

**City of Brentwood, Missouri
Board of Aldermen Meeting
February 21, 2017**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher Thornton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, in the Council Room of City Hall located at 2348 S. Brentwood Blvd., Brentwood, MO 63144 and immediately led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present

Alderman Plufka	Present	Alderwoman O'Neill	Present
Alderman Wegge	Present	Alderman Leahy	Present
Alderman Lochmoeller	Present	Alderwoman Sims	Present
Alderman Kramer	Present	Alderman Dimmitt	Absent
Mayor Thornton	Present		

Members present constituted a quorum. Also present were City Administrator Bola Akande, Acting City Attorney Stephanie Karr and Acting City Clerk Courtney Currin.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board of Alderman February 21, 2017

Motion was made by Alderman Kramer, seconded by Alderman Wegge to postpone action on Bill No. 6117 until March 6, 2017 board of aldermen meeting. Agenda is approved by acclamation. **MOTION PASSED.**

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

PRESENTATION/RECOGNITION

Oath of Office – Police Officer Brian Hopley –Mayor Thornton administered the Oath of Office to the city’s newest member of Brentwood police force. Police Officer Brian Hopley, a graduate of the Jefferson County Police Academy who graduated December 2, 2016, 2nd in his class. Brian is a Kirkwood native. Chief Fitzgerald says we wish this is the first night of a long career with the City of Brentwood.

PUBLIC HEARNG

None

BIDS

None

HEARING OF ANY MATTER OF PUBLIC INTEREST UPON REQUEST OF ANY PERSON PRESENT

(Each person addressing the board shall give his/her name, address and organization or firm represented, if any. He/she shall speak for a period not to exceed three (3) minutes; though additional time may be granted by the presiding officer of the board.)

None

Aldermanic Response

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

BILLS TO BE GIVEN A FIRST READING ONLY

Bill No.6115 – Amending the City’s Employee Handbook to Establish a Policy for the Issuance of Photo Identification Cards to Elected Officials and City Employees – Attorney Stephanie Karr performed the 1st reading of Bill No. 6115 by title only. Alderman Kramer provided the synopsis, “An ordinance amending the Employee Handbook to establish a policy for the issuance of photo identification cards to elected officials and city employees for the use of said badge while at city facilities or when representing the City of Brentwood in any official capacity in an effort to provide a safe and secure workplace for all. Furthermore, the policy outlines when the badge will be worn and how it will be displayed when representing the City of Brentwood in any official capacity. The Public Works Committee unanimously recommends to the Board of Aldermen an amendment to the Employee Handbook in regards to the access control policy.”

Bill No. 6116 – Authorization to Contribute a Percentage of Funds from the TracFone Wireless Settlement to the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis – Attorney Stephanie Karr performed the 1st reading of Bill No. 611 by title only. Alderman Kramer provided the synopsis, “An ordinance authorizing the contribution of 5% of the TracFone Wireless class action lawsuit funds to the Missouri Municipal League of Metro St. Louis. As in previous telephone tax settlements, class members may assign a portion of their received settlement funds to the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis to be used for legislative, lobbying and advocacy efforts. The city will receive \$12,986.14 in unexpected tax revenue. The Ways and Means Committee unanimously recommends to the Board of Aldermen an assignment of 5% of the TracFone settlement funds to the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis.”

Alderman Leahy would like to have more information. How the municipalities cover the cost of the legal expenses and if they are covered from the membership dues paid to the Municipal League and the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis. Alderman Plufka asks if the attorneys undertook the work on a contingency basis for the amount of work or whether they would share in some percentage of some recovery. Mayor Thornton says he believes the cost for legal

services was based on a contingency basis. This is what the League does to pursue efforts that are in everybody's interest.

Bill No. 6117 – (ON HOLD) An Ordinance approving and authorizing execution of service agreements with ABM Janitorial Services – Midwest, Inc. (dba ABM Industry Groups, LLC) – Exhibit A – City Hall and Exhibit B – Public Works Administration) - Motion was made by Alderman Kramer, seconded by Alderman Wegge to amend the February 21, 2017 agenda by placing Bill No. 6117 on hold until the March 6, 2017 board of aldermen meeting. Unanimous vote in favor was taken; **MOTION PASSED.**

BILLS TO BE GIVEN A SECOND READING ONLY

Bill No. 6112 Amended – City's Pay Classification System (uniformed – Exhibit A and non-uniformed – Exhibit B) Pursuant to a Review of the Comparator Cities - – Attorney Stephanie Karr performed the 2nd reading of Bill No. 6112 by title only. Alderman Kramer provided the synopsis, “An ordinance to update and implement employee compensation plans for the City of Brentwood, Missouri, beginning in fiscal year 2017, which are contingent upon the annual budget appropriation. In addition, this ordinance amends the uniformed (7 step-- Exhibit A) non-uniformed (12 step – Exhibit B) compensation plan pursuant to a review of the comparator cities conducted by Higbee & Associates in the Fall of 2016. Furthermore, this ordinance also does the following:

- 1) 1.4% increase across the board for the non-uniform (all 12 steps) compensation plan;
- 2) Increase the 1st step for the uniform plan range 17 on 7 step compensation plan (Firefighter/Paramedic); and
- 3) Create a new range 17P for the Police Officer and Detective roles to meet market.
- 4) Remove the City Administrator role from range 30 of the non-uniform 12 step compensation plan.”

Alderman Leahy asked why we are removing the city administrator position from the pay scale.

Mayor Thornton stated the recommendation was made in 2014. The city's administrator compensation is so complicated in many cities. The salary range doesn't make sense. So the recommendation was to not have it on our pay scale. Also, the city administrator's compensation in our comparator cities include deferred retirement contributions and other negotiated benefits. Ours in the City of Brentwood is straight forward.

Perfection of Bills

Motion was made by Alderman Lochmoeller and seconded by Alderman Plufka to perfect Bill No. 6112 into ordinance form.

Roll Call:

Alderman Dimmitt- Absent	Alderwoman O'Neill - Yes
Alderman Kramer – Yes	Alderman Plufka - Yes
Alderman Leahy – Yes	Alderwoman Sims - Yes
Alderman Lochmoeller – Yes	Alderman Wegge - Yes

MOTION PASSED

Bill No. 6112 IS HEREBY PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND UPON SIGNATURE BY THE MAYOR BECOMES ORDINANCE NUMBER 4765.

Bill No. 6113 Amended – Plan to Restore and Revitalize the Flood – Ravaged areas of the Manchester Road Corridor – Attorney Stephanie Karr performed the 2nd reading of Bill No. 6113 by title only. Alderman Kramer provided the synopsis, “An ordinance authorizing engagement of expert resources (Exhibit A1, A2 (Waiver document has been amended to include the name of another firm), B, C, D, E, and F) to assist the City of Brentwood in developing a plan to restore and revitalize the flood-ravaged areas of the Manchester Road Corridor. The city wishes to call upon respected experts in planning, public finance, engineering, economic development, redevelopment, etc. with whom it already has existing professional relationships to assist the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in developing an effective, efficient and workable foundation and framework to make that troubled area productive to the economic life of the city and an amenity of which citizens can be proud. With this ordinance, the city desires to execute engagement agreements with PGAV, CH2M Hill, Armstrong Teasdale, Gilmore & Bell, Stifel Nicolaus & Company and Planning Design Studio for consulting services to assist the City in restoring and revitalizing the eastern segment of the Manchester Road corridor and environs in the City of Brentwood and other related services substantially in accord with Exhibits A through F. The funding source of this project is the Assigned Fund Balance Storm Water Capital Reserve.”

Perfection of Bills

Motion was made by Alderman Leahy and seconded by Alderman Plufka to perfect Bill No. 6113 into ordinance form.

Roll Call:

Alderman Dimmitt- Absent	Alderwoman O’Neill – Yes
Alderman Kramer – Yes	Alderman Plufka – Yes
Alderman Leahy – Yes	Alderwoman Sims – Yes
Alderman Lochmoeller – Yes	Alderman Wege – Yes

MOTION PASSED

BILL NUMBER 6113 IS HEREBY PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND UPON SIGNATURE BY THE MAYOR BECOMES ORDINANCE NO. 4766.

Bill No. 6114 – Engagement of Public Finance Counsel (Exhibit A and Exhibit) to assist in Reviewing, Evaluating and Advising on Proposed Public-Private Partnership Efforts to Resolve Potential Blighting Conditions in the City - Attorney Stephanie Karr performed the 2nd reading of Bill No. 6114 by title only. Alderman Kramer provided the synopsis, “An ordinance authorizing engagement of public finance counsel to assist in reviewing, evaluating and advising the City of Brentwood with regard to proposed public-private partnership efforts to resolve potential blighting conditions in the city. The developers of the proposed Metro On Manchester project have suggested the need for and propriety of the use of public-private economic redevelopment tools to resolve asserted blighting conditions and make a long-underutilized area of the city flourish. The mayor and board of aldermen believe the Citizens of Brentwood deserve to have every opportunity for economic growth and redevelopment fully

explored, evaluated, reviewed and publically considered and that the special expertise the city's public finance special counsel can bring to such a process is critical to such a process."

Perfection of Bills

Motion was made by Alderman Wegge and seconded by Alderman Lochmoeller to perfect Bill No. 6114 into ordinance form.

Alderman Lochmoeller asked on the Gilmore Bill exhibit 2nd page 3rd paragraph he says they are suggesting that the funds from the developer be escrowed. Will he be doing that? City Administrator Bola confirms the developer will be sending a check before work commences.

Alderman Plufka wanted to build on Alderman Lochmoeller question that the money coming from the developer would pay for the ongoing conversation whether there will be any type of agreement. City Administrator Akande agrees.

Alderwoman O'Neill states that a number of residents are not thrilled with the City providing any economic assistance for a developer who initially said he would not be requesting assistance from the City. To follow the wishes of the residents, she will not be voting for this project.

Mayor Thornton states that the purpose of this bill is to authorize the engagement but there will be no city money spent. There will be staff time. It's the developer expense and allowing the developer to pay for it.

ROLL CALL:

Alderman Dimmitt- Absent
Alderman Kramer – Yes
Alderman Leahy – Yes
Alderman Lochmoeller – Yes

Alderwoman O'Neill - No
Alderman Plufka - Yes
Alderwoman Sims - Yes
Alderman Wegge – Yes

MOTION PASSED

BILL No. 6114 IS HEREBY PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND UPON SIGNATURE BY THE MAYOR BECOMES ORDINANCE NO. 4767.

BILLS TO BE GIVEN A FIRST AND SECOND READING

None

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1071 – Surface Transportation Grant Application for High School Road and the Rosalie Connectors – Attorney Stephanie Karr read Resolution #1071 by title only. Alderman Kramer provided the synopsis, "A resolution in support of a Surface Transportation Program Grant Application to the East West Gateway Council of Governments. A long term goal for the Cities of Brentwood, Clayton, Maplewood, and Richmond Heights is to create a bikeable and walkable community. This project would include a conceptual route along High School Drive from Manchester Road to Eager Road and another route along Eulalie Avenue from Brentwood Boulevard to Rosalie Avenue at a point of connection with the Lee Wynn Trail.

These two connectors would connect to the existing Litzsinger Road sidewalk improvements and would also include sidewalks, street lights and a plaza in the traffic island bounded by High School Driver near Manchester Road. The project would also include signage or a monument to indicate a gateway to the City of Brentwood at Manchester Road and High School Road. At the January Public Works Committee Meeting, Alderman Dimmitt made a motion to present this project to the Board of Aldermen for authorization to proceed. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Sims. The motion passed with unanimous votes with one committee member absent.”

Alderman Leahy poses a question is this just about the grant and not feedback from the residents until we get the grant? Mayor Thornton states that this is just a vote to get a grant.

A motion was made by Alderman Kramer and seconded by Alderman Plufka to adopt Resolution No. 1071.

ROLL CALL:

Alderman Dimmitt- Absent	Alderwoman O’Neill - Aye
Alderman Kramer – Aye	Alderman Plufka - Aye
Alderman Leahy – Aye	Alderwoman Sims - Aye
Alderman Lochmoeller – Aye	Alderman Wegge – Aye

MOTION PASSED

Resolution No. 1071 is hereby adopted by the Board of Alderman.

ACCOUNTS AGAINST THE CITY

Alderman Wegge announced he reviewed the warrant list with City Administrator Akande and recommends approval of the Warrant List in the amount of \$186,369.97. Alderman Leahy seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Alderman Dimmitt- Absent	Alderwoman O’Neill - Yes
Alderman Kramer – Yes	Alderman Plufka - Yes
Alderman Leahy – Yes	Alderwoman Sims - Yes
Alderman Lochmoeller – Yes	Alderman Wegge - Yes

MOTION PASSED

REPORT OF COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Mayor Thornton I want to thank the board for Ordinance we passed in respect of the pay plan. We were able to move several positions up because that’s what the market indicated we do and split several positions. It serves the city really well. Helps us to make good decisions on behalf of the tax payers. It is a very good thing for the City. Thank you for that. Also an update on the Manchester Renewal. The team met last week and the information is very very encouraging. The engineering calculations were number one came back looking great. The calculations only showed the flood up Manchester Rd. and I would like for them to show the

calculations going up all the way up Black Creek to show we improved that situation and points west along Deer Creek, particularly at Brentwood Park. I estimate I will have an update in two weeks on those calculations. I fully expect I will have an update for the board of aldermen at the next meeting. My biggest fear is whether or not we will have the where withal and/or the political will to do it. It is going very well and what to thank you for your support on Bill No. 6113 has made it possible.

Mayor Thornton mentioned that he has been working with the Chairman of Board of Education to get together a workshop between our two boards. Nothing formal as a meeting but just to share information with them and they share information with us. Potential date to meet is March 7th at 8pm. If that doesn't work the next date will be April 18th.

Public Safety Committee, Alderman Plufka announced that they are doing the final touches on the traffic calming report. The next meeting will be the 3rd Thursday of March.

Public Works Committee, Alderman Leahy announced that the next meeting of the committee is March 8th at 4:30pm in the Council Chambers.

Director of Planning & Development, Director Koerkenmeier presented a special use permit application for a textile recycling bin for a location that currently has a recycling bin at 8901 Manchester Rd. The name of the company is US Again LLC. She also states that under section 400.020 Brentwood Code of Ordinance, special use permits may be approved for use of property on a temporary basis, which the current zoning of the property does not allow. Special use zoning code list out the use of temporary structure. This would take out the recycling bin as a temporary structure. She stated that she went around town and found them at some locations around Brentwood. Director Koerkenmeier feels that Brentwood already has enough opportunity for recycling where people visit frequently. She feels this one should be denied.

Mayor Thornton asks would this be desirable to address this as an ordinance or a change to the code, whether than case by case special use bases.

Alderman Leahy asks for clarification is this becoming a request because they have been cited for violation. This bin has been on their property for years without any complaints. Alderman Wegge thinks the ordinance way is correct. He feels that we have to address it in ordinance. So therefore we would be consistent with it. He asks is there any way we can grant a stay and accept the temporary use. Mayor Thornton granted a motion to go ahead and permit the special use for 6 months.

ROLL CALL:

Alderman Dimmitt- Absent
Alderman Kramer – Yes
Alderman Leahy – Yes
Alderman Lochmoeller – Yes

Alderwoman O'Neill - Yes
Alderman Plufka - Yes
Alderwoman Sims - Yes
Alderman Wegge - Yes

MOTION PASSED

Ways and Means Committee, Alderman Wegge announced they will meet March 2nd at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

City Attorney Kevin O’Keefe was absent.

City Administrator had no report.

Excise Commissioner had no report.

Library Board, Alderwoman O’Neill stated that the School Board and the Library Board met together and they talked about the library being crammed. They are actively looking at solutions. The school board is thinking of building. There are instances throughout the county of public libraries and schools being built on the same properties with carefully determined layout, which often involves a lot of community rooms. So it becomes kind of a community center as well as a library and school. The groups will continue to meet and discuss the pros and cons and I will keep you informed on whatever happens.

Municipal League, Mayor Thornton had no report.

Historical Society, Chief Fitzgerald had no report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alderwoman O’Neill announced that Ward 4 will meet on Tuesday February 28th at Brentwood Forest Club House at 6pm.

Alderwoman Sims announced that the Ward 2 meeting will take place March 7th at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers.

Alderman Leahy announced that Ward 3 will have a meeting Tuesday February 28th in the Council Chambers at 7pm. He also announced that Brentwood High School 12th grade graduating class will be hosting a Trivia Night on March 4th. This will take place at the schools district main office. Get a group of 8 and come help raise money for a graduation lock in party for this year’s graduating class. For further details you can visit the Brentwood High School website or contact Mrs. Lochmoeller the graduation committee.

Mayor Thornton announced that he had been working with the president of the School Board, Keith Rabenberg on a joint meeting with the School Board. I am happy to announce, that we have agreed to a joint meeting date of March 7th at 8pm at the School Administration Building. An alternative date is April 18th. Also, the Brentwood Middle School is having Trivia Night this Friday the 24th for more details check the Brentwood Middle School website.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Leahy asked about the faulty police car that happened in August of 2016 where the police car went through a child care fence. City Administrator stated the car is being held by the insurance company pending the outcome of the investigation the motor manufacturer.

Alderman Leahy would like more information on this if possible.

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None

Aldermanic Response

None

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Alderman Leahy and seconded by Alderwoman Sims to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:07pm. Unanimous vote in favor taken; **MOTION PASSED**

Attest:

Christopher A. Thornton, Mayor

Bola Akande, City Clerk/Administrator