

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING  
Zoning Code Changes  
July 12, 2021  
5:50 p.m.**

The public hearing to seek public input regarding proposed changes to the City Zoning Code was called to order at 5:50 p.m. by Mayor Sam Richards.

Present in the Council chambers: Mayor Richards, City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Councilmembers Dave Boyer, Mike Cook, Bobby Venz, Staci Templeton, Brian Wehner, Public Works Director Matt Unrein and City Attorney Brian Malone.

No public comments were received.

Mayor Richards then closed the public hearing.

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 12, 2021  
6:00 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on July 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call in the Council chambers: Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Cook and Tinnin. Absent: Underwood and Dennis. Mayor Samuel F. Richards presided over the meeting. Also present in the Council chambers were Finance Director Stephanie Cunningham, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Public Works Director Matt Unrein, Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis, Fire Chief Kevin Cremer, Police Officer Drummond, Parks Director Josh Whaley, Tourism Director Barb Lowry, City Attorney Brian Malone and City Administrator Greg Camp.

Council, staff, etc. then said the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Mayor Richards announced the bills were in the amount of \$1,208,172.17. Motion to approve the bills, minutes of the Council Meeting of June 28, 2021 was made by Councilman Cook, seconded by Councilman Boyer and approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Tinnin, Venz and Cook; Nays – none.

Correspondence - none

### Visitors

Representatives from Spire Gas Company presented the City with the Silver Shovel Award. Public Works Director Matt Unrein accepted the award on behalf of his department. Mr. Unrein thanked his crews for earning this award.

Denny Foster requested permission to close Main Street on October 9, 2021 for the Annual Street Fest. **Councilwoman Templeton made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Councilman Venz. Motion carried unanimously.**

Bids - none

### Ordinances and Resolutions

**Bill No. 4639** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Amending Section 405.160 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus regarding non-conforming uses; repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with State Law; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4639 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. City Administrator Greg Camp gave a staff report. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to read Bill No. 4639 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Wehner. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4639 for the second time. Bill No. 4639 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Templeton, Wehner, Venz, Tinnin and Cook; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4639 passed.**

**Bill No. 4640** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Amending Section 405.375 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus regarding the Downtown Business District Boundary and Uses; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4640 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. City Administrator Greg Camp gave a staff report. **Councilwoman Templeton made a motion to read Bill No. 4640 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4640 for the second time. Bill No. 4640 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Templeton, Venz, Wehner, Tinnin and Cook; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4640 passed.**

**Bill No. 4641** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Amending Section 405.380 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus regarding the Highway Business District Boundary and Uses; and establishing an effective date. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4641 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. City Administrator Greg Camp gave a staff report. **Councilman Cook made a motion to read Bill No. 4641 for the second time, motion seconded by Councilman Venz. Motion carried unanimously. City Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4641 for the second time. Bill No. 4641 was approved by the following votes: Ayes - Council Members Boyer, Templeton, Wehner, Venz, Tinnin and Cook; Nays - none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4641 passed.**

**New Business** - none

### **Old Business**

Greg Camp discussed and answered any questions Council had regarding the proposed Council Code of Conduct. Mr. Camp stated that he would provide a final draft to be passed at the next Council meeting.

### **Reports**

Mayor Richards stated he would like to appoint Michael Christopher to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilman Cook made a motion to approve the appointment, seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Venz – Stated the roads around town were looking good and the Firehouse was looking good and asked about the upcoming street overlays. Matt Unrein stated they would begin street overlays in a few weeks.

Councilman Boyer – Stated that he felt the new speed limit signs were working. Thanked the police department for a fantastic job. Stated he met the new owners of Pine Mountain and was impressed with the store.

Councilman Wehner – Mentioned the upcoming budget and that he would like Council to look at short, medium and long term goals and big ticket items.

Councilman Cook – Asked about doing a road bond. Matt Unrein stated that those were called impact fees which the City doesn't have right now and that policy would have to be drafted on that and passed by City Council. Asked about the restrooms in Crites Park and what can be done about them being in a less than perfect condition.

Mayor Richards – Thanked Matt Unrein and asked him to pass along to the crews about the good job they did cleaning the brush, etc. away from the sign along I-55.

**Adjournment** Councilman Cook made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Boyer. On a call by the chair the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

