



RECORD OF PROCEEDING

MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD AT 7601 MANCHESTER ROAD

JULY 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Greenberg presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

ON ROLL CALL, the following members were PRESENT: Mayor Greenberg, Councilmember Coriell, Councilmember Garcia, Councilmember Homa, Councilmember Faulkingham, and Councilmember Page.

MOTION TO EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBER: Councilmember Faulkingham motioned to excuse Councilmember Mattox, seconded by Councilmember Homa, which motion received the approval of the Council.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL AGENDA: Councilmember Faulkingham motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Homa, which motion received the approval of the Council.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 11, 2024 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: Councilmember Faulkingham motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Homa, which motion received the approval of the Council.

PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON A REQUEST BY REBECCA GOETZ OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS FOR A MALT LIQUOR BY THE DRINK LICENSE AT 7240 ANNA AVENUE:

Rebecca Goetz discussed the archdiocese's request and stated it was necessary due to a change in the managing officer of the liquor license. She added the past practice/activities for this license will remain the same.

Resident Patty Nourai spoke in favor of the application.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Councilmember Garcia mentioned the upcoming Let Them Eat Art event.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT: Commission Chair Amber Schanter provided the Council a detailed report on Commission activities. In reference to the enabling ordinance, Mayor Greenberg inquired about the composition of the Commission, specifically if all members were residents and if 9 members were necessary or would 7 suffice. Amber Schanter said all were residents and 9 allows coverage when there is board turnover. Councilmember Garcia thanked Amber for her report and the work the commission is doing.

PROPOSITION S GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND TIMETABLE PRESENTATION: Regan Holliday of UMB Bank updated the council on the schedule for the Proposition S general obligation bonds sale which is scheduled to take place on September 10th.

R24-43 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, APPOINTING LACEY MITCHELL TO THE SPECIAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TAX ADVISORY COMMISSION AND ESTABLISHING HER TERM OF OFFICE AS EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2027 was introduced. It was moved by Councilmember Faulkingham, duly seconded by Councilmember Homa, to approve this resolution, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Greenberg, Councilmembers Coriell, Garcia, Homa, Faulkingham, and Page. Nays, none.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, TO RE-ADOPT AND TO ESTABLISH AND MAKE A PUBLIC PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS was given its first reading. It was moved by Councilmember Faulkingham, duly seconded by Councilmember Homa, that the Bill be moved to its second reading, which motion received the approval, by voice vote, of the Council.

BILL 6256, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD, MISSOURI, AMENDING THE MAPLEWOOD CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 56 ZONING, ARTICLE II. DISTRICT REGULATIONS, DIVISION 2. SR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, SECTION 56-73 – USE REGULATIONS, AND ARTICLE V. NONCONFORMITIES, SECTION 56-1061 NON-CONFORMING LOTS OF RECORD (A) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, SUBSECTION (1), TO BRING LOT SIZE AND SETBACK STANDARDS INTO ALIGNMENT WITH EXISTING AVERAGES AND TO PRESERVE LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTERISTICS AND HOUSING AFFORDABILITY was given its third and final reading. Mayor Greenberg stated he would prefer to hold off on the approval of this ordinance until after the Comprehensive Plan was updated to see what is suggested in the plan. Councilmember Garcia thought the recent changes to the ordinance were good and was fine moving forward. Councilmember Homa said although it may be imperfect, moving forward with this ordinance was his preference due to how long the Comprehensive Plan process would take to complete. It was moved by Councilmember Faulkingham, duly seconded by Councilmember Homa, that Bill 6256 be approved, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Councilmembers Coriell, Garcia, Homa, Faulkingham, and Page. Nays, Mayor Greenberg. Bill 6256 was approved by the City Council as Ordinance Number 6050.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT: City Manager Withycombe mentioned the increase in public safety calls in our parks. She added that they will be holding upcoming Ward meetings to solicit comments from residents at these meetings. The first meeting will be in Ward 1. She mentioned our Court Administrator of 37 years has taken another job and asked the council to promote the opening to any interested applicants. She mentioned Anthony Traxler’s memo regarding MSD’s OCMI tax and that staff was recommending discontinuing this tax. Anthony Traxler provided a series of brief reasons why the tax is not beneficial to keep. City Manager Withycombe also briefed the council on the city’s recently performed SWOT analysis. There was general discussion regarding the analysis.

PUBLIC FORUM: Susan Piazza of Republic introduced herself and said the city staff she works with do a great job and she hopes to continue working with the City.

MOTION TO HOLD A CLOSED SESSION, IF NEEDED, TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO LITIGATION, LEGAL ACTIONS, AND/OR COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 610.021(1)RSMO. AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING UNDER SECTION 610.021(11) AND/OR SEALED BIDS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS AND SEALED PROPOSALS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS UNDER SECTION 610.021(11) AND/OR PERSONNEL MATTERS UNDER SECTION 610.021(13)RSMO. AND/OR EMPLOYEE MATTERS UNDER SECTION 610.021(3)RSMO. AND/OR REAL ESTATE MATTERS UNDER SECTION 610.021(2)RSMO. AND/OR DOCUMENTS RELATED TO A NEGOTIATED CONTRACT UNDER SECTION 610.021(12)RSMO: Mayor Greenberg asked for a motion to hold a closed session, which was moved by Councilmember Faulkingham and seconded by Councilmember Homa, which motion received the following roll call vote: Ayes, Mayor Greenberg, Councilmembers Coriell, Garcia, Homa, Faulkingham, and Page. Nays, none.

Council reconvened and there being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned.

Approved this 13th day of August, 2024

Shawn Faulkingham, Deputy Mayor

Attest:

Anthony Traxler, Deputy City Clerk