



WHERE COMMUNITY AND SPIRIT MEET®

WORK SESSION MINUTES

A work session of the Kirkwood City Council was held on June 9, 2016, at 7:00 a.m. Present were Mayor Griffin, Council Members Duwe, Edman, Luetzow, Sears, and Ward. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Georgia Ragland, City Clerk Betty Montano, Public Information Officer Beth von Behren, and City Labor Attorney Curt Calloway.

APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Council Member Duwe and seconded by Council Member Edman to approve the meeting minutes of June 2, 2016. The minutes were unanimously approved.

TRAFFIC CONTROL OPTIONS ON SOUTH GEYER ROAD

Director of Public Services Bill Bensing was in attendance to present and discuss the traffic control options on South Geyer Road. Some of the issues discussed are as follows:

- The Engineering staff was directed to provide information concerning the effectiveness, cost estimate and implementation timeframes for the traffic calming and pedestrian improvements noted in the May 5th work session.
- Information was derived from a study conducted by two professional traffic engineering firms in 2015 for the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico for the development of a “Neighborhood Traffic Management Program”.
- Based upon the review of the Albuquerque program, literature review and the applicability to South Geyer Road, it is recommended that the following speed reduction traffic calming measures be employed this fiscal year:
 - Targeted Police Enforcement
 - Radar Speed Signs
 - Center, Edge, Lane Striping
- It is further recommended that the high visibility crosswalk and sidewalk extension be budgeted in fiscal year 2018.
- A discussion took place. Chief of Police Jack Plummer spoke on behalf of the speed enforcement. Question was raised regarding if the speed limit could be reduced to 25 mph.
- There are funds in the Capital Budget to do the high visibility crosswalk, the center, edge, lane striping, and the reduction of the speed limit to 25 mph.
- It was the consensus of the city council to have staff move forward with:
 - High visibility crosswalk and sidewalk extension
 - Center, edge, lane striping
 - Lowering speed limit to 25 mph

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING

Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Edman to close the meeting pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.021 (1) Discussions with Labor Attorney.

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

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

The meeting was closed.

MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING

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

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

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

The meeting was opened.

PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATION DISCUSSION

A discussion took place regarding if the Civil Service Commission should remain. Question was raised and information was requested on the last meeting of the Civil Service. It was the consensus of the city council to eliminate the Civil Service Commission.

Staff will notify the labor unions of council’s decision. Legislation will be drafted with the revised Personnel Rules and Regulations for council consideration in either late July/early August.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

City Clerk Betty Montañó announced that the next Community Days in the Park will be this coming Saturday, June 11th, at Walker Park from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

City Clerk Betty Montañó stated that legislation to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph hour South Geyer Road for the June 16th meeting for council consideration.

Betty Montañó, MMC/MPCC
City Clerk