

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING  
PUD Change Request – Shapiro Drive  
March 22, 2021  
5:50 p.m.**

The public hearing to seek public input regarding a P.U.D. change request for Shapiro Drive in Festus, MO. 63028 was called to order at 5:50 p.m. by Mayor Sam Richards.

Present in the Council chambers: Mayor Richards, City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Councilmembers Dave Boyer, Mike Cook, Bobby Venz, and Public Works Director/Asst. City Administrator Matt Unrein.

Present via Zoom: Councilmembers Kevin Dennis and Brian Wehner and Building Official Mark Harris.

No public comments were received.

Mayor Richards then closed the public hearing.

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 22, 2021  
6:00 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on March 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call in the Council chambers: Bobby Venz, Gary Underwood, Dave Boyer, Mike Cook; and the following Council members were present via Zoom: Kevin Dennis and Brian Wehner. Absent: Jim Tinnin and Kyle Wilkey. Mayor Samuel F. Richards presided over the meeting. Also present in the Council chambers were Finance Director Stephanie Cunningham, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Public Works Director Matt Unrein, Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis, Fire Chief Kevin Cremer, Police Chief Tim Lewis, and City Administrator Greg Camp. City Attorney Brian Malone, Chris Beddell, Joe Feldman with Cochran Engineering, Developer Larry Goodwin and Building Official Mark Harris were 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 \$575,265.50. Motion to approve the bills, minutes of the Council Meeting of March 8, 2021 was made by Councilman Wehner, seconded by Councilman Boyer and approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Underwood, Dennis, Venz and Cook; Nays – none.

Councilman Tinnin arrived at 6:07 p.m.

**Correspondence** - none

### **Visitors**

Tom Wells addressed the Council requesting that the City building a stage in the S. Adams Street Park. Mr. Wells stated that he felt this would not only be good for the surrounding neighborhood of the park, but for the entire City. Mr. Wells stated that he was a musician and would like to have an outdoor venue to play in. Councilman Dennis asked if he could be sent a copy of the pictures of the proposed stage. Councilman Boyer asked what would be involved because of the park being in a floodplain. Mayor Richards thanked Mr. Wells for his comments and informed him that the City would look into his request.

**Bids** - none

### **Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Bill No. 4624** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Planned Unit Development Revision for Overlay Lot 6 of Festus Commerce & Business Center Lot 6; incorporating Exhibit "A" attached hereto as a part of this Ordinance; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4624 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilman Venz made a motion to read Bill No. 4624 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Dennis. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4624 for the second time. Bill No. 4624 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Underwood, Venz, Tinnin, Dennis, Wehner and Cook; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4624 passed.**

**Bill No. 4625** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Plat of Festus Commerce and Business Center Plat 6; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4625 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilman Venz made a motion to read Bill No. 4625 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Wehner. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4625 for the second time. Bill No. 4625 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Underwood, Venz, Dennis, Wehner, Tinnin and Cook; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4625 passed.**

**Bill No. 4626** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Plat of Mill Street Hill; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4626 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to read Bill No. 4626 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Cook. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4626 for the second time. Bill No. 4626 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Underwood, Venz, Dennis, Tinnin and Cook; Abstain – Councilman Wehner; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4626 passed.**

**Bill No. 4627** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Imposing a Temporary Moratorium on the Issuance of Package Liquor Licenses; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4627 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. City Administrator Greg Camp and City Attorney Brian Malone gave a staff report. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to read Bill No. 4627 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Cook. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4627 for the second time. Bill No. 4627 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Underwood, Venz, Dennis, Wehner, Tinnin and Cook; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4627 passed.**

## **New Business**

City Administrator Camp stated that the parents of the 2021 Festus High School graduating class have requested permission to have a fireworks display at the graduation ceremony. Councilman Cook asked about COVID restrictions. Mr. Camp stated that the City would work with the school district based on County levels at the time of graduation. Councilman Boyer made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Councilman Dennis. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business** - none

## **Reports**

Councilman Boyer – Asked about the status of pothole repair as he has received several complaints. Public Works Director Matt Unrein gave an update on the status of repairs.

Councilman Tinnin – Asked about street lighting on Hawk Pointe. Matt Unrein gave an update on the placement of street lighting. Councilman Tinnin stated he was not just talking about the intersection but the entire street where there is not lighting. Mr. Unrein explained that he misunderstood and that what Councilman Tinnin was requesting would cost a lot more, but that he would check into it with Ameren. Councilman Tinnin also asked about side by sides, SUV's, golf carts on city streets. Chief Lewis informed him that these vehicles were not allowed.

Councilman Cook – Stated that he had received nice compliments on the parks and that he was pleased with the addition of Barb to the weekly radio show to let citizens know what events are happening.

Councilman Wehner – Stated that it was nice that Barb gives the Council bi-weekly reports and that he likes the new methods of communication like the texts sent out by the City. Stated he was looking forward the water being on in the parks. Stated the mirror was a nice addition for traffic view around the Ball Barn.

Mayor Richards – Stated that even though COVID restrictions are starting to be lifted that everyone needs to still be diligent until we can resume normal operations.

Councilman Tinnin – Stated he had just returned from Colorado where mask mandates are very strict and taken very seriously.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Richards entertained a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Missouri law for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to RSMo. 610.021 (1) legal matters. Councilman Cook made a motion to go into closed session, seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Underwood, Wehner, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.

### **Back to Open Session**

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