



Columbia City Council Meeting Recap

Council Chamber, Columbia City Hall

7:00 PM

Monday, April 3, 2017

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Pledge of Allegiance

(X)

Roll Call

(Thomas absent.)

Approval of Minutes

(None.)

Adjustment of Agenda

(Nauser asked to abstain on R44-17. No other changes.)

SPECIAL ITEMS

(None.)

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

(None.)

SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT

SPC20-17 Rodney March - Shuttle buses for Rock The Community.

(Action: Presented as indicated. Speaker believed that this program fit in with the strategic plan of the community, but that transportation was a problem. Speaker asked for help from city. Event was relocated to Stephens from Douglass due to construction. Program exposes young people to resources available across the board.)

SPC21-17 Bin Wu - Concern about the potential dangers of some Chinese students' driving behavior in the City, and their disregard of local laws such as disabled parking permission.

(Action: Speaker indicated that there is a difference between how traffic customs are observed in different countries. In Columbia, the speaker believed that bad driving habits are being brought here from Chinese students. The speaker detailed some anecdotal incidents of bad driving. Believed that more needs to be done to improve safety but asks for council to watch out for Chinese students and asked for a training program.)

SPC22-17 Mary Hussmann - Red light and speed cameras.

(Action: Presented information that the State of Missouri is considering a bill that would outlaw red light cameras. Stated that the state legislation on the House level has passed that would ban red light cameras. Asked that Columbia not endorse a program that would become illegal at the end of the current state legislature session. Further indicated that red-light cameras are ineffective but that they

do produce revenue. Please do not adopt a red-light camera policy. There are other ways to improve traffic safety.

SPC23-17 Pat Holt - Parking meters and parking posts with no meters, only information about using an app or calling a phone number.

(Action: Expressed dismay with street parking system that does not allow for coin meters. Does not want parking payment systems that rely on smart phones. System is more expensive. Dual meter system is confusing and unpredictable.)

SPC24-17 Howard Hutton - The macro and micro of racial justice and social equity; how to institutionalize more voices into our process and why it matters.

(Action: Did not appear.)

SPC25-17 Peggy Placier - Race Matters, Friends comments on community policing and community engagement in planning for it.

(Action: Thanked ranking police officials for attending a recent potluck meeting. Talked about the upcoming election. Believed that community policing is a fundamental idea for Columbia to follow. Believed that candidates who focus too much on cost are missing the point. Please do not believe that community policing is what drives the budget up. We want the police to have the tools they need, but we also want the police to have training that helps them cope appropriately with conflict.)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH6-17 Proposed construction of the Sinclair Road at Mill Creek Culvert Replacement Project.

(Action: Staff report presented as indicated. Staff indicated that this culvert was failing and that replacement would require closure of the road. The location of this project is within the limits of the University of Missouri. No public comment. Skala asked how big an impact this project would have on the overall budget. Peters asked if this would be done this year. Staff indicated that it would be completed within the 2018 budget year. **Motion to approve passed unanimously.**)

OLD BUSINESS

B84-17 Authorizing the issuance of Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, Series 2017.

(Action: These two items were considered in tandem. Staff indicated that several bids were received and that they were within the normal parameters of such projects. An amendment was put forward and approved. **Motion to approve the main bill passed unanimously.**)

B85-17 Authorizing the issuance of Special Obligation Improvement Bonds (Solid Waste System Project), Series 2017.

(Action: Based on the previous action, this item was considered and issued not to exceed \$6.5 million dollars. Motion was amended to reflect lower interest rates. Amendment made and approved unanimously. **Main motion approved unanimously.**)

B86-17 Approving the Sinclair Estates O-P Development Plan located on the northeast corner of Southampton Drive and Sinclair Road (Case No. 17-63).

(Action: Staff presented a report regarding this proposal. Indicated that it was originally slated for Consent Agenda, but that there was a technical change to the plan that required amendment. Applicant engineer appeared and offered to answer questions. **Motion to approve passed unanimously.**)

B87-17 Approving the Final Plat of Sinclair Estates located on the northeast corner of Southampton Drive and Sinclair Road; authorizing a performance contract (Case No. 17-65).

Council Memo

(Action: **Motion to approve passed unanimously without further discussion.**)

B99-17 Authorizing an agreement for professional engineering services with Carollo Engineers, Inc. for an update of the preliminary design report relating to the expansion of the McBaine Water Treatment Plant; appropriating funds.

(Action: Staff report indicated that there are two elements remaining regarding the major Water Resource Plan. This is one of those and asks for the creation of a working group that estimates usage and appropriateness. Trapp asked if this would include anything related to testing for lead. Staff indicated that this particular proposal does not specify any special look at lead testing. Staff indicated that 3 members of the board would be ad hoc out of 10, so the voting membership would be 7 people. Two members of the ad hoc would be from the Water and Light Advisory Board. Nauser indicated that there have been some questions about transparency and wanted to know the scope and range of the proposal. Mayor indicated that he wanted to second guess every step of this process. Suggested that Skala may be a good member for this board.)

Speaker indicated that he was a long-time city resident. Believed that the water situation was VERY important. Indicated that fracking is a concern on a national level as well as Parkinson's disease potentially caused by municipal water systems. Submitted a report for consideration. Indicated that if we bring river water into the system, we have to pay attention to the chemistry of the water that is introduced into our system. Skala indicated that if he is appointed to this group he does have some background in the science and indicated that they will take this report seriously. Speaker indicated that theoretical chemistry is difficult, but that he can discuss how different aspects of science can be brought to bear on this discussion and that different elements can produce different results in terms of safe water.

Next speaker indicated that his father had Parkinson's disease and that he was subject to the same disease. Also, believed that some elements in his mobile home could be suspect as well as the water supply. People need to know that showers are different than baths in terms of cleanliness and exposure. **Motion passed unanimously.**)

R48-17 Establishing a Drinking Water Planning Work Group to assist in an update of the 2011 Water Treatment Plant Expansion Preliminary Design Report.

(Action: Nauser asked where we are going with this. Staff indicated that this is an effort to determine where we are going and what people are concerned about. Nauser asked if we will study what is dumped into our water system as well as the delivery system. Staff indicated that ground water is better than surface water, but that this group will study what we need to consider going forward. Amended to include appointment of an ad hoc member from the council. Skala was identified as the probable appointment. Amendment approved. **Bill passed unanimously.**)

CONSENT AGENDA

(All items on Consent Agenda approved unanimously, with Nauser abstaining on R44-17.)

B88-17 Approving the Final Plat of Fox Creek Subdivision Plat 1 located on the west side of Highway PP (3891 N. Highway PP); authorizing a performance contract (Case No. 17-24).

B89-17 Approving the Final Plat of Cobblestone Cottages Common Area, a Replat of Lot C1 Cobblestone Cottages, located on the southeast corner of Route K and Old Plank Road; authorizing a performance contract (Case No. 17-35).

B90-17 Vacating a utility easement on property located at 1110 and 1114 Wilkes Boulevard, adjacent to Pannell Street (Case No. 17-72).

B91-17 Vacating utility, water and sewer easements along the south and east sides of property located at 1900 I-70 Drive Southwest (Case No. 17-41).

B92-17 Appropriating funds received from Dunafon Enterprises, Inc., for payment in lieu of construction of an internal bridge over Mill Creek and a sidewalk along a portion of the east side of Scott Boulevard, to the Scott Boulevard Phase III street improvement project (Vawter School Road to Route KK).

B93-17 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a quitclaim deed to the State of Missouri, through the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.

B94-17 Authorizing construction of the St. James Street and St. Joseph Street PCCE #24 sanitary sewer improvement project; authorizing the Purchasing Division to call for bids or contract for the work.

B95-17 Accepting conveyances for temporary construction, drainage, utility and BMP purposes; accepting Stormwater Management/BMP Facilities Covenants.

B96-17 Accepting conveyances for underground utility, electric utility and water utility purposes.

B97-17 Authorizing Amendment No. 2 to the program services contract with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services relating to the Teen Outreach Program (TOP); appropriating funds.

B98-17 Authorizing a financial memorandum of understanding with the Missouri Department of Social Services - Family Support Division to expedite the filing and processing of electronic Medicaid applications for provision of presumptive eligibility for the Show Me Healthy Babies and MO HealthNet programs.

R40-17 Setting a public hearing: proposed construction of the More's Lake remediation and site restoration project at the Municipal Power Plant.

R41-17 Setting a public hearing: consider the Water and Light 2017 Renewable Energy Report.

R42-17 Setting a public hearing: proposed construction of speed tables and the installation of speed humps and crosswalks on Stewart Road, between West Boulevard and Garth Avenue.

R43-17 Authorizing an educational affiliation agreement with Saint Louis University, on behalf of its School of Nursing, to provide health clinical experience and instruction for nursing students.

R44-17 Granting a temporary waiver from the requirements of Section 16-185 of the City Code to allow possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages for the Ridgefield Road Neighborhood Block Party event.

R45-17 Authorizing the temporary closure of a portion of Rollins Street, between Hitt Street and Virginia Avenue, to facilitate the repair and partial reconstruction of three deteriorated steam manholes.

R46-17 Authorizing an agreement with Sustainable Farms & Communities, Inc. for the use of Clary-Shy Community Park located on the west side of Clinkscales Road and north of Ash Street for the operation of a farmers market and community education garden.

R47-17 Authorizing an agreement with the Community Foundation of Central Missouri to establish, fund and manage the Columbia Parks and Recreation Fund; appointing members to the Columbia Parks and Recreation Fund Advisory Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

(None.)

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

(All items introduced as indicated.)

B100-17* Vacating utility easements within Arbor Falls, Plat No. 3 located east of Ranger Drive and south of Euliss Drive (Case No. 17-83).

B101-17 Authorizing the reconstruction of Taxiway C at the Columbia Regional Airport; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division.

B102-17* Authorizing a right of use permit with Missouri Network Alliance, LLC, d/b/a Bluebird Network, for the installation and maintenance of fiber optic cable within portions of the Route B and Brown Station Road rights-of-way.

B103-17* Appropriating funds for the purchase and installation of a gate arm system in all City parking facilities and for parking meter upgrades.

B104-17* Authorizing a financial assistance agreement with the Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District for the purchase of eight (8) commercial mini cardboard balers; appropriating funds.

B105-17* Amending Ordinance No. 023001 to authorize permit holder and certifier registration designations and the electronic filing of discharge monitoring reports with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Water Protection Program.

B106-17 Appropriating funds for excavation, hauling and disposal of coal combustion residuals as part of the More's Lake remediation and site restoration project at the Municipal Power Plant.

B107-17* Appropriating funds to continue to facilitate the construction of upgrades to Boiler 8 at the Municipal Power Plant to reduce nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions.

B108-17 Appropriating funds for replacement of wooden poles that support the overhead electric distribution system.

B109-17* Accepting conveyances for utility, sewer and drainage purposes; accepting Stormwater Management/BMP Facilities Covenants.

B110-17* Appropriating funds from the Celebration for the Arts event.

B111-17* Appropriating architectural salvage sale revenue to the New Century Fund for future use as a revolving loan fund for private historic preservation activities; transferring funds to offset a budgeting shortfall.

B112-17 Authorizing a master license and services agreement with Rave Wireless, Inc., d/b/a Rave Mobile Safety, for mass alert notifications of emergent and non-emergent issues.

B113-17* Authorizing an air service guarantee participation agreement with the County

of Boone, Missouri, The Curators of the University of Missouri, the City of Jefferson, Missouri and Cole County, Missouri; authorizing air service guarantee participation agreements with various Chamber of Commerce members.

B114-17* Amending the FY 2017 Annual Budget by adding a position in the City Utilities Department; amending the FY 2017 Classification and Pay Plan by adding a classification, making classification reassignments and changing a classification title.

Recommended Action: [Intro & 1st Read/Mayor Memo]

Council Memo

B115-17* Amending Chapter 19 of the City Code as it relates to unclassified service; amending the FY 2017 Annual Budget by adding and deleting positions in the Police Department; amending the FY 2017 Classification and Pay Plan by adding classifications and changing classification titles.

B116-17* Authorizing a master services agreement and amendments to the master software implementation services, master software license and master software support and maintenance agreements with N. Harris Computer Corporation for the licensing, implementation, support and maintenance of utility billing software.

B117-17* Authorizing a cooperative agreement with the Greenbelt Land Trust of Mid-Missouri for the continued implementation of the "Our Natural Legacy: A Plan for Columbia and Boone County" open space/green infrastructure project.

REPORTS

REP23-17 Proposed Amendment to Chapter 24 (Rights-of-Way Management).

Recommended Action: [Memo]

Council Memo

Draft Ordinance

Utility Reps Questions & Staff Responses

(Action: Staff indicated that sometimes local utility companies and builders do not always comply with local ordinances or safety procedures. This new ordinance specifies how all contractors comply and report with the newly proposed rules. Mayor asked about subcontractor compliance and indicated he will ask about that in the future.)

REP24-17 Correspondence from the Business Loop Community Improvement District (CID) regarding CID board membership.

(Action: Mayor indicated that he has received a slate of new directors from the CID and that he will accept additional applications prior to appointment at the next meeting.)

REP25-17 Correspondence from the Substance Abuse Advisory Commission regarding membership requirements.

(Action: Staff indicated that there could be some conflict in terms of how some members of the board have a variety of backgrounds and responsibilities. Asked for clarification on how best to address the situation. Some positions on this commission also often go unfilled. A suggestion was made to eliminate the student position on the board and allow a broader definition of people who could qualify for membership even if they were city employees. An ordinance will come back to the council later and may restrict some city involvement on commissions, except as in an advisory role.)

REP26-17 Correspondence from the Commission on Human Rights regarding Welcoming Declaration.

(Action: Staff has not fully reviewed this request. This item does not designate Columbia as a Sanctuary City, but does give a statement of declaration. Commission wants an ordinance to be brought forward to the council. Skala indicated some knowledge of this situation. Asked law department to look at this issue and the water issue and determine what types of pitfalls may be involved. Mayor indicated that he will meet with some interested parties and wants clarification. Trapp indicated that there may be some federal prohibitions on some aspects of this concept. City attorney indicated that the city does at times have more expressive rules or goals on a local level but that it requires clarification.)

REP27-17 Sponsorships for Parks & Recreation Facilities and Events.

(Action: Staff indicated that two big ideas will be completed in the future. One is a Farmers Market and another is a sports venue. Wanted to let people know that there are some sponsorship rules in place and naming rights, etc. are in play, but regulated by local rules. Nauser indicated that she approves of sponsorship opportunities for city services and in fact, supported advertising on city buses. Staff indicated that they want to be more aggressive about this type of funding and wants authority to move forward without getting hung up at the council level. Mayor wants to read the proposal one more time before giving his blessing.)

REP28-17 Change order to add \$6,000 to the "Hinkson Creek Trail Conceptual Plan North of Stadium Blvd." contract with Allstate Consultants for property descriptions and drawings necessary for acquisition of property rights by the City.

(Action: This is a required update. Asked for a grant of permission for the completion of this project rather than sending the whole project through further review.)

REP29-17 Intra-Departmental Transfer of Funds Request.

(Action: No action.)

GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, COUNCIL AND STAFF

Speaker indicated that he would like to promote Salvation Army and Goodwill have jobs for people. Also, asked to support ban-the-box rules. Further explained that he was a diabetic and that he does not take medication and wonders about the water source. Also, wanted people to know that Bob McCosh is helping with construction of affordable housing. Wants to make sure that we do not define affordable housing as low-income housing and that the definition is important.

Speaker indicated that she wanted to appeal to the Council to allow appointment of the current slate of the CID Board. They have advertised for two months. There are a lot of involved parties. We are hamstrung if we cannot go ahead and appoint people because we need to make decisions. Please do not extend the process of appointment. Mayor indicated that he will make the appointment at the next meeting.

Mayor recognized Laura Nauser for her last meeting. Nauser indicated that she had some unfinished business. Mill Creek stormwater is a big issue in her ward. Sidewalks near Stoney Creek are also of importance to her. Electric lines are of importance to her. Wants to let people who purchase property near Rockbridge State Park know what the rules are. Also, wants to address water pressure in south

Columbia. Also, found a typo from a document from 2007. Wanted to make sure that her remarks indicated that this is a really great city.

Skala indicated that his service with Laura Nauser was great. Indicated that he did not always agree with Nauser, but that sometimes they agreed on key issues. Skala hopes to see Nauser often and hopes she will remain involved. She reminded Skala that she had left the Council before and then returned, so don't count her out.

Ruffin indicated that he has heard the earlier testimony about international student driving habits and that they will follow up on that issue through the Vision Zero program. Also, wanted to mention that Ladarian Kelly is a local young man who has sickle cell disease and is asking for community support. An event will be held at Lucky's later this month. Ruffin further stated that it has been an honor to serve as a member of the council, and that holding such an office brings both opportunity and scrutiny. He believed that collectively this council has been supportive of minority and equity issues. He was dismayed at local reports of shootings and crime and indicated that police cannot solve this problem by themselves. The situation will require the involvement of local citizens and community policing efforts. He looks forward to the election and encouraged the involvement of all citizens.

Trapp indicated that he had received correspondence from a man who had been falsely accused of a crime and that HB 491 would allow him to have his criminal record expunged. Did not have full details but asked the council to consider support for this legislation. The City Manager that if four council members expressed support, this could be added to the agenda for the city's lobbyist. No specific action was taken.

Trapp then turned to the issue of the potential use of city buses to help transport Columbia students. He indicated that the council has looked at this issue in the past and that Barbara Hoppe had suggested such an approach when she served on the council. Trapp thought that this could potentially be used for high school level students and that a pilot program could be established. He indicated that the Columbia Public Schools favored looking at this issue and acknowledged that the Mayor may have other issues with this approach but that he would like to add this item to the city's lobbying efforts, despite the Mayor's beliefs. He said that this has been around for years and wanted to correct the record.

Skala suggested that maybe the staff should craft a motion in this regard. Trapp asked that he get the support of at least four members of the council now and see where the process would lead. Trapp, Nauser, Skala and Peters voiced support for the idea. The Mayor abstained due to a possible conflict of interest.

Skala ended the meeting by asking about the city's policy of investment and if it matched our social goals. Also, called for improvements to Old Highway 63 and Broadway intersection. Encouraged participation in tomorrow's election.

(It should be noted that this was the last City Council meeting for Laura Nauser who is not seeking re-election to the Fifth Ward City Council seat. Matt Pitzer and Art Jago are running for that post. Nauser has endorsed Pitzer in the Fifth Ward.)

ADJOURNMENT
(Time: 8:59 PM)

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