

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
April 24, 2023**

Mayor Richards opened the public hearing to seek public input regarding the update of the PUD for 1361 Shapiro at 5:50 p.m. No public comments were received. Mayor Richards closed the hearing at 5:55 p.m.

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The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on April 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call in the Council chambers: Boyer, Templeton, Venz, Cook and Tinnin; Absent – Wehner and Collier; and the following Council member was present via Zoom: Dennis. Mayor Samuel F. Richards presided over the meeting. Also present in the Council chambers were City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Finance Director Stephanie Cunningham, Police Chief Tim Lewis, Parks Director Josh Whaley, Public Works Director Matt Unrein, Fire Chief Jeff Broombaugh, Tourism Director Barb Lowry, Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis, Building Official Mark Harris and City Attorney Brian Malone.

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

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mayor Richards announced the bills were in the amount of \$502,671.10. Motion to approve the bills and minutes of the Council Meeting of April 10, 2023 was made by Councilman Cook, seconded by Councilman Boyer and approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Dennis, Templeton, Venz, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.

Correspondence

Visitors

Mayor Richards introduced his daughter and granddaughters who were visiting from Hawaii.

Mayor Richards presented retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis with a plaque listing his service record with the City of Festus.

City Clerk Patek gave the Oath of Office to new Police Chief Doug Wendel.

Bids

Ordinances and Resolutions

Bill No. 4718 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Amending Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus to incorporate the City's guidelines governing work in city right-of-way, currently found in 515 Appendix A, into the existing sections of Chapter 515, and enacting new Sections 515.210, 515.220, 515.230 and 515.240, prohibiting work in city right-of-way at certain times; repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4718 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. City Administrator Greg Camp and City Attorney Brian Malone gave a staff report. No comments or questions were received from Council. **Councilman Venz made a motion to read Bill No. 4718 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilwoman Templeton. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4718 for the second time. Bill No. 4718 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Templeton, Dennis, Venz, Cook and Tinnin; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4718 passed.**

Bill No. 4719 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the updated Planned Unit Development Overlay for 1361 Shapiro; incorporating Exhibit "A" attached hereto as a part of this Ordinance. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4719 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended this change for approval. Councilman Cook stated that he believed the original PUD showed strictly retail use at that location. Mr. Camp stated that the original PUD was intended for retail use and that there were some inconsistencies with this new proposed overlay. **Councilman Venz made a motion to read Bill No. 4719 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4719 for the second time. Bill No. 4719 FAILED by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Templeton, Venz and Tinnin; Nays – Cook and Dennis. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4719 FAILED.**

New Business

City Administrator asked Council to move the Monday, May 8, 2023 meeting to Tuesday, May 9, 2023 due to Monday being a holiday (Truman's birthday). Council agreed unanimously to move the meeting.

Old Business - none

Reports

Councilman Boyer – Congratulated new Police Chief Doug Wendel and new Captain Lewis Pippin and retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis. Asked about reducing the speed limit on Beffa. Chief Wendel stated they could look into it.

Councilman Cook - Congratulated new Police Chief Doug Wendel and new Captain Lewis Pippin and retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis.

Councilman Tinnin - Congratulated new Police Chief Doug Wendel and new Captain Lewis Pippin and retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis. Commented on the success of the Viking Festival hosted by Four Brothers Mead.

Councilman Venz - Congratulated new Police Chief Doug Wendel and new Captain Lewis Pippin and retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis.

Councilwoman Templeton - Congratulated new Police Chief Doug Wendel and new Captain Lewis Pippin and retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis. Also commented on the Viking Festival and participants.

Councilman Dennis – Welcomed the Mayor’s family from Hawaii. Commended the clean up efforts around town by the public works department after the storm. Congratulated new Police Chief Doug Wendel and new Captain Lewis Pippin and retiring Police Chief Tim Lewis.

Mayor Richards – Stated he was very proud to appoint new Police Chief Doug Wendel and Captain Lewis Pippin and congratulated Chief Lewis on his retirement and how they had worked together for many years when Mayor Richards was a Crystal City police officer and Tim Lewis was a Festus police officer.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Richards asked for 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, (2) for leasing, purchase, or sale of real estate, and (12) documents related to a negotiated contract. Motion made by Councilman Cook, seconded by Councilman Boyer to go into closed session. Motion approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Templeton, Venz, Dennis, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.

Adjournment

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