



City of Berkeley, Missouri
City Council Meeting
March 3, 2025
Minutes

Meeting Called to Order

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham called the council meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll Call:

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| (W1) Vacant | | Councilwoman Williams (W2) | present |
| Councilman Hoskins (W3) | present | Councilwoman Anthony (W4) | present |
| Councilman Hindeleh (W5) | present | Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham | present |
| Mayor Deinbo | absent | Quorum established. | |

Acting City Manager Walton, City Attorney Smith, Chief Jackson, Chief Linhardt, Streets Supervisor White, Interim Parks & Rec Director Gai, Interim Finance Director Nelson, Garage Supervisor Chisholm, Network Admin Decker, Code Enforcement Supervisor Burton, Facility Maintenance Supervisor Hibbler, Court Supervisor Proebsting, ED Coordinator Taylor and City Clerk Jones were in attendance.

Approval of the Minutes:

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman Anthony seconded the motion to approve the minutes for the 02-03-25 regular meeting and 02-10-25 special meeting. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Public Hearings:

Request for Rezoning, Special Use Permits, Re-subdivision:

Resolutions:

Citizens Hearing:

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman Anthony seconded the motion giving permission to Robert Lee with Kiwanis Club for Kids Annual Fishing Derby at Ramona-Mathison Lake on Sept 20th from 7a-12pm. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Representatives from Navigate and Chiodini gave a Firehouse #2 project status update. The council asked many questions of clarification that need follow-up answers.

Pandy Hotel Corporation Representative Girish Shetty gave an update of the status of 9600 Natural Bridge Hotel. The council gave a general consensus that the City Manager can give permission to get a temporary occupancy permit once violations are corrected.

Petitions:

Unfinished Business:

Introduction of Bills:

New Business:

Councilwoman Anthony moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion to approve Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham appointment of Jeremy Taylor as staff and Councilman Theodore Hoskins replacing Mayor Deinbo on the City Plan Commission. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Independent Audit (At-Large Crawford-Graham) – Questions were answered earlier in the meeting.

Follow-up on discussion with City Clerk (At-Large Crawford-Graham)

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman Anthony seconded the motion to hold a closed session for personnel and litigation. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5)

Bids for City Hall renovations and total amount paid (Ward 3 Hoskins)
Requested bids, ordinances, and change orders for the city hall renovations project.

Dispose of city vehicles process and funds deposited (Ward 3 Hoskins) – Questions were answered earlier in the meeting.

Process for selecting construction manager (Ward 3 Hoskins)
Requested bids, ordinances, and change orders for Firehouse #2.

Last equipment inventory date (Ward 3 Hoskins)
Equipment inventory is required each year per the insurance policy. Last one performed in December 2024.

Status of the Audit (Ward 3 Hoskins)
The auditors are in tract to finish the 2023 audit within the next month.

City Attorney (Ward 3 Hoskins)
Will be discussed in closed.

Splash Pad at Municipal Pool (Ward 3 Hoskins) – Questions were answered earlier in the meeting.

Communications:

Reports and Recommendations from the City Manager:

Closed Meeting: Litigation, Real Estate, Personnel

Reports from the Clerk:

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham seconded the motion approving the Betterment Commission dates to use the Civic Center: 04/12/25 Oldie but Goodie Dance, 04/26/25 April in Autism, and 05/03 Pre-Mother’s Day Pop-up Vendors event. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman Anthony seconded the motion to participate in the Annie Malone May Day Parade on May 18th. The cost is \$900, which includes up to 10 cars or 15 motorcycles and no walkers. A mandatory meeting is on Sat, May 10th at 9am for the information packets. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham seconded the motion appointing Councilwoman Anthony as the council representative for the Eggstravaganza (Easter Egg Hunt) on 04/12/25 in Independence Park starting at 10:30am. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion allowing the city clerk to attend the public hearing in Jefferson City on March 4th at 8am in regards to HB 208 (declarations of candidacy dates). This bill moves the filing time by one week to help prevent the ending date from falling on a holiday. This bill also gives prevision if the dates do fall on a holiday. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham seconded the motion giving the city clerk permission to attend the IIMC conference staying at the Hyatt Hotel May 16th-21st, being part of the host committee through MoCCFOA. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion approving the list of dates the City Clerk is out-of-the-office or helping with events: 03/05/25 – Redbird Rookies League Meeting (evening), March 8-13, 2025 – MoCCFOA Spring Institute conference (Columbia MO), 04/12/25 Eggstravaganza, 04/12/25 Oldies but Goodies Dance, April 24-29, 2025 PTO, 05/17/25 Community Clean Up, May 16-21, 2025 IIMC Conference, Excused from 05-18-25 May Day Parade, Excused from 05-19-25 Council meeting. Roll Call: Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

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Reports from the City Attorney:

Reports from the Special Committees:

Reports from the Standing Committees:

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion to receive and file the Minutes for the Board of Adjustment 10-10-2024 and Pension Board 11-21-2024, in addition the minutes with corrections for the City Plan Commission 09-11-2024, 12-10-2024, & 02-18-25. Roll Call: Willaims-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Aye, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-5) motion passed.

Reports from the Council:

Adjourn:

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham moved, Councilwoman Anthony seconded, and the motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 pm.

Closed Session:

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham open the closed session at 9:52pm with Councilwoman Williams, Councilman Hoskins, Councilwoman Anthony, and Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford Graham present. Acting City Manager Walton, City Attorney Smith, and City Clerk Jones were also in attendance.

During the discussion, Councilwoman-at-Large Graham made a motion to suspend the city clerk for 10 days without pay that was withdrawn.

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham moved and Councilwoman Anthony seconded the motion for a reprimand with a six-month probation for the city clerk. Roll Call: Williams-Nay, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Absent, Crawford-Graham-Aye and Mayor-Absent (Aye-3, Nay-1) motion passed.

Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion to not continue to pay the \$3,000 to the City Attorney for the Prosecuting Attorney Assistant position. The \$10,000 will be paid. Roll Call: Williams-Nay, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Aye, Hindeleh-Absent, Crawford-Graham-Aye, and Mayor-Absent (Aye-3, Nay-1) motion passed.

Councilman Hoskins moved, Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham seconded, and the motion carried to adjourn closed session at 11:06pm.

Approved: This 17th day of March 2025

Attest:

Rita Crawford-Graham, Mayor

Deanna Jones, City Clerk