

CITY OF FULTON COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street.

Present and presiding were: Mayor Steve F. Myers; Sam Shults, Assistant Director of Administration; Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk; and William Ladwig, Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Myers at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was noted by the City Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Alan Combs, Bill Hinchie, Brad Leuther, Lauren Nelson, Mary Rehkla, Jeff Stone, Bob Washington, and Mike West.

Also present were: Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer; Dustin Dougherty, Chief Financial Officer; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Tara O'Shea, interim Parks & Recreation Director; Russ Sing, Fire Chief; and Jordan Lewis, Audio/Video. Guests present were Fulton Sun Editor Emily O'Leary, Kathy Nielsen, & Dustin Hathaway.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS.

Dustin Hathaway, 227 E. 6th Street stated that he filed a complaint with the city about drivers turning right on red lights. He expressed frustration that his previous complaints have not been addressed by the city or police. He demanded action, stating that the current situation is unacceptable and warned that legal action may follow if nothing is done.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Councilman West and Seconded by Councilman Leuther to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

- a. Closure of East 4th Street from Court Street to Market Street, in front of City Hall, for the Big Bubble Blowout on Friday, August 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- b. YMCA's Mid-Missouri Youth Football League Scholarship Jamboree on August 24.
- c. Westminster College Brick Blast on September 26, 2024.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilman Hinchie: He expressed gratitude to the city engineer and his team for replacing the sign near the kindergarten. He noted that there was no Public Safety Commission meeting.

Councilman West: Reported that the Human Rights Commission met but did not have a quorum. They plan to present the JBF award at an upcoming council meeting. He raised concerns about a recent accident at Route C and Tennyson, suggesting the Public Safety Commission consider installing a stop sign or reducing speed in the area. He acknowledged that it falls under Missouri state jurisdiction but hopes it can be addressed. Chief Ladwig provided a brief overview of the accident and mentioned that the speed limit is set by the state, but offered to contact MoDOT for further discussion.

Councilwoman Rehkla: Voiced her support for Councilman West's concerns and offered to assist in discussions with MoDOT.

Councilman Stone: Mentioned that the Historic Preservation Commission met, but they lacked a quorum. He shared updates on the Commission's work, particularly related to the city's CLG certification. He also raised concerns about the Public Utility Board's (PUB) discussion on solid waste bins, noting that they (the PUB) are considering recommending a warning/fine to the Council.

Councilman Leuther: Provided a brief update on ongoing airport repairs, including work on the landings and beacon. He expressed concerns about erosion at the roundabout, particularly regarding the concrete structure. City Engineer Bruemmer will contact MoDOT to investigate the issue.

Councilman Combs: Reported that the Planning & Zoning Commission has not yet met but has a meeting scheduled later this month. He raised concerns about the trail near the YMCA and the high school, suggesting it be reopened to benefit students who walk to school.

Councilman Washington: Announced an upcoming Park Board meeting and highlighted community events at Carver Park, including Back to School activities organized by local churches on August 17th. He also inquired about the status of home demolitions, with City Engineer Bruemmer indicating they will begin soon.

Councilwoman Nelson: Reported that the Public Utility Board has not met but will do so at the end of the month. She thanked the street department and others involved in resurfacing Westminster and updating the lines. She also expressed appreciation for the Facebook updates and public notices in regards to street work.

Mayor: Noted the need for more members on city boards.

RESOLUTIONS:

There were none.

ORDINANCES PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING:

Bill No. 1720: Repealing Fire Resource Truck Agreement

An Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 928-03 (Bill 1029) in relation to the Resource Truck agreement between the City of Fulton Fire Department and local Fire Protection Districts, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilman Stone to move Bill No. 1720 to Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Bill No.1721: Tax Rate and Levying of Taxes

An Ordinance fixing the tax rate and levying taxes for the calendar year of 2024, on all taxable property in the City of Fulton, Missouri, at \$0.5271 for each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of the assessed valuation of said property and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman West and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to move Bill No. 1721 to Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Bill No. 1722: Willow Creek South Plat One - Final

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to approve the Final Plat for Willow Creek South Plat One.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Rehkla and Seconded by Councilman Stone to move Bill No. 1722 to Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one opposed (West).

ORDINANCES PRESENTED FOR SECOND READING:

Bill No. 1714: Amended: Grand Avenue Enactment of Stop Sign

An Ordinance amending Section 110-283, Stop Signs and Yield Signs. Fulton City Code, by removing certain yield signs, enacting stop signs in their place, and establishing an effective

Motion was made by Councilman Leuther and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to move Bill No. 1714 to Third Reading at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Motion was made by Councilman Leuther and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla to place Bill No. 1714 for Final Passage at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows:

Councilman Combs – Yes	Councilwoman Rehkla – Yes
Councilman Hinchie – Yes	Councilman Stone– Yes
Councilman Leuther – Yes	Councilman Washington – Yes
Councilwoman Nelson – Yes	Councilman West – Yes

Bill No. 1714 having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

Bill No. 1715: Amended: Parking on St. Louis Avenue Prohibited or Limited

An Ordinance amending Chapter 110, Traffic & Vehicles. Section 110-340, Parking on certain Streets Prohibited of Limited. Fulton City Code, by Prohibiting Stopping, Standing, and Parking on portions of St. Louis Avenue, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to move Bill No. 1715 to Third Reading at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Motion was made by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1715 for Final Passage at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows:

Councilman Combs – Yes	Councilwoman Rehkla – Yes
Councilman Hinchie – Yes	Councilman Stone– Yes
Councilman Leuther – Yes	Councilman Washington – Yes
Councilwoman Nelson – Yes	Councilman West – Yes

Bill No. 1715 having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

Bill No. 1716: Amended: Parking on Monroe & W. 13th Street Prohibited or Limited

An Ordinance amending Chapter 110, Traffic & Vehicles. Section 110-340, Parking on certain Streets Prohibited of Limited. Fulton City Code, by Prohibiting Stopping, Standing, and Parking on portions of Monroe Street, West Thirteenth Street, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilman Stone to move Bill No. 1716 to Third Reading at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Motion was made by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to place Bill No. 1716 for Final Passage at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows:

Councilman Combs – Yes	Councilwoman Rehklaue – Yes
Councilman Hinchie – Yes	Councilman Stone– Yes
Councilman Leuther – Yes	Councilman Washington – Yes
Councilwoman Nelson – Yes	Councilman West – Yes

Bill No. 1716 having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

Bill No. 1718: FAA Agreement to Provide Flight Inspection of Runway 18/36

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of The City of Fulton, Missouri, to execute all necessary Documents in relation to Agreement AJF-ON-AAC-24-AC-006523 with the Federal Aviation Administration, and establishing and effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilman Stone to move Bill No. 1718 to Third Reading at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilman West to place Bill No. 1718 for Final Passage at this council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows:

Councilman Combs – Yes	Councilwoman Rehklaue – Yes
Councilman Hinchie – Yes	Councilman Stone– Yes
Councilman Leuther – Yes	Councilman Washington – Yes
Councilwoman Nelson – Yes	Councilman West – Yes

Bill No. 1718 having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

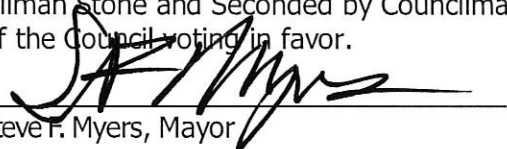
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Motion was made by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilman West to adjourn at 7:11 p.m. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.


Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk


Steve F. Myers, Mayor