

**CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS, MISSOURI  
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 2, 2021**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri, was held on Monday, August 2, 2021, 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Howard L. Brown Public Safety Building, 1100 SW Smith Street., Blue Springs, Missouri with Mayor Carson Ross presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Jerry Kaylor  
Chris Lievsay  
Ron Fowler

Galen Ericson  
Kent Edmondson  
Susan Culpepper

Also present were City Administrator Eric Johnson, City Attorney Jacqueline Sommer, and Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Ross called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Edmondson moved to approve the following Consent Agenda items and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Ericson.

- **Minutes of the July 19, 2021** City Council Meeting
- **Resolution No. 54-2021** approving the disposition of Information Technology department records which have met the required retention period as prescribed by the Blue Springs Records Retention, Management, and Destruction Policy dated November 28, 2016 and in accordance with the Missouri Secretary of State's records retention guidelines
- **Resolution No. 55-2021** approving a purchase in the amount of \$717,739.78 from Motorola Solutions, Inc. for new portable radios and encryption upgrades to mobile radios as part of Capital Improvement Plan #PS-09-19
- **Resolution No. 56-2021** entering into a contract in the amount of \$173,358.00 with Blue Springs R-IV School District for police officers at BSSD schools and dispatching services for the 2021-2022 school year
- **Resolution No. 57-2021** approving a contract in the amount of \$273,144 with Vance Brothers, Inc. for 2021 Micro Surfacing

The above Consent Agenda items were approved with the following vote:

Kaylor – Aye  
Lievsay – Aye  
Fowler – Aye

Ericson – Aye  
Edmondson – Aye  
Culpepper – Aye  
Mayor Ross – Aye

**VISITORS**

Scott Casey, Shelby Norman, Zoe Dunning, and Zachary Mallory addressed Council requesting a ban on conversion therapy within the City limits.

**PUBLIC HEARING –  
2021-22 CDBG ANNUAL  
ACTION PLAN**

Mayor Ross opened the Public Hearing to consider a approval of the 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan at 6:09 p.m. The minutes of the public hearing were recorded by a certified court reporter. Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter entered one exhibit into the record.

**STAFF REPORT**

Assistant Community Development Director Matt Wright reviewed the details of the 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan and addressed questions from Council.

The Mayor hearing no further comments for or against, closed the public hearing at 6:16 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 58-2021**

Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Resolution No. 58-2021 approving the 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan. Motion seconded by Councilmember Culpepper and carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING –  
GENERAL DEVELOPMENT  
PLAN FOR MO' BETTAHS  
RESTAURANT  
(GDP-06-21-7846)**

Mayor Ross opened the Public Hearing to consider a General Development Plan for the development of a 2,618-sf. Mo' Bettahs restaurant with a drive-thru on a 0.67 +/- acre property at 806 NW 7 Highway (GDP-06-21-7846) at 6:17 p.m. The minutes of the public hearing were recorded by a certified court reporter. Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter entered one exhibit into the record.

**STAFF REPORT**

Associate Planner Shana Kelly reviewed the details of the proposed General Development Plan and addressed questions from Council.

**APPLICANT**

Lynsi Neve with Savory Development LLC FBO Mo' Bettahs addressed questions from Council.

The Mayor hearing no further comments for or against, closed the public hearing at 6:29 p.m.

**INTRODUCTION AND 1ST  
READING – BILL NO. 4879  
– GENERAL  
DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
FOR MO' BETTAHS  
RESTAURANT  
(GDP-06-21-7846)**

Councilmember Culpepper introduced Bill No. 4879 approving a General Development Plan for the development of a 2,618-sf. Mo' Bettahs restaurant with a drive-thru on a 0.67 +/- acre property at 806 NW 7 Highway (GDP-06-21-7846). Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter made the first reading of Bill No. 4879 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Fowler moved to approve Bill No. 4879 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried unanimously.

**2ND READING – BILL NO.  
4879**

Ms. Porter made the second reading of Bill No. 4879 by title. Councilmember Fowler moved to adopt Bill No. 4879 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5022**, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried with the following vote:

Lievsay – Aye  
Fowler – Aye

Edmondson – Aye  
Culpepper – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Mayor Ross – Aye

**INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 4880 – SUNNY POINTE 3<sup>RD</sup> PLAT – FINAL PLAT (PF-06-21-7790)**

Councilmember Culpepper introduced Bill No. 4880 approving the Final Plat for Sunny Pointe 3rd Plat located at the southeast corner of NW R D Mize Road and NW Shepherd Road (PF-06-21-7790). Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter made the first reading of Bill No. 4880 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Fowler moved to approve Bill No. 4880 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Edmondson and carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION  
2ND READING – BILL NO. 4880**

Ms. Porter made the second reading of Bill No. 4880 by title. Councilmember Fowler moved to adopt Bill No. 4880 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5023**, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried with the following vote:

Fowler – Aye

Culpepper – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Edmondson – Aye

Lievsay – Aye

Mayor Ross – Aye

**INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 4881 – AMEND ORD-5000 – BLAZER CENTER 2<sup>ND</sup> PLAT, LOT A “WHATABURGER” (PF-04-21-7743)**

Councilmember Culpepper introduced Bill No. 4881 amending Ordinance No. 5000 approving the Final Plat for Blazer Center 2nd Plat, Lot A “Whataburger”, located at the 905 NW 7 Highway (PF-04-21-7743). Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter made the first reading of Bill No. 4881 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Fowler moved to approve Bill No. 4881 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lievsay and carried unanimously.

**2ND READING – BILL NO. 4881**

Ms. Porter made the second reading of Bill No. 4881 by title. Councilmember Fowler moved to adopt Bill No. 4881 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5024**, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lievsay and carried with the following vote:

Ericson – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Edmondson – Aye

Lievsay – Aye

Culpepper – Aye

Fowler – Aye

Mayor Ross – Aye

**2ND READING – BILL NO. 4877**

Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter made the second reading of Bill No. 4877 annexing property (approximately 4.48 +/- acres) located at the southeast corner of the intersection of NE Colbern Rd and SW Highway 7 into the City limits (ANNX-06-21-7840). The public hearing and first reading of Bill No. 4877 were held on July 19, 2021.

Councilmember Fowler moved to adopt Bill No. 4877 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5025**, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Culpepper and carried with the following vote:

Edmondson – Aye	Lievsay – Aye
Culpepper – Aye	Fowler – Aye
Kaylor – Aye	Ericson – Aye
	Mayor Ross – Aye

**PRESENTATION – HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION TASK FORCE**

Dr. Warren Haynes, Chair of the Human Relations Commission Task Force, presented the Task Force’s findings, recommendations for Code amendments, and items for Council consideration. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is attached to these Minutes and incorporated herein.

**MOTION DIRECTING STAFF TO DRAFT CODE AMENDMENT RELATING TO HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

Councilmember Culpepper moved to direct the City Attorney to draft a Bill amending Article VIII Human Relations Commission of the Blue Springs Municipal Code of Ordinances. Motion seconded by Councilmember Edmondson and carried unanimously.

**INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 4882 – AMEND CHAPTER 620 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO MASSAGE THERAPISTS AND MASSAGE FACILITIES**

Councilmember Ericson introduced Bill No. 4882 amending Chapter 620 Massage Therapists and Massage Facilities of the Code of Ordinances, City of Blue Springs, Missouri. Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter made the first reading of Bill No. 4882 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Fowler moved to approve Bill No. 4882 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Culpepper and carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION 2ND READING – BILL NO. 4882**

Ms. Porter made the second reading of Bill No. 4882 by title. Councilmember Fowler moved to adopt Bill No. 4882 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5026**, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lievsay and carried with the following vote:

Culpepper – Aye	Fowler – Aye
Kaylor – Aye	Ericson – Aye
Lievsay – Aye	Edmondson – Aye
	Mayor Ross – Aye

**INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 4883 – FY 2020-21 BUDGET AMENDMENT**

Councilmember Culpepper introduced Bill No. 4883 amending the 2020-21 annual budget increasing the previously adopted and amended budget of \$74,259,787 by \$2,129,332 to 76,389,119. Deputy City Clerk Julia Porter made the first reading of Bill No. 4883 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Fowler moved to approve Bill No. 4883 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Culpepper and carried unanimously.

**2ND READING – BILL NO. 4883**

Ms. Porter made the second reading of Bill No. 4883 by title. Councilmember Fowler moved to adopt Bill No. 4883 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5027**, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried with the following vote:

Kaylor – Aye  
Lievsey – Aye  
Fowler – Aye

Ericson – Aye  
Edmondson – Aye  
Culpepper – Aye  
Mayor Ross – Aye

**MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thoughts to Ponder:

“In the end, it’s not the years in your life that count. It’s the life in your years.”

*(Abraham Lincoln)*


**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:55 p.m., there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Fowler moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried unanimously.

CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS

ATTEST

  
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Julia Porter, Deputy City Clerk

  
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Carson Ross, Mayor