

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADUE
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
TUESDAY JUNE 20TH, 2023**

The meeting of the City Council of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri, was held on Tuesday June 20th, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., at City Hall, 9345 Clayton Road and via Zoom. The following members were present:

The Hon. Nancy Spewak, Mayor, presiding.

Members of the Council present:

Patrick Hensley
John Fox
John Howell
William Brennan
Harold Burroughs

Five 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: Mayor Spewak requested that the agenda be amended to move Resolution 2023-18 a resolution regarding a collective bargaining agreement with the Ladue Fire Department Shop of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 2665 to the end of the agenda following Department Reports. Council Member Brennan moved to approve the agenda as amended, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes: Mayor Spewak asked if there were any amendments, corrections, or clarifications to the minutes of the Regular or Closed Meetings of May 15th, 2023.

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

Public Forum:

Ms. Karen Robertson, 31 Oak Bend, requested an update on the Foxboro buyout, and stated that the homes were once again faced with high water following the rain events over the weekend. Chief Lynn stated that the area is being closely monitored.

Presentations:

Chief Andreski recognized Lt. Chris Armstrong for his twenty years of continuous service to the City of Ladue.

Chief Andreski recognized PO Ryan Eaton for his fifteen years of continuous service to the City of Ladue.

Chief Andreski recognized Sgt. Johnny Dunn for his ten years of continuous service to the City of Ladue.

Chief Andreski recognized Sgt. Cody Radford for his five years of continuous service to the City of Ladue.

Mayor Spewak and Council thanked the employees for their dedicated service to the citizens of Ladue.

Committee Report:

Insurance Committee

C-1 Request for approval of a one-year renewal for Property and Casualty Insurance with Travelers Insurance.

C-2 Request for approval of one-year coverage for Workers' Compensation Insurance with Missouri Employers Mutual Insurance.

Mr. Wally Klein, Chairman of the Insurance Committee, provided a brief summary of the recommendations from the Insurance Committee regarding all of the City's lines of coverage.

Mayor Spewak thanked Mr. Klein and the committee members for their effort on the renewals.

Council Member Burroughs moved for approval of a renewal with Travelers Insurance for property and casualty insurance as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Howell moved approval of a renewal for worker's compensation with MEMS as recommended by the Insurance Committee, upon second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed unanimously.

Committee on Revenue Generation and Expense Management

Mr. Kroenung highlighted the findings and conclusions of the ad-hoc committee on revenue generation and expense management.

Mr. Kroenung stated that the committee reviewed a ten-year revenue forecast and removed approximately \$14 million in expenses over the next 5-10 years. Mr. Kroenung added that there were additional financial risks coming forward such as the proposed St. Louis County bill that would freeze the real estate property rate for households over the age of 65.

Mr. Kroenung stated that the committee has recommended to the Council the implementation of a half-cent fire sales tax. Mr. Kroenung added that the city of Ladue is the only municipality who has not implemented the fire sales tax and would make a significant difference in revenue for years to come.

Mayor Spewak directed staff to add a discussion item on the fire sales tax to the July Council agenda.

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.

Ms. Sukanek stated that following discussions with local real estate developers, as well as reviewing apartment developments in nearby communities, as well as other cities that share some of the same qualities as Ladue, she is recommending that the minimum unit size remain at 1,000 square feet. Ms. Sukanek stated additional requirements have been added including the requirement of covered or structured parking, private outdoor space such as a garden or balcony for each unit.

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.

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

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.

Mayor Spewak declared the public hearing as continued until the July City Council meeting.

PH3: The City Council of the City of Ladue will hold a Public Hearing regarding a proposed amendment to the Ladue Zoning Ordinance 1175 related to setbacks and other requirements for generators and other mechanical equipment.

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

Ms. Sukanek stated that the proposed amendment clarifies that the mechanical equipment and generators shall not be allowed in the primary front yard but would be allowed in a non-primary front yard should it be properly screened. Ms. Sukanek added that the equipment will be required to be screened from all roadways and adjacent properties and must comply with setbacks.

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.

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

New Business:

Proposed Legislation:

Bill 2330-A: 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 read Bill No. 2330-A followed by a second reading by Council Member Howell.

Council Member Howell moved for approval of Bill No. 2330-A. Upon second by Council Member Burroughs 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”

There being five 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 declared Bill 2335 as continued.

Council Member Burroughs moved to extend the interim stay of acceptance of applications for marijuana facilities through the July 2023 meeting; upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion passed unanimously.

Bill 2338-A: An ordinance approving the subdivision plat for “Dowd Subdivision – Summit Tract Consolidation Plat”

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2338-A followed by a second reading by Council Member Brennan.

Council Member Hensley moved for approval of Bill No. 2338-A. Upon second by Council Member Brennan the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

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

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

Bill 2340: An ordinance to amend Ordinance 1175 – the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri regarding generators and other mechanical equipment.

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2340 followed by a second reading by Council Member Burroughs.

Council Member Howell moved for approval of Bill No. 2340. Upon second by Council Member Burroughs the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

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

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

Bill 2341: An ordinance authorizing the Chief of Police to execute an intergovernmental master agreement with the REJIS Commission

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2341 followed by a second reading by Council Member Hensley.

Council Member Brennan moved for approval of Bill No. 2341. Upon second by Council Member Hensley the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

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

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

Bill 2342: An ordinance of the City of Ladue, Missouri, to establish a procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain municipal officials.

Mayor Spewak read Bill No. 2342 followed by a second reading by Council Member Howell.

Council Member Brennan moved for approval of Bill No. 2342. Upon second by Council Member Howell the roll call vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Hensley	"Aye"

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

Resolution 2023-19: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri a second amendment to the Medical Director Agreement with Mercy Clinic East Communities.

Council Member Howell moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-19, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed.

Resolution 2023-20: A resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to enter an agreement with the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA)

Council Member Burroughs moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-20, with second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed.

Resolution 2023-21: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City of Ladue, Missouri an order from between the City of Ladue and Flock Group Inc., to renew the Master Services Agreement for Flock Cameras for five years.

Council Member Brennan moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-21, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed.

Financial Matters:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Reports of Various Board & Commission Meetings

The Mayor and Council reviewed the reports of various Board & Commission Meetings held between May 19th, 2023, and June 6th, 2023. The mayor ordered the reports filed for information.

Department Reports:

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

Police Department: Mayor and Council reviewed the Police Activity Report for the period May 1st – May 31st, 2023. The mayor ordered the report filed.

Council Member Howell moved to approve the purchase of two police interceptors at the cost of \$95,853.00 utilizing ARPA funding, upon second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed unanimously.

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

Ms. Lamitola reported the retirement of Larry Johnson and thanked him for his forty-three years of service to Ladue.

Deerfield/Wakefield Stormwater Infrastructure Improvement Status Update

Council Member Fox moved to deny the use of eminent domain to acquire the remaining easements for the Deerfield/Wakefield Stormwater Project, upon second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed unanimously.

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

Mayor Spewak recognized the Court Administrator for her work on a successful state audit.

City Attorney: Nothing to report currently.

Administration:

Approval of an agreement between the City of Ladue and STL Programs for the publication of the 2024 Ladue Community Directory

Council Member Hensley moved to approve an agreement between the City of Ladue and STL Programs for the 2024 Ladue Community Directory publication, upon second by Council Member Howell, the motion carried unanimously.

Liquor License Renewals 2023-2024

Mayor Spewak asked for a motion to approve the liquor license renewals for 2023-2024.

Council Member Fox moved approval of the liquor license renewals numbered L-1 to L-21, upon second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously.

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.

Council Member Brennan 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.; upon second by Council Member Howell the roll call vote there upon was as follows:

Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Hensley	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"

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

The council went into closed session at 5:36 p.m. with Chief Lynn, Stacey Mann, Anne Lamitola, Erin Seele, and Chris Hesse.

Let the record reflect that Mr. Chris Hesse and Chief Lynn left the closed session meeting at 5:44 p.m.; Ms. Sukanek joined the meeting at 5:44 p.m.

The council returned to open session at 5:54 p.m. with Chief Lynn, Stacey Mann, Lloyd Palans, Anne Lamitola, Erin Seele, and Andrea Sukanek.

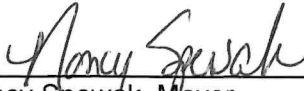
New Business:

Resolution 2023-18: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute a collective bargaining agreement with the Ladue Fire Department Shop of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 2665 (I.A.F.F. Local 2665)

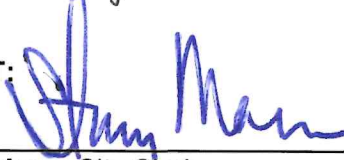
Council Member Brennan moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-18, with second by Council Member Hensley the motion passed.

Adjournment: Council Member Hensley moved adjournment, with second by Council Member Burroughs the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF JULY 2023.



Nancy Spewak, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Stacey Mann, City Clerk