



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2015**

Mayor Bill Garnos opened the City Council Meeting to adjourn to a Closed Executive Session on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at 6:30 pm. **Councilmember R.D. Mallams** made a motion to adjourn to Closed Executive Session pursuant to Missouri Open Meeting Act Exemption 610.021(1) for Litigation and Confidential or Privileged Communications with Legal Counsel, and 610.021(2) for Real Estate Acquisition Discussion, and 610.021(3) for Personnel Discussion. **Councilmember J. Brian Hill** seconded. The Vote: All "aye" – Council member R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (4-0). Councilmember Carol Suter was also present at the closed session.

PRESENT: Mayor Bill Garnos
Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore
Councilmember Carol Suter
Councilmember J. Brian Hill
Councilmember R.D. Mallams

City Manager Kirk Davis
Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson
City Counselor Randall Thompson
City Clerk Ruth Bocchino

ABSENT: None

Item 2. On the Agenda. ROLL CALL.

Mayor Bill Garnos opened the Regular City Council Meeting Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at 7:38 PM in the Gladstone City Council Chambers. Upon Roll Call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present.

Item 3. On the Agenda. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked everyone to please rise and join in the pledge of allegiance.

Item 4. On the Agenda. Approval of the May 11, 2015, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill moved to accept the minutes of the May 11, 2015, Regular City Council meeting as presented. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The Vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item 5. On the Agenda. AMERICAN RED CROSS RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY CENTER

Nancy Hanks, District Supervisor for the American Red Cross Blood Services in Kansas City approached the Council and stated: *"It's hard for me to address everyone but I hope they can hear. I wanted to come by and personally present to Justin for the support that he has given us as well as the City of Gladstone. Charlene Leslie has been very helpful with the blood drives coming up. I would say in the last, under a year or so, we have probably collected close to 100 units and on the flip side that can help up to 300 hospital patients. A lot of folks don't realize that the American Red Cross in this region needs to collect about 1,000 units of blood every single day and we rely strictly on our community partners to do that. We are here regularly and we just wanted to come and personally extend our thanks and gratitude and hope that everyone here will help us spread the word to keep these blood drives going and growing every time we have them. Justin, on behalf of the American Red Cross, I'd like to present this plaque."*

Justin Merkey, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation stated *"I would like to say we do have our next blood drive on June 17 from 1:00 to 5:00 at the Community Center and we are now doing on a quarterly basis; our largest one to date was last fall which was during the Mizzou Homecoming Week where the Greek life got extra points if the parents showed up and gave blood. Hats off to the Mizzou alumni in the room and be looking for that one to come in October."*

Ms. Hanks stated: *"If there are Mizzou alumni, that is actually the largest blood drive in the country, and we will collect, last fall was around 5,700 units in a three day time period. We do the satellite locations in other places in Kansas City. I'm a Jayhawker, I hate to say it but, I just said that out loud in Missouri! It is a huge deal, the satellite locations, it was fun to do it here so if we can in those areas where we know we are going to get other people we definitely want to try to get them in the door and they get a Mizzou gift for coming so that was big. We are hoping to come up with clever themes. For June Charlene has said "not all heroes wear capes" that is her theme for the June blood drive. Anything we can do to make it fun and save lives at the same time, that's definitely what we want to do and we have got a good group here that helps us do that and the space is amazing, the Community Center is beautiful and we appreciate you having us there."*

Item 6. On the Agenda. SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY DEAN KATERNDAHL TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL IN RECOGNITION OF "COMMUNITIES FOR ALL AGES"

Dean Katerndahl approached the Council and stated: *"Good evening, I'm Dean Katerndahl with the Mid America Regional Council. Just a couple of words before I present the recognition. As you know for the last two and one-half years we have been working on a program called Community for All Ages and Gladstone has been one of the leading lights if not the leading light in that program which is really designed to, there is a lot of demographic changes going on, growing older adult population, growing millennials and how communities deal with that and make their communities attractive for all ages and that is the goal of it. As a part of this, we set up a recognition program, the First Suburbs Coalition did this last year and this is the first round of recognition. There are three categories: one is bronze for awareness, this is an issue that not really everybody is aware of, the changing demographics in that and how we can*

respond to that, secondly is an assessment; how is our community doing in providing a welcoming community for all ages, and the third is planning; which is our gold level and then moving on to actually implementing the plan. This first year, we had four recipients, Raytown, Mission, Grandview; they each received a bronze, but Gladstone set itself apart because I actually have two recognitions to present both a bronze and the silver for all the assessment work you did and a big thanks to the city for participating in this and helping us really design the program and a big thanks to Alan (Napoli) who has been a real trooper in carrying this forward both at MARC but also within the city and so I have to thank him as well. With that I'd welcome the City Council to come down and I'll present both recognitions."

Mr. Katerndahl presented the bronze award and the silver awards and stated: *"This is the bronze award for the work in making the community aware of Communities for All Ages. The sole recipient of the silver award for assessing the community and really setting the groundwork for pursuing development."*

City Manager Kirk Davis asked Mr. Katerndahl to remain standing and stated: *"Dean is getting ready to retire from the Mid America Regional Council. He started there in February 1997. Before that he worked, as I recall, in Kansas City, Kansas, and he started in 1997 as the Director of Government Innovations Forum. His role over the course of time has been to help our regional organization engage local government professionals, particularly City Managers, and serve them on MARC's behalf. He has helped to organize the managers' roundtable, which has brought together the city and county managers and administrators for almost two decades to build relationships and identify issues of common interest for regional attention. In addition, Dean and MARC have established a regional cooperative purchasing program, the first Suburbs Coalition of which we are a big part of, the Regional IT Managers Association, he has been involved in three idea books, a low interest property improvement loan program, I have a long list that I'm reading from and I am skipping over a couple just for time, but he has been involved in the Community for All Ages program as evidenced tonight; the Green Impact Zone around urban reinvestment, regional research and KC Rising around global economic competitiveness, the Regional Health Care Initiative to expand health care access, and the Regional Equity Network, One Kansas City network around citizen engagement. Dean has done so much for this region and certainly for this city as well. We would be remiss in not recognizing Dean for everything that he has done, certainly on our behalf; suffice it to say he has had a huge impact on this region. Those of us in Gladstone wish him the best in his retirement which is the end of June. We are going to miss you. You have been a great resource for us but a job well done down at MARC and you can't know the impact you have had on this whole region just by the list of things I talked about tonight that you have really been the leader in all of those activities so on our behalf I want to stand up and say thanks. Dean Katerndahl, well done."*

Mr. Katerndahl stated *"It's really been a pleasure working with the City Council and all the City Managers. I don't think people value their local government enough and all they do and all the things they have to have. I've really enjoyed working with you folks."*

Mayor Bill Garnos asked Councilmember Carol Suter if she had anything to add as she has been the point person on this.

Councilmember Carol Suter stated *"With the gauntlet being thrown down kind of early when we decided to do this recognition thing and so Alan and I knew from the beginning we were going to be the first to get an award, the first to get the gold, we are going to be the first, and it*

has been an absolute pleasure working with Dean in both the First Suburbs Coalition as well as this initiative and of course I serve on the MARC Board so I get to see him regularly and hear from him a lot. You will be missed, Dean. We really have appreciated your leadership."

Item 7. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.

Following the Clerk's reading, **Councilmember R.D. Mallams** moved to approve the Consent Agenda as published. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved approval of **BUILDING PERMIT BP-15-00358**, Popeye's Chicken, Demo/New Construction, 6060 NE Antioch Road, Gladstone, Missouri. 64119. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved approval of **BUILDING PERMIT BP-15-00320**, Van Subaru – Addition, 90 NW Vivion Road, Gladstone, Missouri. 64116. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved approval of the **CITY OF GLADSTONE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2015**. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

REGULAR AGENDA.

Item 8. On the Agenda. Communications from the Audience.

There were no communications from the audience.

Item 9. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Council.

Councilmember R. D. Mallams extended a thank you to Paula Brooks; she is probably taking off a couple of days, for her team that assisted in organizing the Armed Forces Memorial Day Celebration. It was a wonderful event, with no rain! Councilmember Mallams also extended a thank you to Debra Daily, the Finance Director, and her staff in preparing the budget information that they received in the study sessions. It has been very informative and very helpful.

Councilmember Carol Suter stated she wished to extend appreciation to Alan Napoli for Community for All Ages, that she is window dressing and Alan does all the work and he has done such a great job of working with citizens and gathering citizen input and participation from Gladstone and working collaboratively with the other area leaders in implementing this program and she really appreciates it. She heard wonderful things all the time coming back from other folks about how great he is to work with. We are lucky to have him here in Gladstone. Councilmember Suter also expressed her appreciation to Carr, Baier, Crandall because they did a

first class job of the groundbreaking for the Northland Innovation Center; it was very well done and very well attended.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill stated since Saturday's weather was mentioned; he wanted to congratulate Mayor Garnos on a tremendous job with the weather. Much better than what he did last year, during the "toad soaker" we had.

Mayor Bill Garnos stated he wanted to make announcements on Council Liaisons to the Boards and Commissions:

2015 Council Liaison Appointments

Council Member	Boards & Commissions
Bill Garnos Mayor	Board of Zoning Adjustment
	Liquor Control Board
Jean Moore Mayor Pro Tem	Planning Commission
	Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
	Capital Improvements Program
RD Mallams	Neighborhood Commission
	Arts Commission
	Atkins-Johnson Farm & Museum
	Special Road District No. 3
Brian Hill	Building Commission
	Code Board of Appeals
	Industrial Development Authority
Carol Suter	Gladstone Economic Betterment Council
	Environmental Management Advisory Committee
	Tax Increment Financing Commission

Mayor Bill Garnos thanked the committee for the past weekend's Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day celebration at Linden Square; first he thanked Erica White for all the work she did coordinating the morning event at the Big Shoal Cemetery to recognize our historic veterans and early settlers that are buried there. Mayor Garnos also thanked Paula Brooks for all the work she did coordinating the event at Linden Square later in the day. It was terrific as usual. Mayor Garnos thanked the American Legion Post 626, Gladstone VFW Post 10906, the 3rd Missouri Infantry and the Friends of Atkins Johnson Farm and Museum for all the work they did for the weekend events. Mayor Garnos stated for those who were not able to attend, it started at Linden Square with a procession of the veterans, the active duty, retired military servicemen and women, National Guard and Reserve personnel from all the branches of the Armed Forces, led in to Linden Square by Colonel Don Ballard, Missouri's only living Medal of Honor Recipient, and that was very nice. We were honored to have Brigadier General Bob Windham for the keynote address. General Windham is the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army and Commander of the Kansas Army National Guard. There were terrific comments. Thanks to Councilmember Mallams for introducing and hosting General Windham and thank the American Legion Band for their performance.

Mayor Garnos further stated the groundbreaking ceremony for the Northland Innovation Campus was terrific. Mayor Garnos also mentioned between now and the next City Council meeting we will have the Kid's Triathlon at the Community Center on Saturday, May 30. This is a terrific event to watch. We will also celebrate Bluesfest on June 5th and 6th. That is one of our great events of the year. Thanks to all the volunteers and the entire city staff that has worked so hard on all of these events over the last couple of weeks and over the next few weeks.

Item No. 10. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Manager.

City Manager Davis added Linden Square and the entertainment schedule is on the website. It starts this Friday. The Big Band Series, Swing Thing-it is out there on the website so everyone should look at the schedule and certainly come out and enjoy the music. Farmer's Market is occurring right now, Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Hy-Vee parking lot where you can purchase treasures. The pool will open Saturday May 30, it has been closed. It might be chilly; the water is about 68° or 70° but nevertheless it will be open since it will be in the 80's. We will see what happens the rest of the week. June 13 is the Household Hazardous Waste drop off at Happy Rock Park. It is an annual event, another activity that is sponsored by the Mid America Regional Council and the things they do.

Mayor Bill Garnos stated we do have a big agenda; we have three Public Hearings, three Ordinances, and three Resolutions, so procedurally, he will try to keep hammering forward on this but wanted to make sure that everybody has an opportunity to ask questions or make comments at the appropriate time so stop him if they get on a roll.

Item 11. On the Agenda. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Special Use Permit renewal 6904 North Bellefontaine, Northaven Gardens, 2nd Plat, lot 94. (Home based bookkeeping and tax preparation business).

Mayor Bill Garnos declared the Public Hearing open at 7:59 and invited city staff, the applicant, those in favor of the application, and those opposed to the application to speak.

Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson approached the Council and stated: *"Mr. Mayor and members of the Council thank you very much. The topic of this public hearing is a Special Use Permit renewal, the applicant is Dawn Anthony, she is from the 6900 block of Bellefontaine, depending on which side of the tracks you are on. The Special Use Permit would allow the continued operation of an accounting and tax preparation business from her home at that address. The applicant is requesting a renewal for a period of five years; I'll let you know during the first year of operation there were no documented complaints or concerns of any type. Both staff and the Planning Commission are recommending approval and Ms. Anthony is here if you have any questions for her and I stand for questions if you have any for me."*

There were no questions for city staff.

Mayor Bill Garnos invited the applicant to address the City Council on this matter.

Dawn Anthony, 6904 North Bellefontaine Avenue, Gladstone, Missouri, stated: *"I just want to give you a little perspective on what you are voting on. The number of clients that I see in my home. I have about 125 clients, I do not advertise my business, it is only word of mouth. Roughly 20 of those are family who expect to be at my house at one time or another anyway so to me that*

is not additional traffic. About 20 of them I do electronically so they never come to my home, it is all done via computer. My first appointment was January 21; my last appointment was April 13. My latest appointment was 6:00 pm and the most appointments I had in a day were four, and that is always in February; those people use the IRS as a savings account so we've got to get our money back. Out of 105 days of the tax season, I saw 93 clients in my home, so less than one per day."

There were no questions for the applicant.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was anyone who would like to address the City Council in favor of the application.

There were no comments in favor of the application.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was anyone who would like to address the city Council in opposition to the application.

There were no comments in opposition of the application.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was any further testimony from the audience, city staff, or City Council.

There were none.

Mayor Bill Garnos declared the Public Hearing closed at 8:02 pm.

Item No. 12. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 15-18 Special Use Permit renewal 6904 North Bellefontaine, Northaven Gardens, 2nd Plat, lot 94. (Home based bookkeeping and tax preparation business).

Councilmember J. Brian Hill moved to place Bill No. 15-18 on its First Reading. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 15-18, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **Bill No. 15-18**, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.309**. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item 13. On the Agenda. PUBLIC HEARING: Special Use Permit 5614 Northeast Antioch Road, South Englewood Lots 2,3,4,5 and Tract A except N60' & S60' Block 1. (Gladstone Gardens)

Mayor Bill Garnos declared the Public Hearing open at 8:04 and invited city staff, the applicant, those in favor of the application, and those opposed to the application to speak.

Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson addressed the Council and stated: *"Thank you Mr. Mayor. Again this is a Special Use Permit renewal for the business on Antioch Road called Gladstone Gardens. It is a material supply company. The last Special Use Permit was in 2010 and since that time there has been no complaints or concerns about the operation of the business. They have complied with the criteria of the ordinance. The applicant is requesting a term of ten years and staff and Planning Commission are recommending approval. Mr. Hall and the property owner Mr. Brenton are here if you have any questions or if they would like to make a presentation."*

There were no questions for city staff.

Mayor Bill Garnos invited the applicant to address the City Council on this matter.

Mr. Pete Hall approached the Council and stated: *"Yes, Mr. Mayor and City Council folks; Pete Hall, 5621 North Clinton Place, I work with Mr. Brenton and represent him here this evening. Very unique piece of ground. It's an acre and one-half; most of it borders a creek and is more to the back of what you see from Antioch Road. Really good use. Most of you remember a gentleman by the name of Bledsoe; he opened a new facility in Platte County and is no longer in business which may not surprise most of us. Business has been really good since then and we are very pleased to say that and my wife has located that facility and she has me there about four times a week. That said, I would encourage you to accept the 10 year application for a Special Use Permit. Mr. Brenton is here this evening. He is the owner and operator of that facility."*

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there were any comments or questions for the applicant.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill asked Mr. Hall that if they approve this, Mr. Hall is not going to come back and make some kind of a claim for personal injury due to an injured back??

Mr. Hall stated: *"Well, if I could find a good attorney ... never mind!"*

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was anyone who would like to address the City Council in favor of the application.

There were no comments in favor of the application.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was anyone who would like to address the city Council in opposition to the application.

There were no comments in opposition of the application.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was any further testimony from the audience, city staff, or City Council.

Councilmember Carol Suter stated that some of them were getting old because it seems like it wasn't two years ago they were here, like it was five years already. Time goes fast!

Mayor Bill Garnos declared the Public Hearing closed at 8:07 pm.

Item 14. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 15-19 Special Use Permit 5614 Northeast Antioch Road, South Englewood Lots 2,3,4,5 and Tract A except N60' & S60' Block 1. (Gladstone Gardens)

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved Bill No. 15-19 be placed on its First Reading. **Councilmember J. Brian Hill** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 15-19, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilmember J. Brian Hill** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 15-19, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.310**. **Councilmember J. Brian Hill** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R.D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item No. 15. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 15-20 An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 4.008 by adopting changes to the plan provisions of the City of Gladstone's Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System.

Councilmember Carol Suter moved Bill No. 15-20 be placed on its First Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember Carol Suter moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 15-20, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember Carol Suter moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 15-20, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.311**. **Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item No. 16. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-15-29 A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for Municipal Advisor specific to the Certificates of Participation, Series 2006 Refunding and for Certificates of Participation for the City of Gladstone, Missouri with Springsted Incorporated.

Councilmember R.D. Mallams moved to approve Resolution R-15-29, A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for Municipal Advisor specific to the Certificates of

Participation, Series 2006 Refunding and for Certificates of Participation for the City of Gladstone, Missouri with Springsted Incorporated. **Councilmember J. Brian Hill** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item No. 17. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-15-30 A resolution pertaining to the financing of certain improvements and refunding certain outstanding Certificates of Participation, authorizing the offering for sale of an issue of approximately \$23,000,000 refunding and improvement Certificates of Participation, Series 2015, evidencing a proportionate interest in basic rent payments to be made by the City of Gladstone, Missouri, pursuant to an annually renewable lease purchase agreement.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill moved to approve Resolution R-15-30, A resolution pertaining to the financing of certain improvements and refunding certain outstanding Certificates of Participation, authorizing the offering for sale of an issue of approximately \$23,000,000 refunding and improvement Certificates of Participation, Series 2015, evidencing a proportionate interest in basic rent payments to be made by the City of Gladstone, Missouri, pursuant to an annually renewable lease purchase agreement. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item No. 18. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-15-31 A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a proposed lease agreement with Cake Whimzy to operate a bakery at 504 Northeast 70th Street, Suite B, Gladstone, Missouri.

Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore moved to approve Resolution R-15-31 , A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a proposed lease agreement with Cake Whimzy to operate a bakery at 504 Northeast 70th Street, Suite B, Gladstone, Missouri. **Councilmember Carol Suter** seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilmember R. D. Mallams, Councilmember J. Brian Hill, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0).

Item No. 19. On the Agenda. PUBLIC HEARING: On the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Operating Budget for the City of Gladstone, Missouri.

Mayor Bill Garnos declared the Public Hearing open at 8:15 pm and invited city staff, the applicant, those in favor of the budget, and those opposed to the budget to speak.

City Manager Kirk Davis approached the Council and stated: *"While we have some high-priced talent in the audience, I just want to point out the Certificates of Participation issue that came up a couple of minutes ago, allows the city to potentially save somewhere between \$1,000,000 - \$1,800,000 probably in refunding the bonds that were issued for the Community Center. The second part of that was potential issue to finance the beginning of the Hobby Hill Park Improvements. Roughly \$2,000,000 worth so there are two big issues and with the help of these folks behind us and certainly our finance staff we have a plan to deal with those two issues that are positive for the community and the resolution that you adopted tonight was a go to market resolution so we will see these folks back in a couple of weeks with some ordinances and things like that will complete those financings. With that, now you can escape, unless there are any questions. I deviate from our public hearing, I know that I am doing that in the middle of the*

public hearing, but I appreciate the opportunity to appreciate the work these two gentlemen have done. Unless there are any questions for those guys, I'll move forward to our budget."

City Manager Kirk Davis addressed the Council and stated: "Public Hearing, the FY16 Budget for the City of Gladstone. I'm going to ask John Beadles to help me move through our presentation. We are in to the General Fund. You can see that our total revenues are \$17,711,000; the thing I like to point out on this particular chart is the balance in revenues. Sales tax, property tax, gross receipts taxes are all pretty equal. That is a positive thing in my mind. The other thing I would like to point out here is charges for services; those are really the services where we charge for things we do here at City Hall. We can control this revenue but as you can see that is less than 15% of our total revenue picture. I think this gives you a good idea on how balanced we are and I think that helps us in terms of economic downturns. Total expenditures are \$17,683,000; personnel services take about 72% of this budget. You can see the purple slice, which is debt and capital. We have very little in terms of debt and capital compared to the overall structure of the city finances. Expenditures by department; you can see the overwhelming investment is made in the Public Safety Department. They get roughly 50% of the budget, just slightly less than that. You can see how all the other departments compare to each other in our funding scenario. Capital Supplemental for this year: we have roughly for Public Safety, roughly \$297,000 that includes a financing on a prisoner transport van, a six year lease; we have \$31,000 set aside for the defibrillator, \$190,000 for an ambulance with part funded by a private grant for \$100,000 to help us fund that. In the Public Works Department, we will have a 14 inch cut-off saw and a wheel balancer, those total \$6,350. I want to point out last year we had a financing for heavy equipment to the tune of about \$1,300,000, so that reduced that obligation or at least some of those funding requests at least for this year. Linden Square programming, \$9,450 to Parks and Recreation and also a lease on a front deck mower that is roughly \$4,450 per year. Finally, a Council goal, the Citizen Based Strategic Plan, there is \$50,000 funded in non-departmental for that effort. Public Safety Sales Tax: \$838,000 in revenue, \$838,000 in expenditures; there is a fund balance of \$45,000; key points in that sales tax: when it was passed, it was set aside and designated that there would be six officers funded in this fund, two squad cars, the training and equipment for those six officers and the debt service on a radio system. All of that is funded. In addition this year we will be funding some in-car, motorcycle camera systems for 11 patrol cars and two motorcycles; 36 body cameras that are integrated into those vehicle systems, and six additional storage drives for IT; again this is funded with the help of a six year lease, roughly \$22,000 per year. We also will be purchasing five tasers in a replacement program. This year's funding is \$8,437 for those tasers. We are also funding two squad cars out of the PSST fund to the tune of \$65,000. There are also two squad cars in the General Fund Supplemental as well. Water and Sewer: revenues: \$9,405,000; expenses \$9,404,000. The next page you will see the trends and issues we are dealing with. This is water sales. You can see we are greater than 20% lower than where we were 10 years ago. Actually, almost 30% and certainly 23% since 2008. Water conservation, wet years, a combination of everybody cutting back on the usage; conservation tools in their homes; all of these things come in to play. This year we are proposing no rate increase for water; however, we are proposing a \$1.25 per billing increase in the admin fee which will take that from \$4.52 to \$5.77. Again, no rate increase. The numbers you see at the bottom, those are the direct result of the KC pass-through for sewer treatment. Again, looking at those numbers, total non-operating income \$9,405,000, expenditures, \$9,404,000. The big item that is included here in terms of supplementals, a single item, \$27,000, which is an increase in our lime-sludge contract. Moving to the Community Center: Total revenues: \$3,337,000; expenditures: \$3,337,000; we have roughly \$1,593,000 in fund balance at the end. That is what is projected at the end of FY16. Key

supplementals in this budget: \$5,000 for Play Well Technologies Engineering Lego Camp. There is a revenue stream tied to that. The Metasys-Johnson Controls annual maintenance is \$1,163 as well as in 450-110 which is the natatorium. Paint the diving well is \$14,702; paint the lap pool is \$16,793, rate increase on the replay board timing system service agreement that is \$4,425 we are suggesting that you fund. Special park and playground fund \$2,169. No expenditures coming from that fund. FY16 capital improvement sales tax, we have \$1,624,000 available. Key points in this particular funding scenario are miscellaneous storm projects \$50,000; Oak Grove play surface \$20,000; this is tied to a lock on grant. \$100,000 for Mill Creek and Pursell erosion. \$50,000 for 68th Terrace and Bellefontaine. This includes all of the debt service obligations that we have are all funded. In the transportation sales tax, \$1,108,000 is available. Key expenditures there are obviously all of the debt that fund is obligated for is funded. The local transit has \$55,000 for bus service. KCATA stop improvements, \$50,000. \$300,000 for the mill and overlay. \$100,000 for intermediate maintenance. \$20,000 for some minor intermediate maintenance that comes up throughout the year; in other words a benchmark fund we can just use when something happens. New curb and gutter \$50,000; ATA curb and sidewalks \$50,000, Sidewalk Master Plan implementation \$50,000 is set aside. \$75,000 for the arterial sidewalk program, you can see the focus on sidewalks which is also a Council goal. Pleasant Valley Road engineering, there is \$100,000 set aside and finally the Rock Creek Greenway trail which has been the subject of many study sessions the last few weeks. The Capital Equipment Replacement fund \$1,002,413 is our projected fund balance at the end of FY16. This includes \$300,000 in a land loan payment and includes \$140,000 transfer to the General Fund to help us with our Capital Equipment requests that are in the supplemental program. I have flown through several hours of mathematics and budget effort that we have put into this particular budget and I hope no one feels slighted by speeding through that, but before I break for questions, I want to say a special thanks to Scott Wingerson, Debra Daily, Justin Merkey, Charlene Leslie, Beth Saluzzi and Dominic Accurso for all of their work in putting together this budget especially their work behind the scenes; it is unheralded and they pulled their hair out a whole bunch because the City Manager might change his mind four or five times throughout a particular budget discussion. Nevertheless they do a great job and I certainly appreciate all of their efforts and would like to thank the Council for your time spent in the study sessions, time reviewing this material, it's very much appreciated and frankly the time that you put in to giving policy direction, which is the foundation for this budget. That happens throughout the year but is very important. I'll open it up for any questions Councilmembers may have or comments you would like to make."

Mayor Bill Garnos asked for questions or comments.

Councilmember Carol Suter stated congratulations again, it is a great job every year and she is amazed at our financial wizardry and financial acumen is what this city has and it is one of the things that make her the proudest about serving on this council is to be able to say to every citizen that this is a fiscally responsible organization. While it seems like it is the most boring thing we do of course approving the budget is the most important thing that ever gets done so thank you all for your great work.

Councilmember J. Brian Hill stated he too also wanted to thank the budget team for their great work. He is glad to see that we are starting the funding on Hobby Hill park and actually moving forward on that. That has been a fairly key Council goal. Not only that, but also the compensation package and getting that implemented is just a huge goal this year and it's amazing we were able to accomplish all that without having to cut funding for Captain Baer's drone program in Public Safety. Great job.

City Manager Davis stated: *"Thank you. You brought up the pay study and that was a real challenge this year. That was \$500,000. A couple of minutes ago you approved an amendment to the Local Area Government Employees Retirement System, the City of Gladstone employee retirement system. We could not have balanced this budget without those employees giving up benefits, frankly, in order to make that pay study work. There was an employee task force that worked behind the scenes and they spent a lot of time talking about how we were going to accomplish this goal and Charlene did a marvelous job of working with that task force and helping them understand the challenges we were going to have but the employees gave up some fairly significant benefits in order to balance this budget and help us fund that pay study and I think that is worthy of note."*

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there were any other comments.

City Manager Davis stated: *"In two weeks you will have an ordinance on your agenda."*

Mayor Bill Garnos stated he also wanted to thank the budget team and echo the comments of Councilmember Suter and he thinks setting the budget for the next year is one of the most important if not the most important thing that they do and it takes a huge amount of staff time. We spend a lot of time on it and it's something we take very seriously. Mayor Garnos thanked the budget team also for the graphics this year and he knows it is something he has asked about in the past because he thinks it helps to explain things to people and it is also one of the things that when you go to the Leadership Academy it really helps to understand the breakdown of our revenues and expenditures and how much is allocated by department. The only other thing is to remind Council not to talk about our secret drone surveillance program that we have buried in the Public Safety budget. After that, Mayor Garnos asked if we are going to be taking comments for or against from the audience as part of the public hearing?

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there were any comments in favor of, questions, or in opposition of anything in the proposed 2016 budget.

There were none.

Mayor Bill Garnos asked if there was any further testimony from the audience, city staff, or City Council.

There were none.

Mayor Bill Garnos declared the Public Hearing closed at 8:30 pm.

Item No. 20. On the Agenda. Other Business.

There was no other business to come before the City Council.

Item No. 21. On the Agenda. Questions from the News Media.

There were no questions from the News Media.

Item No. 22. On the Agenda. Adjournment.

Mayor Bill Garnos adjourned the meeting at 8:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk

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Mayor Bill Garnos