

October 26, 2021

The October 26, 2021 City Council meeting was called to order via teleconference at 7:32 p.m., Mayor Nikylan Knapper presiding.

ON ROLL CALL, the following members were present: Mayor Knapper, Councilmember Crosley, Councilmember Faulkingham, Councilmember Page, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Schmidt and Councilmember Wood.

MOTION TO EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON: No need.

The City Attorney asked that the record reflect that pursuant to Section 610.015 of the Missouri Sunshine Law provides that members of the City Council who are not physically present in the Council Chambers can participate and vote remotely on all matters when an emergency exists and she asked that the minutes reflect that we are still under the COVID-19 pandemic.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA: Councilmember Schmidt motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, which motion received the approval of the Council.

PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR CITIZEN'S COMMENTS ON A REQUEST FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A DOG GROOMER AT 3110 SUTTON BLVD.: No one spoke.

PUBLIC FORUM: No one spoke.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Councilmember Wood made the following "save the date" announcements:

- Maplewood Kiwanis annual pancake and sausage breakfast on November 13, 2021 from 8:00-11:00 a.m. at the VFW located at 1717 S. Big Bend. Proceeds to benefit the MRH School District programs
- Christmas Tree Walk will be held on December 3, 2021 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the CNB Park with the grand tree lighting, Santa, live entertainment, carolers, carriage rides and complementary refreshments with merchants having open houses throughout downtown Maplewood

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 12, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AND CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: Councilmember Schmidt motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, which motion received the approval of the Council.

LIBRARY BOARD REPORT BY BOARD PRESIDENT KRIPA NITHYA: Kripa Nithya presented the Library Board report.

**R21-46**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, TO PURCHASE TWO (2) LIFEPAK 15 CARDIAC MONITORS BY MEANS OF THE SAVVIK BUYING GROUP IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$64,142.70) was introduced.

It was moved by Councilmember Schmidt and seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham to approve the resolution, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Knapper, members Crosley, Faulkingham, Page, Phillips, Schmidt and Wood. Nays, none.

**R21-47**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, TO ACCEPT THE BID OF TRAMAR CONTRACTING INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIX DOLLARS AND EIGHTY CENTS (\$24,406.80) FOR STREET PAINTING was introduced. It was moved by Councilmember Schmidt and seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham to approve the resolution, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Knapper, members Crosley, Faulkingham, Page, Phillips, Schmidt and Wood. Nays, none.

**R21-48**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF PROCEDURES FOR APPOINTMENTS TO CITY'S BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS was introduced. Councilmember Schmidt motioned to approve and seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham. Mayor Knapper would like to amend items 1 (f) and 2 (d) to read the "Mayor" will notify applicants if not chosen. Councilmember Schmidt would like to amend item 1 (b) by adding "and make appointment recommendations to the Mayor" as the last sentence. Councilmember Schmidt motioned to amend the resolution as previously noted, seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, which motion received the approval, by voice vote, of the Council. Councilmember Schmidt motioned to approve the resolution as amended, seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Knapper, members Crosley, Faulkingham, Page, Phillips, Schmidt and Wood. Nays, none.

**BILL 6175**, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, AMENDING CHAPTER 38-PERSONNEL TO MODIFY ARTICLE IX-HOLIDAYS TO INCLUDE JUNE 19, JUNETEENTH NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY, AS A LEGAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY was given its first reading. It was moved by Councilmember Schmidt, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, that Bill No. 6175 be moved to its second reading, which motion received the approval, by voice vote, of the Council.

On its second reading, it was moved by Councilmember Schmidt, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, that Bill No. 6175 be passed to its third and final reading, which motion received that approval, by voice vote, of the Council.

**BILL 6173**, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, AMENDING CHAPTER 34-OFFENSES TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE XI-RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANTS was given its third and final reading. It was moved by Councilmember Schmidt, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, that Bill No. 6173 be approved, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Knapper, members Crosley, Faulkingham, Page, Phillips, Schmidt and Wood. Nays, none.

Bill No. 6173 was approved by the City Council on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021 as **Ordinance Number 5968**.

**BILL 6174**, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO MARGARET SQUIRES TO OPERATE A DOG GROOMING BUSINESS AT 3110 SUTTON BOULEVARD was given its third and final reading. A motion was made by Councilmember Schmidt that Bill No. 6174 be tabled for the reading of the findings of fact, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham,

which motion received the approval, by voice vote, of the Council.

The Mayor and City Council make the following findings of fact for the petition for a Conditional Use Permit for a dog grooming business at 3110 Sutton Boulevard:

- The proposed use complies with all applicable provisions of the Zoning Code.
- The proposed use will contribute to and promote the community welfare and convenience.
- The proposed use will not cause substantial injury to the value of neighboring property.
- The proposed use does comply with the overall neighborhood development plan and existing zoning provisions.
- The proposed use will provide, if applicable, off-street parking and loading areas in accordance with the standards of the Zoning Code.
- The proposed use will not substantially increase traffic hazards.
- The proposed use will not substantially increase fire hazards.
- The proposed use will not overtax public utilities.
- The proposed use will not place an undue burden on municipal services.

It was then moved by Councilmember Schmidt, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, that the findings of fact be approved, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Knapper, members Crosley, Faulkingham, Page, Phillips, Schmidt and Wood. Nays, none.

Councilmember Schmidt motioned to bring Bill 6174 back onto the table, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, which motion received the approval, by voice vote, of the Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Schmidt, duly seconded by Councilmember Faulkingham, that Bill No. 6174 be approved, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Knapper, members Crosley, Faulkingham, Page, Phillips, Schmidt and Wood. Nays, none.

**BILL NO. 6174** was approved by the City Council on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021 as **Ordinance No. 5969**.

(8:01 p.m.) **OLD BUSINESS–NOVEMBER 16, 2021 BUDGET TOWN HALL OUTLINE AND DISCUSSION:** City Manager Reese presented the draft agenda. The Council would like the agenda and breakout session questions posted on the city’s website and Facebook page and additional time added to the agenda to review the breakout session questions. The Council also requested signs be placed around the city advertising the town hall event.

**OLD BUSINESS-CITIZEN AND BUSINESS SURVEY UPDATE:** City Manager Reese stated the surveys were sent out in late September/early October with a 3-4 week delay caused by the Post Office. The good news is that residents have begun receiving the surveys and data collection from the surveys will begin. Between late November and December 26, ETC will finish their data collection and will send a draft report to the City Manager and Community Development Director Miller. A tentative final presentation to the Council is planned for January 25 or February 8 of next year. The Council would like to know how many surveys were sent out, the percentage of overall residential population and how many renters versus homeowners received the survey.

**COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:** None.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- Mayor Knapper gave a brief update on the board and commission process and let the audience know to apply if they have interest in a board or commission.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** No report.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:** City Manager Reese stated he added the Human Services Commission to the city's website and sent information on this Commission out via social media. He also provided an update on the open fire and police chief positions which will include an upcoming fire chief listening session for residents on November 17.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Mary Killian expressed concern for residents who do not have a presence online or on social media. She asked the city to look for ways to disseminate information about city events to these individuals.

Carrie Ismaeel echoed Mary Killian's comments about residents who are not connected digitally.

**MOTION TO HOLD A CLOSED SESSION, IF NEEDED, TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO LITIGATION, LEGAL ACTIONS AND/OR COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 610.021(1)RSMO. AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING UNDER SECTION 610.021(11) AND/OR SEALED BIDS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS AND SEALED PROPOSALS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS UNDER SECTION 610.021(11) AND/OR PERSONNEL MATTERS UNDER SECTION 610.021(13)RSMO. AND/OR EMPLOYEE MATTERS UNDER SECTION 610.021(3)RSMO. AND/OR REAL ESTATE MATTERS UNDER SECTION 610.021(2)RSMO. AND/OR DOCUMENTS RELATED TO A NEGOTIATED CONTRACT UNDER SECTION 610.021(12)RSMO:** No need.

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned.