

REGULAR SESSION – DECEMBER 19, 2011

The Cape Girardeau City Council convened in regular session on Monday, December 19, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Harry Rediger presiding and Council Members Mark Lanzotti, Loretta Schneider, Kathy Swan, and John Voss present. Council Members Meg Proffer and Debra Tracy were absent.

Reverend Bob Towner, of Christ Episcopal Church, presented the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Richard Meister, of Isle of Capri, presented an update on the casino project to the Council. The new Main Street opened on October 20, and new street lights are going in. Traffic signs have been installed, and the parking lot has been rough graded. The concrete drive is approximately 85% complete. The north access road to the substation is almost complete, as well, with the site work running slightly behind schedule due to the rain. The casino basin barge has been completed. The deck arrived today. Approximately 15% of the steel on the north part of the building is installed, and they will be pouring flooring this week for the multifunction room. The exterior panels of the building will arrive by the end of January. The casino is still scheduled to open by December of 2012.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

Mayor Rediger said that the next City Council meeting will be Monday, January 9, due to the New Years holiday observed on January 2.

City Manager Scott Meyer said that on Tuesday, December 29, a public meeting will be held at the Osage Centre regarding the United States Postal Service's regional distribution center in Cape Girardeau. The meeting will allow the public to voice their support for the continued operation of this facility.

Mr. Meyer said that the Deer Committee has had two meetings, and they are learning of the habitat for deer and options for managing the deer population. Assistant Police Chief Roger Fields presented information to the Committee to read, and the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2012. A representative from the Department of Conservation will present information regarding deer management. There will be a public meeting before the Committee makes its recommendation to the City Council.

Mr. Meyer gave a year-end review of 2011 of City projects completed over the past year. He reviewed private and corporate investments in our community through development and expansion. Mr. Meyer said that City staff has spent a lot of time reviewing and restructuring our internal planning and processes to make them smoother, faster and more efficient.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Schneider, seconded by Mr. Voss to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

City Council December 5, 2011, regular and closed sessions minutes.

BILL NO. 11-181, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR THE BROADWAY CORRIDOR PROJECT BETWEEN PACIFIC STREET AND WATER STREET, IN THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI. Second and third readings.

BILL NO. 11-186, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI, BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF 340 SOUTH LORIMIER STREET, IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI, FROM C-1 TO CBD. Second and third readings.

A motion to approve the transfer of ownership of the Special Use Permit for the operation of gasoline pumps at 1101 William Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, from Phillip T. McClellan to Alam Zahad.

The motion was approved upon the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none. BILL NO. 11-181 is ORDINANCE NO. 4285; and BILL NO. 11-186 is ORDINANCE NO. 4286.

NEW ORDINANCES

BILL NO. 11-182 was given first reading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A QUIT CLAIM DEED TO IOC – CAPE GIRARDEAU, LLC RELINQUISHING THE CITY’S INTEREST IN VARIOUS EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY AREAS IN THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

The first reading of BILL NO. 11-182 was approved upon Mr. Voss’ motion, Mr. Lanzotti’s second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

BILL NO. 11-188 was given first reading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECORD PLAT OF ISLE OF CAPRI 1ST ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

The first reading of BILL NO. 11-188 was approved upon Mr. Voss’ motion, Mr. Lanzotti’s second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

BILL NO. 11-187 was given first reading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL PROPERTY FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT, IN THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

The first reading of BILL NO. 11-187 was approved upon Mrs. Swan’s motion, Mr. Voss’ second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

BILL NO. 11-189 was given first reading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 30-205(A) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI, REGARDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ZONING CODE

The first reading of BILL NO. 11-189 was approved upon Mr. Voss' motion, Mrs. Schneider's second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

BILL NO. 11-190 was given first reading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 25 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI, REGARDING FENCES

The first reading of BILL NO. 11-190 was approved upon Mr. Voss' motion, Mrs. Schneider's second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

BILL NO. 11-191 was given first reading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECORD PLAT OF AUBURN CREEK SUBDIVISION

The first reading of BILL NO. 11-191 was approved upon Mrs. Schneider's motion, Mrs. Swan's second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Danny Stitz and Mr. Marc Wicks were reappointed to the Board of Examiners for terms expiring January 1, 2015, upon Mr. Voss' motion, Mrs. Swan's second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

Mrs. Debra Tracy was reappointed to the Parks and Recreation Foundation Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2012, upon Mrs. Schneider's motion, Mrs. Swan's second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

There being no further business, the City Council adjourned upon Mr. Lanzotti's motion, Mr. Voss' second, and the following vote: Ayes, Lanzotti, Rediger, Schneider, Swan, and Voss. Nays, none.

Harry E. Rediger, Mayor

Gayle L. Conrad, City Clerk

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