

**CITY OF HAZELWOOD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 16, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Hazelwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Matthew G. Robinson at 7:34 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 in the Council Chambers of Hazelwood City Hall, 415 Elm Grove Lane.

Mayor Robinson asked those present to join in a moment of silent meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following members of the Council were present:

Mary G. Singleton
Robert M. Aubuchon
Don W. Ryan
Daniel T. Herin
Matthew G. Robinson
Lisa M. Matlock
Warren H. Taylor
Robert C. Smith

Council member Carol A. Stroker was not present. Deputy City Clerk Jen Chappie declared a quorum was present.

Also present were City Manager Matt Zimmerman and City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe.

AGENDA

There being no amendments proposed, Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Ms. Matlock, the adoption of the agenda as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of the consent agenda as printed. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 8

NAY - 0

Mrs. Singleton
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Ryan
Mr. Herin
Mayor Robinson
Ms. Matlock
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Smith

The motion passed unanimously and the consent agenda was adopted.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to approve the minutes of the March 2 regular and closed Council meetings as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

**COUNCIL SERVICE
AWARD**

As his biography was read, Council Member Robert Aubuchon was presented with a 25 year service award.

**EMPLOYEE
SERVICE AWARD**

As her biography was read, Telecommunicator Cara Fry was presented with a five-year service award.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - None

CITIZENS HEARINGS AND PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Mayor Robinson explained the procedures to be followed during a hearing. He invited anyone desiring to make a comment to come forward at this time.

**AMENDMENT TO
CITY CODE
RE: DISCRIMINATION**

Vienna Austin of 1652 Laurel Bluffs stated she would like to propose an amendment to redefine discrimination in the City Code.

**AUBUCHON ROAD
BRIDGE**

Larry Ryan of 1425 Teson Road asked when the Aubuchon Road Bridge would be repaired.

Mr. Ryan stated the traffic diversion is dangerous due to tractor-trailers driving up Teson Road. Mr. Ryan expressed concerns with the trash that is accumulating in the area and the lack of internet service providers.

Mayor Robinson replied the bridge is out due to flooding, and the City has met with Florissant and Bridgeton regarding the bridge repair and all three municipalities are interested in finding a solution. He stated that representatives have spoken to state officials and are trying to get funding. The road and bridge are the responsibility of St. Louis County.

Mr. Zimmerman stated the City would look into the truck traffic and that tractor-trailers are not permitted to travel Teson Road.

In response to the internet service, Mr. Zimmerman stated the City is trying to find a solution and that many of the residents and businesses in that area do not have internet.

TRASH CONCERNS Alando Dixon of 30 St. Stanislaus Court expressed several concerns with trash and debris, broken lighting at businesses, potholes and vacant buildings in the City.

Mayor Robinson responded the trash problem is everywhere. He stated the maintenance crews, private crews and the Green Committee have strived to keep up with the trash pickup, to the best of their ability.

Mr. Zimmerman stated he would have Code Enforcement check on businesses with broken lighting.

BANKRUPTCY CONCERNS Clara Faatz of 8 Bon Vue Drive stated the City is in grave danger of going bankrupt mainly due to the Robertson Fire Protection District lawsuit.

She stated the loss of City services, jobs, and police officers patrolling the City is affecting the entire community and the lack of empathy is appalling. She urged all residents to become involved or the problems will be worse in the future.

VOLUNTEERING Helena Smith of 2145 Riverwood Trails Drive and chairperson of the Community Enrichment Commission stated she has a call to all residents to volunteer their time to make the City a better place.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS

EWGCG BRIEFINGS The March 3 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

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BOUNDARY COMMISSION Notice of amendments to the rules of the Boundary Commission of St. Louis County, Missouri was received.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS Notice of price decrease for unreturned equipment effective April 1, 2022, was received from Charter Communications.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEMS No items have been added to the May 11 Council work session agenda.

**RFPD FINANCIAL
REPORT & SUNSHINE
REQUEST**

Mr. Zimmerman stated the Sunshine request made to Robertson Fire Protection District (RFPD) has gone unfulfilled and the City would continue to wait for their records.

Mr. Zimmerman stated he has requested information be given to the City as it becomes available and for RFPD to provide a deadline for when the information would be received. As of mid-March, there has been no information provided.

Ms. Matlock asked about the consequences for not providing the requested information.

Mr. O'Keefe replied that there are penalties that courts can impose under the Sunshine Law.

**APPOINTMENT TO
EXTENSION COUNCIL**

A request from the University of Missouri for the appointment of a City representative to the St. Louis County Extension Council was received.

Mayor Robinson stated a new City representative needed to be appointed.

Mrs. Singleton asked what this Council does.

Mayor Robinson replied that the City Clerk would get information to the Council.

USE TAX

Mr. Aubuchon requested information on the amount of use tax the City has collected from area businesses and an explanation of how we receive these funds.

Mr. Zimmerman responded approximately \$1 million dollars has been collected.

Mr. O'Keefe explained the use tax is collected from businesses that purchase personal property here while being in another state.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT - None

**CITY ATTORNEY'S
REPORT**

Mr. O'Keefe stated the information received from Love's Restaurant was insufficient to provide them with a permanent liquor license, and on behalf of the City Clerk's office requested their provisional license be good until the end of June 2022.

Mr. O'Keefe stated City Clerk Julie Lowery is working with the restaurant team to provide the correct information to the City before their renewal date.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT - None

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to receive and file the minutes of the January 24 Historic Preservation Commission meeting and the minutes of the February 8 Community Enrichment Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS – None

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS - None

SECOND READING OF BILLS AND ACTION ON BILLS

BILL 5001 Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 5001 to
SUBDIVISION authorize the subdivision of 6122 Fee Fee Road.

There were no objections and Bill 5001 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBDIVISION OF 6122 FEE FEE ROAD FROM ONE LOT INTO THREE LOTS.

In response to concerns expressed at the March 2 regular Council meeting, Mr. Zimmerman stated the owner has brought all violations into compliance.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Ms. Matlock, the adoption of Bill 5001 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 8</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mrs. Singleton	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Herin	
Mayor Robinson	
Ms. Matlock	
Mr. Taylor	
Mr. Smith	

Bill 5001 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4885-22.

BILL 5002 Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 5002 to
SLUP grant a Special Land Use Permit for a fast food restaurant at
 7541 North Lindbergh Boulevard.

There were no objections and Bill 5002 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND GRANTING A PERMANENT SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT TO TRM RE HOLDINGS, LLC FOR A FAST FOOD RESTAURANT AT

7541 NORTH LINDBERGH BOULEVARD AND PROVIDING THE CONDITIONS OF SUCH USAGE.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the adoption of Bill 5002 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 8</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mrs. Singleton	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Herin	
Mayor Robinson	
Ms. Matlock	
Mr. Taylor	
Mr. Smith	

Bill 5002 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4886-22.

BILL 5003	Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 5003 to
STREET STRIPING	authorize a contract with STF, LLC d/b/a Traffic Control
	Company for the 2022 Street Striping Project.

There were no objections and Bill 5003 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH STF, LLC D/B/A TRAFFIC CONTROL COMPANY FOR THE 2022 STREET STRIPING PROJECT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$39,244).

Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, the adoption of Bill 5003 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

<u>AYE - 8</u>	<u>NAY - 0</u>
Mrs. Singleton	
Mr. Aubuchon	
Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Herin	
Mayor Robinson	
Ms. Matlock	
Mr. Taylor	
Mr. Smith	

Bill 5003 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 4887-22.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Robinson announced the next regular Council meeting will be held Wednesday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

ATTEST:

Matthew G. Robinson - Mayor
City of Hazelwood, Missouri

Julie Lowery - City Clerk
City of Hazelwood, Missouri