

# **CITY OF FARMINGTON**

## **City Council Minutes of Meeting July 22, 2024 6:00 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Farmington met on July 22, 2024, at Long Memorial Hall, 110 West Columbia Street, Farmington, Missouri 63640.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Forsythe.

Dale Wright gave the invocation.

The roll was called with the following Councilors present: Chad Follis, Harry Peterson, Wayne Linnenbringer, Dan Combs, Vanessa Pegram, David Kennedy, Chris Morrison, and Adam Parks.

City Counselor, Scott Reid, was present.

Officials present were Tim Porter, Casey Moore, Greg Beavers, Larry Lacy, Kyle Carter, Clint Pinson, Floyd Massey, Travis Trokey, and Doug Stotler.

Councilor Pegram made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Eric Giessing, 8547 Dorlac Rd, addressed the Council regarding the proposed Rental Property Inspection Ordinance. He asked for clarification on what getting older houses up to the current code would entail, and shared concerns regarding the turnaround time on inspections if tenants are waiting to move in. Council discussion followed.

Mr. Giessing asked how many inspections one staff member can complete in a day.

Tim Porter, Development Services Director, stated with newer properties, an inspector should be able to complete six to eight inspections in a day.

Councilor Linnenbringer questioned whether parking was allowed in front of the Plaza on Columbia Street after receiving a complaint from a member of the community. Council discussion followed regarding the decision to either stripe the area with parking spaces, or to designate the area as a no parking zone. No motions were made or votes were taken.

Dale Wright thanked the Council for the donation of the surplus police vehicle to the City of Iron Mountain Lake.

Logan Bryson, 828 S Washington, addressed the Council on behalf of his wife regarding the removal of the benches downtown. He stated his wife is disappointed the benches have been removed as she is eight months pregnant and loves walking downtown.

Reports were given by Committee Chairs with discussion.

Mayor Forsythe thanked Lead Belt Materials for the paving being completed around town.

A special meeting was announced for Tuesday, July 23 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget.

Councilor Pegram made a motion for a first reading by title only on Bill 18052024, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Scott Reid, City Counselor, read the following Bill once by title only.

**BILL 18052024: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, MISSOURI APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, TITLE V: BUILDING CODE BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 520: RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY REGISTRATION AND INSPECTIONS.**

Councilor Combs requested the following email from Tim Porter, Development Services Director, be included in the minutes (see attached). He summarized the email, stating that since 2017 the city has received 31 formal complaints. He stated the city is passing the inspection of all rental properties and raising the rent on tenants for an average of 4 complaints a year. He also shared concerns on how one additional staff member can cover the inspection load for large complexes. Council discussion followed.

Councilor Pegram made a motion to postpone the second reading of Bill 18052024 to August 26, 2024, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Councilor Pegram made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

1. Consent Agenda
  - A. Department Reports
  - B. Minutes of Previous Meeting (July 11, 2024)
  - C. City Administrator Report

Councilor Pegram made a motion for a reading by title only and Council action on Resolution R40-2024, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Scott Reid, City Counselor, read the following Resolution by title only.

**RESOLUTION R40-2024: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. (POLICE TASERS)**

Resolution passed unanimously.

Councilor Pegram made a motion for a reading by title only and Council action on Resolution R41-2024, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Scott Reid, City Counselor, read the following Resolution by title only.

**RESOLUTION R41-2024: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A STREET FESTIVAL AGREEMENT FOR BLUES, BREWS, AND BBQ 2024.**

Councilor Combs asked for clarification on what the Tourism Bureau was and how the funding was used. He asked if some of the funding could be provided to the Chamber of Commerce. Council discussion followed regarding the assistance provided by the city to the Chamber of Commerce during events.

Resolution passed unanimously.

Councilor Pegram made a motion for a reading by title only and Council action on Resolution R42-2024, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Scott Reid, City Counselor, read the following Resolution by title only.

**RESOLUTION R42-2024: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH BROCKMILLER INC. (NATATORIUM DECK DRAINS)**

Resolution passed unanimously.

Councilor Pegram made a motion for a second reading by title only and Council action on Bill 31072024, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Scott Reid, City Counselor, read the following Bill once by title only.

**BILL 31072024 – ORDINANCE 4-58: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON MISSOURI AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, TITLE II: PUBLIC HEALTH SAFETY AND WELFARE BY DELETING TITLE XV – ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS REGARDING CAMPING IN PUBLIC PLACES AND ADDING A NEW TITLE XV.**

The roll was called as follows: Councilor Follis, aye; Councilor Peterson, aye; Councilor Linnenbringer, aye; Councilor Combs, aye; Councilor Pegram, aye; Councilor Kennedy, aye; Councilor Morrison, aye; and Councilor Parks, aye. Eight (8) ayes and no (0) nays, Bill Passed.

Mayor Forsythe thanked Dale Wright for attending the Council meeting, and announced the naming ceremony of the Veteran's Walk at Engler Park that will take place on July 25, 2024 in honor of Marine Staff Sergeant Trevor Spink.

Mayor Forsythe acknowledged the passing of former Councilor Dennis Robinson.

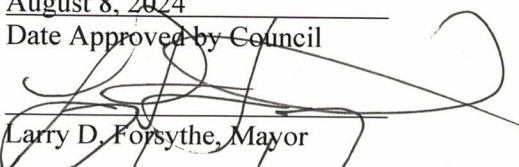
Councilor Pegram made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Linnenbringer, and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

  
Casey Moore, City Clerk

August 8, 2024

Date Approved by Council

  
Larry D. Forsythe, Mayor

08/08/2024  
Date

