

**CITY OF HAZELWOOD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 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 18, 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. Mayor Robinson invited Boy Scout Troop 739 to assist with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

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. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Hoops, the adoption of the agenda as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

Mr. Taylor
Mr. Smith
Ms. Hatton
Mr. Hoops
Mr. Aubuchon
Mr. Marquez
Ms. Wadlow

Mayor Robinson
Ms. Matlock

The motion passed unanimously and the consent agenda was adopted.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the minutes of the December 4 regular and closed Council meetings as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS - None

PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

**GNCCC 2025
BUSINESS PERSON
OF THE YEAR**

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a proclamation congratulating John Vogt, the Greater North County Chamber of Commerce 2025 Business Person of the Year.

There were no objections and Proclamation 2422 was read.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Hoops, the adoption of Proclamation 2422 extending congratulations to John Vogt, Greater North County Chamber of Commerce 2025 Business Person of the Year, and commending him for his involvement and dedicated service to the community. The motion passed unanimously.

**GNCCC 2025
LEGACY AWARD
PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Robinson called for the reading of a proclamation congratulating Paul Maganelli, the Greater North County Chamber of Commerce 2025 Legacy Award recipient.

There were no objections and Proclamation 2423 was read.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Ms. Matlock, the adoption of Proclamation 2423 extending congratulations to Paul Maganelli, Greater North County Chamber of Commerce 2025 Legacy Award recipient, and commending him for his contributions to the Greater North County Chamber and the North County community. The motion passed unanimously.

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.

**INVITATION TO MLK
TRIBUTE**

Alexis Robinson and Annette Hood, members of the Community Enrichment Commission, invited the City Council and staff to the 23rd annual tribute to Doctor Martin Luther King Junior on January 19, at 7 p.m., at Civic Center East.

Ms. Robinson stated the keynote speaker will be Stephanie Boykin.

**CITY MANAGER'S
STATUS REPORT**

Mr. Leezer reported on concerns expressed at the December 4 Council meeting.

Mr. Leezer stated that a resident inquired about the status of Bar 270. He received information that the new owners have acquired a permit for asbestos' removal.

Mr. Leezer stated a resident requested larger trash cans at the bus stops on North Lindbergh Boulevard. The City will purchase trash bins twice the size of the current ones being used.

Concerns regarding the reconfiguration of North Lindbergh Boulevard and cars failing to yield have been forwarded to the Missouri Department of Transportation for further consideration.

Ms. Wadlow inquired whether larger trash bins would be emptied more frequently.

Mr. Leezer responded he would speak to the Public Works Department and follow up with the Council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS

**EWGCG
BRIEFINGS**

The November 27 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

**MLMSTL
NEWSLETTER**

The December issue of The Link was received from the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis.

**COMMISSION
RESIGNATION**

A letter of resignation from the City Plan Commission has been received from Dennis Lammert.

FEMA MEETINGS

A notice of meetings to discuss the revised flood hazard information in St. Louis County was received from FEMA Region 7.

**FFSD
INVITATION**

An invitation to participate in the Ferguson-Florissant Municipality Accord was received from the Ferguson-Florissant School District.

**EWGCG
BRIEFINGS**

The December 5 issue of Briefings was received from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

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CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	A notice of upcoming channel changes was received from Charter Communications.
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SLUP PETITION 7220 N. LINDBERGH	A petition for a Special Land Use Permit for a storage facility at 7220 North Lindbergh Boulevard was received from MHC 163 LLC.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to refer the petition 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.
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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mr. Leezer announced this is the last week of leaf collection efforts.
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Mr. Leezer stated Tiffany Paul has been hired as the new Human Resources Manager. She is currently a Regional Director of Human Resources for the St. Louis Missouri Department of Mental Health office and also worked for University City giving her an understanding of municipal personnel policy and rules.

A business license revocation hearing was held on December 4 for OG Studios located at 7025 Howdershell Road. It was found they violated their business license and their business license was revoked.

The City hosted a meeting on Monday, December 9 for the potential flood buyout. During the meeting guidelines and federal regulations for participation were presented.

St. Louis County recently hosted an Open House at Armstrong Elementary regarding the reconstruction of Howdershell Road from Utz Lane to Lynn Haven Lane. The project will resurface Howdershell Road, repair and replace curb ramps and repair the existing sidewalks, ensuring they meet ADA compliance standards. Additionally, St. Louis County will replace signals along the corridor and install ADA-compliant pedestrian push buttons and signal heads. The project will be completed in two phases:

1. The first phase, from I-270 to Utz Lane, began preliminary design work in 2023. The Right-of-Way design phase is currently underway, with Right-of-Way acquisition expected to take place in 2025-2026. Construction is anticipated to begin in early 2027.
2. The second phase, from Utz Lane to Lynn Haven Lane, is also in the preliminary engineering design phase. Right-of-way acquisition is expected in 2025, with an estimated construction start date in 2027.

City Hall will be closed to the public on Monday, January 27th, to allow staff time to clean offices and prepare records for destruction following record retention rules.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

APRIL 8, 2025
ELECTION

Ms. Lowery stated she was in receipt of three candidate petitions for the April 8, 2025 election and candidate filing closes on December 31 at 5 p.m.

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to receive and file the minutes of the October 8 Parks and Recreation Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS - None

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS - None

SECOND READING OF BILLS AND ACTION ON BILLS

BILL 5153
USER AGREEMENT
INTEROPERABLE
RADIO SYSTEM

Mayor Robinson called for the second reading of Bill 5153 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.

Mr. Aubuchon moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, the adoption of Bill 5153 as an ordinance. The following vote was recorded on the motion:

AYE - 9

NAY - 0

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

Bill 5153 was unanimously adopted as Ordinance 5035-24.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY HALL CLOSED Mayor Robinson announced City Hall would be closed Christmas Eve, December 24 at noon, Christmas Day, December 25, and New Year's Day, January 1, 2025.

COUNCIL MEETING Mayor Robinson announced the next regular Council meeting would be held Wednesday, January 15, 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 6:54 p.m.

Matthew G. Robinson - Mayor
City of Hazelwood, Missouri

ATTEST:

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