



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020**

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

City Manager Scott Wingerson
Assistant City Manager Bob Baer
Deputy City Clerk Becky Jarrett
Attorney Chris Williams

ABSENT: City Clerk Ruth Bocchino

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

Mayor Suter opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, March 9, 2020, at 7:30 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 Suter 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 February 24, 2020, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilman Mallams moved to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2020, Closed City Council meeting as presented. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman

Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Item No. 6. On the Agenda. Approval of the February 24, 2020, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2020, Regular City Council meeting as presented. **Councilman Garnos** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Item No. 7. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION: ARBOR DAY

Mayor Suter presented the Proclamation to Director Justin Merkey.

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

Following the Clerk's reading:

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

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-20-10** A Resolution accepting easements from certain property owners in conjunction with the Northeast 76th Street Improvements Project from North Oak Trafficway to North Brooklyn, Project TP1818. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-20-11** A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with DG Landscaping for the Contractual Landscape Services of certain City of Gladstone Parks and City Facilities. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-20-12** A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Zambelli Lawn Care and Snow Removal, LLC, for the Contractual Mowing Services of certain City of Gladstone Parks and City Facilities. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-20-13** A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Service Contract with SFS Architecture in the amount of \$68,000.00 for the architectural design and planning for the renovation of the city owned Municipal Pool Bathhouse. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye",

Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to **APPROVE BUILDING PERMIT:** Woofs Play & Stay, 4902 North Old Pike Road. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to **APPROVE OUTDOOR SPECIAL EVENT:** Easter Egg Hunt, 7600 North Troost Avenue, Oak Grove Park, Saturday, April 4, 2020, 11:00 am-1:00 pm. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

REGULAR AGENDA.

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

There were none.

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

Councilman Yarber stated: *"Thank you. It's always a fun day when the spring rains come. You start hearing from residents who want you to come over to their house and look at their backyard at the river that just appeared there. I was very pleased that while I was watching one house, within minutes Public Works personnel arrived to also take a look at it. It is great that we are in a city that tries to stay on top of things as they appear. That is why everybody constantly praises our Public Works Department. Some other meetings I attended will be mentioned by other Council people I am sure. I attended a meeting of the policy committee of Climate Action KC."*

Councilman Garnos stated: *"Thank you, Mayor. Just a couple of quick items I wanted to mention. I attended the February 26th meeting of the Clay County Constitution Committee and appreciated your comments, Mayor, explaining why the Gladstone form of government is so much better than what we are dealing with on the County level. I appreciated your comments there. Likewise, last Friday at the State of the Cities address; it's always nice to see Gladstone put its best foot forward in front of all the other cities. Tomorrow night is the Battle of the Brains Trivia contest with Gladstone serving as defending champions, so we will be in fine form tomorrow night. Wednesday there is Coffee with City Council candidates at the Laughing Place Bakery. I'm not going to say anything more about that. I understand some have real potential. Finally, Saturday is the Gladstone Rotary's Annual Snake Saturday Pancake Breakfast which is always a big thing. They do a great job at that. That is all I have, Mayor. Thank you."*

Mayor Pro Tem Moore stated: *"I just want to add my congratulations to the Mayor for a job well done at the Constitution meeting and at the EDC State of the Cities. That was a great event. Well done, thank you; you made us proud. We are expecting great things tomorrow night, no pressure on you all, but you know, as the defending champions, that's important. We expect*

great reports from that. I also had the opportunity as the liaison to the Planning Commission to go to their Planning Commission Training session that Padraic conducted for the Commission. It was very well done. I think it was well received by all."

Mayor Suter stated: "Thank you for the mentions about those two events. We were happy to host the Constitution Committee and it is always fun to see what all is going on in the County at the State of the Cities because, in the time I have been on Council, there are more and more exciting presentations all the time. A lot is going on. This is the fastest growing part of the region. I wanted to remind people that KCATA has a survey on their website for the new alignment of bus service in the Northland. The new alignment will go into effect in October and so they are really looking for folks to provide input about what you like and don't like; suggestions. One of the routes will change through Gladstone so that is an important thing for Gladstone folks to pay attention to and also they will be creating a new line, an express line, that will go from Liberty to Boardwalk with a stop at the Community College here and so they are really particularly interested in what people have to say about that and the potential ridership for that. For the whole Gladstone area, the biggest change really, is that the area that is served by the flexible on-demand bus service will be expanded so all of Gladstone is in it and basically from here to the river is in it, so there will be much greater personalized access to public transportation than there ever has been before. That is exciting. I also wanted to remind folks that we did take delivery of a new ambulance. When people passed the sales tax we had a long list of things that people were hoping to see accomplished and so we are happy to start delivering on that long list of things. We were hoping to tour it tonight but the rain deterred us so we will get a chance to look at it another time. We are happy to see progress being made and I know that folks in Public Safety are always happy when they get new toys to play with. Battle of the Brains, you know as I understand it they are making it a little bit easier because it has been so hard, people thought, we did a good job last year in winning the title in a really hard competition. I don't know if that is going to make it easier for us or not this year. I wanted to particularly thank Director Nebergall for responding well to community citizen inquiries; it wasn't really a complaint, but I think both Councilman Mallams and I received contact from a resident who was concerned about water runoff in her neighborhood and Mr. Nebergall went himself and met with the neighbors and did decide that there was some city responsibility for some of that. Very happy citizens there and we really like that excellent service, Mr. Nebergall. I also wanted to say thanks to our Senior Advisory Committee. I always appreciate that every year they take the time to sit down and talk about what they think is going well in Gladstone and what they would like to see us keep working on and improve on. I was delighted that one of the things they would like us to focus on is the farm, the Atkins-Johnson Farm, to have more program opportunities for our senior program. They give it a lot of good thought, a lot of good insight, and I appreciate that. Please share that with them."

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

City Manager Scott Wingerson stated: "Thank you, Mayor, just two things. First off, on March 14, the Shamrock Shakeup will be hosted by the Gladstone Community Center. That's an indoor triathlon where people will swim for ten minutes, bike for 30 minutes, and run on the indoor track for 20 minutes. It sounds miserable, but I'm sure there are people who will enjoy it. Corona Virus is an example of world events impacting nine square miles. We are taking it pretty

seriously. Updates can be found on our website and our social media feeds for anybody who is interested in that or are worried about that. The best advice all the organizations are providing at this point is to cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze and wash your hands thoroughly several times a day. We are ready for it if it comes. Thank you."

Item No. 12. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 20-08 An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the Shoal Creek Trail Cooperative Agreement with Kansas City, Missouri, to include the design and construction of a dog park and neighborhood trail extension in the vicinity of Happy Rock Park.

Councilman Garnos moved Bill No. 20-08 be placed on its First Reading. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Garnos moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 20-08, 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, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Garnos moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 20-08, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.508**. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Item No. 13. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 20-09 An Ordinance directing the City Manager to participate in the Missouri Highway Safety Program and directing the Director of Public Safety to investigate financial assistance available under the Missouri Highway Safety Program for Traffic Enforcement and report recommendations.

Councilman Yarber moved Bill No. 20-09 be placed on its First Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Yarber moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 20-09, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Yarber moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 20-09, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.509**. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Item No. 14. On the Agenda. Other Business.

There was no other business to come before the Council.


Item No. 15. On the Agenda. Adjournment.

Mayor Suter adjourned the March 9, 2020, Regular City Council meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk

Approved as presented: 

Approved as modified: _____



Mayor Carol J. Suter