



**MINUTES  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI  
MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Les Smith  
Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore  
Councilmember Tina Spallo  
Councilman Spencer Davis  
Councilman Cameron Nave  
  
City Manager Bob Baer  
City Attorney Chris Williams  
City Clerk Kris Keller

**ABSENT:** Assistant City Manager Austin Greer

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

**Mayor Smith** opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, August 11, 2025 at 7:31 pm.

**Item No. 2. On the Agenda.** Roll Call.

**Mayor Smith** stated that all Councilmembers were present and there was a quorum.

**Item No. 3. On the Agenda.** Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Mayor Smith** requested that all attendees stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

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

The agenda was approved as published.

**Item No. 5. On the Agenda.** Approval of the July 28, 2025, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Mayor Pro Tem Moore** moved to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2025, Closed City Council meeting as presented. **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Item No. 6. On the Agenda.** Approval of the July 28, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Mayor Pro Tem Moore** moved to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2025, Regular City Council meeting as presented. **Councilmember Spallo** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Item No. 7. On the Agenda.** Communications from the Audience.

Kevin Gann, 3602 NE 56th Terrace, addressed the Council regarding his barn construction project on a separate lot he owns at 3601 NE 56th Terrace. He acknowledged initially failing to obtain a permit, but applied upon learning it was required. He raised concerns about the required \$22,500.00 escrow deposit for street improvements, stating it was not financially feasible. Mr. Gann cited prior expenses and steps he took related to the permit process, shared photos of the lot's prior condition, and reported experiencing unfair treatment by the department through the permit process.

**Mayor Smith** reported that he that he was familiar with the area and shared a brief history of that area of housing. He requested that either the City Manager or the Assistant City Manager contact Mr. Gann, who then provided his information to the city clerk.

**Item No. 8. On the Agenda.** Communications from City Council.

**Councilman Nave** shared that he recently attended the dedication ceremony for the Vietnam Memorial Wall at Oak Park High School, where he had the opportunity to speak with alumni who served in the Vietnam War; he reported that the ceremony was a meaningful experience. He also stated that he attended the Theatre in the Park charity golf tournament on Friday and noted it was a successful event supporting a worthy cause.

**Mayor Pro Tem Moore** expressed her pride in the recent Glad Green Team monthly clean-up day, which had 15 participants. She reported the event was successful, with efforts focused on downtown and the surrounding streets. She thanked fellow Councilmember Spallo, Councilman Nave, and an audience member for participating, and expressed sincere appreciation for the dedicated volunteers whose efforts continue to make a positive impact. She announced the next Glad Green Team monthly clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, September 6 and encouraged everyone to participate.

**Mayor Smith** thanked Mayor Pro Tem Moore for the great job with Glad Green Team. He noted that, as mentioned at the previous meeting, he was unable to assist due to his commitment at a bowling tournament event at Gladstone Bowl. He reported that it was a success and it brought visitors from across the region, other states, and even Canada to Gladstone. He shared that while most individuals stayed in the general vicinity, many expressed positive impressions of the City of Gladstone. He commented that it was eye opening to see visitors staying at the local hotel, many of whom were unfamiliar with the City's history, expressing appreciation for the progress and work that had been done. He extended his thanks to everyone involved for contributing to the success of the City.

**Item No. 9. On the Agenda.** Communications from the City Manager.

City Manager Baer announced the following:

- Registration for Gladfest Smokefest and Gladfest parade will be closing in about a month and more information can be found at [discovergladstone.com](http://discovergladstone.com).
- Big Shoal Sunflower Field Festival is Saturday, August 16 at Atkins-Johnson Farm and admission is free. There will be an art fair, sunflower picking, photo ops, food vendors, and crafts from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

- 6th Annual Sunflower 5K is Saturday, August 23 at Atkins-Johnson Farm beginning at 8:00 am. The run benefits the Friends of the Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum and the North Kansas City Schools Education Foundation.

**Item No. 10. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.**

**Mayor Smith** asked if anyone wished to have any item removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda; no requests were made.

Following the Clerk's reading:

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to approve the Consent Agenda as published **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to approve **SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS:**

**LINDEN SQUARE AND SURROUNDING STREETS:** Gladfest, 7010 North Holmes Street, Gladstone City Hall grounds and Linden Square; Friday, October 3, 5:00 to 10:00 pm, Saturday, October 4, 10:00 am to 10:00 pm, Sunday, October 5, 2025, 12:00 to 4:00 pm.

**CENTRAL PARK (NE CORNER):** Gladfest Smokefest, Friday, October 3 and Saturday, October 4, 2025, 8:00 am to 10:00 pm.

**GLADSTONE CITY HALL,** Gladfest Parade, Saturday, October 4, 2025, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

**Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-25-45**, A Resolution authorizing acceptance of work under contract with C.P. Excavating, LLC, for the Northeast 68<sup>th</sup> Terrace and North Bellefontaine Storm Drainage Project and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$25,518.01 for Project CP2432. **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-25-46**, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with North Kansas City Hospital to work collaboratively with the Police Department to meet the behavior health needs of those requiring assistance. **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to approve the **ANNUAL REPORT OF LINDEN BLOCK 25 COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2025.** **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to approve the **ANNUAL REPORT OF DOWNTOWN LINDEN COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2025.** **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

**REGULAR AGENDA.**

**Item No. 11. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 25-24**, An Ordinance of the City of Gladstone, Missouri, to establish a procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain Municipal Officials pursuant to the State of Missouri Ethics law.

**Councilmember Spallo** moved **BILL NO. 25-24** be placed on its First Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0) The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to accept the First Reading of **BILL NO. 25-24**, waive the rule and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0) The Clerk read the Bill.

**Councilmember Spallo** moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **BILL NO. 25-24** and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.708**. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded.

**Roll Call vote:** “aye”, Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0) **Mayor Smith** stated **BILL NO. 25-24** stands enacted as **Ordinance Number 4.708**.

**Item No. 12. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-25-47**, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with GEST Missouri Holding, LLC, to provide public transportation services to Gladstone residents as outlined in the Agreement.

**Mayor Pro Tem Moore** moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-25-47**, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with GEST Missouri Holding, LLC, to provide public transportation services to Gladstone residents as outlined in the Agreement. **Councilman Nave** seconded.

**Mayor Smith** requested an explanation of the proposed Resolution. City Manager Baer provided an update on the termination of the current KCATA-IRIS service contract, effective September 1st, citing rising costs, unstable funding, and concerns about reliability. He emphasized the importance of maintaining a stable transit option and announced ongoing discussions with the new provider who has agreed to offer comparable or improved service at the same or lower cost. The new door-to-door service will begin September 1st, covering trips within Gladstone city limits to the nearest bus stops, medical facilities, or doctor’s offices in Gladstone, Riverside, Parkville, Liberty, or Kansas City located in Clay or Platte County (primarily the northern region for health care services). The fare will remain at \$3 per ride, with improved consistency and convenience expected.

**Mayor Pro Tem Moore** thanked Manager Baer and his team for their hard work in finding a solution for Gladstone’s transit challenges. She expressed her gratitude and noted that this effort could set a benchmark for surrounding cities in the northland.

**The Vote:** “aye”, Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)


**Item No. 13. On the Agenda.** Other Business.

There was no other business.

**Item No. 14. On the Agenda.** Adjournment.

**Mayor Smith** adjourned the August 11, 2025, Regular City Council meeting at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Kris Keller, City Clerk

Approved as presented:  \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as modified: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Mayor Les Smith