

**CITY OF HAZELWOOD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Hazelwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Matthew G. Robinson at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2024 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:

Matthew G. Robinson
Lisa M. Matlock
Warren H. Taylor
Robert C. Smith
Jen Hatton
William C. Hoops, Jr.
Robert M. Aubuchon
Job Marquez
Kelly Wadlow

City Clerk Julie Lowery declared a quorum was present. Also present were City Manager Matt Zimmerman and City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe.

AMEND AGENDA

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, to amend the agenda by adding a discussion of the Florissant Valley Fire Protection District meeting with Council Members and Board and Commission appointments under Mayor and Council Reports. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mayor Robinson
Ms. Matlock
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Smith

Mrs. Hatton
Mr. Hoops
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Marquez
Ms. Wadlow

The motion passed unanimously and the consent agenda, including a closed meeting immediately following the regular meeting to discuss personnel matters in accordance with the provisions of RSMo 610.021(3), was adopted.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Matlock, to approve the minutes of the September 11 Special Council meeting, September 18 regular and closed Council meetings, and September 25 closed Council meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

**EMPLOYEE
INTRODUCTIONS**

Assistant City Manager-Finance David Tuberty introduced newly promoted Rental Registration/Accounting Clerk Lauren Price and newly hired Receptionist Susan Funderburg.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
SERVICE
RECOGNITION**

Police Chief James Hudanick presented Police Officer Lucas Claborn with a Domestic Service Recognition Award for his actions over the past year and his continued efforts to combat domestic violence.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH
PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a proclamation designating the month of October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

There were no objections and Proclamation 2419 was read.

Ms. Wadlow moved, seconded by Mr. Hoops, the adoption of Proclamation 2419 designating the month of October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month promoting awareness of the daily occurrence of domestic violence and child mistreatment and encouraging support for a collaborative effort to end domestic violence and the terror those victims feel in their own homes. The motion passed unanimously.

The proclamation was presented to Police Officer/Domestic Violence Coordinator Devan Valenti.

FIRE PREVENTION
PROCLAMATION

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a proclamation designating the week of October 6 through October 12, 2024 as Fire Prevention Week.

There were no objections and Proclamation 2420 was read.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Ms. Wadlow, the adoption of Proclamation 2420 designating October 6 through October 12, 2024, as Fire Prevention Week, and residents are encouraged to make sure their homes have working smoke alarms and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Hazelwood Fire Department. The motion passed unanimously.

HAZARD MITIGATION
GRANT PROGRAM
RESOLUTION

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a resolution authorizing funding for a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program application.

Fire Chief Dan Luley stated Council authorization is required to participate in the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to purchase and install generators at Fire House 2 and the Hazelwood Community Center. The total cost is \$390,685, of which the City's share would be \$97,671 (25%).

There were no objections and Resolution 2408 was read by title only:

A RESOLUTION FOR THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM.

Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, the adoption of Resolution 2408. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mayor Robinson
Ms. Matlock
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Smith
Mrs. Hatton
Mr. Hoops
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Marquez
Ms. Wadlow

Resolution 2408 was unanimously adopted.

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.

DOG CONCERNS Keith White of 6702 Christina Marie Court stated his neighbor at 6701 Freeland Drive allows his three dogs to run loose and bark all day and night.

Mr. White stated since 2021 he has called the Police Department numerous times.

Mayor Robinson stated Code Enforcement and the Police Department would look into this and report back.

AT&T FIBER INSTALLATION AT&T Regional Director Jomo Castro gave an update regarding installation of fiber lines throughout the City.

Event Coordinator Devin Pelkey provided the Council with details of the event that AT&T would be hosting on October 5 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Pershall Park.

Ms. Hatton asked when AT&T would complete the installation in Riverwood Estates. She stated many residents are asking for a completion date.

Mr. Pelkey responded he would have to get back to Ms. Hatton with a completion date.

CITIZENS CONCERNS Kevin Foley of 5274 Ville Rosa Lane expressed concerns regarding the violation he received for security lights at his business and lack of code enforcement and maintenance in the City parks.

SPEED BUMPS Marvin Davis of 677 Coachway Lane stated he is in favor of speed bumps being installed on neighborhood streets to prevent speeders.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT Shirley Pruitt of 12717 Missouri Bottom Road stated she is opposed to a new development for seniors on the field by her home.

Ms. Pruitt stated that she has been maintaining the property where the proposed development would be. However, if the development is approved she would like a privacy fence to be erected.

Mayor Robinson responded that Ms. Pruitt would be notified by mail of any approved development for this property.

CITY MANAGER'S STATUS REPORT Assistant City Manager-Economic Development David Leezer reported on resident concerns from the September 18 meeting.

Several residents near Flamingo Drive reported issues with speeding traffic in their neighborhood. The Police Department is currently conducting a traffic study to evaluate

the speed of vehicles, address traffic enforcement needs such as stop signs, and assess road design. The report and any recommendations will be presented at the October 16 Council meeting.

Regarding signage at the corner of Elm Grove Lane and North Lindbergh Boulevard, Mr. Leezer contacted the shopping center's brokers, who conditionally support granting an easement pending design approval. The City is inquiring with MoDOT about allowed parameters.

Mr. Smith inquired about the party responsible for maintaining St. Louis Mills Boulevard on the southwest side of Highway 370 in the City of Bridgeton. MoDOT oversees the on/off ramps from Highway 370 to the stoplights. Staff has reached out to the MoDOT area engineer to confirm their jurisdiction, and are awaiting a response.

Regarding the resident at 8421 Jacklin Avenue, staff has not received any contact from the property owners at 8425 Jacklin Avenue. Their court date is October 10. Staff spoke to the school behind the properties on Jacklin Avenue about overgrown landscaping encroaching on neighboring residents' fences and debris thrown into the landscaping. The school has committed to cleaning up the landscaping and debris within the next two weeks.

Mr. Smith requested that staff look into a St. Louis County grant program that assists homeowners with tree maintenance. The City is currently involved in St. Louis County's Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG), which is the source of funding for the tree maintenance initiative. The City's CDBG grant funds have been allocated for this year and next year for the program. The Council may consider other uses for the funds when the next allocation is released if they wish to do so at that time.

Mr. Leezer announced the Hazelwood West Homecoming Parade would take place on Saturday, October 5 starting at 9:00 a.m. Some streets in town will be briefly impacted by the parade.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS

EWGCG BRIEFINGS	The September 12 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.
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CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	A notice of new customer monthly pricing effective September 17, 2024 was received from Charter Communications.
EWGCG BRIEFINGS	The September 19 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

EWGCG BRIEFINGS	The September 26 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.
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Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Matlock, to receive and file all communications. The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEMS	No new items were added to the November 13 Council work session agenda.
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FVFPD INFORMATIONAL MEETING	Mayor Robinson stated Council Members Hatton, Taylor and Smith received an invitation from the Florissant Valley Fire Protection District to meet with shop stewards and discuss a tax increase measure that would be on the November 5 ballot.
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Mayor Robinson stated an invitation should be extended to the Florissant Valley Fire Protection District Board.

BOARD/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS	Mayor Robinson appointed Carole Mueller to the Community Enrichment Commission.
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Ms. Hatton motioned, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the preceding appointment. The motion passed unanimously.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

PURCHASE GENERATORS	Chief Luley reported staff recommends approval of purchase and installation of two generators for Firehouse #2 and the Community Center at a cost not to exceed \$390,685.
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Chief Luley stated that following the flood of 2022 the City received a grant through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the generators. The City received one bid from Compass Electric for \$390,685. The City's share would be \$97,671.

Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, to concur with the staff recommendation to approve a contract to purchase and install two generators for Firehouse #2 and the Community Center. The motion passed unanimously.

CONTRACT MOTOROLA CAD	Chief Hudanick reported staff recommends authorization of a contract with Motorola, LLC for a Computer Aided Dispatching (CAD) system for a seven-year term at a cost not to exceed \$310,990.
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Chief Hudanick stated Motorola CAD is utilized by several police agencies in St. Louis County and that it is the most up to date dispatching software with many features that will assist police dispatching. Year one of the contract would be \$124,207 which includes subscription, installation, training and interface costs, and years two through seven incrementally raises each year from \$27,749 to \$34,719. Going to Motorola CAD allows the police department to switch out the report writing system from Omnigo to the St. Louis County CARE system. CARE is a free system which includes report writing, and it can also produce crime stats with crime mapping which gives a snapshot of increased criminal activity by address incidents quicker. CARE interfaces with the evidence system FileOnQ, which the current system does not. Chief Hudanick stated it will take Motorola one year to get their system up and running.

Mr. Smith asked if the first-year payment was due when the project started.

Chief Hudanick responded the first payment gets the project started.

Ms. Wadlow moved, seconded by Mr. Hoops, to concur with the staff recommendation to approve a seven-year contract with Motorola LLC for a CAD Dispatching system for \$310,990 and to place the draft bill on this agenda for introduction. The motion passed unanimously and the bill was added to the agenda as item 17.a.

PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE

Police Chief Hudanick reported staff recommends the purchase of one 2024 V8 Dodge Durango police vehicle with equipment and installation from Landmark Chrysler Dodge at a cost not to exceed \$57,542.

Chief Hudanick stated this vehicle purchase would be offset by grant revenue to be put back in the Capital Improvement budget. Chief Hudanick stated the Traffic Management Team would use this vehicle for Impaired Driving Enforcement. Staff contacted Landmark Chrysler Dodge in Independence, Missouri and Behlmann Chrysler Dodge in Troy Missouri, who are both registered contract dealerships. Staff recommends the purchase of the Dodge Durango from Landmark Chrysler Dodge, who provided the lowest price.

Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, to concur with the staff recommendation to purchase of one 2024 V8 Dodge Durango police vehicle with equipment and installation from Landmark Chrysler Dodge at a cost not to exceed \$57,542. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATES

Mr. Leezer gave an update of several upcoming events in Hazelwood.

The Hazelwood West Homecoming Parade will take place on October 5, beginning at 9 a.m., and some streets will be blocked off briefly.

Mr. Leezer stated the leaf pick up begins November 18 and will end December 16. Residents will be notified by a postcard and the City would also post the schedule on the website.

The DEA Drug Take Back would be held October 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and volunteers would be at the Police Department to help residents dispose of outdated or unwanted medications.

The Ace Race Disc Golf Tournament will be held October 5, at 10 a.m. at White Birch Park. The “Junk in Your Trunk” rummage sale will take place on October 12 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at White Birch Park. The Fall Color Tour will depart from the Hazelwood Community Center at 10 a.m. on October 16, to tour St. Charles County and St. Louis Counties countryside. The Rotten Pumpkin Obstacle Course Race will take place on October 26 at Truman Park beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Leezer reported on a dangerous dog on Fernwood Trails Drive. The owner did not comply with regulations and the dog was euthanized.

Regarding 21 Meditation Way Court, a dog was confiscated due to reports of neglect. The dog has been transferred to St. Louis County Animal Care and Control. The City continues to receive complaints regarding a car parked at the location. Code Enforcement and Police continue to monitor this property.

Regarding a dangerous dog public hearing, the City Manager has issued a ruling that the dangerous dog designation will remain in effect, but the owner could petition the court to remove the designation in six months.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT - None

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Hoops moved, seconded by Ms. Matlock, to receive and file the minutes of the June 10 Board of Adjustment, August 8 City Plan Commission, August 13 Community Enrichment Commission, and September 10 Parks and Recreation Board meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS - None

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

CONTRACT MOTOROLA CAD

Mayor Robinson called for the first reading of a bill to authorize a contract with Motorola, LLC for a Computer Aided Dispatching system for a period of seven years at a cost not to exceed \$310,990.

There were no objections and Bill 5150 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH MOTOROLA, LLC FOR COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCHING AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY DOLLARS (\$310,990).

Bill 5150 will be on the agenda for second reading on October 16.

SECOND READING OF BILLS AND ACTION ON BILLS

BILL 5149
CONTRACT
PD RMS & CAD

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 5149 to authorize a contract with Omnigo Software, LLC for use of a Report Management and Computer Aided Dispatching systems at a cost not to exceed \$80,337.81

There were no objections and Bill 5149 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH OMNIGO SOFTWARE, LLC FOR THE USE OF A REPORT MANAGEMENT AND COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCHING SYSTEMS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED EIGHTY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$80,338).

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Hoops, the adoption of Bill 5149 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mayor Robinson
Ms. Matlock
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Smith
Mrs. Hatton
Mr. Hoops
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Marquez
Ms. Wadlow

Bill 5149 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 5031-24.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Robinson announced the next regular Council meeting would be held Wednesday, October 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council,
the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Matthew G. Robinson - Mayor
City of Hazelwood, Missouri

ATTEST:

Julie Lowery, CMC - City Clerk
City of Hazelwood, Missouri