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## MINUTES

### City Council Special Session Meeting Municipal Court Building, 540 Civic Blvd November 04, 2021 at 5:30 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 5:30 p.m. Council Members present included Christopher Updike, Jim Deichman, Eric Franklin, Eric Gerke, Garry Wilson, Gerry Pool, Shane Grooms, and Jennifer Mitchell. Others in attendance were: City Administrator David Cameron, Interim City Attorney Damon Phillips, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jennafer Mayfield, Information Systems Director Chris Crosby, Police Chief Brian Sells, Planning Manager Karen Haynes, Finance Director Meghin Cook, Principal Planner Chris Tabor, Fire Chief Duane Compton, Senior HR Generalist Melissa Wallen, BUILDS Administrator Andrew Nelson, Deputy Fire Chief Lynn Hollandworth, Assistant City Administrator/Parks and Recreation Director Jared Keeling, Engineering Manager Garrett Brickner, Operations Manager Jason Davis, Public Information Officer Allyssa Dudley, 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 5:31 p.m. No one came forward so Mayor Russell closed citizen participation at 5:32 p.m.

#### Old Business and Tabled Items

1. **21-66 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Amending Title IV, Land Use, Chapter 405, Zoning Regulations, Article V, Height and Area Requirements, Exceptions, and Modifications.**

Motion was made by Council Member Deichman and seconded by Council Member Pool to have the second reading of Bill 21-66 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Grooms, Pool, Wilson, Mitchell, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Karen Haynes was available to answer any questions from Council. Council Member Updike motioned for the passage of Bill 21-66. Council Member Deichman seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Mitchell, Pool, Wilson, Updike, Franklin, and Grooms. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

2. **21-67 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Amending Title VI, Business Occupation.**

Motion was made by Council Member Updike and seconded by Council Member Grooms to have the second reading of Bill 21-67 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Grooms, Pool, Wilson, Mitchell, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer any questions from Council. Council Member Grooms motioned for the passage of Bill 21-67. Council Member Franklin seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Mitchell, Pool, Wilson, Updike, Franklin, and Grooms. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.



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3. **21-68 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Authorizing the City Administrator to Enter into a Development Agreement with Republic 63, LLC., for Public Improvements to Hankins Farm.**

Motion was made by Council Member Pool and seconded by Council Member Franklin to have the second reading of Bill 21-68 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Grooms, Pool, Wilson, Mitchell, and Updike. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Andrew Nelson was available to answer any questions from Council. Council Member Deichman motioned for the passage of Bill 21-68. Council Member Wilson seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Deichman, Mitchell, Pool, Wilson, Updike, Franklin, and Grooms. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

**Swearing-In of Appointed Official**

City Clerk Laura Burbridge swore in Eric Gerke, who was appointed as Ward 1 Council Member at the October 26, 2021 meeting.

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

4. **21-69 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Approving the Final Plat of the Birch Pointe Subdivision.**

Motion was made by Council Member Grooms and seconded by Council Member Updike to have the first reading of Bill 21-69 by title only. The vote was 8 Aye-Deichman, Franklin, Gerke, Grooms, Mitchell, Pool, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Karen Haynes provided an overview of the bill. Ryan Jeppson, 550 St. Louis Street, spoke in favor 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.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Russell adjourned the Special Session meeting at 5:39 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

  
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Matt Russell, Mayor

