

CITY OF LEBANON  
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES  
February 2, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Council of the City of Lebanon, Missouri, met in Work Session on February 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 401 South Jefferson.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Upon roll call, the following City Council Officers were present: Gib Adkins, Sheila Mitchell, Randy Wall, Chuck Jordan, Bob Garner, and Mayor Carr. Absent: Ken Eldridge, Jonathan Reagan, and Jeffrey Mutchler.

Staff members and others in attendance: City Administrator Mike Schumacher, Public Works Director Richard Shockley, Police Chief Bryan Arnold, Fire Chief Sam Schneider, Finance Director Kat Gill, Human Resource Director Kathy Milliken, Code Administrator Joe Berkich, Planning & Zoning Manager Christina Wagner, Communications Manager Derek Gean, Deputy City Clerk Lacey Brackett, and Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk Laina Starnes.

GROUP 1 GOALS- PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Chief Bryan Arnold, Fire Chief Sam Schneider, and Code Administrator Joe Berkich presented the status of their goals to the Council which focused on the safety and welfare of citizens and visitors. Among other things, they spoke about employee development, driver training, Level Up Lebanon cleanups, nuisance software, nuisance violation process, and education for the public.

CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 48- ZONING UPDATE

Code Administrator Joe Berkich shared that his department had been working with the Planning and Zoning Commission for about a year and a half to update the zoning code. He spoke about proposed changes to existing zoning districts with regard to permissive and conditional uses as well as the addition of districts such as one for the Downtown Business District. He concluded that he still had several pages of the code to go through.

REVISION OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 46- UTILITY RATES AND FEE SCHEDULES

City Administrator Mike Schumacher explained to the Council the need to align utility ordinances with the Board of Public Works. He shared the importance of the Council and the Board of Public Works not having dual processes and removing utility rates out of City Code and placing them and other department fee structures in the budget as an appendix.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Mayor Carr- spoke in more detail about the announcement he made about Project 2040 earlier in the day during his State of the City address. He stated Project 2040 was about working on a comprehensive plan for the City of Lebanon, holding forums and townhall meetings to help set the City up for future success. Mayor Carr also spoke about providing the Council a master calendar for events and then provided the upcoming meeting schedule.

Councilman Garner- asked Mayor Carr about him declaring the following Friday as Red Friday in honor of the Kansas City Chiefs being in the Super Bowl. Mayor Carr said he thought it was a good idea.

Councilman Jordan- announced that the Route 66 Society was impressed with the Route 66 meeting room at the Civic Center and City Administrator Mike Schumacher’s presentation at their Saturday event. He also announced that Laclede County Commissioner Randy Angst was the new chairman for Lake Ozarks Council of Local Governments. He concluded by announcing he was fighting off some issues with his kidneys and was doing good. Jordan further stated he wanted to assure people that he was remaining in office and would run for office again to mitigate any rumors.

Councilman Adkins- expressed he thought Mayor Carr did well delivering the State of the City address earlier in the day and shared there was a huge crowd in attendance.

Councilman Wall- suggested that maybe the City could compensate various boards and commissions members for their service. Mayor Carr agreed there needed to be a conversation held about the matter.

CLOSED SESSION


Jordan moved and Wall seconded that the Council move out of Regular Session and into Closed Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) to discuss matters. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (7) Adkins, Mitchell, Reagan, Mutchler, Wall, Jordan, and Garner; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (1) Eldridge.

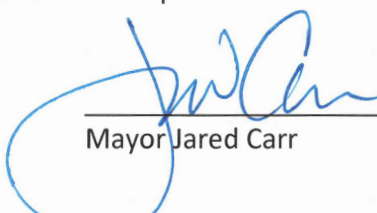
Council moved into Closed Session at 6:56 pm and returned to Work Session at 7:06 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Carr declared the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk Laina Starnes

  
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Mayor Jared Carr  
Minutes Approved \_\_\_\_\_ February 13, 2023