, Guthrey and Craig Thompson voting aye. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Craig Thompson, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken with Benitez, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Julie A. Lewis, City Clerk