



**MINUTES**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Municipal Court Building, 540 Civic Blvd**  
**May 16, 2023 at 6:00 PM**

**Matt Russell, Mayor**  
Eric Gerke, Ward I  
Garry Wilson, Ward II  
Christopher Updike, Ward III  
  
Eric Franklin, Ward I  
Gerry Pool, Ward II  
Brandon Self, Ward III  
Clint Gerlek, 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 Eric Franklin, Garry Wilson, Eric Gerke, Chris Updike, Brandon Self, Clint Gerlek, and Gerry Pool. Others in attendance were: City Administrator David Cameron, City Attorney Megan McCullough, BUILDS Administrator Karen Haynes, Police Chief Brian Sells, Police Major Jamie Burks, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jennafer Mayfield, Athletics Administrator Garrett Cline, Fire Chief Duane Compton, Chief of Staff Lisa Addington, Assistant City Administrator/Parks and Recreation Director Jared Keeling, Principal Planner Chris Tabor, Security and Systems Administrator Michael Sallee, Executive Assistant Jordan Furnas, GIS Manager Josh Jones, Fire Captain Tim King, Firefighter Nolan McCain, Firefighter Thomas Hall, City Clerk Laura Burbridge, Finance Director Bob Ford, and IT Director Chris Crosby.

**Opening Prayer**

Opening prayer was led by City Administrator David Cameron.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Matt Russell.

**Citizen Participation**

Mayor Russell opened citizen participation at 6:01 p.m. Audrey Meads, 441 N Kyle Ave. expressed concern about the upcoming detour through Logan and Kyle for the roundabout at Hines and Lynn. Ms. Meads requested speed bumps and other efforts to slow drivers down to protect the children playing in the neighborhood. Mayor Russell closed citizen participation at 6:04 p.m.

**Mayor's Announcements**

**1. Recognition of Sue Carter's National Award for her Work Along the MM Corridor.**

David Cameron spoke about the commercial property secured by Ms. Carter for Mr. Lipscomb for future school facilities, a potential library, and potential City Hall land. Ms. Carter acknowledged Greg O'Neal for securing the listings, noting her client acquired the land.

**2. Appoint Jeremy Mathis to the Board of Adjustment for a five-year term.**

Mayor Russell presented the appointment certificate to Jeremy Mathis.

**Consent Agenda**

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

**3. Approve April 11, 2023 City Council Minutes.**

**4. Approve May 2, 2023 City Council Workshop Minutes.**

**5. Approve Vendor List.**



6. **23-R-29 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute Change Orders to an Agreement with Kenton Brothers Locksmiths, Incorporated for Installation and Integration of the Gallagher Access Control System.**

#### **Board, Commission, and Committee Schedule**

Board of Adjustment Meeting	June 1, 2023
City Council Meeting	June 6, 2023
Planning & Zoning Meeting	June 12, 2023
City Council Meeting	June 20, 2023

#### **Old Business and Tabled Items**

7. **23-14 An Ordinance of the City Council Vacating Approximately Eight Thousand Four Hundred and Forty-Three (8,443) Square Feet of Unoccupied Utility Easements at the 3000 Block of East Sawyer Road (VACA-003).**

Motion was made by Council Member Updike and seconded by Council Member Franklin to have the second reading of Bill 23-14 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Franklin, Gerke, Gerlek, Pool, Self, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer questions. Council Member Wilson motioned for the passage of Bill 23-14. Council Member Updike seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Franklin, Gerke, Gerlek, Pool, Self, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

8. **23-15 An Ordinance of the City Council Vacating Approximately Five Hundred Thirty Seven (537) Square Feet of Utility Easement Owned by Republic 63, LLC at the 3000 Block of East Sawyer Road (VACA-004).**

Motion was made by Council Member Franklin and seconded by Council Member Updike to have the second reading of Bill 23-15 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Franklin, Gerke, Gerlek, Pool, Self, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor was available to answer questions. Council Member Updike motioned for the passage of Bill 23-15. Council Member Franklin seconded. A roll call vote was taken digitally. The vote was 7 Aye-Franklin, Gerke, Gerlek, Pool, Self, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried.

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

9. **23-16 An Ordinance of the City Council Approving Amendment of the Zoning Classification of Approximately One Point Two Eight (1.28) Acres of Real Property Located at 1358 E. U.S. Highway 60, from Local Commercial District (C-1) and General Commercial District (C-2) to General Commercial District (C-2).**

Motion was made by Council Member Self and seconded by Council Member Updike to have the first reading of Bill 23-16 by title only. The vote was 7 Aye-Franklin, Gerke, Gerlek, Pool, Self, Updike, and Wilson. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. Chris Tabor provided an overview of the bill. Mayor Russell reminded Council that this is a first read and to get with staff prior to the next meeting with any questions.

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

10. **23-R-30 A Resolution of the City Council Approving a Preliminary Plat for Greenfield Estates, a Residential Subdivision Consisting of Approximately 23.48 Acres Located near 7628 West Farm Road 174 in Republic, Missouri.**