

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 5, 2016

The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of December 5, 2016 was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 105 East Center, Sikeston. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmen Karen Evans, Jon Gilmore, Ryan Merideth, Gerald Settles, and Mary White-Ross. Councilman Bob Depro was absent. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Governmental Services Director Linda Lowes, Public Safety Director Drew Juden, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Parks Director Dustin Care, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, Senior Building Official Collin Cecil, Public Safety Captain Mike Williams, and Airport Manager Lee Dunn.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council minutes of November 7, 17, and 28, 2016 were presented for approval. Councilwoman White-Ross moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Minutes from various board and commission meetings were presented to the City Council. Councilman Gilmore moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and voted as follows:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Consideration and Acceptance of 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan

Councilman Merideth moved for acceptance of the 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Plan. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Bill Number 6044, Calling for the April 4, 2017 General Election

Councilman Settles moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6044. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6044, calling for a general election in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, for the purpose of electing a candidate for the position of councilman at-large.

Emergency Bill Number 6045 Conveying Certain Property to the Chamber of Commerce

Councilwoman White-Ross moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6045. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented Bill Number 6045 for reading, an emergency ordinance authorizing the City of Sikeston, Missouri to convey to the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce certain real estate and to accept a lease termination.

In 2012 the city entered into a commercial lease agreement with the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce. Under that agreement, the Chamber of Commerce moved from 1 Industrial Drive to the former DPS Headquarters at 215 North New Madrid, leasing that property from the city for \$200/month. Under that agreement the city also agreed to demolish the former EBS Building on the northeast corner of W. Malone and N. Kingshighway, and then convey the deed to that property to the Chamber of Commerce.

Earlier this year the Chamber of Commerce vacated 215 N. New Madrid and moved into their city owned property at 128 N. New Madrid. The city also completed demolition of the former EBS Building and is ready to convey that property to the Chamber of Commerce. By adopting Emergency Bill Number 6045, the City Council will be approving conveyance of the property and termination of the former lease at 215 N. New Madrid. The Chamber will then enter into a new lease agreement for 128 N. New Madrid, which the city has previously authorized.

Councilman Gilmore moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6045. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

BILL NUMBER 6045

ORDINANCE NUMBER 6045

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI TO CONVEY TO THE SIKESTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CERTAIN REAL ESTATE AND TO ACCEPT A LEASE TERMINATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Sikeston and the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce entered into a written Commercial Lease Agreement dated August 27, 2012, and

WHEREAS, said Agreement allowed the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce to terminate its lease upon 90 days' notice, and

WHEREAS, said Agreement also required the City of Sikeston to convey certain real estate to the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce upon their compliance with said lease, and

WHEREAS, the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce has fully performed all of its obligations under said lease.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: The City hereby accepts the termination by the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce of the lease.

SECTION II: The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City any and all documents necessary and proper to convey to the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce the following described real estate which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference.

SECTION III. Any other ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION IV. Should any part or parts of this ordinance be found or held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining part or parts shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION V. Emergency Ordinance. The City Council finds that an emergency exists within the meaning of Article III, Section 312(f) of the City Charter, in that the conveyance of the property is necessary for the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce's year end budgeting requirements.

SECTION VI: Record of Passage:

A. Bill Number 6045 was introduced and read the first time this 5th day of December, 2016.

B. Bill Number 6045 was read the second time and discussed on this 5th day of December, 2016. Councilman Settles moved to approve Bill Number 6045. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

C. Upon passage by the City Council, this bill shall become Ordinance 6045 and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Merideth moved to adjourn into executive session for the discussion of litigation and property [RSMO 610.021 (1 & 2)]. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Mayor Burch called the executive session to order. Present were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmen Karen Evans, Jon Gilmore, Ryan Merideth, Gerald Settles and Mary White-Ross. Councilman Bob Depro was absent. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Governmental Services Director Linda Lowes, Public Safety Director Juden, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster and Economic Development Director Ed Dust.

No action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Gilmore moved to adjourn from executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Councilman Settles moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: