



**MINUTES  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI  
MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bill Garnos  
Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter  
Councilmember Jean Moore  
Councilman R.D. Mallams  
Councilman Kyle Yarber

City Manager Scott Wingerson  
Assistant City Manager Bob Baer  
City Clerk Ruth Bocchino  
City Counselor Chris Williams

**Item No. 1. On the Agenda.** Meeting Called to Order.

**Mayor Garnos** opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, January 14, 2019, at 7:44 pm in the Gladstone City Council Chambers.

**Item No. 2. On the Agenda.** ROLL CALL.

All Councilmembers were present.

**Item No. 3. On the Agenda.** PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

**Mayor Garnos** asked all to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Item No. 4. On the Agenda.** Approval of Agenda.

The agenda was approved as published.

**Item No. 5. On the Agenda.** Approval of the December 10, 2018, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Councilman Mallams** moved to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2018, Closed City Council meeting as presented. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 6. On the Agenda.** Approval of the December 10, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Councilmember Moore** moved to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2018, Regular City Council meeting as presented. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 7. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION:** Recognizing James R. Hampton-Clay County Economic Development Council.

**Mayor Garnos** read the Proclamation and presented it to James R. Hampton.

**Item No. 8. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.**

Following the Clerk’s reading:

**Councilman Yarber** stated: *“Mayor Garnos, I would ask that Resolution R-19-02 be removed from the Consent Agenda.”*

**Mayor Garnos** stated: *“We will move Resolution R-19-02 to position 8a, right after the reading of the Consent Agenda and deal with it separately.”*

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-19-01** A Resolution authorizing acceptance of work under contract with U.S. Toy Company, Incorporated, doing business as Constructive Playthings, for the Oak Grove and Happy Rock West Parks Playground Surface Replacement Project, and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$3,801.59 for Project CE1865. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-19-03** A Resolution accepting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the period ending June 30, 2018. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** moved to approve the **Financial Report for month end November 2018**. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item 8a. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-19-02** A Resolution authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Fleshman Construction, Incorporated, for the Summit Grill Project, and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$88,710.65 for Project CD1860 and acceptance of a construction credit from Flaherty and Collins Properties in the amount of \$136,000.00.

**Councilman Mallams** moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-19-02** A Resolution authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Fleshman Construction, Incorporated, for the Summit Grill Project, and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$88,710.65 for Project CD1860 and acceptance of a construction credit from Flaherty and Collins Properties in the amount of \$136,000.00. **Councilmember Moore** seconded.

**Councilman Yarber** stated: *"Yes, I have a general problem with public funds being spent for private profits. We are closing in on \$1.8 million dollars on this project. I continue to not support that kind of spending in the City."*

The vote: "aye", Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. "nay", Councilman Kyle Yarber. (4-1)

## **REGULAR AGENDA.**

### **Item No. 9. On the Agenda. Communications from the Audience.**

There were no comments from the audience.

### **Item No. 10. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Council.**

**Councilman Yarber** stated: *"Yes, on Saturday we had an appreciation dinner for the Friends and Volunteers for the Atkins-Johnson Farm. Amazingly well attended despite the fact that it was not easy to get there or to leave there and get home safely; but everybody did. It's tremendous work that all the volunteers' do out there. We had a record year for attendance and I hope that with the help of all the volunteers that continues to expand."*

**Councilmember Moore** stated: *"Thank you, Mayor. First of all I just wanted to say KUDOS again to Public Works and Public Safety, and everybody who was involved in any part with the snow removal. As always, it was an amazing effort, so thanks to all of those teams. I also had the opportunity to attend the Neighborhood Commission meeting last week, and they, among other things, adopted their work plan for 2019. I also had the opportunity to attend the Arts Commission in Councilmember Mallams stead; he was unable to attend. It turned out to be the meeting where they are looking at the artist for public art that will be in Happy Rock Park. It was a very interesting meeting. We saw presentations from the two artists that they have chosen to see the different samples of their work. None of the examples were exactly what the Arts Commission wanted so they have gone back to one of the artists to come back with some more drawings. The jury is still out on that. They did accept an exciting project that I think everybody will enjoy; a temporary art installation that will be at the 70<sup>th</sup> Street median. It's a really fun, whimsical installation that will be from a Kansas City artist named Stacy Sharp, and it's kites."*

*It's very fun and I think everybody in the community will really like it. That's something to look forward to."*

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** stated: *"A week ago, I served as liaison to the EMAC meeting. They had an interesting meeting. Erica Layton was there to give an overview of the Atkins-Johnson Farm as a background for the EMAC Committee. They had been talking a bit about composting so one of the projects they are looking at and talking about with her was the possibility of composting, whether we are doing composting at the Farm and how that might be promoted. Good conversation around that. They are honing in on their work plan for the year and one of the, I think, most interesting items is an effort to connect electronic and digital technology to senior citizens more effectively. Looking at things like we just heard about, KCATA, and RideKC Freedom, so folks can get it on demand like Uber, you have to have the app. The concern was that many seniors don't know how to use the app. They are working on a project to try to find resources to connect with our seniors program to help people learn how to use apps, how to use smart phones, so that they can better access the new technologies. Especially for things like Ride Share, as people are aging out of the ability to drive and maybe shouldn't be driving themselves, it's a good way to encourage them to teach folks what other resources are out there that can get them to and from programming. That was the biggest thing, the environmental management side of it was to reduce auto use by sharing resources more and technology became this obstacle that they saw out there. It was a fun thing looking at some different ways to resource that going forward. And, of course, to be sure that we have not forgotten one of their major priorities for the year that also is supported by Gladstone Shaping Our Future group, is single source trash. They have put on their agenda for after the April meeting."*

**Mayor Garnos** stated: *"It's been five weeks since we last met so I've had the privilege of attending the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting on December 18, help judge a Christmas cookie contest, attended the ribbon cutting for the new renovation and expansion of the Antioch Branch of the Mid Continent Public Library with other members of City Council on January 4, and attended a Board of Directors meeting for the Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce last Tuesday. This afternoon I had the privilege of attending the retirement lunch of Russ Collins from the Department of Parks and Recreation, 21 years of doing anything and everything that was required to make Parks and Recreation work in this city; day or night or weekends. Congratulations to Russ. We will miss you. Speaking of people we are going to miss, we are going to move on to Item 10a."*

**10a. On the Agenda.** Retiring Board and Commission members.

**Mayor Garnos** stated: *"This is a bittersweet moment for all of us on City Council. We are here to recognize eight people who are retiring from our Boards and Commissions. I can't even imagine the number of hours these individuals have volunteered and given of themselves for years for the benefit of our community. Everything we do in Gladstone is citizen led and citizen based and it has always been that way. Our Boards and Commissions are the foundation of that system and just about everything that comes to City Council first goes through the review and approval of one of our Boards and Commissions. On behalf of a grateful city and a grateful City Council, I wanted to thank each of you for your service to our community. Each of you has stepped forward and asked 'how can I help?' You have given of your time and talents to help*

*make things better and to help keep the city on the right course. I know the other Councilmembers are tired of hearing me say it, but as Dr. Seuss said, "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better, it's not." Thank you all for your caring a whole awful lot. I want to list the names of the folks that are retiring and then we can come up and present the plaques and take a photo."*

(Mayor Garnos read the names and terms of the retiring Board members. Please see attached.)

**Item No. 11. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Manager.**

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"Mayor, thank you. I guess under the heading of it's a very small world, Jim Hampton talked about the formation and being one of the first members to the Gladstone Economic Betterment Council, we call it GEBC now; the staff person at the time assigned to form GEBC was a person named Jana Miller, who is now Jana Longworth, who presented to you on behalf of the hospital tonight. It's just a weird star alignment thing. Both Jim and Jana, great personal friends, but community friends more importantly. They have done nothing over the years but support the community. They are not here but someone can tell them what I said. Shout out and echo Councilmember Moore's comments to Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Cultural Arts and Public Safety for a fantastic job this last weekend with the snow. It was difficult, heavy, wet snow, cold temperatures, which is a recipe for disaster, and they just out-performed themselves. Thank you very much on that. Because of the storm there has been some limbs down across the community. It doesn't rise to an emergency level, but to help people out, Tim volunteered to open up Public Works Monday through Friday, 9:00 to 4:00 for free limb disposal for anybody who has storm damage. If there is demand for it, we will consider opening on a Saturday to make things even easier, but we are encouraging people to work it out during the week if they can do that. Finally, City Hall is closed on Monday for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, so we won't be here but all the rest of the facilities will be open as normal."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"This will be fair warning: we have five Ordinances ahead of us this evening so this is your chance to escape if you are not into listening to Ordinances get read. I'm giving you fair warning."*

**Item No. 12. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 19-01** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement with North Kansas City Hospital to staff and operate a Community Health and Wellness Area within the Gladstone Community Center.

Mayor Pro Tem Suter moved Bill No. 19-01 be placed on its First Reading. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Mayor Pro Tem Suter moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 19-01, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 19-01, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.452**. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 13. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 19-02** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement between the City of Gladstone, Missouri, and the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority to provide Public Transportation and Property Management Services for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

**Councilman Mallams** moved Bill No. 19-02 be placed on its First Reading. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilman Mallams** moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 19-02, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilman Mallams** moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 19-02, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.453**. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 14. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 19-03** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Gladstone and the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) Solid Waste Management District for the 2019 Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program in the amount of \$29,039.80.

**Councilman Yarber** moved Bill No. 19-03 be placed on its First Reading. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilman Yarber** moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 19-03, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilman Yarber** moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 19-03, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.454**. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 15. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 19-04** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a Cooperative Agreement with Kansas City, Missouri, for the construction of Shoal Creek Greenway Trail Phase 4 from Happy Rock Park to North Brighton Avenue; City Project #TP-1871; Federal Project #TAP-3323(409).

**Councilman Mallams** moved Bill No. 19-04 be placed on its First Reading. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilman Mallams** moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 19-04, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilman Mallams** moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 19-04, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.455**. **Councilmember Moore** seconded.

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** stated: *“A comment or two, Mayor. I just would like to express my support for this Bill. It is exciting to see us expanding the trail system. It’s a long term project in the Northland to get all these pieces connected and it’s really a delight to see this coming together. KUDOS again to our staff, in particular, Public Works, for writing great grants; again because we got federal funds to make this happen; but also for the relationships with Kansas City, Missouri, because it is these partnerships that have made a number of our projects actually work and always glad to see, of course, that the right decision was made that Gladstone should take the lead on the project and that’s what makes them happen in a timely manner. I look forward to getting this one done.”*

The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 16. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 19-05** An Ordinance imposing a City Sales Tax at a rate of one-half of one percent on the receipts from the sale at retail of all tangible personal property or taxable services at retail within the City of Gladstone, Missouri, pursuant to Section 94.510 RSMo., to provide funding for public purposes subject to the approval by the voters of the City at the General Municipal Election to be held on April 2, 2019; designating the form of ballot; and directing the City Clerk to provide notice of said election.

**Councilmember Moore** moved Bill No. 19-05 be placed on its First Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilmember Moore** moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 19-05, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote:



“aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilmember Moore** moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 19-05, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.456**. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded.

**Mayor Pro Tem Suter** stated: *“I’ve been on City Council for a long time; 12 years, We have always, in my tenure, approached the subject of tax increases very soberly. After a great deal of consideration and thought and analysis, in particular, of course, we are really grateful to the Shaping Our Future citizen group, that spent a lot of time thinking about the future of Gladstone and considering ways that we could actually accomplish some of the goals that they set out. About 15 years ago, we did that with Gladstone on the Move, and that resulted in the same course of action, a citizen group had a big dream for the city and came and asked the city to impose a tax in order to make it happen. A tax increase. We did, and the community supported it overwhelmingly. I trust again that the city will have confidence that voters will have confidence in us as their leaders that we have given it careful consideration and that the goals of this tax increase are worthy of the efforts that it will take on the part of citizens to make it happen and on the part of all of us who will pay for these improvements to maintain the quality of services in this community. So, I’m in favor of this Bill and I encourage others to support it.”*

**Mayor Garnos** stated: *“I agree. This is one of the most important and serious things we do. With its passage, I’m assuming the city will be able to provide fact sheets on the website as soon as possible so everybody has an understanding of the need for this and the justification for it. I’d also like to make sure that city staff gets well briefed on what they can and cannot do in explaining and advocating for this. I know it gets a little tricky between being city staff and people’s first amendment rights. So I want to make sure that staff are clear on what they can and cannot, should and should not do for advocating on this. I know that those are all in the works. I’m assuming everyone is happy with the ballot language that we were able to finally agree to. With that, if there are no other comments, Madam Clerk please call the roll.”*

The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

**Item No. 17. On the Agenda.** Other Business.

There was no other business to come before the Council.

**Item No. 18. On the Agenda.** Adjournment.

**Mayor Garnos** adjourned the January 14, 2019, Regular City Council meeting at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk



Approved as presented: ✓

Approved as modified:         

Bill Garnos  
Mayor Bill Garnos

**AGENDA ITEM 10a**  
**RETIRING MEMBERS FROM BOARD & COMMISSIONS**  
**FOR CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 14, 2018**

**Board of Zoning Adjustment**

Shawn Hartman: 2 years (Will be present)

David Holley: 7 years (Will be present)

**Building Commission**

Daniel Green: 6 years (Will be present)

**Capital Improvements Committee**

Bill Arbuckle: 10 years (Will be present)

**Industrial Development Authority**

Gene Williams: 17 years (Will be present)

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board**

John Houlihan: 24 years (Will be present)

Bill Butler: 1 year (Will not be present)

**Planning Commission**

Don Ward: 7 years (Will be present)