

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 19, 2026
6:00 P.M.

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette Ave., Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Craig Thompson, Council Members Gavin Mills, Jim Papreck, Jeremy Gibson, Carter Fawkes, John Allen and Michael Varner; City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Member Harold Simmons excused absent. City Administrator JD Kehrman and City Counselor Elizabeth Bellamy excused absent.

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

Council Member Varner made a motion, seconded by Papreck, to approve Special Session Minutes of May 5, 2026 and Regular Session Minutes of May 5, 2026. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Simmons excused absent. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Council Member Papreck reported that revenues are at \$10,988,000 or 75.67% of budgeted amounts and expenditures are at \$11,004,000 or 70.96% of budgeted amounts; everything looks great. Grant monies received in April totaled \$10,467.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Council Member Gibson gave the Police Department report for the month of April:

<u>Traffic Stops:</u>	247	<u>Warrants:</u>	
Citations	60	Municipal Court	7
Arrests	147		
DWI and other traffic	7		

Officers Calls for Service: 1995 Average of 66 calls per day
Police Reports Taken: 156 Average of 5 reports per day
Arrests: 51

Animal Shelter Numbers

Citations	3	Dogs adopted	0
Dogs and puppies picked up	13	Cats returned to owners	0
Cats picked up	0	Cats adopted	0
Dogs returned to owners	10		

Nuisance:

3 open nuisance cases
9 closed nuisance cases
13 nuisances 01/01/2026

2 signs out
4 summons issued to people, 4 total tickets issued

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

No report.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Thompson reported on the following:

- Attended the Planning and Zoning meeting last week
- Signs have been placed at a nuisance residence on Ridgecrest; proper steps are being taken
- The placement of the postal box at Jefferson and Marion will be completed once signage is received.
- The real estate exchange between the City of Marshall and the Marshall Public Schools is complete

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Rachel Hayworth provided an update on the following items:

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| -Relocation of the Marshall Farmers Market | -Recent Ribbon Cuttings |
| -Chamber Membership | -Partners in Patriotism |
| -Achievement Night at Marshall High School | -Leadership Tomorrow Program |

Ms. Hayworth said the Chamber will be taking over the project regarding flower baskets on the square, 39 poles have been sponsored and volunteers will water. There are still some poles left if anyone would like to sponsor a basket.

Upcoming events:

Goathill Fest – June 20, 2026

Annual Banquet – June 25, 2026

Fireworks at Park/250th Birthday of United States – July 4, 2026

Hot Air Balloon Festival – September 11, 2026

If anyone is interested in serving on the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, please submit a bio.

Marshall Saline Development Corporation Director Conner Swift provided an update on the following items:

- Childcare in Saline County/community survey
- Workforce Development opportunities/scholarships provided
- Request for Information provided to several businesses; submitted 7 sites, 5 are in Marshall
- Marshall Junction improvements/development

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no business from the audience.

APPOINTMENTS

MARSHALL PARK BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor Thompson presented the following appointments for Council consideration and approval:

Marshall Park Board

Jashawna Terry – New Appointment -Term Expires June 1, 2028
(Fill remainder of unexpired term)

Steven Washington – New Appointment – Term Expires June 1, 2028
(Fill remainder of unexpired term)

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

WARD 2 COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENT:

Mayor Thompson presented the following appointment for Council consideration and approval:

Ward 2 Council Member

Peggy Sherman – New Appointment

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Varner, to approve the appointment as presented. A roll call vote was taken with Mills, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen and Varner voting aye; Simmons excused absent. Motion carried.

REQUEST BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Mayor Thompson said the Marshall Chamber of Commerce has requested the temporary suspension of Section 600.070(g) of the City of Marshall Code of Ordinances relating to drinking in public on June 20, 2026 from 3:00 p.m. until 11:59 p.m. for the 2026 Goathill Fest on the Marshall Square.

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

LIQUOR LICENSE ANNUAL RENEWALS

The annual Liquor License renewals are due July 1, 2026 and the list provided to Council has been approved by the Chief of Police.

Council Member Varner made a motion, seconded by Mills, to approve the list of annual Liquor License renewals as presented. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Simmons excused absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

An ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE VACATING A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED, WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY CONVEYED AND DEDICATED TO THE CITY FOR STREET PURPOSES AND RESERVING A UTILITY EASEMENT OVER A PORTION OF SAID TRACT" was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Papreck, seconded by Gibson. A roll call vote was taken with a Varner, Mills, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes and Allen voting aye; Simmons excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Ordinance No. 8934.

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, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS (MMU), AND THE MISSOURI JOINT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION (MJMEUC)" was given its first reading by title only.

Marshall Municipal Utilities General Manager Jeff Bergstrom said the proposed ordinance is for an interconnect agreement for the Marshall Energy Center. He asked Council for two readings of the proposed ordinance this evening as it must be submitted prior to the end of May.

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

Ordinance No. 8935 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS (MMU), AND THE MISSOURI JOINT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION (MJMEUC)" was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Fawkes, seconded by Allen. A roll call vote was taken with Mills, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen and Varner voting aye; Simmons excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

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

Ordinance No. 8936 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 Varner, seconded by Mills. A roll call vote was taken with Gibson, Fawkes, Allen, Varner, Mills and Papreck voting aye; Simmons 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 made the following Council Committee assignments for 2026/2027:

Property, Finance, Budget and Audit Committee:

Council Member Papreck

Municipal Services and Personnel Committee:

Council Member Varner

Council Member Fawkes

Public Relations and Public Safety Committee:

Council Member Gibson

Council Member Mills

Community Development and Code Committee:

Council Member Allen

Council Member Simmons

Council Member Mills inquired about the nuisance process for the property on Ridgecrest.

Mayor Thompson said the process has been started.

Council Member Gibson said 4 houses were scheduled for demolition prior to the Inspection Department being deleted and he would like to know the status of those demolitions.

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Varner made a motion, seconded by Allen, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Julie A Lewis
City Clerk