CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS, MISSOURI
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
June 16, 2025

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri, was held on Monday, June 16, 2025, 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Howard L. Brown Public Safety Building, 1100 SW Smith Street, Blue Springs, Missouri with Mayor Chris Lievsay presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jerry Kaylor
Katie Tholen
Nick Brummel
Galen Ericson
Kent Edmondson
Jeremy Rowan

Also present were City Administrator Christine Cates, City Attorney Jennifer Baird, and City Clerk Erin Ford.

PLEDGE

Councilmember Ericson's granddaughter Adalyn Menghini signed and led in the pledge of allegiance.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Lievsay called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The City Clerk confirmed a quorum of the Council was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Edmondson moved to approve the Consent Agenda and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kaylor.

- Minutes of the June 2, 2025 City Council Meeting.
- **Resolution No. 40-2025** determining the City's estimated population as 61,246 as of July 1, 2024.
- **Resolution No. 41-2025** approving amendments to the City's Purchasing Policy.
- **Resolution No. 42-2025** adopting the 2025 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte and Ray counties as Blue Springs' Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- **Resolution No. 43-2025** accepting the proposal of and authorizing payment for the City's annual property, liability, and workers' compensation insurance in the amount of $2,623,241 for the insurance plan year that begins July 1, 2025.
- **Resolution No. 44-2025** approving a contract in the amount of $91,300 with Superior Electrical Construction, Inc., for on call electrical services.
- **Liquor License Renewals** for the 2025-2026 license year.

The Consent Agenda was approved with the following vote:

Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Ericson– Aye
Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

BILL NO. 5319 – CODE AMENDMENT RELATED

Mayor Lievsay advised the Council that Staff requested Bill No. 5319 for a Code amendment related to commercial vehicles be continued

TO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES – MOTION TO CONTINUE INDEFINITELY

indefinitely. Councilmember Kaylor moved to continue Bill No. 5319 for a Code amendment related to commercial vehicles indefinitely. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 5323 – CODE AMENDMENT RELATED TO SECURITY OPERATORS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill No. 5323 amending Sections 635.030 Applications, 635.060 Action on Application, 635.070 Permit Duration, 635.080 Permit Revocation, 635.100 Uniforms and Badges, and 635.130 Training Requirements of Chapter 635 Security Operators and Officers of the Code of Ordinances City of Blue Springs, Missouri to make various changes and updates. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5323 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5323 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

2ND READING – BILL NO. 5323

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill No. 5323 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill No. 5323 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5425,** with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried with the following vote:

Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Ericson – Aye
Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Kaylor – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 5324 – CODE AMENDMENT RELATED TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill No. 5324 amending Chapter 120 Article XI Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee Section 120.905 Membership, Appointment, and Term, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Blue Springs, Missouri to remove reference to the Downtown Review Board and amend the name of associated groups. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5324 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5324 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

2ND READING – BILL NO. 5324

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill No. 5324 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill No. 5324 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5426,** with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried with the following vote:

Brummel – Aye
Ericson – Aye
Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 5325 – AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR MEAL SERVICE

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill No. 5325 approving an amendment to Contract 2024-134 with Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) to increase the reimbursement amount by $30,982, not to exceed a total reimbursement rate of $256,585 for meals and transportation. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5325 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5325 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

2ND READING – BILL NO. 5325

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill No. 5325 by title. Councilmember Edmonson moved to adopt Bill No. 5325 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5427,** with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried with the following vote:

Ericson – Aye
Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 5326 – CONTRACT WITH GILMORE & BELL FOR ON-CALL LEGAL SERVICES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill No. 5326 approving a contract for on-call legal services between the City of Blue Springs, Missouri and Gilmore & Bell, A Professional Corporation for economic development services. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5326 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5326 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

2ND READING – BILL NO. 5326

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill No. 5326 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill No. 5326 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5428,** with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried with the following vote:

Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Ericson – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 5327 – CONTRACT WITH GILMORE & BELL FOR ON-CALL LEGAL

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill No. 5327 approving a contract for on-call legal services between the City of Blue Springs, Missouri and Gilmore & Bell, A Professional Corporation (PC) for bond counsel services. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5327 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

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Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5327 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

2ND READING – BILL NO. 5327

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill No. 5327 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill No. 5327 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5429,** with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried with the following vote:

Rowan – Aye
Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Ericson – Aye
Edmondson – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND 1ST READING – BILL NO. 5328 – REAPPOINT MUNICIPAL JUDGES

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill No. 5328 approving the reappointment and increasing the compensation for the Municipal Judges pursuant to Section 3.16 of the Blue Springs Home Rule Charter. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5328 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5328 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

2ND READING – BILL NO. 5328

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill No. 5328 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill No. 5328 upon its second reading and give it **ORDINANCE NO. 5430,** with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried with the following vote:

Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Ericson – Aye
Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Ericson acknowledged June 19 as Juneteenth

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- City services will be closed in honor of Juneteenth on June 19
- Downtown Blue Springs will have a Third Thursday event and the Kansas City Symphony Mobile Music Box will be there
- July 3 is the Red, White and Blue Springs annual event and City services will be closed in honor of Independence Day on July 4
- City code should be followed with regard to fireworks and safety is important

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:10 p.m., there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Kaylor moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried unanimously.

Edmondson – Aye
Rowan – Aye
Kaylor – Aye
Tholen – Aye
Brummel – Aye
Ericson – Aye
Mayor Lievsay – Aye

ATTEST

Erin Ford, City Clerk

CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS

Chris Lievsay, Mayor