



**CITY OF ST. PETERS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN WORK SESSION MINUTES
JULY 27, 2023**

The Work Session was called to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 27, 2023 at the St. Peters Justice Center Board of Aldermen ~~Conference Room~~ located at 1020 Grand Teton Drive.

*Chambers
P.S. 8/16/23*

City Clerk Patty Smith called the roll.

The following Elected Officials were present: Mayor Len Pagano
Ward 1 – Alderman Joyce Townsend and Alderman John “Rocky” Reitmeyer
Ward 2 – Alderman Judy Bateman and Alderman Dr. Gregg Sartorius
Ward 3 – Alderman Dave Kuppler and Board President Alderman Melissa Reimer
Ward 4 – Alderman Nick Trupiano and Alderman Patrick Barclay
A quorum was established.

The following staff were present: Elliot Schneider, Environmental & Fleet Services Manager; Dan Emrick, Parks and Recreation Services Manager; Amy Haddock, Water Environment Services Manager; Burt Benesek, Transportation Development Services Manager; Cathy Pratt, Staff Support Services Manager; Andy Ramirez, Police Chief; Bill Malach, City Administrator; and Patty Smith, City Clerk. John Young, City Attorney was also present.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/ALDERMANIC REPRESENTATIVES

Committee reports were given during this time.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

No items for discussion

MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

Unfinished Business Items: None

New Business Items:

Alderman Reitmeyer moved and Alderman Reimer seconded the motion to remove Use Tax Ballot Measure 2024 from the agenda for discussion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

USE TAX BALLOT MEASURE 2024 – MAYOR

Mayor stated after reviewing the budget shortfalls, and the recent brick and mortar store closings in the area, the City is in need to plan for the future. Mayor explained his request to submit to the St. Peters voters at the April 2, 2024 General Municipal election a ballot measure, Proposition Fair, to impose a local use tax rate to out-of-state vendors equal to the total local sales tax rate for general revenue purposes currently in effect for our brick and mortar stores. The State of Missouri and St. Charles County already collect a use tax, as do the cities of O’Fallon, Lake Saint Louis, Wentzville,

and City of Saint Charles. The City of St. Peters currently does not receive “use tax” revenue and believes that a use tax will help level the economic playing field between local retail merchants and out-of-state sellers, and that the revenue from such a tax will support the provisions of critical municipal services such as police safety services and streets maintenance and repair. Extensive Board discussion ensued including concerns of the timing is too soon after residents voted this measure down at this year’s General Municipal election; suggestions to move this item to the August, 2024; November 2024, or the April 2025 ballot; concerns regarding online vendors making daily deliveries, however don’t pay for street maintenance or purchase fuel in the City; discussed the need to educate residents on the importance of this tax to continue supporting City amenities; suggestion to review budget after a year without the use tax, and poll staff and residents on what services they suggest cutting if use tax is not supported. **This item is business item I-5 on this evening’s Board of Aldermen meeting agenda for consideration by the Board of Aldermen.**

Alderman Townsend moved and Alderman Bateman seconded the motion to remove U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Cooperative Agreement from the agenda for discussion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT – HADDOCK

Ms. Haddock explained the need for a Cooperative Agreement between U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) and City of St. Peters for Rehabilitation of the St. Peters Old Town Levee System to benefit a section of the Old Town Levee that was impacted during the July 2022 severe rain event. Ms. Haddock further explained that the Old Town Levee was a federally built project, and the City is active with operations and maintenance in accordance with the USACE Rehabilitation and Inspection Program, therefore the repair is eligible for federal funding. The total rehabilitation cost is approximately \$279,500, to repair approximately 180 linear feet of erosion along the levee. The project costs will be paid by the Federal program and USACE has designed project improvements and will manage the construction. The project is anticipated to begin late summer/early fall. The City of St. Peters is required to execute the Cooperative Agreement with the Department of the Army to receive said funding for this levee repair. No comments or questions from the Board of Aldermen. Alderman Reimer moved and Alderman Sartorius seconded the motion to place this item on the August 10, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting agenda for consideration. All in favor, the motion was approved. **This item will be placed on the August 10, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting agenda.**

Alderman Reimer moved and Alderman Townsend seconded the motion to remove MO Highways and Transportation Commission Agreement for City Entrance Monuments from the agenda for discussion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

MO HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AGREEMENT FOR CITY ENTRANCE MONUMENTS – BENESEK

Mr. Benesek explained that execution of two (2) agreements with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is required to construct City entrance monument signs and associated landscaping on right-of-way owned by the Commission. Mr. Benesek displayed aerial photos of proposed sites of two City entrance monuments at the Mid Rivers Mall Drive interchanges at Highway 70 and one at Mid Rivers Mall Drive interchange at Highway 364 (State Route 94). The FY2023 Transportation Trust Fund Budget includes \$225,000 for the design, installation, maintenance and future relocation or removal in required. Aldermen questions on future sign locations at Cave Spring Blvd., Salt Lick Road and sign lighting were addressed by Mr. Benesek. No further comments or

questions from the Board of Aldermen. **This is business item I-7 on this evening's Board of Aldermen meeting agenda for consideration.**

Alderman Reimer moved and Alderman Barclay seconded the motion to remove Annual Roadway Salt Purchase Recommendation from the agenda for discussion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

ANNUAL ROADWAY SALT PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION – BENESEK

Mr. Benesek stated roadway salt is used for annual snow and ice control operations. The City of St. Peters is a member of the St. Louis Metro APWA Salt Cooperative. On May 15, 2023, competitive bids were received by the City of Chesterfield on behalf of the St. Louis Metro APWA Salt Cooperative. Compass Minerals submitted the low bid for supply and delivery of roadway salt at \$84.05 per ton. The City of St. Peters' Snow and Ice Control Operations consume 2,500 tons of roadway salt annually. Staff is recommending utilizing the competitive bids received by the St. Louis Metro APWA Salt Cooperative. Approval of this recommendation will authorize the total expenditure of \$168,100.00 for the supply and delivery of 2,000 tons of roadway salt for the 2023/2024 snow and ice control operations, with the final total value adjusted to reflect actual quantities at the unit prices bid. The City of Chesterfield is requesting member purchase orders by August 11, 2023. Alderman question on cost increase was addressed by Mr. Benesek; which is a 7.5% increase from the previous season. No further comments or questions from the Board of Aldermen. **This is business item I-6 on this evening's Board of Aldermen meeting agenda for consideration.**

Alderman Sartorius moved and Alderman Barclay seconded the motion to remove MoDOT Agreement for Mid Rivers Mall Drive Multi-Use Path from the agenda for discussion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

MODOT AGREEMENT FOR MID RIVERS MALL DRIVE MULTI-USE PATH – BENESEK

Mr. Benesek gave a slideshow presentation on a Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission Transportation Alternatives Program Agreement for the Mid Rivers Mall Drive Multi-Use Path Project (Route N to MO 364). Mr. Benesek further explained the City has been awarded federal funds of \$519,181 of the total estimated cost of \$798,740.00 for design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction, through the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council of Governments. This project includes the construction of a 10 feet wide multi-use path located along the east side of Mid Rivers Mall Drive. The new path will connect to existing multi-use paths located at the north and south ends of the project. The project will provide a continuous path from St. Charles County's Veteran's Tribute Park to the Dardenne Greenway at St. Charles Community College. In order to receive said funds, the City of St. Peters must execute a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission detailing funding requirements. Questions addressing Great Rivers Greenway trail system location and the City of Cottleville's trail and contribution towards the project were addressed by Mr. Benesek. Alderman Townsend moved and Alderman Reimer seconded the motion to place this item on the August 10, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting agenda for consideration. All in favor, the motion was approved. **This item will be placed on the August 10, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting agenda.**

Alderman Sartorius moved and Alderman Reitmeyer seconded the motion to remove 2023 Partial Depth Concrete Repair Bid Recommendation from the agenda for discussion. All in favor, the motion was approved.

2023 PARTIAL DEPTH CONCRETE REPAIR BID RECOMMENDATION – BENESEK

Mr. Benesek stated the City has a budgeted Partial Depth Concrete Repair Program with goals to extend the useful life of arterial and collector roadway pavement and avoid extended lane closures associated with full depth pavement replacement. This preventative maintenance project on Mid Rivers Mall Drive from Suemandy Drive to Grand Teton Drive consists of milling damaged concrete pavement around joints and potholes and placement of a polymer joint repair material with a stone topping. On July 6, 2023, staff received two (2) bids for the 2023 Partial Depth Concrete Repair and recommending the low bidder of Parking Lot Maintenance LLC in the initial amount of \$144,900.00. No comments or questions from the Board of Aldermen. Alderman Reimer moved and Alderman Sartorius seconded the motion to place this item on the August 10, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting agenda for consideration. All in favor, the motion was approved. **This item will be placed on the August 10, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting agenda.**

MISCELLANEOUS UPDATES – MALACH

None

BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM REVISIONS – MALACH

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION RE: LITIGATION, REAL ESTATE AND PERSONNEL, PURSUANT TO SECTION 610.021 (1)(2)(3)(9)(12)(13)(14)(19) & 610.022 (1-6)

Alderman Reimer moved and Alderman Sartorius seconded the motion to enter Executive Session re: Litigation, Real Estate and Personnel, pursuant to Section 610.021(1)(2)(3)(9)(12)(13)(14)(19) & 610.022 (1-6) and then adjourn the Work Session meeting from the Executive Session. With the motion approved, the Board of Aldermen entered Executive Session at approximately 6:06 p.m. Roll Call was taken as follows: President of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Reimer, yes; Alderman Townsend, yes; Alderman Sartorius, yes; Alderman Bateman, yes; Alderman Reitmeyer, yes; Alderman Barclay, yes; Alderman Kuppler, yes; Alderman Trupiano, yes.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND THE WORK SESSION

Alderman Reimer moved and Alderman Barclay seconded the motion to adjourn the Executive Session and the Work Session meetings. The motion carried and the Executive Session and the Work Session was adjourned at approximately 6:19 p.m. with roll call shown as follows: President of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Reimer, yes; Alderman Townsend, yes; Alderman Sartorius, yes; Alderman Bateman, yes; Alderman Reitmeyer, yes; Alderman Barclay, yes; Alderman Kuppler, yes; Alderman Trupiano, yes.

Submitted by,



Patricia E. Smith
City Clerk

