

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
October 26, 2020**

Mayor Richards opened the public hearing at 5:50 p.m. to seek public input regarding a Planned Unit Development change request for 110 Brandon Wallace Way, Festus, Missouri. No public comments were received. No comments were made. Mayor Richards closed the hearing.

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The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on October 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call in the Council chambers: Boyer, Tinnin and Venz; and the following Council members were present via Zoom: Cook, Dennis, Wehner and Wilkey; Absent – Underwood. Mayor Samuel F. Richards presided over the meeting. Also present in the Council chambers were City Clerk Kerry Patek, Finance Director Stephanie Cunningham, Fire Chief Kevin Cremer, Police Sgt. Jessica Griffaw, Public Works Director Matt Unrein and City Administrator Greg Camp. City Attorney Brian Malone was present via Zoom.

Council, staff, etc. then said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mayor Richards announced the bills were in the amount of \$170,843.93. Motion to approve the bills and minutes of the Council Meeting of October 12, 2020 was made by Councilman Cook, seconded by Councilman Boyer and approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Wilkey, Dennis, Venz, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.

Correspondence - none

Visitors

No visitors were allowed in the building due to the emergency order regarding the coronavirus and no visitors requested to be heard via the City website.

Bids

Plasma Air Retrofit

City Administrator Greg Camp presented a quote from Trane for an ionization system for our HVAC systems (17 units total). This proposal would be reimbursed through the CARES Act funding from Jefferson County. The quote was for \$58,686. **Councilman Dennis made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wilkey, Wehner, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.**

Well #8 and Well #10 Upgrades

City Administrator Greg Camp presented a quote for the well pump on Well #8. The quote is for \$26,346. **Councilman Dennis made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wilkey, Wehner, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.** Greg Camp presented a quote for the chlorination system on Well #10. The quote is for \$5,981.61. **Councilman Venz made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wilkey, Wehner, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.**

2020 John Deere 410L Backhoe

Public Works Director Matt Unrein presented a quote for a 2020 John Deere 410L Backhoe from Erb Equipment through the state contract for \$112,275.00. **Councilman Tinnin made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wilkey, Wehner, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.**

Two 2022 Single Axel Dumptrucks with Snowplow and Spreader

Public Works Director Matt Unrein presented a quote for two 2022 single axel dumptrucks with snowplows and spreaders from International Truck & Equipment through the state bids for a total price of \$278,164.00. **Councilman Tinnin made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Councilman Venz. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wilkey, Wehner, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.**

Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution No. 4603 ½ - A Resolution of Intent expressing support of the development of Sunridge Meadows, a sixty (60) unit senior rental complex located on Brandon Wallace Way. Clerk Patek read Resolution No. 4603 ½. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Greg Camp gave a staff report. **Councilman Tinnin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 4603 ½, motion was seconded by Councilman Wehner. Motion carried unanimously. Resolution No. 4603 ½ was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Tinnin, Boyer, Wilkey, Dennis, Wehner, Cook and Venz; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Resolution No. 4603 ½ passed.**

Bill No. 4604 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Planned Unit Development Revision for Truman Village as described in Section I of this Ordinance; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4604 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Greg Camp gave a staff report. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to read Bill No. 4604 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4604 for the second time. Bill No. 4604 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Tinnin, Boyer, Dennis, Wehner, Wilkey, Cook and Venz; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4604 passed.**

New Business

Appointments

Mayor Richards stated he would like to appoint Dave Davis to the Park Board. Mayor Richards stated Mr. Davis is also a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. **Councilman Cook made a motion to approve the appointment of Dave Davis to the Park Board, seconded by Councilman Wehner. Motion carried unanimously.**

Paperless Government Policy

City Administrator Greg Camp gave a staff report on the proposed policy on paperless government for the City of Festus. **Councilman Wehner made a motion to approve the Paperless Government Policy proposed by the City Administrator, motion seconded by Councilman Dennis. Motion carried unanimously.**

Eagle Scout Request

Eagle Scout Jacob Merideth addressed the Council regarding a proposed Eagle Scout project. Jacob stated he would like to build benches for the Ozark Food Pantry which would include little wooden boxes for books that people could read while they are waiting in line at the food pantry. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to approve Jacob's request, seconded by Councilman Venz. Motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business - None

Reports

Councilman Venz – Thanked Matt Unrein for getting lights replaced.

Councilman Tinnin – Stated that the bridge on Cromwell looked great.

Councilman Wilkey – Stated that it was great to see the parks being used so frequently by not only Festus citizens but out of town visitors also.

Councilman Cook – Thanked Michelle, dispatcher, Josh Whaley and asked that everyone keep Sgt. Griffaws daughter in their prayers as she is battling cancer.

Mayor Richards – Stated there were 113 active cases of COVID in Festus with 78 deaths and that number does include the Festus rural area. Mayor Richards encouraged everyone to wear a mask, socially distance and wash their hands frequently. Mayor Richards stated that he has a granddaughter in Las Vegas that has contracted COVID and would appreciate thoughts and prayers for her.

Fire Chief Cremer – Stated that the Fire Department will be handing out candy on Halloween at the fire house.

Adjournment

Councilman Dennis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Cook. On a call by the chair the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.