



# CITY OF FLORISSANT

## WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2021

Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic, the Florissant City Council met in a virtual work session through a Zoom platform on Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. with Council President Schildroth presiding.

On Roll Call the following Councilmembers were present: Caputa, Schildroth, Mulcahy, Pagano, Parson, Siam, Harris, Manganelli, and Eagan. Also present was Mayor Timothy Lowery, City Clerk Karen Goodwin, and City Attorney John Hessel. A quorum being present the Chair stated that the Council Meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

Council President Schildroth moved to amend the agenda to move the discussion of the Weise house to first on the agenda, seconded by Pagano, motion carried.

Cheryl Thompson-Stimage, Parks and Recreation Director described some of the work that had been done in the past on the Weise House.

Gina Siebe discussed the work that she and several volunteers were currently doing in the Weise House to include, removing mold on the walls, ceiling and the woodwork, removing brick in damaged areas, cleaning window wells, and dealing with water damage. She said that the water drainage has been located and mitigated for the moment. She added that there are many volunteers and donations from the community. She stated that there are two HVAC companies that would be donating an HVAC system and installing it at no cost.

Council asked Mrs. Thompson-Stimage and Mr. Green to put together the total cost of what the city needs to contribute to get the building to a functional state to include the roof, restrooms and possible kitchen configurations.

### Council Procedures

Council President Schildroth stated that in the past there was an understanding with the Council members that they would not attend boards and commissions meetings. He feels that the boards and

commissions recommend actions to the council and council members can be intimidating to board and commission members, even if they are just there to observe. He recommended to the councilmembers that they refrain from attending boards and commissions meetings.

Council members discussed their opinions on whether or not to attend boards and commission meetings.

#### Transfers of Special Use Permits

Mr. Hessel explained the Special Use transfer process, he stated that most cities do not bring transfers of special use permits to the city council, they are approved at the staff level.

Councilman Manganeli asked if the transfers of special use permits could be eliminated completely and all applicants required to go through the process of getting a special use from the beginning. Mr. Hessel answered no. The special use is granted for a particular location and business owners need to be allowed to sell their business with the use that was approved. Additional restrictions can be placed on a transfer of a special use if there are issues that need to be addressed.

#### Air BnB regulations

Mr. Hessel explained that he has researched the Air B and B issues. He feels that if there are regulations proposed, they should be included in the residential rental license sections of the code. Mr. Hessel mentioned a company they were meeting with that monitors the locations of Air BnB's for a fee. He said he would report any information he obtained to the Mayor. Mr. Hessel suggested that the public works department needs to provide an opinion on where in the code they would like to see this and how it would be monitored and enforced. It was mentioned that Black Jack had an ordinance that could be reviewed.

#### Masonry Ordinance

Council discussed the potential for updating the masonry ordinance to allow newer materials that have been introduced. Council is willing to look at the possibility of allowing additional materials but does not want to lower the quality and appearance of new construction.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Caputa moved to adjourn the work session, seconded by Eagan, on voice vote the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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Karen Goodwin, City Clerk