



MINUTES OF THE MISSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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The Mission City Council met in a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at 7:06 p.m. at Mission City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Flora. The following councilmembers were in attendance: Josepha Haden Chomphosy, Trent Boultinghouse, Mary Ryherd, Lea Loudon, Brian Schmid, Debbie Kring, Ben Chociej, and Cheryl Carpenter-Davis. There were no councilmembers absent.

Mayor Flora explained that the meeting was also offered virtually through Zoom, if preferred. The public was invited to participate in the meeting by using the instructions included in the City Calendar item listed on the front page of the website. For those participating virtually, they had the option of utilizing the "chat" feature to voice their comments which would be read aloud. The members of the public in person were encouraged to raise their hand and stay at their seats to be called on. Mayor Flora requested that anyone commenting please state their name and city of residence as well as to be conscientious of others talking and to speak clearly and slowly.

PUBLIC HEARING

1a. Request For a Waiver to Park a Recreational Vehicle on Residential Property Located at 6681 Woodson Drive

Mayor Flora opened the public hearing and welcomed Deputy City Administrator Brian Scott to make his presentation. He explained that this public hearing was for the residents at 6681 Woodson Drive to request a waiver to keep their recreational vehicle parked in their driveway for one year. Mark and Connie Wehmeyer are the owners and the applicants for the waiver. Mr. Scott explained that they own a Mercedes Sprinter camper van and have for approximately four years. Staff did not know about the vehicle until earlier in the year when a neighbor contacted the City to inquire as to if the vehicle was in violation of City Code. Mr. Scott read portions of City Code Section 320.020 governing Recreational Vehicles. That section requires that recreational vehicles be parked in the back or side yard behind the front building line, or in a garage. Mr. Scott noted that a waiver of one year or less can be requested in these situations for time to address the situation. The waiver requires the public hearing with notice given to all residents within 200 feet of the property.

Mr. Scott examined the property and vehicle and explained that the vehicle is registered as a recreational vehicle (RV) and has an RV sticker as well. The



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vehicles are typically 11,000 lbs, and this vehicle is approximately 24 feet with a height of 9 feet. He showed aerial views of the property from the Johnson County GIS system in 2020 or 2021 that shows the vehicle, along with a photograph of the side yard of the property where there would not be enough distance to park the vehicle on the side of the property behind the property line. Additionally, a swimming pool in the backyard would prevent parking the vehicle there.

Connie Wehmeyer thanked the Council and Mayor for their service, and Mr. Scott for his professionalism. She shared that they purchased the van in August of 2019, and it has been parked on their driveway since. She also provided the title showing weight of 8,601 lbs. She and her family have lived in Mission for 12 years and have taken pride in their property. They did not register the van with any malintent. They use the vehicle as a passenger van mainly as it is equipped with seats and seatbelts. She also said that they have had nothing but positive comments from neighbors or people passing by, and that their home is landlocked, and they are on a fixed income, which would make a storage expense difficult and usage of the vehicle more difficult. They asked Mr. Scott if a complaint had been filed, he could only say that someone drove by and thought it could be in violation of the City Code. They would find it very disappointing to take to debate the issue when so many other pressing issues could be addressed. Not being able to store the van in their driveway would add approximately \$200 per month to their fixed-income budget. She asked that the Code be updated to better address and outline requirements for modern vehicles that are available today.

Joshua of Mission, KS (Mission Hills Apartments) commented that tree branches along Martway Street need to be trimmed in front of the Mission Gables Apartments which are blocking the walkways.

Raymond Raw of Mission, KS introduced himself as a neighbor of the Wehmeyers. He does not believe the vehicle is a problem and he sees it as a van and nothing more.

There were no additional comments and Mayor Flora officially closed the public hearing. The related action item, Item 7c, will be considered later in the meeting.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2a. Elder Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation



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Mayor Flora proclaimed June to be Elder Abuse Prevention Month in Mission, stating that Mission is a proud supporter and advocate for the Communities for All Ages Program and regularly looks for ways to treat older adults with respect and dignity, enabling them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and vital participating members of our community. Elder abuse, neglect and exploitation of our seniors is a serious public concern, and it is important to take action to raise awareness in efforts to prevent abuse of older adults and to engage and empower seniors. She encouraged everyone to join in honoring and celebrating older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of the City.

2b. Silver Haired Legislators

Mayor Flora next welcomed Mary Calhoun and David Woods of the Johnson County Silver Haired Legislators. Ms. Calhoun of Lenexa, KS began by introducing herself as a member of the Silver Haired Legislators, an entity formed in 1982 and composed of 125 representatives from each County in Kansas. Their purpose is to advocate for seniors at the State level and provide education about issues; and to provide seniors with ways to be involved. She explained how they choose issues to present to the Kansas Legislature and their platforms for this year. She noted that, with many seniors in the County, that the Governing Body encourage seniors to contact them to get involved.

David Woods, also of Senior Haired Legislators, explained that he and Ms. Calhoun's committee members are going to meetings in all nineteen cities in Johnson County to visit and speak about their work. He reviewed data surrounding senior residents in the State of Kansas and their demographics. Mr. Woods reviewed the state-wide five bullet points they presented to the Legislature this year. He thanked everyone for their time.

Mayor Flora pointed out that Mission puts together a legislative platform for the State Legislature that seem to have several overlapping platforms and offered for Mr. Woods to reach out to work together.

ISSUANCE OF NOTES AND BONDS

There were no items related to Issuance of Notes and Bonds.



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CONSENT AGENDA

- 4a. Minutes of the May 15, 2024 City Council Meeting
- 4b. Membership Revisions for Sustainability and Parks, Recreation + Tree Commissions
- 4c. Crossing Guard Contract Renewal
- 4d. Replacement of Laptop and Desktop Computers
- 4e. Cooperative Agreement with Bike Share KC for maintenance and operation of E-bikes
- 4f. Traffic Signal Buyout at Roe Avenue and Johnson Drive
- 4g. Powell Community Center (PCC) South Bathrooms Remodel
- 4h. Rock Creek Trail Fence Painting

Moved by Ryherd, seconded by Schmid to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Voting AYE: Chociej, Boultinghouse, Kring, Loudon, Haden Chomphosy, Schmid, Ryherd, Carpenter-Davis. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Aaron Hudson of Kansas City, MO spoke to an issue he had with the City's disorderly conduct statute, which he believes is being abused and offered his interpretation of the statute. He was accused of this, falsely he believes, and offered information about the court case he had. He was found guilty for what he described as yelling a curse word, which he stated he was innocent of. He believes that a solution would be to record trials for protection for citizens against problems.

PLANNING COMMISSION

6a. Preliminary Development Plan for Mission Beverly Multi-Family Housing Development – 6000, 6005, 6025, 6040 and 6045 Martway; 5935 and 5945 Beverly; and 5960 Dearborn (PC Case 24-07)

Mr. Scott presented a preliminary development plan (PDP) for the Mission Beverly Multi-Family Housing Development. He reported that that parcels will be combined into one, and that Milhaus Development LLC is the applicant for the PDP. There will be two separate buildings, one on the north side of Martway and



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one on the south side. On the north side of Martway, Milhaus is proposing to construct a four-story, 204-unit building (Building "A") with 1,500 square feet of retail space on the ground floor at the northeast corner of Martway and Beverly that includes a 265-space parking structure integrated into the building. On the south side of Martway, Milhaus is proposing a three-story, 57-unit building with 83 surface parking spaces. All of the properties are currently zoned Main Street 2 ("MS-2"). The MS-2 zoning currently permits residential in conjunction with an office or commercial development. MS-2 also stipulates a maximum height of three (3) stories and/or 45 feet and a density no greater than 35 units per acre. Building "A" on the north side of Martway is proposed to be four (4) stories with a density of 80 units per acre. Building "B" on the south side of Martway is proposed to be three (3) stories with a density of 35 units per acre. The newly adopted Tomorrow Together Comp Plan identifies these properties as mixed-use medium density with 12 to 45 units per acre. The developer is requesting a deviation from the permitted height and density as well as residential requirements of the MS-2 zoning for Building "A" on the north side of Martway.

The plan conforms with the newly adopted Comprehensive Plan and will include sidewalks all around the property along Dearborn and Beverly, with nine parallel parking spaces on the north side of Martway for retail. The Developer also proposes to realign the Rock Creek Trail from the south side of Martway to the north side in front of Building "A". There will also be a dedication of right-of-way included with the plat.

Mr. Scott also showed the perspectives of the project and noted that the item was considered by the Planning Commission at the April meeting and approved it by a vote of 7-0. Mr. Scott introduced Devon Coffey of Milhaus Development, who thanked the Governing Body for their consideration of this project and offered to answer any questions. She reiterated their excitement for the project and have been working on it for quite some time. She also explained that her team has spent a lot of time to work with neighbors, Staff and the Governing Body. Mayor Flora thanked her.

There were no public comments.

Councilmember Loudon stated that at a recent Ward II meeting there were parking concerns for the project, and wanted to know if there was parking for residents and guests visiting the buildings. Ms. Coffey explained that they have



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street parking available on Martway (nine stalls), along with above the required parking ratio for the project. There will be extra surface parking spaces on the south side of Martway. Garage parking will be access controlled to keep it secure with no guest or public parking.

Councilmember Loudon followed up asking for clarification that residents will be required to pay for parking in the parking garage. Will they have the option to take free surface parking that will take up visitor spots. Ms. Coffey explained that rules of parking will be followed, and new residents will be instructed as to where they can and cannot park. They will have on-site management that is in-house to help with the situation as well.

City Administrator Laura Smith asked if a resident can opt out of garage parking, or if that is built into the base rent. Ms. Coffey provided that is separate.

Councilmember Chociey reiterated his support for the project. He spoke to parking that the project is in the Mainstreet 2 zoning district which does ask for restricted parking and increased walkability. He hopes to remind residents that there is an intent to minimize auto-oriented infrastructure in this zoning. He hopes to limit concrete infrastructure to help further climate goals. He also reiterated that he would like more screening on the east side of the parking garage, and mentioned in the committee meeting that he would like effort to make that area nicer to look at and nicer to walk past. He would also like the east side garage entrance area with a large curb cut to be reviewed as that large of a curb cut can be a bit daunting. He is in favor of the overall project. Ms. Coffey assured him that those issues with the east side screening are being discussed for landscaping and screening tweaking.

Councilmember Kring asked what the monthly parking fee is. Ms. Coffey stated that hasn't been set yet, but the regional average is approximately \$100 - \$125 per month. Councilmember Kring believed that the spaces are already there and cars will still be used as the parking is already there. She was not in favor of the four stories of the project, she likes the smaller buildings in that fit into the neighborhood in better ways.

Moved by Chociey, seconded by Ryherd to approve the preliminary development plan with stipulations for the construction of a multi-family housing development along Martway Street between Beverly and Dearborn.



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Voting AYE: Chociej, Boultinghouse, Kring, Loudon, Haden Chomphosy, Schmid, Ryherd, Carpenter-Davis. Motion Carried.

6b. Special Use Permit for Greentec Auto – 6800 W. 61st Street (PC Case 24-09)

Mr. Scott's final item was for approval of a Special Use Permit for Greentec Auto at 6800 w. 61st Street. He explained that the applicant is a company that resources and remanufactures batteries for electric and hybrid vehicles and are headquartered in Kansas City, KS. At their Kansas City, Kansas facility they receive used and/or damaged nickel-metal hydride (NiMH) batteries and lithium-ion (Li-Ion) batteries for the purpose of dismantling, testing, and then reassembling to be sold again as remanufactured batteries at a considerably lower cost to consumers. Individual battery cells that are determined to be defective are shipped to a company in Ohio that recycles them. Greentec Auto recently purchased the former PPC Flexible Packaging plant at 6800 W. 61st Street in Mission with the intention of expanding their growing operation. The property is actually two parcels, with the front (southern) parcel being zoned M-1 General Industrial and the back (north) parcel being zoned C-2B Retail and Service. Neither zoning district lends itself to the intended use and given the nature of the operations, Staff suggested that the best course was for Greentec Auto to submit an application for a special use permit. Staff visited Greentec Auto's operations in Kansas City, Kansas upon submittal of the application to gain a better understanding of the intended operations. Greentec Auto intends to receive nickel-metal hydride batteries only at the Mission facility. They will disassemble the batteries and test the individual cell components. Those that are bad will be collected and shipped to a recycler in Ohio. Those that are good will be stored and then shipped to their facility in Kansas City, Kansas for further testing and reassembly to be sold as a remanufactured battery. Greentec also intends to store the casing and other components for the batteries at the Mission facility.

The Planning Commission heard this application at their regular meeting on April 29, 2024, at which time they held a public hearing to take comments from any concerned parties. No comments were presented. Upon conclusion of the public hearing the Planning Commission voted 7-0 to recommend approval to the City Council of the special use permit for Greentec Auto, LLC to use the property at 6800 W. 61st Street for the resourcing of nickel-metal hydride batteries only for



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hybrid vehicles. The Special Use Permit stipulates, among other things, that no lithium-ion batteries will be stored or resourced at the Mission facility, and the initial term shall be for three (3) years.

It is Staff's determination that the existing property and structure thereon complies with local, state, and federal law. It is Staff's interpretation that the future land use plan for the property is not consistent with either light industrial/warehousing, or retail and service operations on the site, but utilizing an existing structure for the proposed purpose does not directly violate the future land use plan. However, if the property is redeveloped in the future, zoning districts as currently defined will no longer be relevant under the Comprehensive Plan (2023), contingent upon updates and/or amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. Redevelopment under the current Comprehensive Plan and the Form-Based Code overlay district would render the Special Use Permit for the use as proposed null and void and would constitute redevelopment that is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and applicable area plans/overlay district(s). Therefore, Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend approval for the Special Use Permit on the following conditions:

1. The Special Use Permit is contingent upon the property remaining as-is regarding site design and building structure; should the site be redeveloped in the future, the Special Use Permit may be reevaluated for conformance with municipal zoning code regulations.
2. The Special Use Permit shall become void if the facility is vacant for six months or more.
3. If the special use is determined to be in violation at any time of the five conditions of 445.210, the Special Use Permit shall become void and violations shall be corrected and a new application for a Special Use Permit shall be under review by the Planning Commission.
4. Staff recommends an initial 3-year term limit on the Special Use Permit that shall require an application for renewal at the end of the term.
5. A maintenance agreement shall be required by the property owner for the on-street parking that will remain with the property upon transfer of ownership; all snow removal and repair/maintenance shall be the responsibility of the owner or owner's agent.
6. The facility shall adhere to all building and fire code requirements as determined by the Mission Building Official or designee and the Consolidated Fire District #2 (CFD2) Fire Marshal.



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7. Installation of an NFPA 13 compliant fire suppression system is required.
8. Installation of an NFPA 72 compliant fire alarm system is required.
9. The building will be subject to periodic inspection, with or without notice, by CFD2 and/or City of Mission inspectors.

Travis Brackman of Greentec Auto thanked the Governing Body for their time and expressed their excitement for bringing their business to Mission.

There were no public comments.

Councilmember Kring thanked Staff and the Applicant for not including lithium batteries in this project.

Councilmember Boultinghouse expressed his favor of this project as it meets sustainability goals, is a leading industry and is a great addition to the City.

Moved by Kring, seconded by Chociej to approve a Special Use Permit for Greentec Auto, LLC to utilize property located 6800 W. 61st for resourcing of nickel-metal hydride batteries for hybrid vehicles.

Voting AYE: Chociej, Boultinghouse, Kring, Loudon, Haden Chomphosy, Schmid, Ryherd, Carpenter-Davis. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration Committee

Councilmember Schmid explained that The Finance & Administration Committee met on June 5 and considered five items. The meeting minutes, Membership Revisions for the Sustainability and Parks, Recreation + Tree Commissions, Crossing Guard Contract Renewal, and Replacement of Laptop and Desktop Computers were approved under the Consent Agenda earlier tonight. A Resolution setting Public Hearing dates for the division of the Rock Creek Redevelopment District No. 3B and consideration of a Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Plan for Rock Creek Redevelopment District No. 3C will be considered under the Regular Agenda this evening.

7a. Resolution Setting Public Hearing dates for the Division of Rock Creek Redevelopment District No. 3B and Consideration of a Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Plan for Rock Creek



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Redevelopment District No. 3C

Councilmember Schmid explained that in 2020, Sunflower Development Group received approval for the construction of a five-story, 168-unit multi-family housing development on the site of the former Mission Bowl at 5399 Martway. In 2023, Sunflower advised the City of their interest in doing a Phase II project immediately to the east of the first project, and they submitted a Preliminary Development Plan (PDP) for Phase II that included a five-story apartment building with 96 apartment units. The PDP was approved by both the Planning Commission and the Council in 2023. At the time the Developer initiated the planning discussions around Phase II, they signaled their intention to apply for TIF incentives for the second phase, and they have preliminarily proposed the same terms negotiated in the Phase I agreement.

This item for Council consideration is a Resolution whose sole purpose is setting public hearings on the TIF request for a future date in August. Approval of any incentives would not be considered until the public hearing has been conducted.

In accordance with state statutes, the Council may not adopt the Resolution calling public hearings until after the Planning Commission has found the TIF Redevelopment Project Plan in conformance with the comprehensive plan. The Planning Commission considered the plan at their June 24, 2024 meeting and found it to be in conformance. Two public hearings will be required in connection with this request. One to consider the division of Rock Creek Redevelopment District No. 3B into a second and to consider adoption of the TIF Redevelopment Project Plan.

Staff and the City's consultant team is reviewing the project's proforma and other details and will bring forward a recommendation for any potential incentives in connection with the public hearings in August.

Moved by Schmid, seconded by Chociej to adopt the Resolution calling for public hearings for the division of Rock Creek Redevelopment District No. 3B and consideration of a Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Plan for Rock Creek Redevelopment District No. 3C all pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1770 et seq.

Voting AYE: Boultinghouse, Loudon, Haden Chomphosy, Schmid, Ryherd, Chociej, Kring and Carpenter-Davis. **Motion Carried.**

Community Development Committee

Councilmember Ryherd reported that the Community Development Committee also met on June 5 and considered eight items. The meeting minutes,



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cooperative agreement with Bike Share KC for maintenance and operation of E-bikes, traffic signal buyout at Roe Avenue and Johnson Drive, Powell Community Center south bathrooms remodel, and Rock Creek Trail fence painting were approved under the Consent Agenda earlier tonight.

A stormwater master plan planning assistance cost share program, request for a waiver to park a recreational vehicle on residential property located at 6681 Woodson Drive, and PCC indoor track replacement will be considered under the Regular Agenda this evening.

7b. Stormwater Master Plan Planning Assistance Cost Share Program

Councilmember Ryherd explained that Staff is seeking approval of a contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the preparation of a Comprehensive Stormwater Master Plan. The plan will create a prioritized roadmap for proactive management of the City's stormwater system. This comprehensive approach will quantify the work needed to maintain the existing system, address legacy deficiencies through capital investments, and develop a system to prioritize these efforts. Additionally, a digital dashboard will be delivered to simplify stormwater system management. The USACE, Kansas City District, will conduct the PAS Study. The City of Mission will be the non-Federal sponsor, providing a fifty percent cost-share of the study. The USACE tasks for this study will be performed by the USACE via architect-engineering contracts where designated.

Moved by Ryherd, seconded by Kring to approve a contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for preparation of a Comprehensive Stormwater Master Plan using the Planning Assistance to States funding and obligate Mission's funds in an amount not to exceed \$178,000.

Voting AYE: Boultinghouse, Loudon, Haden Chomphosy, Schmid, Ryherd, Chociey, Kring and Carpenter-Davis. **Motion Carried.**

7c. Request for a Waiver to Park a Recreational Vehicle on Residential Property Located at 6681 Woodson Drive

Councilmember Ryherd explained that the owners of the property located at 6681 Woodson Drive own a Sprinter Camper Van which has been stored on their



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driveway for many years. The vehicle's length and weight classify it as a recreational vehicle under Mission's Municipal Code. Section 320.020 of the Code addresses parking and storage of these types of vehicles and states that such vehicles, "shall not be allowed on residential property unless such vehicles or conveyance or equipment is parked in the back yard or side yard behind the front building line (defined as that portion of the building structure that is closest to the street) on the owner's lot or lots or in an enclosed structure such as a garage." In order to comply with the code, the owners would have to store the camper in the rear yard, but there is an in-ground pool in the backyard and access through the side yards is limited. The vehicle is too tall to store in the garage.

The code further allows for the City Council to consider granting a waiver to the requirements after a public hearing has been held where the property owners within 200 feet have the opportunity to be heard. The code further stipulates that if a written protest is presented to the City Clerk or City Council, then a super majority (6 votes) is required to grant the waiver. The code also states that the waiver may only be granted for one year.

A public hearing was held earlier on our agenda this evening and notices were sent to neighbors within 200 feet as well as published in the Legal Record. Council has the discretion to grant a waiver for a period less than one year, make a determination to grant the waiver for one year, or a time shorter than one year, or not at all.

Councilmember Loudon asked Ms. Wehmeyer for the purpose of the vehicle's usage and how often it's used. Ms. Wehmeyer explained that they transport grandchildren to ballgames, transport an elderly mother with a wheelchair, do grocery and large item pickup with the vehicle, and use it as a multi-purpose vehicle. They are also able to use it when the electricity is out as it is solar-powered. She believes the vehicle type will become more popular. They would really miss the opportunity to have it as an everyday vehicle.

Councilmember Loudon asked if the vehicle would be about the size of a large SUV. Mr. Scott provided that it is longer than a large SUV by a few feet. Mayor Flora asked for code restrictions, clarifying that the code provisions are both due to type of vehicle and weight limit of the vehicle. There is also a provision speaking to length of vehicle which cannot be 21 feet or longer, although he did



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acknowledge that the size of vehicles is getting larger.

Councilmember Chociej stated he is in favor of the waiver request. He also wanted to see updates to the code restrictions of 8,000 lbs gross weight just in modern pickup trucks and many electric vehicles. He would like to see code updates to consider how to not run into this problem in the future just with weight of vehicles. He also agrees that this not a large recreational vehicle and he does not feel the intent of the code was to restrict this type of vehicle. He does not classify the vehicle as an offensively large vehicle.

Councilmember Kring stated concern about what will happen in one year. Mayor Flora answered that one year is the maximum amount of time allowed by the Code. Mr. Scott hopes to have a new Ordinance within that time to help address this issue. Mayor Flora echoed Councilmember Chociej's request that the code be updated to help avoid issues like this.

Councilmember Kring asked to clarify that the waiver goes with the homeowners, not the property. Councilmember Chociej confirmed for her that assignment is not allowed per the Ordinance.

Moved by Ryherd, seconded by Chociej to approve a resolution granting a one-year waiver in accordance with Section 320.020 (C) of the Mission Municipal Code to the residents of 6681 Woodson Drive to allow for storage of a recreational vehicle on the driveway of the home.

Voting AYE: Boultinghouse, Haden Chomphosy, Loudon, Schmid, Ryherd, Chociej, Kring and Carpenter-Davis. **Motion Carried.**

7d. PCC Indoor Track Replacement

Councilmember Ryherd explained that the Powell Community Center's track surface is a high-density textured rubber that absorbs pressure and has excellent traction. Mondo rubber surfacing was originally installed due to limited competitors and durability claims. It was originally guaranteed for 10-15 years and has surpassed industry expectations by lasting 25 years. Based on the performance of the Mondo surfacing, the decision was made to replace the track with the same material. Due to an eight-week lead time on production of the flooring, the City Administrator authorized the expenditure following the



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Committee meeting and now asks the Council to ratify the expenditure. Waiting until after tonight to issue a notice to proceed to the manufacturer, risked not being able to complete the track replacement during the two-week facility closure at the end of August.

There was no public comment.

There was no Council discussion.

Moved by Ryherd, seconded by Carpenter-Davis to approve a Resolution ratifying the authorization of funds to proceed with removal and replacement of the indoor track surface project at the Powell Community Center.

Voting AYE: Boultinghouse, Loudon, Schmid, Haden Chomphosy, Ryherd, Chociej, Kring and Carpenter-Davis. **Motion Carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Flora explained that there was no unfinished business tonight.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Flora explained that there was one item of new business tonight, consideration of the purchase of police body camera and in-car camera systems.

Police Chief Dan Madden explained that current body cameras and in-car cameras are an important tool used by the department to increase transparency and trust between the department and the public. Body cameras are becoming expected in most cases. The current equipment is becoming unusable and is decreasing efficiency. Frequent camera failures make it necessary to address their replacement sooner rather than later. This item will replace all cameras currently owned by the department. In the new contract, body camera replacement at year three is included. The current cameras were purchased through Watchguard, which has been acquired by Motorola and resulted in a bumpy transition. His staff has worked to build relationships with the companies that provide these services, and Motorola has exceeded expectations over the years. During the police involved shooting last summer a Motorola representative came from Nebraska to help with pulling the footage to provide to the officer-involved shooting team. His staff did explore other options



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including with a current vendor for other items, however they did not find responsiveness to smaller agencies like Motorola is. He noted that his hopes are for delivery within 60 to 90 days for immediate deployment. He also noted that if the vehicle fleet changes that could add a delay in adding the in-car cameras to the current fleet to wait for new vehicles. The current body cameras are not compatible with the upgraded equipment. His staff have not had any issue with the in-car cameras and have been installed for 8 years. The agreement is for \$53,000.00 in year one with year two through five of \$52,775.10 per year.

There was no public comment.

Councilmember Carpenter Davis thanked Chief Madden for the due diligence of comparing companies, and she finds value in having functioning and working cameras.

Moved by Carpenter-Davis, seconded by Haden Chomphosy to approve a five-year agreement with Motorola Solutions for body cameras and in-car camera systems.

Voting AYE: Boultinghouse, Loudon, Schmid, Haden Chomphosy, Ryherd, Chocie, Kring and Carpenter-Davis. **Motion Carried.**

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Chocie shared that he received an email regarding the crosswalk at 61st Street and Lamar Avenue. He explained that the resident and his family use the crosswalk frequently and sees a need for a protected crosswalk due to high speed, limited visibility, and families crossing. He noted that he has discussed this with Staff but wanted to pass on the message and reiterate that he has had less than pleasant instances crossing there as well. He also noted that feedback from BikeWalk KC and citizen activism during the bike/ped plan was given and he had follow-ups from BikeWalk KC to find out what action can be taken. He has worked with Staff to determine if those improvements can be included. He stated his value of the organization and their feedback.

Councilmember Ryherd mentioned the Ward II meeting on June 11 and there was additional concern heard from the attendees were speeding concerns, specifically a speed bump people were going too fast over. She hopes to see continued speed enforcement while acknowledging the balancing act especially closer to the downtown corridor. They heard a lot of positive feedback regarding the walkability



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of Johnson Drive.

Councilmember Loudon mentioned that also from the Ward Meeting there were concerns about parking and business development along Johnson Drive, and a possible lack of parking options there especially as more residents move into multi-family housing projects. She would like to see a conversation about parking for the business district. She also mentioned that the Gateway site was mentioned regarding the codes issues on the site. She would like to see another attempt for them to tidy up the land, and also said there were mentions of squatters on the site.

Ms. Smith addressed the Gateway site and that the building on the site has been boarded up again. The abatement contractor is mowing the perimeter and Staff continues to attempt to contact the site owner to take responsibility. Councilmember Choicej thanked Staff for their work on the site and that, as a close neighbor, he sees the work ongoing to keep it tidy as much as possible. Mayor Flora asked for confirmation that abatement activities will be assessed against the property and Ms. Smith confirmed that is correct. The City's' practice is to send a bill. If that bill isn't paid it gets certified to the property as a tax lien

Councilmember Boultinghouse congratulated the two teams who played in the NEJC Chamber Golf Classic, one of which won the City trophy.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Sustainability Commission (Boultinghouse/Loudon)

Councilmember Loudon reported that the June meeting included a presentation from Tom Coffman of GFL. Mr. Coffman presented information about GFL's sustainability efforts including recycling efforts which have increased in Mission while trash collection amounts have reduced. He also circulated a new list of recyclables, and the cardboard recycling dumpsters have collected thousands of pounds of cardboard. They sponsor the Go Green! Environmental Fair and have a diversity, equity and inclusion initiative. Mr. Scott also gave a comprehensive plan presentation at the meeting. She would love to have Mr. Coffman speak to the Governing Body as a whole.

Parks, Recreation + Tree Commission (Kring/Schmid)

Councilmember Kring reported that the Commission is working with Bridging the Gap to get 50 trees planted in Mission this year. Additionally, they defined that there are 27 acres of parks greenspace and reminded everyone about the



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Mission Family Picnic on Saturday, July 13. She reported that from August 19-31 the Powell Community Center will be closed for the annual maintenance period. She also reported that the swim team is doing well with 210 members. She also referenced that City Clerk Robyn Fulks can give more information. Ms. Fulks noted that the swim team was doing very well.

Councilmember Schmid noted from the meeting that Water Works Park is getting closer to final completion with 90% of concrete poured and a completion date is anticipated for the beginning of August. Councilmember Chociey expressed his excitement for the new playground equipment that has been installed.

Mission Magazine Editorial Board (Ryherd/Chociey)

Councilmember Chociey noted that the July issue will be delivered this week to homes. He really enjoyed the theme of the current issue, which includes Councilmember Boultinghouse. He also noted that the Board received information about increased ad buying with new interest too. They also spoke about helping with editorial efforts and upcoming theming. Ms. Smith added that the upcoming issue at the end of September will highlight women owned businesses in conjunction with the SBA's Women in Small Business month.

Family Adoption Committee (Carpenter-Davis)

Councilmember Carpenter-Davis noted that the committee will meet in July and will share out data on this 18-year-old program.

MAYOR'S REPORT

There was no Mayor's report tonight.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Deputy City Administrator Justin Carroll introduced the April and May interim financial reports, which supplement earlier budget conversations during the earlier work session. There were no questions from the Governing Body.

City Clerk Robyn Fulks spoke about the upcoming Fox4 News Zip Trip filming that Friday morning. The show will be filmed live, hopefully at the Mission Market site depending on weather. She encouraged the Governing Body to come and watch the filming and explained the different pieces that will be shot during the show. She will announce early on Friday morning the final location based on weather.



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Ms. Smith noted that the audit is wrapping up for 2023 and will be submitted by the June 30 deadline. The audit will be presented to the Governing Body at the July 17 City Council meeting. She also reminded the group that the July Committee Meeting will be on the second Wednesday, July 10. She also noted that Staff is working with the school district for a tour of the new Rushton Elementary School for the Governing Body. Her final comments were in thanks to Ms. Fulks for her work on the Zip Trip project, and for her overall enthusiasm and passion for and commitment to the City.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Flora explained that there was not a need for an executive session tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Flora announced that the public video from tonight's meeting will be available through a link on the City's website - missionks.org.

Moved by Kring, seconded by Boultinghouse to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m. All present voted AYE. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by Robyn L. Fulks, City Clerk.

Solana Flora, Mayor

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