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**KIRKWOOD CITY COUNCIL
KIRKWOOD CITY HALL
September 1, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to notice of meeting duly given by the Mayor, the City Council convened on Thursday, September 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 South Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, Missouri. Present were Deputy Mayor Ward, Council Members Duwe, Edman, Luetzow, Sears, and Zimmer. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Georgia Ragland, City Clerk Betty Montañó, and City Attorney John Hessel. Mayor Griffin was absent and excused.

PRESENTATIONS

The Greentree Festival Committee presented information regarding the upcoming 2016 Greentree Festival. The theme of the festival this year is "Journey through Space". Pre-Festival festivities start Saturday, September 10th with a "Party in the Park" from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Lion's Pavilion in Kirkwood Park. The Greentree Festival starts on Friday, September 16th through Sunday, September 19th.

John Hickey, Chapter Director of the Sierra Club, presented plaques to the council members for their participation in the Greenbelt Energy Program.

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing #1

Deputy Mayor Ward recessed the meeting for the purpose of conducting a public hearing regarding setting the Property Tax rates for the City of Kirkwood. Mr. Hessel entered the following exhibits into the record: an Affidavit of Publication in the St. Louis Countian on August 22, 2016, as Exhibit 1; an Affidavit of Publication in the Webster Kirkwood Times on August 19, 2016; and the Kirkwood Code of Ordinances as Exhibit 3.

Director of Finance John Adams presented the information to the council. Some of the items presented are as follows:

- The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is on the City website.
- Each year council certifies the property tax rates.
- Assessed valuation has decreased.
- The tax rates cover approximately 11% of the funding for the General Fund.



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There being no objection from the council this item was placed on the agenda as Item #2 and became Bill 10507.

Public Hearing #2

Deputy Mayor Ward recessed the meeting for the purpose of conducting a public hearing regarding setting the Property Tax rates for the Kirkwood Library. Mr. Hessel entered the following exhibits into the record: an Affidavit of Publication in the St. Louis Countian on August 22, 2016, as Exhibit 1; an Affidavit of Publication in the Webster Kirkwood Times on August 19, 2016; and the Kirkwood Code of Ordinances as Exhibit 3.

Director of Finance John Adams presented the information to the council. Some of the items presented are as follows:

- Each year the council certifies the Kirkwood Library District property tax rates.
- Assessed valuation has decreased.

There being no objection from the council this item was placed on the agenda as Item #3 and became Bill 10508.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Dennis Roach, Member of the Sierra Club, 825 Marco Drive, thanked the council and stated he is proud to be a member of the Sierra Club.
2. John Mullen, 316 Charlene, concerned about the development at the Montessori School removing so many trees.
3. Lary Mohl, 709 Jill Court, commented on the City's policies and procedures. Distributed handouts with suggestions on how the City could be more transparent with such.
4. Robert Kern, 410 Gill, concerned about the water pipe sitting on Woodlawn for multiple months.
5. David Mulcahy, 17 Forest Glen, handed staff a petition opposing the lights and sound system on the Vianney baseball field.
6. Scott Pozzo, 67 Forest Glen, concerned that the lights and sound system on the Vianney baseball field negatively impacts the enjoyment of the neighborhood.
7. David Howard, 330 Geyer Forest Drive, believes there are a lot of inconsistencies in what the Kirkwood Mission Statement says to what is actually going on. Finds it problematic that the Planning and Zoning Commission does not have a public hearing portion of their meetings. Would like the Zoning Code changed so that Site Plan Reviews address all thirteen guidelines.
8. David Powell, 80 Forest Glen, distributed pictures of how the Vianney baseball field lighting is adversely affecting the neighborhood.



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9. Barbara Schmeding, 44 Forest Glen, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
10. Marianne Powell, 80 Forest Glen, oppose to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
11. Nan Dabler Fritschle, 314 Geyer Forest Drive, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
12. Joanne Schumacher, 345 Geyer Forest Drive, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
13. Jeff Schumacher, 345 Geyer Forest Drive, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system. Objects to the commercialization of the Vianney location.
14. Paul Adams, 408 Geyer Forest Drive, disappointed in the City for not following up on the Vianney issue sooner.
15. David Skarstad, 1066 S. Geyer, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
16. Susan Holloway, 40 Forest Glen, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
17. Wade Holloway, 40 Forest Glen, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
18. Traci Sembrot, 33 Forest Glen, disappointed in how the Vianney project has progressed. Distributed handouts of pictures showing how the baseball field lighting is affecting the neighborhood.
19. Thomas Kibby, 351 Geyer Forest Drive, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
20. Amaryllis Murphy, 351 Geyer Forest Drive, concerned about the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
21. Mike Loyet of Vianney, 1311 S. Kirkwood Road, spoke on behalf of Vianney and gave background to the how the project progressed.
22. Steven Powell, 2 Sugarcreek Trail, concerned about losing track of what makes Kirkwood "Kirkwood."
23. Eugene Barr, 73 Forest Glen, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
24. James Sembrot, 33 Forest Glen, opposed to the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.
25. Gretchen Vitt, 333 Geyer Forest Drive, in favor of the Vianney baseball field lighting and sound system.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Luetzow to approve the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.



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- a) Approval of the August 18, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes
- b) Resolution 111-2016, accepting the proposal of Wireless USA for Automatic Meter Reading Antenna Installation for the Water Department and directing the Mayor to enter into a contract (not to exceed \$18,300)
- c) Resolution 112-2016, accepting the bid of CDW-G, pursuant to the National IPA cooperative contract for IBM MaaS360 Software Renewal and directing the issuance of a Purchase Order (\$8,000)

OLD BUSINESS

Bill 10503, readopting a Procedure to Disclose Potential Conflicts of Interest and Substantial Interests for Certain Officials as set forth in Chapter 2, Article I, Section 2-5 of the Kirkwood Code of Ordinances, was brought before the council.

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Mayor Griffin	Absent
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”
Deputy Mayor Ward	“Yes”
Council Member Zimmer	“Yes”
Council Member Duwe	“Yes”
Council Member Edman	“Yes”

The bill, having received majority approval of the council, was adopted and became Ordinance 10352.

Bill 10504, appropriating \$2,324.18 from the Equitable Fund (Fund Balance) to the Police Small Capital Account for the purchase of two police bicycles for the Police Department, was brought before the council.

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Mayor Griffin	Absent
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”
Deputy Mayor Ward	“Yes”
Council Member Zimmer	“Yes”
Council Member Duwe	“Yes”
Council Member Edman	“Yes”



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NEW BUSINESS

Bill 10505, changing the zoning from R-1 to R-3 on property known as 425 Emmerson and 2017 Lily Avenue and directing such change in the Zoning District Map, was brought before the council. Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Luetzow to accept the bill for first reading approval. The motion was unanimously approved.

The bill received first reading approval and was held over.

Bill 10507, fixing and establishing the rate of taxation to be levied upon all real estate and certain tangible personal property in the City of Kirkwood, County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, for the year 2016, for the maintenance of the Kirkwood Public Parks; for the Debt Service Fund for the retirement of City's General Bonded Indebtedness; for the Police and Firemen's Pension Fund; for General Government Services and for business in the Special Business District, was brought before the council. Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Luetzow to accept the bill for first reading approval. The motion was unanimously approved.

The bill received first reading approval and was held over.

Bill 10508, fixing and establishing the rate of taxation to be levied upon all real estate and certain tangible personal property in the City of Kirkwood, County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, for the year 2016, for the operation and maintenance of the Municipal Library District of Kirkwood, was brought before the council. Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Duwe to accept the bill for first reading approval. The motion was unanimously approved.

The bill received first reading approval and was held over.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

NONE

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Sears thanked those that spoke under Public Comments for remaining civil.



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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Hawes had nothing to report.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Hessel had nothing to report.

CITY CLERK REPORT

Mrs. Montaña had nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular council meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Betty Montaña, MMC/MPCC
City Clerk

Approved: September 15, 2016