

# CITY OF FLORISSANT



## COUNCIL MINUTES

March 25, 2019

The Florissant City Council met in regular session at Florissant City Hall, 955 rue St. Francois on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. with Council President Caputa presiding. The Chair asked everyone in attendance to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call the following Councilmembers were present: Siam, Harris, Jones, Eagan, Caputa, Schildroth, Henke, Pagano and Parson. Also present was City Attorney John Hessel, Mayor Schneider, and Deputy City Clerk Anita Moore. A quorum being present the Chair stated that the Council Meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

Councilman Jones moved to approve the Executive and Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2019, seconded by Harris. Motion carried.

The next item on the Agenda was a Plaque Presentation presented by Chief Lowery and Mayor Schneider to Pepose Vision Institute and the 911 Vision Foundation.

The next item on the Agenda was Police Commendations presented by Chief Lowery and Mayor Schneider to the following officers:

- Police Officer Jodi Chapie
- Lt. Rick Pfaff and Police Officer Lessie Summers
- Police Officer Joseph Brockmeier, Police Officer Dominic Margherio and Police Officer Mobin Malik

The next item on the Agenda was a Special Presentation by the Metropolitan Sewer District. MSD encouraged residents to support Proposition S on the April 2 ballot which would generate \$30 million annually to address many flooding and erosion problems across the area.

The next item on the Agenda was Hearing from Citizens.

31 Robert Smith, Florissant resident, expressed his concern about the city's finances. The monthly  
32 budget numbers have not been posted since November of 2018. The quarterly reports have not been  
33 completed since the first quarter of 2018. Also, there has not been a 2018 audit report posted.  
34 Councilman Caputa stated that the Finance Director was putting together a new accounting format that  
35 should be on the web site soon.

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37 Jerry Zeller, Florissant resident, stated that vacant and rental houses should have the same  
38 responsibility for keeping up their property as he, a homeowner, does. There is a vacant house on his  
39 street that he has been calling the City and reporting on for over 4 years. Pictures have been sent to  
40 the building department and all he gets is different answers every time he calls. No one can give him  
41 an answer. The building department has the address of the property that he is talking about and he  
42 wants a list/paperwork of the violations. He will be at the next meeting and wants some answers.  
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44 The next item on the Agenda was Communications of which there were none.

45 The next item on the Agenda was Public Hearings.

46 The City Clerk reported that Public Hearing #19-02-002 to be held this night on a request to  
47 authorize a Special Use Permit for an adult day care center for the property located at 119 Flower  
48 Valley Shopping Center had been postponed to this date on 3/11/2019. The Chair declared the Public  
49 Hearing to be open and invited those who wished to be heard to come forward.

50 Petitioner, Ms. Keneishia Elijah, appeared before the Council to discuss her newly submitted  
51 architectural plans. She stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission had requested an additional  
52 ADA accessible restroom and the new plans include that addition. It will be located next to the existing  
53 restroom.

54 In response to Councilman Siam's questions, Ms. Keneishia Elijah stated that she has contacted  
55 her landlord and requested a meeting regarding installing a handicap accessible ramp at the front  
56 entrance to the day care. She also stated that she is requesting licensing for a maximum of 16  
57 participants. The patient to care-giver ratio will be 2 to 16, not including the director of the program.  
58 The inside of the facility will be locked during the day. It is required that all staff be trained in CPR.  
59 The petitioner stated that they will eventually be providing transportation, but initially the day care will  
60 be contracting with a transportation company. Councilman Eagan informed Ms. Elijah that dropping  
61 off clients in the fire lane would be illegal. She responded that there was also a rear door to the facility  
62 that could be used. Staff will not distribute medication, but clients can self-administer medicine. No  
63 Alzheimer patients will be accepted. Food will be catered in and staff will receive certification on  
64 serving and handling the food. An LPN will come in once a month to evaluate the clients they have.

65 The hours of operation are 9-5. Councilman Eagan stated that he was not a fan of adult day cares being  
66 located in strip malls.

67 The petitioner stated that she currently provides in-home, non-medical health care at another  
68 north county facility that she owns. She also provides nurse visits for certain clients in their home.  
69 Councilman Henke agreed with Councilman Eagan that he is not a fan of adult day care facilities being  
70 located in shopping centers. The maximum hours per day per individual is 8 hours a day. This  
71 facility will provide a social setting in which the elderly can be engaged. Structured activities will  
72 include exercise programs, arts and crafts, and field trips. There is a quiet room for clients who prefer  
73 to rest and relax.

74 Councilman Jones informed the petitioner that he would not be supporting the request, as he  
75 does not support day care centers in shopping centers.

76 The Chair asked if there were any other citizens would like to speak on said public hearing.  
77 Being no citizens who wished to speak, Councilman Siam moved to close P.H. #19-02-002, seconded  
78 by Pagano. Motion carried.

79 Councilwoman Pagano moved that Bill No. 9475 An Ordinance authorizing an amendment to  
80 B-5 Ordinance No. 5239 to allow for an adult day care as a Special Use for the property located at 58  
81 Grandview Plaza Shopping Center be read for a second time, seconded by Henke. Motion carried and  
82 Bill No. 9475 was read for a second time. Councilwoman Pagano moved that Bill No. 9475 be read for  
83 a third time, seconded by Caputa. Motion carried and Bill No. 9475 was read for a third and final time  
84 and placed upon its passage.

85 Before the final vote all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being no  
86 citizens who wished to speak, on roll call the Council voted: Pagano no, Parson no, Siam no, Harris  
87 abstain, Jones no, Eagan no, Caputa no, Schildroth no and Henke no. Whereupon the Chair declared  
88 Bill No. 9475 to have failed.

89 Councilman Siam moved that Bill No. 9477 An Ordinance authorizing an amendment to the  
90 provisions of B-5 Ord. No. 7965 to allow for an outdoor online grocery pickup area and associated  
91 parking revisions for Walmart for the property located at 3390 N. Hwy 67 be read for a second time,  
92 seconded by Caputa. Motion carried and Bill No. 9477 was read for a second time. Councilman Siam  
93 moved that Bill No. 9477 be read for a third time, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried and Bill No.  
94 9477 was read for a third and final time and placed upon its passage.

95 Before the final vote all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being no  
96 citizens who wished to speak, on roll call the Council voted: Siam yes, Harris yes, Jones yes, Eagan  
97 no, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes and Parson yes. Whereupon the Chair declared  
98 Bill No. 9477 to have passed and became Ordinance No. 8499.

99 With a motion on the floor for a second reading, Councilman Jones moved that Bill No. 9479  
100 An Ordinance appropriating \$80,000 from the Park Improvement Fund to Acct. No. 5-09-61560  
101 “Capital Additions – Koch” for the demolition of the Koch Aquatic Center be postponed to 4-22-19 in  
102 order to have time to schedule a work session, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried.

103 Councilman Schildroth moved to appointment Katherine Dougherty, 755 Harrison, to the  
104 Citizens Participation Committee as a member from Ward 5 for a term expiring on 3/25/2022, seconded  
105 by Pagano. Motion carried.

106 Councilman Siam moved to reappointment Robert Shoemaker, 1440 Thoroughbred, to the Parks  
107 & Recreation Board as a member from Ward 9 for a term expiring on 11/26/2021, seconded by Pagano.  
108 Motion carried.

109 Councilman Harris moved to reappointment Mary Pat Outlaw, 1405 Central Parkway, to the  
110 Citizens Participation Committee as a member from Ward 1 for a term expiring on 3/27/2022, seconded  
111 by Pagano. Motion carried.

112 Councilman Harris moved to approve the Mayor’s reappointment of Dennis Lafferre, 3395  
113 Hambletonian, to the Senior Commission as a member from Ward 9 for a term expiring on 4/11/2021,  
114 seconded by Pagano. Motion carried.

115 Councilman Harris moved to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Katherine Shockley, 2530  
116 Lindsay Lane, to the Environmental Quality Commission as a member from Ward 1 for a term expiring  
117 on 3/25/2022, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried.

118 Councilman Caputa introduced Resolution No. 1009 a Resolution of the Florissant City Council  
119 honoring Judge Daniel Patrick Boyle for his 8 years of service to the City of Florissant and North  
120 County and said Resolution was read for the first time. Councilman Schildroth moved that Resolution  
121 No. 1009 be read for a second time, seconded by Eagan. Motion carried and Resolution No. 1009 was  
122 read for a second time. Councilwoman Pagano moved that Resolution No. 1009 be read for a third  
123 time, seconded by Henke. On roll call the Council voted: Parson yes, Siam yes, Harris yes, Jones yes,  
124 Eagan yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes and Pagano yes. Having received the unanimous  
125 vote of all members present Resolution No. 1009 was read for a third and final time and placed upon its

passage. Before the final vote all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard. Being no persons who wished to speak, on roll call the Council voted: Parson yes, Siam yes, Harris yes, Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes and Pagano yes. Whereupon the Chair declared Resolution No. 1009 to have been adopted.

Councilman Caputa moved to approve the Request for a Package Liquor License for Dollar General Store #18943 located at 15275 New Halls Ferry Road, seconded by Schildroth. On roll call the Council voted: Parson no, Siam no, Harris yes, Jones no, Eagan no, Caputa no, Schildroth yes, Henke yes and Pagano no. Requested failed.

Councilman Jones moved to approve the Request to keep chickens for Richard King for the property located at 2375 Buttonwood Ct., seconded by Caputa. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was bills for first reading.

Councilman Caputa introduced Bill No. 9474 an Ordinance authorizing a Special Use Permit for an Adult Day Care center for the property located at 119 Flower Valley Shopping Center and said Bill was read for the first time by title only.

Councilman Caputa introduced Bill No. 9480 an Ordinance authorizing an amendment to code section 126.065 "Wage Increase and Schedule," Section (A) "Job Classification and Grade Level" by adding a new position of "Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector" and said Bill was read for the first time by title only.

The next item on the Agenda was Council Announcements.

Councilman Harris thanked those residents who participated in the March 23 spring litter "pick-up" day along Shackelford Road.

Councilman Parson encouraged residents to contact their Councilperson if they were having issues with trash, recycling or yard waste pick up with Meridian Waste.

Councilman Eagan agreed that residents should contact their Councilperson if they are having problems with Meridian Trash Waste. He thanked all the Florissant Police Officers, especially the woman officers, for their diligence and unique efforts in their contributions as officers. Councilman Eagan stated that this was the last weekend for the St. Ferdinand Basketball Tournament and BBQ Fundraiser.

Councilman Jones stated that T.E.A.M Food Pantry always needs help and donations. He encouraged all residents to vote in the upcoming election. He asked residents to place their bulk items

out at the curb only when it is bulk trash pick-up day. The 270 North Design Corridor is in the beginning stages.

Councilman Caputa reminded firearm owners to keep firearms secured in their homes and not to leave them in their vehicles. He also encouraged residents to keep their vehicles locked at all times and to consider joining their local Neighborhood Watch Program.

The next item on the Agenda was Mayor Announcements.

Mayor Schneider stated that the city has noticed a considerable improvement in Meridian Trash Service over the last few months. The Council and Mayor's office are monitoring the complaints and their follow-up.

Along with the Valley of Flowers Queen and Court, the Mayor participated on March 16<sup>th</sup> in the St. Patrick's Day Parade downtown. Recently, he had the honor of having lunch with Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House and Lacy Clay in an effort to promote voting rights. On 4/6, they will have the Electronic Recycling Event at St. Ferdinand Park from 9-1. On 4/12 there will be an underwater Egg Hunt at the indoor pool at JJE at 6:30 pm. On 4/13 the traditional outdoor Easter Egg Hunt will be held. A Veterans Job Fair will be held at JFK on 4/19 from 9-2 pm. Document shredding will be held on 4/27 at St. Ferdinand Park. On April 27<sup>th</sup> the Florissant Garage Sale will be held at the JJE Ice Rink. Summer playground sign ups have begun.

The Mayor encouraged all residents to watch *One Strange Ride*, narrated by Will Smith, a documentary from the perspective of eight astronauts and the fragility of our ecosystem.

The Council President announced that the next regular City Council Meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:30 pm.

Council President Caputa moved to go into a Closed Session in the Conference Room, seconded by Harris. On roll call the Council voted: Siam yes, Harris yes, Jones yes, Eagan yes, Caputa yes, Schildroth yes, Henke yes, Pagano yes and Parson yes.

Councilman Henke moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Parson. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m. The Council proceeded into Closed Session at 8:57.

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Anita Moore, Deputy City Clerk

The following Bills were signed by the Mayor:

Bill No. 9478                      Ord. 8498