

CITY OF FLORISSANT



COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, September 14, 2023

The Florissant City Council met in regular session at Florissant City Hall, 955 Rue St. Francois on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM with Council President Eagan presiding.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chair asked everyone in attendance to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

On Roll Call the following Councilmembers were present: Caputa, Schildroth, O'Donnell, Pagano, Parson, Siam, Harris, Manganeli, and Eagan. Also present was Mayor Timothy Lowery, City Clerk Karen Goodwin, and City Attorney John Hessel. A quorum being present the Chair stated that the Council Meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

8-28-2023. City Council Minutes 8-28-2023

Councilman Harris made a motion to approve the City Council Minutes of August 28, 2023, seconded by Schildroth. Motion carried.

IV. HEARING FROM CITIZENS

Debra Decue-Winston stated she was at the Eagan Center and witnessed a fight which broke out between kids. She noted no one from the pool called the police as soon as the incident happened. Chief Fagan noted there was a fight which originated in the gymnasium, but two phone calls were made to the Police Department and 5 vehicles were sent to the center. He stated he believed the staff at the Eagan Center did react appropriately to the incident. Martha Corwin, incident witness, stated she was upset regarding the delay between the incident beginning and when the staff decided to call the police.

Donna Cottom, Riverchase Apartments Resident, noted her anger and frustration regarding expired temp tags on vehicles. She stated on her short drive around the city she sees about 3 expired tags within the limits and driving recklessly.

V. COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

23-09-016. Request recommended approval of a Special Use Permit to allow for a Carry-Out Restaurant in an existing 'B-3' Extensive Business District.

The City Clerk reported that Public Hearing 23-09-016 for the Request recommended approval of a Special Use Permit to allow for a carry-out restaurant in an existing 'B-3' Extensive Business District. The Chair declared the Public Hearing to be open.

Suzetta Porter, petitioner, stated she would like her business to be similar to Wingstop with orders only available for carry out. The business would have later hours around 10:30 to 11pm and closed on Sundays. Ms. Porter noted this business will be separate

from Busloop Burgers and will not be knocking down the walls to add the businesses together. The business would have a hood system, 5 deep fryers, a walk-in cooler, and all other portions needed for a kitchen.

Being no further comments, Councilman Siam made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Schildroth. Motion carried.

- 23-09-017.** Public Hearing to establish the rate of taxation to be levied upon all real estate and tangible personal property in the City of Florissant, county of St. Louis, State of Missouri, for the year 2023, for the payment of interest and principal on the General Obligation Bonds authorized by the voters at the Special Bond Election on August 2, 2022.

The City Clerk reported the Public Hearing 23-09-017 for the Public Hearing to establish the rate of taxation to be levied upon all real estate and tangible personal property in the City of Florissant, county of St. Louis, State of Missouri for the year 2023, for the payment of interest and principal on the General Obligation Bonds authorized by the voters at the Special Bond Election on August 2, 2022. The Chair declared the Public Hearing to be open.

Christine Leighton, Accounting Clerk, noted the proposed tax rate is to remain at \$0.12 for the year 2023.

Being no further comments, Councilman O'Donnell made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

BILLS FOR SECOND READING

9900. Ordinance authorizing a Special Use Permit for the for the operation of a sit down and carry-out restaurant, at 1290 N Highway 67 (Sugarfire) in a 'B-3' Zoning District.

Councilman O'Donnell moved that Bill No. 9900 be read for a second time, seconded by Siam. Motion carried and Bill No. 9900 was read for a second time.

Councilman O'Donnell moved that Bill No. 9900 be read for a third time, seconded by Caputa. Motion carried and Bill No. 9900 was read for a third time and placed upon its passage.

Before the final vote was taken, all interested persons were given the opportunity to be heard. Being no further comments, on roll call the Council voted as follows:

VOTING

Motion by: Councilman O'Donnell, Thomas

Second by: Councilman Caputa, Jeff

COUNCIL MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Councilman Eagan, Joseph	X			
Councilman Harris, Andrew	X			
Councilman Manganelli, Paul	X			
Councilman Caputa, Jeff	X			
Councilman Schildroth, Keith	X			
Councilman O'Donnell, Thomas	X			
Councilwoman Pagano, Jackie	X			
Councilman Parson Jr., Robert	X			
Councilman Siam, Tommy	X			

Whereupon the Chair declared Bill No. 9900 to have passed and become Ordinance No. 8909.

9901. Ordinance authorizing an amendment to Title III " Traffic Code", Schedule III "Stop Intersections", Table IIIA "One-Way Stops" by adding a stop sign on Surrey at Tremont.

Councilman Siam moved that Bill No. 9901 be read for a second time, seconded by Eagan. Motion carried and Bill No. 9901 was read for a second time.

Councilman Siam moved that Bill No. 9901 be read for a third time, seconded by Harris. Motion carried and Bill No. 9901 was read for a third time and placed upon its passage.

Before the final vote was taken, all interested persons were given the opportunity to be heard. Being no further comments, on roll call the Council voted as follows:

VOTING

Motion by: Councilman Siam, Tommy

Second by: Councilman Harris, Andrew

COUNCIL MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Councilman Eagan, Joseph	X			
Councilman Harris, Andrew	X			
Councilman Manganelli, Paul	X			
Councilman Caputa, Jeff	X			
Councilman Schildroth, Keith	X			
Councilman O'Donnell, Thomas	X			
Councilwoman Pagano, Jackie	X			
Councilman Parson Jr., Robert	X			
Councilman Siam, Tommy	X			

Whereupon the Chair declared Bill No. 9901 to have passed and become Ordinance No. 8910.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Councilman Schildroth moved to accept the mayor's appointment of Carol Liebler, 1415 Vesper, to the Senior Commission as a member from ward 4 with a term expiring on September 14, 2026. Seconded by Manganelli, motion carried.

Councilman Caputa moved to accept the mayor's appointment of Ryan Sextro, 700 Derhake, to the Youth Advisory Commission as a member from Ward 7 with a term expiring on September 14, 2026. Seconded by Siam, motion carried.

REQUESTS

Request to approve a Special Event Permit for October 21, 2023 to 2.0 Restaurant and Bar located 462 N. Highway 67

Councilman O'Donnell made a motion to approve the Request for a Special Event Permit for October 21, 2023 to 2.0 Restaurant and Bar located at 462 N. Highway 67, seconded by Eagan.

Councilman Eagan moved to suspend the rules to speak with the petitioner, seconded by Caputa. Motion carried.

Princeton Dew, petitioner, noted a sorority has a reunion and party each year at a different location and all money will be used as scholarships to current sorority members. Mr. Dew noted his maximum occupancy is 135 and the event will have 100 persons in attendance. He stated the cover charge would go towards the scholarships and the restaurant would be closed during the event.

Councilman Schildroth noted concerns with a complaint of an intoxicated person on the roof of their vehicle outside Mr. Dew's establishment in the afternoon and noted concerns of the establishment over-serving patrons.

Mr. Dew noted he does not allow anyone to bring in or take out liquor in the restaurant and he is unaware of the incident Councilman Schildroth spoke on.

Councilman Eagan noted concerns with the business changing their business layout when coming to the council for approval and was made aware of an incident that took place on July 19, 2023 at the restaurant where an officer responded to a disturbance. The officer noted several employees being involved in a physical altercation and the staff returned into the business who locked the front door and would not allow officers to enter the building for 10 minutes.

Mr. Dew stated he has since terminated the employees who would not let the officers enter the building and were involved in the altercations. He noted his appreciation of the council allowing him to receive a liquor license.

Seeing no further comments, the motion carried to grant the Special Event permit.

VOTING

Motion by: Councilman O'Donnell, Thomas

Second by: Councilman Eagan, Joseph

COUNCIL MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Councilman Eagan, Joseph	X			
Councilman Harris, Andrew	X			
Councilman Manganelli, Paul	X			
Councilman Caputa, Jeff	X			
Councilman Schildroth, Keith	X			
Councilman O'Donnell, Thomas	X			
Councilwoman Pagano, Jackie	X			
Councilman Parson Jr., Robert	X			
Councilman Siam, Tommy	X			

BILLS FOR FIRST READING

9906. Ordinance appropriating the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds to the 2023 Fiscal Year for the City of Florissant.

Bill No. 9906 was read for the first time.

9907. Ordinance establishing the rate of taxation to be levied upon all real estate and tangible personal property in the City of Florissant, county of St. Louis, State of Missouri, for the year 2023, for the payment of interest and principal on the General Obligation Bonds authorized by the voters at the Special Bond Election on August 2, 2022.

Bill No. 9907 was read for the first time.

9908. An ordinance amending Chapter 340, Section 340.290 "Miscellaneous Driving Rules" and deleting section 210.580

Bill No. 9908 was read for the first time.

Councilman Schildroth moved that Bill No. 9908 be read for a second time, seconded by Eagan. Motion carried and Bill No. 9908 was read for a second time.

Councilman Schildroth moved that Bill No. 9908 be read for a third time, seconded by Caputa. On roll call the Council voted: Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, O'Donnell yes, Pagano yes, Parson yes, Harris yes, Manganelli yes, and Eagan yes.

Having received a unanimous vote of all members present Bill No. 9908 was read for a third and final time and placed upon its passage.

Before the final vote all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard.

Seeing none, on roll call the Council voted as follows:

VOTING

Motion by: Councilman Schildroth, Keith

Second by: Councilman Caputa, Jeff

COUNCIL MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Councilman Eagan, Joseph	X			
Councilman Harris, Andrew	X			
Councilman Manganelli, Paul	X			
Councilman Caputa, Jeff	X			
Councilman Schildroth, Keith	X			
Councilman O'Donnell, Thomas	X			
Councilwoman Pagano, Jackie	X			
Councilman Parson Jr., Robert	X			
Councilman Siam, Tommy	X			

Whereupon the Chair declared Bill No. 9908 to have passed and become Ordinance No. 8911.

9909. Ordinance authorizing a Special Use Permit to allow for a Carry-Out Restaurant in an existing 'B-3' Extensive Business District located at 2636 N. Highway 67. .
Bill No. 9909 was read for the first time.

IX. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilman Manganelli noted the last Florissant Food Truck night is on Friday, September 15, 2023, and encouraged everyone to come. The first annual Florissant Italian Festival is on September 30, 2023, from 4pm to 8pm. He noted the bocce tournament has 16 team slots available.

Councilman O'Donnell noted Amore's Pizza would be hosting the 4th Annual Dine to Donate event for the St. Baldricks Foundation and will be donating 10% of all sales the weekend of Friday, September 22nd.

Councilman Siam noted Ward 8 and 9 would be holding a joint ward meeting on Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30pm in the gymnasium of Eagan Center with the mayor and members of administration.

Councilman Eagan noted the St. Patrick's Day Committee would be holding a halfway to St. Patrick's Day Festival on September 15, 2023 at the VFW hall with the band KaPow!

X. MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Lowery noted the annual Glow Run would be taking place on Saturday, September 16th, 2023 from 5pm with food games and raffles and the run beginning at 7:15pm.

A plaque dedication would be taking place for the late Sue Mitchell on Wednesday September 27th in front of 111 rue St. Francois before the last Wednesday Night Out at Hendel's.

Mayor Lowery stated the National Night Out is Tuesday, October 3rd from 6pm to 8pm and asked neighborhoods to register their block parties.

The Florissant Police Department and Fire Protection District are co-sponsoring a haunted house on Friday, October 6 and Friday, October 13 from 5pm to 6pm for all ages and from 6pm to 9pm for the scary haunted house. It is located at 111 St. Francois.


XI. ADJOURNMENT

The Council President stated the next regular City Council Meeting will be Monday, September 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Councilman Siam moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Schildroth. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:41 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Goodwin, MPPA/MMC/MRCC
City Clerk

Bill No. 9900
Bill No. 9901
Bill No. 9908

Ord. No. 8909
Ord. No. 8910
Ord. No. 8911