



**MINUTES**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Municipal Court Building, 540 Civic Blvd**  
**January 04, 2022 at 6:00 PM**

**Matt Russell, Mayor**  
Eric Gerke, Ward I  
Garry Wilson, Ward II  
Christopher Updike, Ward III  
Jennifer Mitchell, Ward IV  
  
Eric Franklin, Ward I  
Gerry Pool, Ward II  
Shane Grooms, Ward III  
Jim Deichman, Ward IV

**Call Meeting to Order**

The regular session meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Greene County, Missouri, was called to order by Mayor Matt Russell at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present included Jim Deichman, Eric Franklin, Garry Wilson, Gerry Pool, Eric Gerke, Chris Updike, and Jennifer Mitchell. Others in attendance were: City Administrator David Cameron, City Attorney Megan McCullough, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jennafer Mayfield, Information Systems Director Chris Crosby, Police Chief Brian Sells, Finance Director Meghin Cook, Chief of Staff Lisa Addington, BUILDS Administrator Andrew Nelson, Assistant BUILDS Administrator Karen Haynes, Assistant City Administrator/Parks and Recreation Director Jared Keeling, Public Information Officer Allyssa Dudley, Engineering Manager Garrett Brickner, GIS Manager Josh Jones, Fire Chief Duane Compton, Principal Planner Chris Tabor, and City Clerk Laura Burbridge.

**Opening Prayer**

Opening prayer was led by City Administrator David Cameron.

**Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Matt Russell.

**Citizen Participation**

Mayor Matt Russell opened citizen participation at 6:01 p.m.

Carrie Sanders, 6695 W. Farm Rd. 186, spoke regarding her concerns of Shuyler Trail and noted she has contacted Bob Dixon and Rusty MacLachlan regarding this matter. Ms. Sanders asked if there was a way to meet outside of Council Meetings.

In response to Ms. Sanders' question, Andrew Nelson reported we will have an updated map of the trail in the next couple weeks and can set up a meeting with interested parties after it is received.

Bobby Dimery, 101 N. Matteson Ave, spoke against Shuyler Trail and emphasized that staff, Council, and those impacted all need to be part of the discussion and planning.

Lisa Roller, 6618 W. Farm Rd. 182, spoke regarding her concerns of Shuyler Trail. Ms. Roller stated she has been told that after the trail is completed, the city plans to annex Farm Road 182, which concerned her.

Mayor Russell closed citizen participation at 6:14 p.m.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion was made by Council Member Deichman and seconded by Council Member Pool to approve the consent agenda. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

1. Approve December 14, 2021 City Council Minutes.
2. As per RSMo. 109.230(4), City records that are on file in the City Clerk's office and have met the retention schedule will be destroyed in compliance with the guidelines established by the Secretary of State's office.
3. Approve Vendor List.





**Board, Commission, and Committee Schedule**

Board of Adjustment Meeting	January 6, 2022
Planning and Zoning Meeting	January 10, 2022
City Council Meeting	January 18, 2022
City Council Meeting	February 1, 2022

**Old Business and Tabled Items**

- 4. **21-78 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Amending the Zoning Code and Official Map by Changing the Classification of Approximately 14.04 Acres, From Planned Development District (PDD) to General Commercial (C-2), Located at the 600 Block of West Civic Boulevard.**

Motion was made by Council Member Wilson and seconded by Council Member Franklin to have the second reading of Bill 21-78 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer any questions from Council. Council Member Deichman motioned for the passage of Bill 21-78. Council Member Wilson seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

- 5. **21-79 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Approving Amending the Zoning Code and Official Map by Changing the Classification of Approximately 0.46 Acres from Medium-Density Single Family (R1-M) to Heavy Manufacturing (M-2), Located at the 1200 Block of South State Highway MM.**

Motion was made by Council Member Pool and seconded by Council Member Franklin to have the second reading of Bill 21-79 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer any questions from Council. Council Member Gerke motioned for the passage of Bill 21-79. Council Member Wilson seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

- 6. **21-80 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Approving Amending the Zoning Code and Official Map by Changing the Classification of Approximately 0.69 Acres from Medium-Density Single Family (R1-M) to Heavy Manufacturing (M-2), Located at 1249 South State Highway MM.**

Motion was made by Council Member Pool and seconded by Council Member Mitchell to have the second reading of Bill 21-80 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer any questions from Council. Council Member Wilson motioned for the passage of Bill 21-80. Council Member Mitchell seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

- 7. **21-81 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Approving Amending the Zoning Code and Official Map by Changing the Classification of Approximately 1.22 Acres from Medium-Density Single Family (R1-M) to Heavy Manufacturing (M-2), Located at 1235 South State Highway MM.**

Motion was made by Council Member Deichman and seconded by Council Member Pool to have the second reading of Bill 21-81 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer any questions



from Council. Council Member Wilson motioned for the passage of Bill 21-81. Council Member Deichman seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

#### **New Business (First Reading of Ordinances)**

- 8. A Public Hearing of the City Council Regarding Approving the Annexation of Approximately 17.52 Acres Located at the 6400 Block of South Farm Road 89 and Adjacent Right-of-Way.**

Mayor Russell opened the public hearing at 6:20 p.m. Chris Wynn with CJW Transportation, 5051 S. National Ave, Suite 7A, Springfield, MO 65810 spoke in favor of the annexation. Mayor Russell closed the public hearing at 6:22 p.m.

- 9. 22-01 An Ordinance of the City Council Approving the Annexation of Approximately 17.52 Acres Located at the 6400 Block of South Farm Road 89 and Adjacent Right-of-Way.**

Motion was made by Council Member Deichman and seconded by Council Member Franklin to have the first reading of Bill 22-01 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Karen Haynes provided an overview of the bill. Mayor Russell reminded Council this is a first read and to get with staff prior to the next meeting with any questions.

- 10. 22-02 An Ordinance of the City Council, Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Republic, Missouri, and the City of Springfield, Missouri, for the Acquisition of "Pictometry" Providing a More Accurate Geographical Information System.**

Motion was made by Council Member Pool and seconded by Council Member Franklin to have the first reading of Bill 22-02 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Josh Jones provided an overview of the bill. Mayor Russell reminded Council this is a first read and to get with staff prior to the next meeting with any questions.

#### **Other Business (Resolutions)**

- 11. 22-R-01 A Resolution of the City Council Approving an Agreement for As-Needed Land Use Services for a Period of Two Years.**

Motion was made by Council Member Deichman and seconded by Council Member Pool to approve Resolution 22-R-01. Karen Haynes provided an overview of the Resolution. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

#### **Reports from Staff**

City Administrator David Cameron wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mr. Cameron shared he hoped everyone enjoyed their holiday and reports 2022 is shaping up to be a busy year, adding the next two months looks busy for development items on the agendas. Mr. Cameron announced he is coordinating a Council work session to report on the process side of what we do from all levels. Mr. Cameron shared we need to showcase what staff is doing behind the scenes as well as talking about the vision and direction of the city. Mr. Cameron reported he hopes to coordinate this 4-hour session in January or February.

City Administrator David Cameron congratulated Garrett Brickner for obtaining his PE. Mr. Cameron shared he is very proud of Garrett and has had fun watching his progression. Mr. Cameron reported he has heard what it takes to prepare for the test and Garrett did this while also being a great leader for the city. Mr. Cameron shared he could not be more proud for Garrett as it came from his hard work and dedication.

City Administrator David Cameron reported to Council that we completed the MM land acquisition to reroute MM near the Amazon intersection, which should eventually be a roundabout. Mr. Cameron thanked Andrew



for the great job he did negotiating the purchase while providing the seller the right to purchase the land back if the road doesn't route through the property.

City Administrator David Cameron reminded Council we have our S and P call next week for the loan to address the Wastewater Treatment Plant deficiencies. Mr. Cameron expressed his excitement to get the project underway.

City Administrator David Cameron reported to Council that he and Andrew will be working actively on funding methods, which includes traveling to Jefferson City and possibly Washington DC in hopes of obtaining the additional funding. Mr. Cameron reported Jared will mostly likely cover meetings in February and we may need to change meeting dates as well.

City Administrator David Cameron reported now that we have the census data, we will begin working on redistricting wards. Considering we don't have to have it completed until the next municipal election, we plan to have it to Council by May. Mr. Cameron reported he will have Megan, Laura, and Chris work on this avoiding going down anyone's property line.

City Administrator David Cameron confirmed that beginning January 1, local receipts now reflect the public safety sales tax. We hope to receive these funds by March or at least April. Once the funds are received, we will then be able to use the funds to meet the promised commitments.

City Administrator David Cameron reported we issued 251 permits for housing last year. This year or 2023, this number will likely double. Mr. Cameron reported we have a lot to look forward to coming up including the MM widening, Lynn and Hines intersection improvements, and Hines and ZZ intersection improvements. Mr. Cameron shared it has been a pleasure to lead this city.

City Administrator David Cameron praised Mayor Russell for the fantastic job presenting at the Chamber Luncheon today. Mr. Cameron reported he looks forward to Jared presenting his work on the upcoming measures for Parks.

City Administrator David Cameron thanked Council Member Deichman, Council Member Franklin, and Council Member Wilson for attending the Trust Edge Experience. Mr. Cameron shared his appreciation for everyone's involvement as clarity and direction are important.

Council Member Franklin thanked Mr. Cameron and shared his appreciation for the opportunity to attend Trust Edge. Mr. Franklin shared he appreciates Mr. Cameron bringing this to the city and staff. Mr. Franklin welcomed Megan McCullough and congratulated Garrett Brickner on his PE.

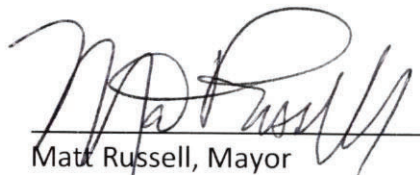
Mayor Russell reported he had a great time presenting to the Chamber today. He was able to speak about the successes of 2021 as well as the challenges anticipated in 2022. Mayor Russell announced he could not pick a better group of people to go into battle with for 2022.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Russell adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

  
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Matt Russell, Mayor