

**CITY OF HAZELWOOD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 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, December 4, 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:

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

Council Member William Hoops, Jr. was not present. City Clerk Julie Lowery declared a quorum was present. Also present were Interim City Manager David Leezer and City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe.

AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AYE - 8

NAY - 0

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

The motion passed unanimously and the consent agenda, including a closed meeting immediately following the regular meeting to discuss litigation and consult with the City Attorney in accordance with the provisions of RSMo 610.021(1), was adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the minutes of the November 13 Council work session, November 13 Council closed meeting, and the November 20 regular Council meetings as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS

Police Chief James Hudanick introduced newly hired Police Officer Dallas Johnson.

Fire Chief Dan Luley introduced newly hired Firefighter/Paramedic Alex Bereyso and newly hired Paramedic Alex Spangler.

GFOA CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

Assistant City Manager-Finance David Tuberty presented the Government Financial Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement for Financial Reporting to Mayor Robinson on behalf of the City of Hazelwood.

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.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Shirlee Prouhet of 12717 Missouri Bottom Road stated she is opposed to a proposed development for seniors that would be built next to her home.

TRASH CONCERNS

Marvin Davis of 677 Coachway Lane, expressed concern about the amount of trash at the bus stop near QuikTrip on North Lindbergh Boulevard and is requesting larger waste containers be placed there.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Jeremy Denson of 23 Flamingo Drive expressed his concerns regarding speeding in his neighborhood.

Mr. Denson believes that the issue of speeding has worsened, posing a danger, especially to small children and children with special needs in the area. He would like to know what steps can be taken to address this problem. Mr. Denson has filed a complaint

Mayor Robinson responded Chief Hudanick would reach out to speak to him regarding the traffic study and concerns.

CITY MANAGER'S STATUS REPORT	Mr. Leezer addressed resident concerns, highlighting key issues and potential solutions, and provided an overview of upcoming community events.
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Mr. Leezer stated the former Bar 270 has been taken over by a new owner and certain requirements must be met regarding clearing debris at the site.

Mr. Leezer stated an administrative hearing for a business license revocation at 7025 Howdershell Road, Suite E was held earlier today and more information would be forthcoming.

Silgan Plastics has issued a Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification notice, which employers must provide to employees at least 60 calendar days in advance of a plant closing or mass layoff. The first round of layoffs will be February of 2025 and that will include 33 people. Silgan Plastics will officially close by the end of 2025. Staff spoke with company officials in advance to try to help but the issues were too great. The biggest problem was finding employees. Because they did not hit their required employment numbers this year, they did not receive a property tax abatement as stipulated by the Chapter 100 agreement.

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LIQUOR LICENSE An application for a Full Liquor License, with Sunday, had
5555 ST. LOUIS MILLS been received from The Landing Tasting Room, LLC, at 5555
St. Louis Mills Boulevard.

Ms. Lowery stated that the requisite record check has been conducted and Chief Hudanick recommends approval of the application. As this is a new restaurant and food sales can't be determined, issuing a temporary 90-day license would be appropriate to give the business time to compile food/alcohol sales totals. If the sales comply with our Code at the end of the 90 days, a permanent license will be issued.

The Landing Tasting Room representative, Erica Land, was available for questions. Ms. Land stated when hockey games are held at the Ice Zone there are no concessions available for the patrons. The organization came to her and her husband to offer a solution and a concession stand with food and drinks was proposed. The concessions would be open from Friday through Sunday.

Mr. Aubuchon asked what type of food would be served.

Mrs. Land responded with typical concessions food such as burgers, hot dogs, and nachos.

Mr. Smith asked if this would be inside the Ice Zone.

Mrs. Land responded affirmatively.

Ms. Wadlow asked if the concession stand would only be open from Friday through Sunday.

Mrs. Land replied affirmatively, although they do have the ability to be open more days.

Mayor Robinson asked if anyone present wished to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposal.

No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the proposal and Mayor Robinson declared the hearing closed.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to concur with the recommendation to approve a ninety-day temporary liquor license. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

EWGCG The November 14 issue of Briefings was received from the
BRIEFINGS East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

CHARTER A notice of upcoming channel changes was received from
COMMUNICATIONS Charter Communications.

EWGCG
BRIEFINGS The November 21 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

SLUP PETITION
5464 BROWN RD. &
5480 BROWN RD. A petition for a Special Land Use Permit Expansion for a vehicle rental/leasing facility, vehicle painting, and vehicle (truck) sales at 5464 and 5480 Brown Road was received from Degel Truck Center, Inc.

SLUP PETITION
5906 N. LINDBERGH A petition for a Special Land Use Permit for a restaurant at 5906 North Lindbergh Boulevard was received from Lets Grow Old Together, LLC d/b/a Ooey Gooley Smoke Burger.

Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, to refer the petitions to the City Plan Commission and to receive and file all communications. The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

WORK SESSION
AGENDA ITEMS No items were added to the January 8 Council work session agenda.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

USER AGREEMENT
ST. LOUIS COUNTY
COMMUNICATONS
COMMISSION Chief Hudanick reported staff recommends authorization of a user agreement with St. Louis County Emergency Communications Commission for an interoperable radio system.

Chief Hudanick stated this agreement outlines the guidelines which govern the City's continued participation in the county-wide emergency communications system.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, to concur with the staff recommendation to authorize the user agreement with St. Louis County Emergency Communications Commission for an interoperable radio system 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
LOCKERS FOR
PD LOCKER ROOM Chief Hudanick stated staff recommends approval to purchase a new locker system for the Police Department locker room from Bradford Systems at a cost not to exceed \$52,765.53.

Chief Hudanick stated the current locker system is over 40 years old. A new system allows more lockers, opens the locker room for unhindered movement of officers, and provides ventilation to mitigate mold and dry any wet/damp materials stored within. Three bids

were sought for the project but only two were received. In the current Capitol Improvement Fund budget, the Police Department budgeted \$50,000 for the new lockers. The extra funds to pay for the system will come from the recent duty weapons purchase which came in under budget by \$13,000.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Ms. Hatton, to concur with the staff recommendation to approve the purchase of a new locker system from Bradford Systems at a cost not to exceed \$52,765.53. The motion passed unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

INTRODUCTION City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe introduced Attorney Phillip Boyd and stated Mr. Boyd would be sharing duties where needed.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT - None

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, to receive and file the minutes of the October 8 Community Enrichment Commission and the November 18 Historic Preservation Commission meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS - None

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

USER AGREEMENT INTEROPERABLE RADIO SYSTEM Mayor Robinson called for the first reading of a bill to authorize a user agreement with St. Louis County Emergency Communications Commission for an interoperable radio system.

There were no objections and Bill 5153 was read by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A USER AGREEMENT WITH THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR AN INTEROPERABLE RADIO SYSTEM FOR THE HAZELWOOD PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2034.

Bill 5153 will be on the agenda for second reading on December 18.

SECOND READING OF BILLS AND ACTION ON BILLS - None

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCIL MEETING Mayor Robinson announced the next regular Council meeting would be held Wednesday, December 18 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 7:09 p.m.

Matthew G. Robinson - Mayor
City of Hazelwood, Missouri

ATTEST:

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