

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 5, 2025
6:00 P.M.

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette, Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Craig Thompson; Council Members Jim Papreck, Jeremy Gibson, Carter Fawkes, John Allen, Dan Brandt and Harold Simmons; City Administrator JD Kehrman, City Counselor Elizabeth Bellamy and City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Members Drew Green and Nathan Swisher excused absent.

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Allen, to adopt the agenda as written. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to approve the Regular Session minutes of July 15, 2025. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Allen, to open the Public Hearing. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Simmons, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes and Allen voting aye; Swisher and Green excused absent. Motion carried.

Kelly Lohsandt, Engineering Surveys and Services, gave a brief overview of the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant project of installing sidewalks on College from Breaktime through Miami and south on Miami to Vers. There will also be a bus stop at the Vers/Miami intersection.

Council Members discussed the sidewalk project in addition to pedestrian crossing improvements in the same area.

Ms. Lohsandt provided a tentative project schedule.

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Gibson, to close the Public Hearing. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Simmons, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes and Allen voting aye; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Council Member Brandt gave the following Stormwater Tip:

Grassy slopes keep dirt in place and out of waterways. Plant and maintain
Vegetation to absorb stormwater.

Council Member Brandt said slurry seal is still being done, there have been some weather delays.

He asked citizens to please bear with us.

Municipal Services Director Randy Cornine gave an update on “No Trucks” signage on High Street. The signs will be placed once the locations have been determined.

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Council Member Papreck said he has no numbers to report. The process of budget requests with each department is occurring and will be completed next week.

Mayor Thompson thanked Finance Director Aimee Klinge for her work on the budget.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

No report.

Council Member Simmons said he placed a handout at each Council seat regarding a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. The handout details discussion items and a meeting will be set soon.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

No report.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

No report.

Mr. Kehrman said staff has been researching city owned properties that are residential lots. He would like to meet with Council to develop a policy regarding those properties.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

No report.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Rev. Cliff Cato, South Side Assembly of God Church, spoke about the church’s property that is eroding due to water. There were some plans several years ago and he would like to know where we are in the process.

Mr. Kehrman said there is a plan and he will be talking with the Engineers tomorrow.

Rev. Cato said the Church now has an Ice Cream Truck. Everything has been donated including the ice cream. They are going around town weekly, through September, to give out free ice cream. Please help get the word out. He thanked the community for the donations.

DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE FOLLOW UP

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT:

Mayor Thompson presented the following appointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission, for Council consideration and approval:

Planning and Zoning Commission

Jamie Nichols – New Appointment – Serve Remainder of Unexpired Term
Term Expires November 2026

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Papreck, to approve the appointment as presented. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

LAGERS EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION:

Council Member Brandt said the City provides retirement to employees through the Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS) and will elect an Employer Representative to attend the annual meeting which will be October 30 – 31, 2025 in Springfield.

Employees will conduct and election to elect and Employee Representative.

Council Member Simmons volunteered to attend.

Council Member Brandt made a motion, seconded by Papreck, to elect Council Member Simmons as the Employer Representative for LAGERS. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

A resolution entitled “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A TASK ORDER WITH ENGINEERING SURVEYS AND SERVICES LLC FOR STORMWATER SURVEY WORK” was read by title only.

City Administrator JD Kehrman explained the resolution will provide for stormwater survey work.

Council Members discussed various stormwater issues within the community.

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Papreck, to approve the Resolution. A roll call vote was taken with Simmons, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen and Brandt voting aye; Green and Swisher excused absent. The Resolution is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Resolution No. 2025-16.

ORDINANCES

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 Brandt made a motion, seconded by Simmons, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen, Brandt and Simmons voting aye; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8892 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 Simmons, seconded by Papreck. A roll call vote was taken with Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen, Brandt and Simmons voting aye; Swisher and Green excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

Mayor Thompson said the City Council received an invitation to attend the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the Marshall Public Schools on August 14, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Council Member Simmons said the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the Power Plant was very nice.

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Allen, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Green and Swisher excused absent. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Julie A Lewis
City Clerk