

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADUE  
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI  
MONDAY, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

The meeting of the City Council of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri, was held on Monday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., at City Hall, 9345 Clayton Road. The following members were present:

The Hon. Nancy Spewak, Mayor, presiding.

Members of the Council present:

Stacey Kamps  
Patrick Hensley  
John Fox  
John Howell (arrived at 4:04PM)  
William Brennan  
Harold Burroughs

Six Council Members present.

Also, present Police Chief Ken Andreski; Fire Chief Steven Lynn; Mr. Paul Garlock, Building Official; Ms. Lamitola, Director of Public Works; Mr. Scott Kroenung, Director of Finance; Ms. Andrea Sukanek, City Planner; Ms. Erin Seele, City Attorney; and Ms. Stacey Mann, City Clerk.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Council Member Fox moved to approve the agenda as presented, upon second by Council Member Brennan the motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Mayor Spewak stated that following approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, an error was found on page 3 under Bill 2326 regarding a public comment by Mr. David Woltz, and an amendment is needed. Mayor Spewak asked if there were any amendments, corrections, or clarifications to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, or additional corrections to the Regular Meeting of February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Council Member Hensley moved approval of the minutes as submitted; upon second by Council Member Fox, the motion passed unanimously.

**Presentation:**

Stacey Mann recognized Deputy City Clerk, Lori Mullins, for her five years of continuous service to the City of Ladue. Ms. Mann shared that Ms. Mullins also serves as the Assistant to the Prosecuting Attorney, and board secretary to many of Ladue's boards and commissions.

Mayor Spewak and Council thanked Ms. Mullins for her dedicated service to the citizens of Ladue.

**Public Forum:**

None.

**Public Hearing:**

**PH1:** The City Council of the City of Ladue will hold a Public Hearing regarding a request for a proposed amendment to Ordinance 1175 zoning approval process for planned mixed use developments.

Mayor Spewak stated that this item was before the Council at their February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, meeting.

Ms. Andrea Sukanek stated that at the direction of the City Council staff has carefully evaluated zoning-related changes regarding planned mixed-use developments. Ms. Sukanek provided an overview of the strategies and priorities laid out in both the Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Plan as it related to potential areas for redevelopment. Ms. Sukanek stated that there are areas that could be identified in the G-1 and G-2 zoning districts that developers would find desirable for this type of use. Ms. Sukanek provided a brief power point presentation that detailed both small- and large-scale mixed-use developments.

Council Member Hensley stated that he had some concern with mixed development within the G-1 zoning district, as parking is already difficult to manage. Council Member Hensley furthered that he would prefer to look at the G-1 and G-2 districts differently. Following discussion, the Council directed staff to eliminate the G-1 district as an area where mixed-use development may be approved. Council requested that an updated bill be presented for their review at the May 2023 meeting.

**PH2:** The City Council of the City of Ladue will hold a Public Hearing regarding a proposed amendment to Sections III, VII, and XVI of the Ladue Zoning Ordinance 1175 regarding recreational marijuana facilities.

Council Member Fox moved to open the public hearing, with second by Council Member Brennan the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Sukanek stated that due to recent changes in state law regarding the legalization of the adult use of recreational marijuana in Missouri, many cities, including Ladue, need to update zoning regulations. Ms. Sukanek furthered that Ladue would need to revise current regulations in order to accommodate marijuana facilities for recreational and medical purposes.

Council Member Hensley moved to extend the interim stay of acceptance of applications for marijuana facilities that is set to expire on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 for thirty days, with a second by Council Member Brennan the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Seele announced that the notice for the hearing, the entire Code of Ordinances including Ordinance 1175, the entire file including the application, Zoning & Planning Commission recommendation and staff report was available and made part of the official record.

**New Business:**

**Proposed Legislation:**

**Bill 2330:** An ordinance to amend Ordinance 1175 – the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri to create a zoning approval process for planned mixed-use developments.

Mayor Spewak tabled Bill 2330.

**Bill 2334:** An ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 74 Personnel Regulations and Benefits of Article II. Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Council Member Hensley read Bill No. 2334 followed by a second reading by Council Member Fox.

Council Member Burroughs moved for approval of Bill No. 2334. Upon second by Council Member Hensley the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Brennan	“Aye”
Council Member Burroughs	“Aye”
Council Member Fox	“Aye”
Council Member Hensley	“Aye”
Council Member Howell	“Aye”
Council Member Kamps	“Aye”

There being six aye votes and zero nay votes the motion passed unanimously.

**Bill 2335:** An ordinance to amend Section III, VII, and XVI of Ordinance 1175 the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri, regarding recreational marijuana facilities.

Mayor Spewak tabled Bill 2335.

**Resolution 2023-12** A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri an inter-agency agreement with the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District for the OCMI Stormwater Reimbursement Program Agreement.

Council Member Hensley moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-12, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed.

**Resolution 2023-13** A resolution adopting the 2023 Sidewalk Infrastructure Evaluation and Implementation Plan for the City of Ladue

Ms. Lamitola shared the eight different criteria that was used to evaluate sidewalk improvements were: available right-of-way, community support, connectivity, number of residents served, utility impact, cost per linear foot of sidewalk, ability to receive federal funding, level of comfort. Using this criterion, a draft walk plan was presented to the public in late 2022 with ninety-four public comments received. Following modifications, the plan was presented to the Public Works Committee at their April 5, 2023, meeting, with the Committee recommending its adoption.

Council Member Hensley moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-13, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed.

**Resolution 2023-14**            A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri with Ideal Landscape Group for the Deer Creek Preserve Project

Ms. Lamitola stated that the City will receive \$370,000 in reimbursement for the project through the Municipal Park Construction Grant upon completion.

Council Member Fox moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-14, with second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed.

**Resolution 2023-15**            A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri a contract with Throttle Net for managed IT Services.

Council Member Howell moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-15, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed.

Council Member Kamps urged that the City document all discussions held regarding cybersecurity insurance in their official minutes.

**Financial Matters:**

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Vouchers for Payment for the month of March 2023. Council Member Fox moved their approval, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Collector's Report for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Cash Flow Summary for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Investments Report for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed for information.

**Department Reports:**

**Fire Department:** The Mayor and Council reviewed the Fire Department Activity Report for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed.

**2022 Annual Report**

Chief Lynn presented the 2022 Annual Report and recognized Assistant Chief Johnson for his work on compiling the reports.

**Police Department:** Mayor and Council reviewed the Police Activity Report for the period February 1 – March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed.

Chief Andreski stated that Ladue School District has requested an additional school resource officer at the middle school, and the City is in discussions with the school board to try and increase police presence. Chief Andreski stated that with our current staffing levels they may not have officers available to fulfil this request.

**2022 Annual Report**

Chief Andreski presented the 2022 Annual Report.

**Public Works & Building:** Mayor and Council reviewed the report of the Director of the Public Works Department for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed.

Mr. Garlock reported that while activity levels are about 10% lower than in 2022, more applications are coming to the Architectural Review Board in the coming weeks.

**Municipal Court:** Mayor and Council reviewed the report of the Municipal Court for March 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed.

**City Attorney:** Nothing to report currently.

**Administration:**

- a. Council Member Fox moved to declare certain office equipment as listed in the April Administrative report as surplus, with a second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed unanimously.
- b. Ms. Mann stated that a special meeting will be held via ZOOM at a date and time to be agreed upon by Council for the purpose of accepting the election results of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and swearing-in officials.

**Committee Appointments**

Mayor Spewak requested approval of the following appointments:

- Beverly Tucker Knight to the Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee for a three-year term.
- Elliot Dole to the Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee for a three-year term.

- Heidi Reed to the Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee for a three-year term.
- Philip (Flip) Schwarz to the Stormwater Advisory Committee for a three-year term.

Council Member Fox moved to approve the appointments of Elliot Dole, Heidi Reed, and Beverly Tucker Knight to the Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee for three-year terms, and Philip Schwarz to the Stormwater Advisory Committee for a three-year term, with a second by Council Member Brennan the motion passed unanimously.

**Reports of Various Board & Commission Meetings**

The Mayor and Council reviewed the reports of various Board & Commission Meetings held between March 16<sup>th</sup>, and April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The mayor ordered the reports filed for information.

**Closed Session:** Mayor Spewak advised there were items for discussion in executive session to discuss matters relating to litigation, legal actions and/or communications from the City Attorney as provided under section 610.021 (1) RSMO. and/or personnel matters under section 610.021 (13) RSMO. and/or employee matters under section 610.021 (3) RSMO.

Council Member Hensley moved to enter into closed session to discuss matters relating to litigation, legal actions and/or communications from the City Attorney as provided under section 610.021 (1) RSMO. and/or personnel matters under section 610.021 (13) RSMO. and/or employee matters under section 610.021 (3) RSMO. upon second by Council Member Burroughs the roll call vote there upon was as follows:

Council Member Burroughs	“Aye”
Council Member Fox	“Aye”
Council Member Hensley	“Aye”
Council Member Howell	“Aye”
Council Member Kamps	“Aye”
Council Member Brennan	“Aye”

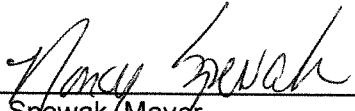
There being six aye votes and zero nay votes the motion passed unanimously.

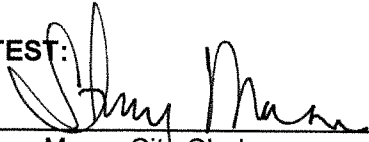
Council went into closed session at 5:20 p.m. with Stacey Mann, Anne Lamitola, Erin Seele, and Chris Hesse.

Council returned to open session at 6:05 p.m. with Stacey Mann, Anne Lamitola, Erin Seele, and Chris Hesse.

**Adjournment:** Council Member Fox moved adjournment, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

**APPROVED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2023.**

  
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Nancy Spewak, Mayor

**ATTEST:**   
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Stacey Mann, City Clerk