

CITY OF FLORISSANT



COUNCIL MINUTES

January 9, 2017

The Florissant City Council met in regular session at Florissant City Hall, 955 rue St. Francois on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. with Council President Pagano presiding. The Chair asked the Boy Scouts in attendance to lead everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call the following Councilmembers were present: Jones, Eagan, Caputa, Schildroth, Henke, Pagano, Schmidt, Siam and Lee. Also present was Mayor Thomas P. Schneider, City Attorney John Hessel and City Clerk Karen Goodwin. A quorum being present the Chair stated that the Council meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

Councilman Schmidt moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of 12/12/16, seconded by Henke. Motion carried.

The Chair stated that the next item on the agenda was *Hearing from Citizens* and asked any citizen who wished to speak to come forward.

Connie Nolan, 170 Ruth Dr., sited statics regarding countries and municipalities that enacted/repealed breed specific laws. She asked the Council to repeal Florissant's BSL.

Sheila Stiles, 3251 Coles Ave, also sited statics supporting the fact that breed ban laws do not reduce dog bites in a community. Please repeal the BSL law because it is the right thing to do.

Heather Dye, 6709 Village Square Dr., stated that she owns a loving pit bull dog that her grandchildren play with. She asked the Council to please repeal the BSL.

Mike Allen, 1920 Patterson, stated his opposition to the breed specific legislation and asked the City Council to reconsider the law in light of all the facts presented.

Don Adams, 240 Francisca, stated that he felt the City's high grass ordinance needs to be reduced to 6 inches, overhanging shrubbery/weeds need to be trimmed and problems with parking recreational vehicles need to be addressed more vigilantly.

Donna Slemmer, 2612 Poe, displayed a picture of a loyal, courageous pit bull dog used in military service.

39 The Chair stated that the next item on the agenda was *Communications*.

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- 1 Email dated December 8, 2016 from Stefanie Skaggs requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.
- 2 Email dated December 8, 2016 from Gail Scarfino requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.
- 3 Email dated December 9, 2016 from Kristin Korte requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban.
- 4 Email dated December 9, 2016 from Laurie Lang and Lisa Ukman requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban.
- 5 Email dated December 11, 2016 from Jessa Stone requesting the repeal of the breed specific Legislation.
- 6 Email dated December 12, 2016 from Courtney Meyer requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban
- 7 Email dated December 12, 2016 from John Roth requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban.
- 8 Email dated December 13, 2016 from Donna Slemmer requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.
- 9 Email dated December 13, 2016 from Carl Hughs requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban.
- 10 Email dated December 13, 2016 from Sandra L requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.
- 11 Email dated December 13, 2016 from Lori Thurman requesting the repeal fo the pit bull ban.
- 12 Email dated December 13, 2016 from Michelle Yancy requesting the repeal of the pit pull ban.
- 13 Email dated December 14, 2016 from Cheryl Genail requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.
- 14 Email dated December 14, 2016 from Amber Varadin requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban.
- 15 Email dated December 18, 2016 from Connie Nolan requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.
- 16 Email dated December 23, 2016 from Mandi Sullivan requesting the repeal of the pit bull ban.
- 18 Email dated December 23, 2016 from Slem's Pet Care requesting the repeal of the breed specific legislation.

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42 The next item on the Agenda was Public Hearings.

43 The City Clerk reported that Public Hearing #16-09-026 to be held this night on a request to
44 rezone for Lyons Properties, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts the property located at 8115 N. Lindbergh from
45 B-3 "Extensive Commercial District" to B-5 "Planned Commercial District" to allow for the
46 construction of a new building had been advertised in substantially the same form as appears in the
47 foregoing publication and by posting the property. The Chair declared the Public Hearing to be open
48 and invited those who wished to be heard to come forward.

49 The Chair asked if there were any citizens who would like to speak on said public hearing.
50 Being no citizens who wished to speak, Councilman Eagan moved to postpone P.H. #16-09-026 to
51 1/23/2016, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried.

52 Councilman Henke moved to reappoint Gary Meyer, 983 St. Antoine, to the Landmark Historic
53 District Commission as a member from Ward 6 for a term expiring on 8/26/2019, seconded by Caputa.
54 Motion carried.

55 Councilman Schmidt moved to reappoint Kent Miller, 3180 St. Catherine, to the Landmark
56 Historic District Commission as a member from Ward 8 for a term expiring on 1/24/2020, seconded by
57 Eagan. Motion carried.

58 Councilman Henke moved to reappoint Ernestine Washington, 1060 Aubuchon, to the Citizens
59 Participation Committee as a member from Ward 6 for a term expiring on 7/27/2017, seconded by
60 Caputa. Motion carried.

61 Councilman Eagan moved to accept the Mayor's appointment of Don Adams, 240 Francisca, to
62 the Traffic Commission as a member from Ward 2 for a term expiring on 1/9/2020, seconded by Jones.
63 Motion carried.

64 Councilman Eagan introduced Bill No. 9250 An Ordinance to rezone for Regions Bank the
65 property located at 100 N Hwy 67 to re-establish the existing B-5 Planned Commercial District to
66 allow for the construction of a bank branch with drive-thru facility and said Bill was read for the first
67 time by title only.

68 Council as a Whole introduced Bill No. 9251 An Ordinance deleting Chapter 210 "Offenses"
69 of the Florissant Code of Ordinances in its entirety and replacing it with a revised Chapter 210 and
70 said Bill was read for the first time. Councilman Eagan moved that Bill No. 9251 be read for a
71 second time, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried and Bill No. 9251 was read for a second time.

72 Mr. Hessel explained that the state legislature had updated Missouri statutes regarding
73 offenses. Accordingly, this bill would maintain consistency with the state modifications. Mr.
74 Hessel added that archaic provisions were eliminated, new laws were added, and existing ones revised.
75 Ordinances that were of significance or importance to the City of Florissant or Council would remain.

76 Councilman Eagan moved that Bill No. 9251 be read for a third time, seconded by Caputa.
77 On roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano
78 yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Having received the unanimous vote of all members
79 present Bill No. 9251 was read for the third and final time and placed upon its passage.

80 Before the final vote all other interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being
81 no persons who wished to be heard, on roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes,

82 Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Whereupon the Chair
83 declared Bill No. 9251 to have passed and said Bill became Ordinance No. 8290.

84 Councilman Pagano introduced Bill No. 9252 An Ordinance authorizing the assignment of 5%
85 of the settlement of the class action suit with Tracfone to the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis
86 and said Bill was read for the first time. Councilman Schmidt moved that Bill No. 9252 be read for a
87 second time, seconded by Jones. Motion carried and Bill No. 9252 was read for a second time.
88 Councilman Siam moved that Bill No. 9252 be read for a third time, seconded by Henke. On roll
89 call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes,
90 Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Having received the unanimous vote of all members present Bill
91 No. 9252 was read for the third and final time and placed upon its passage.

92 Before the final vote all other interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being
93 no persons who wished to be heard, on roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes,
94 Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Whereupon the Chair
95 declared Bill No. 9252 to have passed and said Bill became Ordinance No. 8291.

96 Council as a Whole introduced Bill No. 9253 An Ordinance amending Section 125.065A “Job
97 Classification and Grade Level” by adding a job classification and said Bill was read for the first time.
98 Councilman Siam moved that Bill No. 9253 be read for a second time, seconded by Henke. Motion
99 carried and Bill No. 9253 was read for a second time. Councilman Schildroth moved that Bill No.
100 9253 be read for a third time, seconded by Lee. On roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan
101 yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Having
102 received the unanimous vote of all members present Bill No. 9253 was read for the third and final time
103 and placed upon its passage.

104 Before the final vote all other interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being
105 no persons who wished to be heard, on roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes,
106 Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Whereupon the Chair
107 declared Bill No. 9253 to have passed and said Bill became Ordinance No. 8292.

108 Councilman Pagano introduced Bill No. 9254 An Ordinance amending ordinance No. 8182
109 establishing a length of service Compensation Plan for part-time employees by adding a code
110 enforcement positions and said Bill was read for the first time. Councilman Jones moved that Bill
111 No. 9254 be read for a second time, seconded by Caputa. Motion carried and Bill No. 9254 was read
112 for a second time. Councilman Henke moved that Bill No. 9254 be read for a third time, seconded

113 by Schmidt. On roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke
114 yes, Pagano yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Having received the unanimous vote of all
115 members present Bill No. 9254 was read for the third and final time and placed upon its passage.

116 Before the final vote all other interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being
117 no persons who wished to be heard, on roll call the Council voted: Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes,
118 Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes, Schmidt yes, Siam yes and Lee yes. Whereupon the Chair
119 declared Bill No. 9254 to have passed and said Bill became Ordinance No. 8293.

120 The next item on the Agenda was Council Announcements.

121 Councilman Eagan announced that the St. Ferdinand Basketball Tournament will begin the last
122 weekend in February and will benefit Hazelwood Officer Greg Tudor. He congratulated Signature
123 Sandwiches on their second store opening and the expansion of the City Diner.

124 Councilman Jones encouraged all residents to contribute/donate to TEAM. He reminded
125 residents that the Shackelford Road Project will take approximately two years to complete. He asked
126 drivers to take their time when driving through that area.

127 Councilman Henke congratulated his daughter Jesse on her wedding over the weekend.

128 Councilman Caputa warned residents about a Publishers Clearing House scam. National Police
129 Appreciation Day was today, January 9th. He asked residents to not their trash dumpsters at the street.
130 He encouraged people to secure their firearms and not leave them in their vehicles. Many firearms
131 were shot off over New Year's which was very dangerous.

132 Councilman Schildroth alerted residents to a driveway repair scam in the City. He asked
133 residents not to leave their vehicles unattended as they warm them up.

134 The next item on the Agenda was Mayor Announcements.

135 Mayor Schneider stated that the Police Department was looking into those people who were
136 shooting off their firearms over the holidays. This behavior will not be tolerated in Florissant. The
137 Florissant City Calendar was mailed out and if residents did not receive one, there are extras at city
138 facilities. On New Year's Eve, the Seniors counted down to midnight at their senior party at the
139 Eagan Center. There was a "free skate" at the Eagan Center on New Year's Eve and two more are
140 scheduled. There will be a snowman building contest through Feb 28. He congratulated the Police
141 Department on their sponsorship of the St. Louis Football U.

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143 The next City Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2017 at 7:30 pm.
144 Councilman Siam moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Schildroth. Motion carried. The
145 meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Karen Goodwin, City Clerk

149 The following Bills were signed by the Mayor:

150 Bill No. 9251 Ord. 8290

151 Bill No. 9252 Ord. 8291

152 Bill No. 9253 Ord. 8292

153 Bill No. 9254 Ord. 8293

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