



# City Council ACTION

The following is a summary of select City Council action items from the August 19, 2024 City Council meeting.

## Boards & Commissions Appointments

The following board and commission nominations were approved:

- Daniel Robinson – Electrical Standards & Appeals Board
- Kert Roller – Electrical Standards & Appeals Board
- Ryan Hildebrand – Tree Board
- Jackson Lohman – ABCD Regional Planning Commission

## Summarized City Council Actions

Following is an explanation of select items that were taken up by the City Council:

**Public Transit Operating Assistance Grant** (Item #13 Bill #938-22): The City Council authorized the submission and execution of a Public Transit Operating Assistance Grant Agreement with the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission on behalf of St. Joseph Transit. The funding helps defray a portion of the transit bus system's operating costs incurred for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

**Patee Market Health Center Agreement** (Item #16 Bill #941-22): The City Council authorized a funding agreement and lease agreement with the Social Welfare Board (dba Stuber Health Center). The clinic offers medical and dental care, health education programs, diet counseling, crisis counseling, and emergency services to residents with incomes at or below 100% of the federal poverty guideline who have no government or private insurance. The agreements provide space for the operation of the clinic and funding as allocated in the annual budget.

**Landfill Building Improvement** (Item #18 Bill #944-22): The City Council authorized the execution of a contract with DS Industrial Solutions for epoxy floor installation at the Landfill Maintenance building. The epoxy floor will be installed after the existing concrete is ground down to a smooth surface. The new surface will help extend the floor life and address deterioration caused by heavy machine maintenance that occurs on the floor.

**Thomas Eagleton Indoor Pool Use Agreements** (Item #21 Bill #948-22): The City Council authorized the execution of Use Agreements with Savannah School District, Union Star School District R-2, and Kansas City Swim Academy for use of the Thomas Eagleton Indoor Pool. The pool is on the Missouri Western State University campus, but it is operated by the City under an operations agreement that was entered into in 2023.

**Transportation Planning Services** (Item #23 Bill #950-22): The City Council authorized the execution of a Work Order with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for updates to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Federal law requires the St. Joseph Area Transportation Study Organization (the metropolitan planning organization for the greater St. Joseph area) to update the 20-year MTP every five years.

**Fire Department Leary Firefighters Foundation Grant Application** (Item #24 Bill #951-22): The City Council authorized the filing of an application with Leary Firefighters Foundation to request funding for a Unimac Pocket Washer Extractor for Fire Department Headquarters. The foundation offers grant funding to support first responders with life saving equipment. If awarded, the Fire Department plans to use funding for the purchase of the Unimac Pocket Washer which is similar to a high velocity washing machine that removes toxins from turnout gear.

**Small Business Exterior Improvement Projects** (Item #26 Bill #953-22 and Item #27 Bill #954-22): The City Council authorized the execution of small business exterior improvement project agreements with Miller's Tires, LLC (as grantee), Heartland Door and Window (as contractor), Pioneer Material Inc. (as contractor), and with Steve Holland (as Grantee) and River Ridge Improvements (as contractor), to provide grants using American Rescue Plan Act Funding for exterior improvement projects at 5500 King Hill Avenue and 239 Illinois Avenue. These projects include improvements such as installation of garage doors, exterior doors, and arched entry. They projects will improve the appearance of the King Hill Avenue and Illinois Avenue corridor as part of the River Bluff Gateway program.

**Civic Center Park Improvement Project** (Item #28 Bill #955-22): The City Council authorized the execution of a purchase order with Auxier Construction Company for the Civic Center Park Sidewalk and Landing Improvement Project. The project is part of a list of projects for the park that can be completed utilizing American Rescue Plan Act funds. The entire landing and two main north and south sidewalks will be replaced due to concrete deterioration in the concrete. The landing concrete will be 8 inches thick to support heavier equipment. Additionally, drain inlet repairs will be made. Other areas of the sidewalks in the park that need repair will be replaced along with curb replacement.

**Pump Track Design/Build Services Agreement** (Item #31 Bill #947-22): The City Council authorized the execution of an agreement with American Ramp Company for Design/Build Services for a Pump Track at Huston Wyeth Park. Funding for the track was previously approved in March, 2024. A pump track is a circuit of rolling hills and banked turns designed for mountain bikes, skateboards, and wheelchairs. Both concrete and asphalt surfaces will be considered during the design phase of the project with asphalt being the preferred surface. The pump track will provide an opportunity for riders to improve their technical skills in a more controlled environment than normal mountain bike trails.

## **City Manager's Report**

City Manager Bryan Carter reported the following:

- **City Council Meeting Schedule:** Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 3, rather than on Monday, September 2. Additionally, the City Council meeting scheduled for September 16 was previously cancelled.