



**MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2013**

5:30 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Carol Suter
Councilman Barry McCullough
Councilman Brian Hill
Councilman Bill Garnos

Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson
City Counselor Randall Thompson
City Clerk Cathy Swenson

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore
City Manager Kirk Davis

Item 2. on the Agenda. ROLL CALL.

Mayor Carol Suter opened the Special January 17, 2013, City Council Meeting at 5:30 PM in the Gladstone City Council Chambers, and welcomed everyone in attendance, and those viewing the meeting that was streaming on-line. Mayor Suter thanked everyone for taking an interest in their City government. Mayor Suter noted that all City Council members were present, except for Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, who was ill.

Item 3. on the Agenda. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Carol Suter led the Pledge of Allegiance, in which all joined.

REGULAR AGENDA

Item 4. on the Agenda. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

There were no communications from the audience.

Item 5. on the Agenda. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL.

Councilman Bill Garnos said he noticed in the Council's informational newsletter that funding had become available for some of the transit improvements on North Oak Trafficway. Councilman Garnos said he visited with Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson about this, but wished to mention that in addition to the nice stops that we had previously reviewed for part of

the Village Center, it would be nice if we could get park benches, at least on the south bound lane, along the bus stops, here in Gladstone. We just got the signs on poles, and there are people standing around or sitting on the ground. We may not need the expensive shelters and maintenance agreements, but a concrete pad and a park bench, at least on the southbound lanes, where people are waiting for a bus, would be one of those things that would be nice and attainable. If there is money available, this would be something worth pursuing. It would not solve our mass transit issues, or our many North Oak Corridor issues, but it seems like something small and reasonable that would at least help with the bus service along there, whether it is something we do, or KCATA (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority) does, or a joint effort. This would be a benefit to those who do use and rely on the bus service.

Mayor Suter said she believed this issue is on the agenda for the southbound lanes. It takes longer than we think. Mayor Suter said she championed the one on North Prospect, and it took awhile before we got that one. We are gaining traction on this issue.

Councilman Brian Hill said he noticed in the Council's informational newsletter that the wheels are in motion for a streetlight that was requested at the last City Council meeting, and he wondered what kind of streetlight it would be – would it be sodium vapor or one of the new ones? Would the cost difference be such that we could not afford a LED light?

Mayor Suter said she just read an article that due to the response being so great for the LED lights, that was what Kansas City Power and Light were going to.

Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson said he would need to check with Public Works Director Tim Nebergall to be sure, but part of what was in the informational newsletter about the LED lighting was MARC's effort to push the power company to make a decision about high efficiency lighting. The cities got together with MARC and said they would test the lights out for them. The research has been done now, but he is not sure if they passed all their policies to make it standard operating procedures to provide LED lights. Assistant City Manager Wingerson said he would check into this and report back in Council's newsletter.

Councilman Barry McCullough had no comments at this time.

Mayor Carol Suter said she was sorry that our Mayor Pro Tem and City Manager are still suffering with the flu. Hopefully, we are getting past it in Missouri and we will have fewer people out.

Item 6. on the Agenda. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER.

Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson stated that City Manager Kirk Davis sends his regrets. We saw him for a short bit today. He is getting better, but is not yet there.

Mr. Wingerson reported that City Hall would be closed on Monday, January 21, for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Item 7. on the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL 13-02, calling a General Election for the election of one position to the Gladstone City Council on Tuesday, April 2, 2013; describing the form of the ballot; and directing the City Clerk to submit certification of such election to the Clay County Board of Election Commissioners pursuant to RSMo 115.125.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to place **BILL 13-02** on its First Reading. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to accept the First Reading of **BILL 13-02**, Waive the Rule and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **BILL 13-02**, and to enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.225**. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded.

Roll call vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Item 8. on the Agenda. OTHER BUSINESS.

There was no other business.

Item 9. on the Agenda. QUESTIONS FROM THE NEWS MEDIA.

There were no questions from the News Media.

Item 10. on the Agenda. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the January 17, 2013, Gladstone Special City Council Meeting, Mayor Carol Suter adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Cathy Swenson, City Clerk

Approved as submitted: ____
Approved as corrected/amended: ____

Mayor Carol Suter