



# City of Columbia, Missouri

## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

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Monday, July 18, 2022  
7:00 PM

Regular

Council Chamber  
Columbia City Hall  
701 E. Broadway

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#### I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

The City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri met for a regular meeting at approximately 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2022, in the Council Chamber of the City of Columbia, Missouri. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the roll was taken with the following results: Council Member BETSY PETERS, Mayor BARBARA BUFFALOE, Council Member PAT FOWLER, Council Member KARL SKALA, Council Member NICK FOSTER, and Council Member MATT PITZER were present. Council Member ANDREA WANER was absent. City Manager De'Carlton Seewood, City Counselor Nancy Thompson, City Clerk Sheela Amin, and various Department Heads and staff members were also present.

Mayor Buffaloe explained the minutes were not yet complete for the November 15, 2021, December 6, 2021, December 20, 2021, January 3, 2022, January 18, 2022, February 7, 2022, February 21, 2022, March 7, 2022, March 21, 2022, April 4, 2022, April 18, 2022, May 2, 2022, May 16, 2022, June 6, 2022, June 21, 2022, and July 5, 2022 regular council meetings, and the April 18, 2022 special council meeting.

Council Member Fowler asked that B196-22 be moved from the consent agenda to old business.

The agenda, including the consent agenda with B196-22 being moved to old business, was approved unanimously by voice vote on a motion by Mayor Buffaloe and a second by Council Member Skala.

#### II. SPECIAL ITEMS

None.

#### III. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

BC8-22 Board and Commission Applicants.

Upon receiving the majority vote of the Council, the following individuals were appointed to the following Boards and Commissions.

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COMMISSION

Fieser, Tommy, 1814 Rose Drive, Ward 2, Term to expire July 31, 2025

Phillips, Sam, 108 Westwood Avenue, Ward 4, Term to expire July 31, 2025

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Minchew, Randy, 2416 Kays Pointe Drive, Ward 6, Term to expire May 1, 2027

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION CODES COMMISSION

DeYoung, William, 305 Bourn Avenue, Ward 4, Term to expire August 1, 2025

Jackson, Rob, 384 E. Franklin Road, Boone County, Term to expire August 1, 2025

Malicot, Fred, 5649 N. Clearview Road (Business), Ward 4, Term to expire August 1, 2025

Weber, Dave, 2804 Wild Plum Court, Ward 6, Term to expire August 1, 2025

Young, Matt, 5600 N. Pintail Lane, Boone County, Term to expire August 1, 2025

CITY OF COLUMBIA NEW CENTURY FUND INC. BOARD

Banks, Barbie, 215 W. Ash Street, Ward 1, Term to expire September 30, 2023

COLUMBIA AND BOONE COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD

Buckler, Margrace, 1802 Chapel Ridge Road, Ward 4, Term to expire June 30, 2025

Rodewald, Jennifer, 3702 Timber Run Drive, Ward 5, Term to expire June 30, 2025

PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD

Slade, Leslie, P.O. Box 7271, Ward 3, Term to expire November 30, 2024

PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Reneker, Josph, 3822 Blue Cedar Lane, Ward 5, Term to expire March 1, 2023

RAILROAD ADVISORY BOARD

Eiffert, Gregory, 2401 Cimarron Drive, Ward 5, Term to expire July 15, 2026

Hendrickson, Blair, 5600 Majestic Circle, Ward 5, Term to expire July 15, 2026

#### IV. SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT

- SPC44-22 John Conway - What I Found in the Library.  
John Conway spoke.
- SPC45-22 Tanner Ott - Firsthand Experiences with the Homelessness Downtown.  
Tanner Ott spoke.
- SPC46-22 Tootie Burns - Wabash Bus Station in the North Village Arts District.  
Tootie Burns, 310 E. Brandon Road, spoke.
- SPC47-22 Lillian Davis - Late Fees for UCS.  
Lillian Davis spoke.
- SPC48-22 Jim Windsor - Status of Electric Infrastructure.  
Jim Windsor withdrew his request to speak.
- SPC49-22 Susan Renee Carter - Silence is Golden or is it? (Addressing the Critical Nature of Citizen Input for Local Government).  
Susan Renee Carter, a Second Ward resident, spoke.

#### V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- PH25-22 Consider the Water and Light 2022 Renewable Energy Plan.  
The public hearing was read by the City Clerk.  
Utilities Director David Sorrell provided a staff report, and responded to Council questions.  
Mayor Buffaloe opened the public hearing.  
Mark Haim, 1402 Richardson Street, indicated he was representing Mid-Missouri Peaceworks and spoke.  
Jack Meinzenbach, 806 Sunstone Lane, spoke.  
Carolyn Amparan, 4804 Shale Oaks Avenue, indicated she was representing the

Mid-Missouri Sierra Club and spoke.  
Dick Parker, 215 W. Sexton Road, spoke.  
Tom Jensen, 2416 Wild Oak Court, spoke.  
There being no further comment, Mayor Buffaloe closed the public hearing.  
The Council asked questions and made comments.

**Mayor Buffaloe made a motion to accept the Water and Light 2022 Renewable Energy Plan. The motion was seconded by Council Member Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.**

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

R100-22 Authorizing a special event operations agreement with Radar Hospitality Company, L.L.C. for an outdoor concert to be held on portions of Sixth Street and Locust Street on September 24, 2022.

The resolution read by the City Clerk.  
Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Amy Schneider provided a staff report, and she and City Counselor Nancy Thompson responded to Council questions  
Tom Jensen indicated he was representing the applicant, Radar Hospitality, and spoke.  
Caleb Colbert, an attorney with offices at 827 Broadway, indicated he was representing the State Historical Society of Missouri and spoke.  
The Council asked questions and made comments.

**Council Member Fowler made a motion to amend the agreement associated with R100-22 to adjust the closure of Locust Street so that it was from Sixth Street to a designated location on the west side of the driveway into the State Historical Society of Missouri parking lot until 3:45 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022 to ensure maintenance of two driving lanes and access to that parking lot by State Historical Society of Missouri employees and patrons until that time. The motion was seconded by Council Member Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.**

**R100-22, as amended, was read by the City Clerk, and the vote was recorded as follows: VOTING YES: PETERS, BUFFALOE, FOWLER, SKALA, FOSTER, PITZER. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WANER. Resolution declared adopted, reading as follows:**

B193-22 Granting a waiver and design adjustment relating to sidewalk construction adjacent to Lot 3 of Barcus Ridge Plat No. 2 located along the north side of Old Plank Road (7101 S. Old Plank Road) (Case No. 139-2022).

The bill was given second reading by the City Clerk.  
Community Development Director Tim Teddy provided a staff report, and responded to Council questions.  
Ashley Scholl and Patrick Scholl, the owners of the property in question, spoke, and responded to Council questions.  
The Council asked questions and made comments.

**Council Member Pitzer made a motion to table B193-22 to the September 19, 2022 Council Meeting to allow time to come to a resolution if possible. The motion was seconded by Council Member Skala, and approved by voice vote with only Council Member Peters voting no.**

B196-22 Amending Ordinance No. 024848 to establish a program for virtual meetings and virtual public participation for certain designated advisory boards and commissions.

The bill was given second reading by the City Clerk.

City Counselor Nancy Thompson provided a staff report, and she and City Manager De'Carlton Seewood responded to Council questions.

Kate Graham, a Fifth Ward resident, spoke.

Chriss Jones, a Second Ward resident, spoke.

Rebecca Shaw, 2615 Vail Drive, spoke.

December Harmon, a First Ward resident, spoke.

The Council asked questions and made comments.

**B196-22 was given third reading by the City Clerk with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: PETERS, BUFFALOE, FOWLER, SKALA, FOSTER, PITZER. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WANER. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:**

## VII. CONSENT AGENDA

The following bills were given second reading and the resolutions were read by the City Clerk.

- B189-22 Granting a design adjustment relating to the proposed PD Planned Development of Bluff Creek Estates, Plat No. 8 located on the east side of Bluff Creek Drive and west of Highway 63 to allow an increased number of lots or units to be accessed from a single point of ingress/egress (Case No. 109-2022).
- B190-22 Approving the PD Planned Development of "Bluff Creek Estates, Plat No. 8" located on the east side of Bluff Creek Drive and west of Highway 63; approving a revised statement of intent (Case No. 109-2022).
- B191-22 Approving the PD Plan for "Sunshine Early Care and Education Center" located on the northeast corner of Holly Avenue and Andy Drive (2207 Holly Avenue); approving a revised statement of intent (Case No. 156-2022).
- B192-22 Approving a major revision to the PD Plan for "Kinney Point" located on the northeast corner of Sexton Road and Garth Avenue (1 Sexton Road); approving a revised statement of intent (Case No. 165-2022).
- B194-22 Authorizing a right of use license permit with White Oak Investment Properties, LLC for construction, installation, maintenance and/or operation of black aluminum fencing and gates within a portion of the College Avenue right-of-way and black aluminum fencing within a portion of the Hinkson Avenue right-of-way.
- B195-22 Authorizing a software as a service (SaaS) agreement with Locality Media, Inc. for the "First Due" records management system for the Fire Department; amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.
- R102-22 Authorizing application to the Missouri Department of Transportation for state funding from the Regional Bridge Program for removal and construction of a replacement bridge on Ridgemont Road over the County House Branch.
- R103-22 Authorizing agreements with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the lease of an articulated dump truck for use at the City of Columbia sanitary landfill.
- R104-22 Authorizing a special event operations agreement with Trio Presents, L.L.C. for the 2022 Roots N Blues Festival at Stephens Lake Park.

The bills were given third reading and the resolutions read by the City Clerk with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: PETERS, BUFFALOE, FOWLER, SKALA, FOSTER, PITZER. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WANER. Bills declared enacted and resolutions declared adopted, reading as follows:

### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

### IX. INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

The following bills were introduced by the Mayor unless otherwise indicated, and all were given first reading.

- B197-22 Approving the Final Plat of "Hashtag-Oakland Subdivision" located on the east side of Oakland Gravel Road and west of Paris Road (Case No. 154-2022).
- B198-22 Approving the Final Plat for "Greenville Subdivision, Plat 1" located on the north side of Green Meadows Road and south of Green Meadows Circle; authorizing a performance contract (Case No. 171-2022).
- B199-22 Authorizing approval of an Abatement Order On Consent with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.
- B200-22 Authorizing an agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri, on behalf of the University Concert Series, for a subgrant award with funds received from the National Endowment for the Arts as part of the American Rescue Plan.
- B201-22 Accepting the 2022-2023 STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) program grant from the Missouri Department of Public Safety; authorizing an Award of Contract and Certified Assurances and Special Conditions.
- B202-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating Public Works Department funds to finalize and close out completed capital improvement projects and to provide funding for current capital improvement projects.
- B203-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating funds for the purchase of a front end wheel loader to be used by the Public Works Department for winter weather response events.
- B204-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating funds associated with Electric Utility purchase power expenses.
- B205-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating General Fund Reserves to the Economic Development Department for professional dues.
- B206-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating funds for the construction of the Runway 2-20 extension project at the Columbia Regional Airport relating to additional erosion control measures and removal of an existing water main.
- B207-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating funds received from donations, miscellaneous revenue, and Park Sales Tax revenue to provide funding for various Parks and Recreation Department projects.

- B208-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating federal asset forfeiture funds for the purchase of the Fusus real-time surveillance software platform for the Police Department.
- B209-22 Authorizing a contractual service agreement with the State of Missouri Children's Trust Fund to sustain and expand the brighter beginnings program; amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.
- B210-22 Amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by transferring funds in the Public Health and Human Services Department to offset the increased costs associated with the purchase of a mobile outreach vehicle.
- B211-22 Amending Chapter 18 of the City Code to extend the sunset provisions for the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) relating to police and firefighter retirement benefits.

## X. REPORTS

- REP57-22 Mid-Missouri Radio Control Association Use of Utility Property.  
Acting Deputy City Manager Mike Griggs provided a staff report, and the Council made comments.
- REP58-22 Sidewalk Master Plan Report.  
The Council asked questions and discussed the report.
- REP59-22 Downtown Community Improvement District (CID) Communication regarding the Use of the Wabash Station along with Other Association Issues in the Downtown.  
Nickie Davis, the Executive Director of the Downtown CID, spoke, and responded to Council questions.  
The Council asked further questions of staff and discussed the issue.
- REP60-22 Downtown Community Improvement District (CID) - FY 2023 Annual Budget.  
Discussion shown with REP61-22.
- REP61-22 Business Loop Community Improvement District (CID) - FY 2023 Annual Budget.  
Mayor Buffaloe explained these reports were provided by the respective community improvement districts, and asked if there were any questions. No one asked any questions.
- REP62-22 Water Utility Capital Improvement Project Status Update.  
The Council asked questions and discussed the report.
- REP63-22 Monthly Finance Report.  
Finance Director Matthew Lue provided a staff report.
- REP64-22 Amendment to the FY 2022 Annual Budget - Intra-Departmental Transfer of Funds.  
Mayor Buffaloe explained this report had been provided for informational purposes.

**XI. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, COUNCIL AND STAFF**

Michael MacMann spoke about the issues associated with the unsheltered and the need for a variety of smaller spaces for them including spaces in the downtown.

Stephanie Yoakum, a First Ward resident and volunteer with the CoMo Mobile Aid Collective and Loaves and Fishes, and spoke regarding the issues of the unsheltered, the use of the Wabash Station in that regard, and the need for compassionate solutions.

Margaret McConnell, 2102 Parks Edge Place, indicated she worked with Loaves and Fishes, CoMo Mobile Aid Collective, and other organizations, and spoke regarding the unsheltered, the consequences of not allowing the use of the Wabash Station, and the need for acceptable and adequate alternatives.

Melissa MacGowan, a Third Ward resident, spoke about the reasons people gathered at the Wabash Station.

Traci Wilson-Kleekamp spoke regarding the failure of the City's transportation system, the problematic issues associated with the ARPA survey information, the unsheltered community, and the need to rethink funding priorities.

Rebecca Shaw spoke about the needs of the unhoused, the lack of public facilities, and the need for solutions before the winter season.

Richard Hayden spoke about the use of city-owned land by the Mid-Missouri Radio Control Association next to a neighborhood.

Catherine Armbrust indicated she was a coordinator for the CoMo Mobile Aid Collective and spoke regarding services they provided, the outcome of the passage of HB 1606 on the unsheltered, the issues associated with the unsheltered community, and the need for the City to provide shelters and services.

Nick McKague, a Sixth Ward resident and owner of the Parker Millard Funeral Home and Acola Coffee in the downtown, spoke regarding the uptick in mental illness, the use of the Wabash Station for the unsheltered and those with mental illnesses, and the need for the City to do more.

Ken Greene, a local artist, spoke about the needs of the unsheltered and potential solutions the City could provide.

Chriss Jones, a Second Ward resident, spoke regarding the lack of effectiveness of the Citizens Police Review Board (CPRB) and issues associated with the unsheltered along with the need for solutions.

December Harmon provided a handout and spoke about the CPRB and the flyers associated with that Board.

Demetria Stephens, a Second Ward resident, spoke regarding the unsheltered and the fact there were more families being pushed toward homelessness since their Section 8 leases were not being renewed.

The Council and staff discussed various items to include the need for a report regarding the cost and feasibility to go to 100 percent renewable energy by 2030 without considering the existing three percent restriction, a potential review of the utility billing

process and timeline for those that were chronically late due to when they had access to funds versus when the payment was due, the fact Council Member Foster would be reaching out the Longview Neighborhood and the Mid-Missouri Radio Control Association (MMRCA) regarding their conflicting issues, the work and model of the CPRB, the comments of December Harmon with regard to the CPRB and the flyers associated with the CPRB, the unsheltered community and how to address issues associated with the unsheltered community, the need for intentional collaboration between the identified needs and the funding of those needs, the issues surrounding the City's ordinance of vehicles being subject to towing if they were not moved within 24 hours without notification to the vehicle owner and the burden of towing and storage fees, the potential for a review of that and other ordinances by the Climate and Environment Commission, which was not supported by Council, in terms of how to reach the City's climate goals, and an update as to what the staff was working on with regard to mental health and unsheltered services issues.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 12:07 a.m.