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## **WORK SESSION MINUTES**

A work session of the Kirkwood City Council was held on September 21, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 S. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, Missouri. Present were Mayor Griffin, Council Members Duwe, Gibbons, Luetzow, Sears, Wurtz, and Zimmer. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russ Hawes, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer David Weidler, City Clerk Laurie Asche, Deputy City Clerk Bridget Waters, City Attorney John Hessel, and Communications Manager Katherine Hessel.

### **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 WORK SESSION MINUTES**

Motion was made by Council Member Zimmer and seconded by Council Member Duwe to approve the September 14, 2023 Work Session minutes. The motion to approve the minutes was approved with Council Member Luetzow abstained from the vote.

### **LANDMARKS/ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS DISCUSSION (continued from September 7, 2023)**

Discussion continued from the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting on the proposed Ordinance amendments. Some discussion is as follows:

- Concerns regarding the big changes to the Historic District
  - Under the proposed new Ordinance; new home construction and new accessory construction will go to Landmarks for approval. Additions will also go to Landmarks for approval. All appeals will still go to City Council.
- Comments made regarding making citizens aware of the all hard work and research that went into this proposed ordinance amendment.
- Concerns about the appeal process and how it will work in the future.
  - Under the existing code, appeals go the City Council and if someone is not satisfied with Council ruling, then it goes to Circuit Court. This process will not change.
- Concerns regarding if Kirkwood declared an area without homeowners?
  - In the 1980's and 1990's the City declared areas landmarks without property owner consent.
- Suggestion for a special work session prior to Public meeting for the proposed ordinance.

### **MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING**

Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Duwe to close the meeting pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.021 (1 – Legal).

Roll Call:

Mayor Griffin	“Yes”
Council Member Wurtz	“Yes”
Council Member Zimmer	“Yes”
Council Member Duwe	“Yes”
Council Member Gibbons	“Yes”
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”



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The meeting was closed.

**MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING**

Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Wurtz to open the meeting.

Roll Call:

Mayor Griffin	“Yes”
Council Member Wurtz	“Yes”
Council Member Zimmer	“Yes”
Council Member Duwe	“Yes”
Council Member Gibbons	“Yes”
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”

The meeting was opened. There being no further matters to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned.

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Laurie Asche  
City Clerk