

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

May 28, 2019

A Work Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 6:00 p.m. this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019 in the Aldermanic Chambers of City Hall for the transaction of such business that came before the Board.

Present:

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| Mayor    | Sam Scherer     |
| Alderman | Mike Travaglini |
| Alderman | John Odenwald   |
| Alderman | Greg Lauter     |
| Alderman | Chris Gorman    |
| Alderman | Keith Peters    |
| Alderman | Elisa Reeves    |

Also Present:

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| Director of Administration | Jonathan Greever |
| Chief of Police            | Lisa Vargas      |
| Director of Public Works   | Tony Wagner      |
| Director of Finance        | Danielle Oettle  |
| City Attorney              | Mike Darning     |
| 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. A quorum was present for the transaction of city business.

**Public Hearing**

**2020 Community Development Block Grant Allocation**

Mayor Scherer opened a public hearing for the discussion of the 2020 Community Development Block Grant allocation. Director Greever reminded the Board that the proposed allocations for 2020 CDBG funds would be allocated to street improvement projects and to the Home Improvement Program (HIP). Alderman Travaglini asked how the City advertised HIP in previous years. Director Greever said that residents would be directed to contact St. Louis County if they reached out to the City about the program. Director Greever explained that HIP was a program administered by St. Louis County, and the City's role is to ensure that residents are routed to the correct officials. Mayor Scherer asked what the income requirements were for residents interested in the program. City Clerk Klocke said that he would follow up with the Board on those requirements. Director Greever overviewed the reclamation process for the City and how the City can utilize CDBG funds eligible for recapture. Alderman Gorman urged City staff to find alternative ways to advertise HIP to residents. Alderman Reeves suggested that City staff utilize social media as a way to provide information about HIP to the residents. There being no more comments from the Board, Mayor Scherer invited members of the public to speak on the proposed CDBG allocation. Mrs. Barbara Lukes, 5113 Deville Avenue, recommended that the City publish public notices in the Webster-Kirkwood Times to disseminate information about HIP to residents. There being no further public

comment, Mayor Scherer closed the public hearing.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Scherer introduced the minutes from the May 14, 2019 Regular Session and opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the minutes; Alderman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Liquor Licenses**

Mayor Scherer introduced the requests from Cure of Ars Catholic Church, Dierbergs, Schnucks, and Shrewsbury Lanes for an annual liquor license. There being no discussion, Alderman Lauter made the motion to accept the applications; Aldermen Peters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Sign Permit**

Mayor Scherer introduced a sign permit application submitted by Micah Wangia on behalf of WYR Information Technology at 7604 Big Bend Boulevard, Suite D. Commissioner Stoll confirmed that the permit application and drawing complied with City of Shrewsbury Municipal Code. There being no further discussion, Alderman Peters made a motion to approve the sign permit application; Alderman Lauter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Discussion – Parks and Recreation Board Recommendation for Extended Facility Hours**

Mayor Scherer invited Director Greever to present to the Board the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Board for extended City Center facility hours. Director Greever explained to the Board that members on the Parks and Recreation Board were approached by several residents with requests to extend City Center hours on Sundays. Director Greever noted that if the Board approved the recommendation, then the facility would open on or around June 9, 2019 with extended facility hours on Sunday with an operating cost of less than \$1,000. Director Greever added that the operating costs for the additional hours was already allocated in the budget. Mayor Scherer reported that the Parks and Recreation Department had personnel available to properly staff the facility for the additional hours. There being no further discussion, Alderman Peters made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Board; Alderman Lauter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Discussion – First Quarter Financial Overview**

Mayor Scherer invited Director Oettle to report on the first quarter financials for the City of Shrewsbury. Director Oettle reported that City revenues have decreased compared to the first quarter financials in 2018. Director Oettle added that City expenses had increased for the same timeframe. Director Oettle explained that expenditures had increased due to salary and benefits changes. Director Oettle concluded that the City remained within budget projections by finishing Q1 with 75% of budget funds available.

### **Ordinances**

#### **Bill No. 2973 – An Ordinance Modifying Title III Regarding Local Traffic Management**

Mayor Scherer introduced Bill No. 2973, an ordinance amending Chapter 383 to provide the basis for the prohibition of cut-through traffic on certain streets and to incorporate a new Schedule XVI with respect to Devonshire Avenue. Alderman Reeves asked what the effects would be for residents

if Bill No. 2973 passed. Chief Vargas answered that the cut-through would only be accessible for residents of the City. Chief Vargas added that the Police Department would issue warnings for commuters who continue to use the road as a cut-through during the initial weeks following the bill's passing. Director Wagner asked how the City would notify St. Louis County of the prohibition. Director Greever confirmed that City staff would notify St. Louis County about the prohibition. Director Greever added that the policy of Devonshire Avenue Cut-Through prohibition could be rescinded if the Police Department and City staff deem it no longer necessary. There being no further discussion, 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; Alderman 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 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 second reading by title only; Alderman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. City Attorney Daming conducted the second reading. Mayor Scherer then called for a motion for passage. Alderman Travaglini made the motion for passage; Alderman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Alderman Odenwald, "aye," Alderman Lauter, "aye," Alderman Travaglini, "aye," Alderman Peters "aye," Alderman Gorman, "aye," Alderman Reeves, "aye." With unanimous approval for passage, the City Clerk noted that Bill No. 2973 became Ordinance No. 2960, based on standards of law.

**Bill No. 2976 – An Ordinance Approving an Agreement with REJIS Commission for the Transmission, Receiving, and Dissemination of the Information Contained in the Mobile Ticketing System and Prosecuting Attorney Management System**

Mayor Scherer introduced Bill No. 2976, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with REJIS Commission regarding the Prosecuting Attorney Management System. 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 Lauter made a motion for the first reading by title only; Alderman Peters 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 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 Lauter made a motion for the second reading by title only; Alderman Peters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. City Attorney Daming conducted the second reading. Mayor Scherer then called for a motion for passage. Alderman Lauter made the motion for passage; Alderman Peters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Alderman Odenwald, "aye," Alderman Lauter, "aye," Alderman Travaglini, "aye," Alderman Peters "aye," Alderman Gorman, "aye," Alderman Reeves, "aye." With unanimous approval for passage, the City Clerk noted that Bill No. 2976 became Ordinance No. 2963, based on standards of law.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Alderman Gorman asked for a report on the fountains at Kenrick Plaza. Director Greever reported to the Board that the fountains were undergoing maintenance and were expected to be operational

within weeks. Director Greever added that City staff were in contact with the owners of the fountains and would continue to monitor the progress of the maintenance.

Chief Vargas reported that several officers would participate in the Special Olympics Torch Run on May 29, 2019 and wished them well. Chief Vargas notified the Board that the Police Department received a grant for online training to address multiple categories for officer safety and community engagement.

Alderman Odenwald reported that residents within Ward 1 approached him to discuss the addition of illuminated stop signs throughout the City. Alderman Odenwald explained that illuminated stop signs would be a substantial benefit for public safety for the City of Shrewsbury. Alderman Odenwald inquired about the replacement plan for the Wilshusen Avenue extension parking lot on the west side of Wehner Park. Director Wagner confirmed there would be improvements in the area, but the improvements would be limited to the parking lot and not the sidewalks. Director Wagner explained that the City does not own the sidewalks, therefore, cannot make improvements to them.

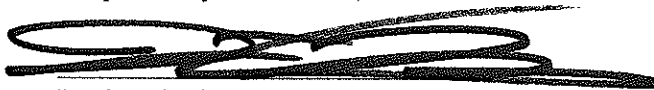
**Hear Citizens**

Mrs. Barbara Lukes, 5113 Deville Avenue, inquired about the process of the City to address derelict properties. Director Greever answered that the City has the proper legal framework and staff to keep properties from entering a dilapidated state. Mayor Scherer requested for concerned residents to continue to keep a vigilant eye for properties in risk of entering a derelict state. Mayor Scherer added that vigilant residents are essential in aiding City staff fulfill the obligation to residents of protecting maintained and code-abiding neighborhoods throughout the City. Mrs. Lukes commented that the City was easy to work with and asked for City staff to continue their work in monitoring code violations.

**Adjournment**

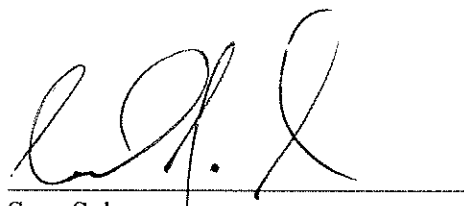
There being no further business, Mayor Scherer invited a motion to adjourn. Alderman Travaglini made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Alderman Lauter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Justin Klocke  
City Clerk

ATTEST:



Sam Scherer  
Mayor