

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI

NIXA CITY HALL

February 11th, 2025 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Nixa City Council was called to order by Mayor Jarad Giddens. Attending were Council Members Kelly Morris, Matt Ogden, Shawn Lucas, Aron Peterson, and Darlene Graham. Zern Vess was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Proclamation:

Mayor Giddens read a proclamation for Ronald McDonald House week, February 10th – 16th, 2025. A Ronald McDonald House representative was in attendance to accept the proclamation.

Employee Awards:

Jimmy Liles, City Administrator, stated that annually the City gives awards to employees who go above and beyond. Liles said the employees who receive these awards are nominated by their coworkers or supervisors and provided information on how the winners are selected.

Customer Service Award—Frank Donohue: Liles read Donohue’s nomination form and presented him with his award.

Team Player Award – Clarissa Welter: Liles read Welter’s nomination form and presented her with her award.

Innovation Award – Sarah Gill: Liles read Gill’s nomination form and presented her with her award.

Employee of the Year – Brendan Justin: Liles read Justin’s nomination form and presented him with his award.

Visitors:

None Scheduled.

Ordinances (Second Reading and Public Hearing; Comments Limited to 5 Minutes; Council Vote Anticipated):

Council Bill #2025-03 Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute an “Amended and restated Missouri Securities Investment Program Intergovernmental Agreement” for the Purpose of Participating in the “Missouri Securities Investment Program”. Jennifer Evans, Finance Director, told Council this agreement is a pooled investment program that offers a higher investment rate for the city. Evans provided information on the City’s investment policy. Mayor Giddens opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Giddens called for a motion to approve the council bill. Peterson made a motion to approve

Council Bill #2025-03 with Graham seconding and Ogden, Peterson, Lucas, Morris, and Graham voting aye on roll call vote.

Council Bill #2025-04 Amending Chapter 22, Article II, Division 6, Section 22-243 of the Nixa City Code for the Purpose of Amending the City's Wastewater Rates Through 2030. Liles told Council this council bill would allow for a new wastewater rate schedule from 2025-2030. Liles discussed the rate study and stated that the rates are reviewed on a five (5) year basis. Liles said that this rate study was coupled with the wastewater master plan. Liles stated that there are four (4) components of the rate study: operations and maintenance, capital expenses, reserve policy, and growth rate. Liles told Council that the wastewater treatment center is over 20 years old and requires upkeep. Liles discussed the base rate and rate per gallon for each year. Liles stated that the new rates would become effective April 1st in 2025 and January 1st in 2026-2030. Mayor Giddens opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Giddens called for a motion to approve the council bill. Ogden made a motion to approve Council Bill #2025-04 with Morris seconding and Morris, Ogden, Graham, Peterson, and Lucas voting aye on roll call vote.

Resolutions (Public Hearing; Comments Limited to 5 Minutes: Council Vote Anticipated):

Resolution #2025-11 Consenting to the Mayor's Reappointment of Loren Winer and Ruth Ann Maynard to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Scott Godbey, Planning and Development Director, stated that this resolution was to reappoint Loren Winter and Ruth Ann Maynard to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Godbey said that Maynard was appointed to finish Derris Butler's term and Winter has served for many years. Godbey told Council Winter and Maynard would serve four (4) year terms. Mayor Giddens thanked Winter and Maynard for serving. Mayor Giddens opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Giddens called for a motion to approve the resolution. Lucas made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-11 with Ogden seconding and all Council Members voting aye.

Resolution #2025-12 Consenting to the Mayor's Reappointment of Kendal Dingus and Mark Hartsock to the Board of Adjustment. Rebekka Coffey, City Clerk, told Council this resolution was to reappoint Mark Hartsock and Kendal Dingus to the Board of Adjustments (BOA). Coffey stated that Hartsock was appointed in 2022, and his term expired in 2024. Coffey said that Hartsock agreed to another five (5) year term on the BOA. Coffey stated that Hartsock's new term would expire in March 2029. Coffey said that Dingus was appointed to the BOA in 2022 and his term expired in 2023. Coffey stated that Dingus agreed to another five (5) year term on the BOA. Coffey said that Dingus' new term would expire in March 2028. Council asked questions with Nick Woodman, City Attorney, responding. Mayor Giddens opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Giddens called for a motion to approve the resolution. Graham made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-12 with Lucas seconding and all Council Members voting aye.

Mayor and Council Member Reports:

Mayor Giddens stated that the Finance Department received a Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement of Excellence in Reporting for the 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

Liles reminded Council of the Nixies Gala on February 15th. Liles also stated that city offices would be closed on February 17th for a holiday.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Mayor Giddens adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk

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February 25th, 2025 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Nixa City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Temp Aron Peterson. Attending were Council Members Kelly Morris, Shawn Lucas, Darlene Graham and Zern Vess. Mayor Giddens and Matt Ogden were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Consent Agenda:

Mayor Pro Temp Peterson called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Graham made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, items a through b, with Vess seconding and Graham, Lucas, Peterson, Morris, and Vess voting aye on roll call vote.

Visitors:

None scheduled.

Ordinance (First Reading and Public Hearing; Comments Limited to 5 Minutes; No Council Vote Anticipated):

Council Bill #2025-05 Calling for a Special Election on August 5, 2025, to Fill a Vacancy in the Office of City Council member for District 1 and Authorizing the City Clerk to Do All Things Necessary or Convenient to Submit Said Election. Nick Woodman, City Attorney, stated that a special election on August 5th, 2025, would be needed to fill the vacant Council seat in District 1. Woodman told Council that Chapter 3.6 of the Nixa City Charter mandates that the seat be filled by a special election. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed.

Council Bill #2025-06 Amending the 2025 Annual Budget to Appropriate Funds for Certain Stormwater Improvements. Jeff Roussell, Street Superintendent, stated that repairs needed to be made to the box culvert at 1476 North Road. Roussell discussed the purpose of the box culvert installation in 2022. Roussell said that the easement for the box culvert was acquired via condemnation in late 2024 and bids for the repairs were completed in December 2024. Roussell stated that the repairs for the culvert would be \$36,500. Council asked questions with Roussell responding. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson said that Mayor Giddens supports this council bill and budget amendment.

Mayor Pro Temp Peterson asked for all departments to look at their CIPs for any project or pricing changes.

Resolutions (Public Hearing; Comments Limited to 5 Minutes: Council Vote Anticipated):

Resolution #2025-13 Authorizing the City Administrator to Purchase Eight Automated External Defibrillators for Use in Electric Department Vehicles. Brian Denney, Electric Superintendent, said the AEDs were approved in the 2025 CIP budget. Denney stated that the AEDs would be purchased through a state co-op contract. Denney told Council that AEDs have been on the CIP list for the last few years. Denney stated that Matt Crouse, Parks Director, keeps the Electric Department up to date on CPR and helped to find the AEDs proposed for purchase with this resolution. Council asked questions with Denney and Crouse responding. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson called for a motion to approve the resolution. Lucas made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-13 with Morris seconding and all Council Members voting aye.

Resolution #2025-14 Authorizing the City Administrator to Apply for and Accept Grant Funding in the Amount of \$50,640.00 to Fund DWI and Hazardous Moving Violations Enforcement by the Police Department. Joe Campbell, Police Chief, told Council that on an annual basis, the Police Department applies for specific DWI and hazardous moving violation (HMV) grants. Campbell said that these grants are the primary funding source for the department's DWI and HMV enforcement efforts throughout the year. Campbell stated that for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the department is seeking \$29,760.00 for HMV enforcement and \$20,880.00 for DWI enforcement. Campbell told Council that without these grant funds, there would be limited enforcement efforts due to department budget constraints. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson called for a motion to approve the resolution. Lucas made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-14 with Graham seconding and all Council Members voting aye.

Resolution #2025-15 Authorizing the City Administrator to Purchase New Ballistic Helmets for the Police Department in the Amount of \$16,494.40. Campbell told Council that the tactical team helmets expire in 2025. Campbell stated that the helmets can be purchased through a co-op agreement called Sourcewell. Campbell said that tactical helmets have a five (5) year shelf life. Council asked questions with Campbell responding. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson opened the public hearing for comments, with no comments made, the public hearing was closed. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson called for a motion to approve the resolution. Graham made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-15 with Vess seconding and all Council Members voting aye.

Mayor and Council Member Reports:

Mayor Pro Temp Peterson thanked all departments for their work clearing snow. Mayor Pro Temp Peterson commented on the amount of citizen engagement happening on the City's social media platforms and thanked the Communication Department for all their work.

Vess discussed the social media coverage of the snow removal. Vess encouraged everyone to follow the City's Facebook page to get the most up-to-date information.

Crouse stated that Saturday, March 1st would be the indoor garage sale at the XCenter.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Mayor Pro Temp Peterson adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk