

# City of Berkeley, Missouri City Council Meeting

August 4, 2025 Minutes

# **Meeting Called to Order:**

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

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Holmes (W1) present Councilwoman Williams (W2) present Councilwoman Hoskins (W3) present Councilwoman Anthony (W4) absent

Councilman Hindeleh (W5) present Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham

Mayor Crawford-Graham present Quorum established.

Acting City Manager Walton, Interim City Attorney Ezell-Gillespie, Chief Jackson, Chief Linhardt, Interim Finance Director Nelson, Network Admin Decker, Streets Supervisor White, Interim Parks & Rec Director Gai, Garage Supervisor Chisholm, Facility Maintenance Supervisor Hibbler, ED Coordinator Taylor, Courts Supervisor Proebsting, and City Clerk Jones were present.

# **Approval of the Minutes:**

Councilman Hindeleh moved and Councilwoman Holmes seconded the motion approving the minutes for the 07-14-25 regular meeting. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) Motion passed.

### **Public Hearings:**

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

# **Resolutions:**

# **Citizens Hearing:**

Concerns discussed: \* Concerns about sign and weeds violation. \* Event Space coming to Airport Rd. Owner will be working on community outreach events. \* The library has information about nearby community outreach events. Berkeley should give out some of this information along with bike safety information. \* Concerns about the upkeep of Exit 9C, trash &debris, homeless camp, and high grass & weeds.

Councilman Hindeleh moved, Councilwoman Holmes seconded, and the motion carried to close the citizens hearing section of the meeting. Motion passed.

# **Petitions:**

### **Unfinished Business:**

Bill #5085: An Ordinance Amending the Workplace Marijuana and Controlled Substances Policy for the Employee Handbook of Personnel Rules and Regulations, Policies, and Benefits (City Manager)  $-2^{nd}$  &  $3^{rd}$  Reading

Councilman Hindeleh moved and Councilwoman Holmes seconded the motion for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, in its entirety, of Bill #5085. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed.

Councilman Hindeleh moved and Councilwoman Holmes seconded the motion for the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading, by title only, and adoption of Bill #5085. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed. *Ordinance* #4905.

Bill #5086: An Ordinance of the City of Berkeley, Missouri, Repealing Article XVI Economic Development Improvement – Dollar Home Program in its entirety and replacing it with a new Article XVI Economic Development Improvement – Dollar Home Program (City Manager) – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilman Hindeleh seconded the motion to table Bill #5086. The program needs some revision. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed.

### **Introduction of Bills:**

Bill #5087: An Ordinance of the City of Berkeley, Missouri, to reaffirm the City's Policy and Procedure of Disclosing Potential conflicts of Interest and Substantial Interest for Certain Municipal Officials, as Established by the Missouri Ethics Law, Chapter 105 RSMO (City Manager)

City Clerk Jones read Bill #5085 by title only, for the introduction. Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilman Hindeleh seconded the motion for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Bill #5085 by title only. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayro Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed. City Clerk Jones read Bill #5085 by title only for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Bill #5088 An Ordinance Adopting and Enacting a New Code of Ordinance of the City of Berkeley; Establishing the Same; Providing for the Repeal of Certain Ordinances not Included Therein, except as here in Expressly Provided; Providing for the Penalty for the Violation thereof; and providing when this Ordinance shall become Effective (City Manager)

City Clerk Jones read Bill #5088 by title only, for the introduction.

Emergency Bill #5089: An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Addendum Agreement with SAFEbuilt (The Council finds that an emergency exists and declares that passage of this ordinance is necessary for he preservation of the welfare of the citizens of the City of Berkeley.) (City Manager)

Mayor Crawford-Graham moved and Councilwoman Holmes seconded the motion hold Bill #5089 until the next meeting. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Nay, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-4, Nay-1) motion passed.

#### **New Business:**

Appointments to Board and Commissions - None

# **Communications:**

# **Reports and Recommendations from the City Manager:**

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

Liquor License Renewal: Southwest Airlines

Councilman Hindeleh moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion to add Liquor License Renewal for Southwest Airlines to the agenda. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed

Councilman Hoskins moved and Councilwoman Holmes seconded the motion for the approval of the liquor license renewals for Southwest Airlines. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed.

# **Reports from the Clerk:**

# **Reports from the City Attorney:**

Addressed in closed session.

# **Reports from the Special Committees:**

#### **Reports from the Standing Committees:**

# **Reports from the Council:**

Ward 1:

• None

# Ward 2:

- Repaying and speed bumps needed on Rector Drive.
- A sink hole needs to be filled at Shillington / Shillington Ct.
- Need new businesses like a grocery store.

### Ward 3:

• When will the fence on Courtney be repaired?

Ward 4:

Absent

Ward 5:

• Thanks for cleaning up the trash around Hope Church.

Mayor:

• Townhall meeting: September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

# **Audience Participation (Limited to Subjects Addressed During the Meeting):**

#### Adjourn:

Councilman Hindeleh moved, Councilwoman Holmes seconded, and the motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm.

# **Closed Session:**

Mayor Crawford-Graham moved and Councilman Hindeleh seconded the motion to open the closed session for litigation and personnel at 8:22 pm. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed. Quorum established. City Manager Walton, Interim City Attorney Ezell-Gillespie, and City Clerk Jones were also present.

Councilman Hindeleh moved and Councilman Hoskins seconded the motion to approve a proposed amendment to the attorney monthly retainer to \$10,000. Roll Call: Holmes-Aye, Williams-Aye, Hoskins-Aye, Anthony-Absent, Hindeleh-Aye, and Mayor Crawford-Graham-Aye (Aye-5) motion passed.

With no further business, Councilman Hindeleh moved, Councilwoman Holmes seconded, and the motion carried to adjourn the closed session of the meeting at 8:48 pm.

Approved: This 08th of September 2025	
Attest:	
	Rita Crawford-Graham, Mayor
Deanna Jones, City Clerk	