

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gary Shaw.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mr. Cortez.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Taylor Brown (via phone), Melodee Colbert-Kean, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, and Phil Stinnett. Also, in attendance were Interim City Manager Dan Pekarek and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

PRESENTATIONS

Faron Haase, Joplin High School Student Council (JHS STUCO) representative, presented an update to City Council on various activities within Joplin schools.

Mayor Shaw presented a proclamation proclaiming the week of September 17-23, 2019 as U.S. Constitution Week. Connie and Clifford McQuillen accepted the proclamation.

Toby Teeter updated City Council on Project Hearthstone, which is a major retail company seeking to establish a 300,000 sq. ft. distribution center in our region. They anticipate 125 jobs at an average annual wage of \$51,895 and a \$40 million capital investment. The land is under contract. Chapter 100 bonds will be utilized on this project for both the real and personal property. The City will be utilizing up to \$100,000 of pre-approved Economic Development dedicated CDBG funds for the acquisition of a small parcel of land to give this site access to the road. Mr. Teeter further updated Council on: other ED business attractions, JIDA/Crossroads Industrial Park updates, and Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Development updates. There was discussion after the updates regarding council action to move forward with the Chapter 100 bonds. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mrs. Colbert-Kean to ask city staff to draft formal documents to bring Chapter 100 Bonds to a future council meeting for Council's review. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9. Nays: 0.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Susan Lincoln, Corinth, Texas addressed Council on Solace House of the Ozarks (SHOTO). Susan clarified that she is temporarily living in Texas, but her permanent address is Webb City, MO. She gave a brief description of Solace House and its concept, stating SHOTO is called a social model end-of-life care home (sometimes referred to in other states as a social model hospice home/house). This means the home is owned by the community and that it is funded by donations and no guest who stays there (or their family) receives a bill. More information is available by emailing solacehouseoftheozarks@gmail.com or go to <https://www.facebook.com/solacehouseoftheozarks/>

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Stanley to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0.

September 3, 2019 Informal Council Meeting Notes

Minutes of the September 3, 2019 City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2019-272 - an ordinance approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, located approximately 650 feet South and 200 feet West of the intersection of W. 32nd St. and S. John Duffy Dr., Joplin, MO., Newton County, Missouri.

Ordinance No. 2019-135

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2019-274 - an ordinance providing to vacate a utility easement located approximately 200 ft. North and 575 ft. West of the intersection of E. Newman Road and N. Range Line Road on property. **Ordinance No. 2019-136**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2019-402 - an ordinance approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity that pertains to 2017 HOME funds; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute same on behalf of the City. **Ordinance No. 2019-137**

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Lawson introduced Resolution No.2019-009 – a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a resolution of support for the application to the Missouri Department of Transportation, Governor’s Transportation Cost Share Program, for grant funds for Pennsylvania Avenue viaduct improvements. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Dr. Reid Adams to approve Resolution No. 2019-009. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0. **Resolution No. 2019-009**

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2019-147 - an ordinance authorizing an agreement with Joplin Industrial Electric Company Inc., in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight and 11/100 Dollars (\$172,838.11) for the LED Traffic Signal Replacement 2019-2020 Project; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2019-147 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2019-147 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-138**

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2019-148 - an ordinance approving a purchase order for Six Hundred Fifty-one Thousand Forty-Six and No/100 Dollars (\$651,046.00) with Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc., for the 2018 & 2019 Evaluation and Rehabilitation of Wastewater Collection System Project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2019-148 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2019-148 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-139**

Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2019-149 - an ordinance approving a Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Vistacor Investment Group, Inc., a Pennsylvania Corporation, for the purchase of certain real estate for the not to exceed price of Five Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Nine and 50/100 Dollars (\$524,839.50) more particularly described in Section 1 herein; authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute said Agreement in substantially similar form by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 as adopted by Ordinance 2018-145 on October 15, 2018; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mrs. Colbert-Kean that Council Bill No. 2019-149 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2019-149 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-140**

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2019-150 - an ordinance approving a construction agreement with Jeff Asbell Excavating and Trucking in the not to exceed amount of One Million, Three Hundred Four Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty-nine and No/100 Dollars (\$1,304,569.00) for the Filmore Bridge Parallel Force Main project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2019-150 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2019-147 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-141**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND THIRD READING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Declare excess surplus property for the annual City of Joplin auction October 12. Assistant Director of Public Works for Operations Lawson presented a list of items for the auction. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mrs. Colbert Kean to approve the list of items. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0

News from the Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot

On Friday, October 11 the *Stanley Cup* is coming to Joplin! The St. Louis Blues organization is providing the citizens of southwest Missouri a chance to see the highest prize in North American hockey. The trophy will be on display on the 1st floor of City Hall from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Friday, October 11. We ask guests to please enter through the west door on the Joplin Avenue side of the building. There will be people stationed to help guide them to the display area. We will accommodate as many people as possible to view the trophy in the two-hour timeframe. Guests may have their photo taken next to it, however, the trophy cannot be picked up or moved. After our event, the St. Louis Blues organization will then head to Tulsa to showcase the *Cup* at the Tulsa Oilers season-opening game in the evening. The Oilers are an affiliate of the NHL's St. Louis Blues.

The Republic Services Transfer Station in Galena, Kansas, that accepts bulky items from Joplin residential trash customers, will be closed Saturday, September 21. To adjust for this closing, the Transfer Station **will be open on Friday, September 20th** from 8 a.m. to 2:30 pm for Joplin residential trash customers to dispose of bulky items.

This Saturday is our monthly tree limb drop off opportunity on north Schifferdecker. Opened from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., this location is just about ½ mile north of Belle Center Road on Schifferdecker. Zora Street connecting to Schifferdecker is closed, so please approach from the south, or use Peace Church Road to reach the drop off site.

The City's annual Auction is set for Saturday, October 12. The Auction begins at 9 a.m. and will be held in the Street Maintenance Barn located northwest of the Public Works Center, on West 2nd Street. Merchandise to be auctioned will be available for viewing from 1 to 4 p.m. on Friday, October 11, and from 8 to 9 a.m. Saturday, October 12, prior to the start of the auction. The list of auction items will be posted on the City of Joplin's website www.joplinmo.org/auctionlist.

Comments from Council:

Mr. Monteleone commended Finance Director Haase and her staff for putting the budget information together.

Mr. Cortez stated he and Dr. Reid Adams and Mrs. Colbert Kean recently attended the MML conference in St. Charles, MO. He benefitted from the tremendous amount of information and thanked the Council for approving his attendance.

Mr. Stanley stated that tomorrow is Mayor Shaw's birthday and wished him a happy birthday.

Mayor Shaw stated he attended the recent Ribbon Cutting at the new Shoal Creek bridge. He commended the Newton County Commissioners who were instrumental in the project.

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to legal action, causes of action, or litigation including a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys; and the hiring, firing, disciplining, or promotion of an employee or particular employees of a governmental body involving personal information; as set forth in Section 610.021(1) (3) RSMo, as amended, 2018. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed to the extent provided by law. The City Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Cortez to go into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9 Nays: 0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk