



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2026**

PRESENT: Mayor Les Smith
Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore
Councilmember Tina Spallo
Councilman Spencer Davis
Councilman Cameron Nave

City Manager Bob Baer
Assistant City Manager Austin Greer
City Attorney Chris Williams
City Clerk Kris Keller

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

Mayor Smith opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7:30 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 and expressed appreciation to VFW Color Guard member Carla Gleaton for her participation.

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 January 12, 2026, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2026, 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 January 12, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilman Nave moved to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2026, 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.

Daniel Fowler, 6917 N. Troost, addressed the Council and began by thanking the crews and those at the Community Center who keep the streets and sidewalks clear. He expressed concerns about his young children walking to school during winter conditions. He noted that City sidewalks around Central Park are not consistently cleared and requested that the City address the issue to set a positive example for the neighborhood.

Mayor Smith asked that this request be communicated through City Manager Baer, who agreed to pass the information along and reported that it would be resolved.

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

- Mayor’s Christmas Tree Check Presentation.

Mayor Smith presented the checks to **Northland Christmas Store** Chairman Larry Gardner, **Feed Northland Kids** Board Vice President, Derek Espeer, and **Neighbors Helping Neighbors** Executive Director, Art Hammen, all received a check in the amount of \$7,649.30. Each representative expressed appreciation to the City and community members for their donations and spoke to the positive impact the funds will have in support of their organizations’ missions. **Mayor Smith** also acknowledged and thanked those who made donations.

Councilman Nave reported that it’s been an exciting start to the year. He attended the first Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Advisory Board meeting, where four (4) new members and two (2) new staff members were welcomed. He acknowledged Gladstone Area Chamber of Commerce Chairman Michael Engleman who stepped down after five years of service and then welcomed the new Chairman Christian Williams of The Grove Church.

Councilman Davis remarked that it is encouraging to see the City’s streets consistently well-maintained during winter weather, especially in comparison to surrounding areas and he expressed his appreciation. He also noted lighthearted discussions about the named snowplows and mentioned that the “Blizzard of Oz” cleared his neighborhood street over the weekend.

Councilmember Spallo reported that the “The Big Leplowski” and “Sleetwood Mac” snowplows serviced her neighborhood during the inclement weather over the weekend, which she noted as a positive and fun experience.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore commended the Mayor for his successful Mayor’s Christmas Tree fundraiser, recognizing the significant effort and funds raised. She noted that she attended the recent Planning Commission meeting regarding short-term rentals, which she reported had a positive outcome, and will be presented to the Council in the coming weeks.

Mayor Smith reported that a very nice reception was held for Pete Hall, who recently passed away. He thanked all who attended and noted that Mr. Hall will be truly missed by everyone.

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

City Manager Baer reiterated the appreciation for the staff at Public Works and the Parks crew for their work done during the storm. He also recognized the Police Officers and Fire Fighter/Paramedics

that also have to work in inclement weather, noting the difficult conditions they face while continuing to perform their duties at a high level.

Item No. 10 On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.

Following the Clerks' reading:

Mayor Smith asked if anyone wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda and place it on the Regular Agenda; there were no requests.

Councilman Davis moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-26-03**, A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Molle Chevrolet for the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD 4WD Crew Cab service truck with utility bed in the total amount of \$66,461.00. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

Councilman Davis moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-26-04**, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Time and Materials Contract with Embassy Landscape Group for City landscaping services in an amount not to exceed \$72,100.00. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

Councilman Davis moved to **ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE FY2026-2027 BUDGET OF DOWNTOWN LINDEN COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND LINDEN BLOCK 25 COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** 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. RESOLUTION R-26-05, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Weber's Tree Service, LLC for the mowing of certain City Parks and Facilities in the amount of \$3,580.00 per mowing cycle not to exceed \$128,880.00.

Councilmember Spallo moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-26-05**, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Weber's Tree Service, LLC for the mowing of certain City Parks and Facilities in the amount of \$3,580.00 per mowing cycle not to exceed \$128,880.00. **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Nave, Councilman Davis, Councilmember Spallo, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Mayor Smith. (5-0)

Item No. 12. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-26-06, A Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$211,058.00 to the contract with Fleshman Construction, Incorporated, for the Northeast 76th Terrace Storm Drainage and Parking Improvements Project CP2531.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-26-06**, A Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$211,058.00 to the contract with Fleshman Construction, Incorporated, for the Northeast 76th Terrace Storm Drainage and Parking Improvements Project CP2531. **Councilman Nave** seconded. 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 January 26, 2026, Regular City Council meeting at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Kris Keller, City Clerk

Approved as presented:

Approved as modified: _____



Mayor Les Smith