

THE CITY OF CLAYTON

Board of Aldermen  
Virtual Zoom Meeting  
March 15, 2021  
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

**NOTE: In accord with the provisions of Section 610.015, RSMo., and multiple declarations of emergency at every level of government, and the prohibition on gatherings of 10 or more persons due to the Coronavirus pandemic, normal requirements for voting in the Board meeting were suspended. Accordingly, votes were taken as if all Board members were physically present and in attendance at the meeting.**

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order and requested a roll call. The following individuals were in attendance:

Aldermen: Rich Lintz, Ira Berkowitz, Bridget McAndrew, Susan Buse, Becky Patel, and Gary Feder.

Mayor Harris  
City Manager Gipson  
City Attorney Karr

**Motion made by Alderman McAndrew to approve the February 8, 2022 and February 18, 2022 minutes. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**Motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

PUBLIC REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

None

FISCAL YEAR 2022 1ST QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Karen Dilber, Director of Finance, addressed the Board providing a summary report on the 1st Quarter Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) as provided in the Board packet.

AN ORDINANCE TO CONSIDER APPROVING THE 1ST QUARTER AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET

Karen Dilber, Director of Finance, reported that as part of the quarterly budget review, staff is presenting for your consideration the first amendment to the Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) budget. The amendment consists of establishing funds for the 2021 and 2022 debt refundings and closing out the 2011 and 2014 debt funds. A significant amount of the remainder consists of projects or equipment that were budgeted last year but will now occur or be completed in FY22 and related revenue and expenses.

**Alderman Lintz introduced Bill No. 6891, to approve the FY22 1st Quarter Budget amendment to be read for the first time by title only. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**City Attorney Karr reads Bill No. 6891, first reading, an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and Appropriating Funds Pursuant Thereto by title only.**

**The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

**Motion made by Alderman Lintz that the Board give unanimous consent to consideration for adoption of Bill No. 6891 on the day of its introduction. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

**Alderman Lintz introduced Bill No. 6891, to approve the FY22 1st Quarter Budget amendment to be read for the second time by title only. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**City Attorney Karr reads Bill No. 6891, first reading, an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and Appropriating Funds Pursuant Thereto by title only.**

**The motion passed on a roll call vote: Alderman Lintz – Aye; Alderman Berkowitz – Aye; Alderman Buse – Aye; Alderman McAndrew – Aye; Alderman Patel – Aye; Alderman Feder – Aye; and Mayor Harris – Aye. The bill, having received majority approval was adopted and became Ordinance No. 6750 of the City of Clayton.**

#### A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER APPROVING A FUND BALANCE POLICY

City Manager Gipson reported that on November 19, 2021, the Board of Aldermen discussed the City's current Fund Balance Policy. The unassigned fund balance is the amount remaining in a single fund at the end of a fiscal year, less commitments and restrictions. The City presently has a minimum unassigned General Fund fund balance of twenty-five percent (25%), with an operational target balance of thirty-three percent (33%). Following that discussion staff was directed to amend the General Fund unassigned fund balance policy for approval by the resolution as shown in the Board's packet.

**Motion made by Alderman Lintz to approve Resolution No. 2022-07, the Fund Balance Policy. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

#### A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A HAZARDOUS MOVING VIOLATION ENFORCEMENT GRANT APPLICATION

City Manager Gipson reported that the proposed resolution would authorize the Clayton Police Department to apply to seek a MoDOT grant to assist the Department to address the issue of aggressive driving in a multifaceted approach.

Chief Mark Smith and Captain Al Thuet, Police Department, was in attendance to answer questions.

**Motion made by Alderman Lintz to approve Resolution No. 2022-08, allowing the submittal of a Hazardous Moving Violation Enforcement Grant application. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

**A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED ENFORCEMENT GRANT APPLICATION**

City Manager Gipson reported that the proposed resolution would authorize the Clayton Police Department to apply to seek a MoDOT grant to assist the Department to address the issue of driving while intoxicated in a multifaceted approach.

Chief Mark Smith and Captain Al Thuet, Police Department, was in attendance to answer questions.

**Motion made by Alderman Lintz to approve Resolution No. 2022-09, allowing the submittal of a Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Grant application. Alderman Berkowitz seconded.**

**The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

**OTHER**

Alderman Lintz provided an update on the following:

- Sustainability Committee

Alderman Berkowitz provided an update on the following:

- Plan Commission/ARB

Alderman McAndrew provided an update on the following:

- CRSWC
- Maryland Walk annual meeting
- Attended Forsyth “curve” community meeting
- Parks & Recreation Commission
- Kudos to Toni Siering and staff in preparation for the basketball season

Alderman Buse provided an update on the following:

- Parks & Recreation Commission
- Clayton Equity Commission
- Attended the Fontbonne opening for the Center for Bosnian Studies

Alderman Patel provided an update on the following:

- DeMun mural was approved by Plan Commission/ARB

Alderman Feder provided an update on the following:

- Plan Commission/ARB housing issue
- Maryland Walk annual meeting

Mayor Harris provided an update on the following:

- St. Louis County propositions on the April ballot
- Metro Mayor's of St. Louis
- Landscape Task Force
- Article in St. Louis Post regarding development had inaccurate sales tax information

City Manager Gipson

- St. Louis County propositions on the April ballot
  - Charter amendments – (1) costs associated with employees appointed by the County Executive be covered under the County Executive's budget; (2) County Executive ability to have outside employment
  - Local use tax issue
  - Queeny Park lease agreement

**Motion made by Alderman Feder that the Board adjourn to a closed meeting, with a closed vote and record, as authorized by Section 610.021(1), (2) and (3) Revised Statutes of Missouri, relating to legal issues, real estate and/or personnel, and to discuss matters related to negotiation of a contract pursuant to Section 610.021(12), RSMo. and/or proprietary information pursuant to Sec. 610.021(15), and/or information related to public safety and security measures pursuant to Section 610.021(18) and (19) RSMO. Alderman McAndrew seconded.**

**The motion passed on a roll call vote: Alderman Lintz – Aye; Alderman Berkowitz – Aye; Alderman Buse – Aye; Alderman McAndrew – Aye; Alderman Patel – Aye; Alderman Feder – Aye; and Mayor Harris – Aye.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk