

**CITY OF SHREWSBURY
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

March 26, 2019

A Work Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 6:00 p.m. this 26th day of March 2019 in the Aldermanic Conference Room of City Hall for the transaction of such business that came before the Board.

Present:

Mayor	Sam Scherer
Alderman	Mike Travaglini
Alderman	Rick Steingrubby
Alderman	Greg Lauter
Alderwoman	Chris Gorman
Alderman	Keith Peters

Absent:

Alderman	Elmer Kauffmann
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Also Present:

Director of Administration	Jonathan D. Greever
Director of Finance	Danielle Oettle
Fire Chief	Chris Amenn
Chief of Police	Lisa Vargas
Parks Director	Chris Buck
City Attorney	Mike Darning
Interim Building Commissioner	Matt Stoll
City Clerk	Justin Klocke

Roll Call

Mayor Scherer opened the meeting and City Clerk Klocke commenced with the roll call. All Board Members were present except Aldermen Kauffmann. A quorum was present for the transaction of city business.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Scherer introduced the minutes from the March 12, 2019 Regular Session meeting and opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the minutes; Alderman Steingrubby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Then Mayor Scherer introduced the minutes from the March 12, 2019 Work Session meeting and opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the minutes; Alderman Steingrubby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Sign Permit Requests

Mayor Scherer invited Mr. Steve Behrens to discuss the sign permit request for Mercy #867 – 7345 Watson Road. Mr. Behrens reviewed the amendments Warren Sign Company submitted on behalf of Mercy. Mr. Behrens stated that both permit amendments addressed the height

of the signs. Commissioner Stoll confirmed that the permit amendments and drawings complied with City Code. There being no discussion, Alderman Steingrubby made a motion to approve the application; Alderman Lauter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor Scherer invited Mr. Pat DeLassus to discuss the sign permit request for Midwest Dental – 7265 Watson Road. Mr. DeLassus reviewed the application and discussed the addition of LED channel letters to the location. Commissioner Stoll confirmed that the application and drawings complied with City Code. There being no discussion, Alderman Steingrubby moved to approve the application: Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Capital Improvement Planning

Mayor Scherer invited Ms. Joy Howard, CEO of WM Financial Services, to present to the Board an overview for the City's upcoming financial planning strategies. Director Greever added that the City has been looking at options for additional public financing for capital improvement expenditures over the next twenty to thirty years, and because several bonds were retiring within the next few years, it was important to discuss with Ms. Howard the city's needs to ensure services would remain fully functional. Ms. Howard explained that WM Financial Strategies is an independent financial advisory company that assists public entities with their issuance and sale of bonds. Ms. Howard added that she has offered capital planning and financial management services for the City of Shrewsbury for many years. Ms. Howard then advised the Board on planning for future asset purchases.

Ordinances

Bill No. 2965 – An Ordinance Approving an Agreement with Joy Howard D/B/A WM Financial Strategies for the Provision of Financial Consultation Services.

Mayor Scherer introduced Bill No. 2965, an ordinance approving an agreement with WM Financial Strategies. Mayor Scherer noted that there would be a first reading, second reading, and motion for passage. Mayor Scherer called for a first reading by title only in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the bill by title only. Alderman Travaglini made a motion for the first reading by title only; Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. City Attorney Mike Daming conducted the reading. Mayor Scherer called for a second reading by title only. Alderman Travaglini made a motion for the second reading by title only; Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion. City Attorney Daming conducted the second reading. Mayor Scherer then called for a motion for passage. Alderman Travaglini made the motion for passage; Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Alderman Steingrubby, "aye," Alderman Lauter, "aye," Alderman Travaglini, "aye, Alderman Peter "aye," Alderwoman Gorman, "aye." With unanimous approval for passage, the City Clerk noted that Bill No. 2964 became Ordinance No. 2952, based on standards of law.

Continued Discussion on Initiative Petition

Director Greever reported that Better Together was initiating the process to refile their petition for the merger of St. Louis County and the City of St. Louis. Director Greever emphasized that it is the goal of the city staff to inform the Board on matters related to Better Together's plans for merger, but it is not the duty of city staff to advocate for or against the ballot initiative. Director Greever outlined upcoming objectives of city staff to listen to Shrewsbury resident's input and disseminate

that feedback to the Board. Members of the Board then had a brief discussion on their concerns with the proposal.

Resolutions

Shrewsbury Resolution 2019-02 – A Resolution Addressing a City-County Merger

Mayor Scherer introduced Shrewsbury Resolution 2019-02, a resolution addressing a City-County merger. Mayor Scherer called for a voice vote for the passage of the motion. The resolution passed with the vote recorded as follows: Alderman Travaglini “aye,” Alderwoman Gorman “abstain,” Alderman Steingrubby “aye,” Alderman Peters “aye,” Alderman Lauter “aye.”

Old Business

None

New Business

None

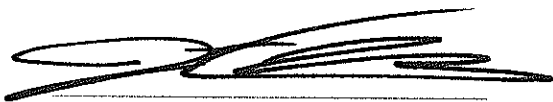
Hear Citizens

Mr. Garen Miller, 5115 St. Charles Place, addressed the board that residents of St. Charles Place have organized a quarterly meeting to discuss issues in the community. Mr. Miller informed the Board that a major concern of the group was property taxes. Mr. Miller reported that many of his neighbors expressed concern with the ongoing issues for the property located at 7738 Kenridge Lane.

Closed Session

Mayor Scherer asked for a motion for the Board to move into Closed Session. Alderman Travaglini made the motion for a Closed Session; Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Alderman Steingrubby, “aye,” Alderman Peters, “aye,” Alderman Lauter, “aye,” Alderwoman Gorman, “aye,” and Alderman Travaglini, “aye.” With this, the Board meeting entered Closed Session in the Aldermanic Conference Room at Shrewsbury City Center, 5200 Shrewsbury Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63119.

Respectfully submitted,



Justin Klocke
City Clerk

ATTEST:



Sam Scherer
Mayor