BLUE SPRINGS
MISSOURI

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MEETING INFORMATION

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri, was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 5:00 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.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Lievsay called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

At 5:00 p.m., Councilmember Kaylor moved for the Council go into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021(1), (3), and (13) Revised Statutes of Missouri, for the purpose of privileged communications between a governmental body or its representative and legal counsel relating to Litigation and Personnel, and that any minutes, documents and other records discussed or taken during the closed session remain closed, and that the special meeting of this body stand adjourned at the completion of such session. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried with the following:

VOTE

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Jerry Kaylor

Katie Tholen

Nick Brummel

Galen Ericson

Brian Markworth

Jeremy Rowan

STAFF ATTENDANCE

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Lievsay led in the pledge of allegiance.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Lievsay called the open session of the City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The City Clerk confirmed a quorum of the Council was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Minutes of the August 17, 2026 City Council Meeting, August 24, 2026 Special City Council Meeting and August 26, 2026 City Council Comprehensive Plan Meeting
- **Resolution No. 062-2026** approving the disposition of Information Technology department records which have met the required retention period as prescribed by the Blue Springs Records Retention, Management, and Destruction Policy dated November 28, 2016, and in accordance with the Missouri Secretary of State's records retention guidelines.
- **Resolution No. 063-2026** appointing the Downtown Blue Springs Community Improvement District Directors.
- **Resolution No. 064-2026** approving a contract in the amount of $1,074,132.00 with Landscape Structures, Inc., for installation services for the playground at Southwest Park, CIP # PR-71.
- **Resolution No. 065-2026** approving a contract in the amount of $334,416.47 with Blink Marketing Inc dba Blink Signs for the purchase and construction of a Downtown Monument Sign located at 7 Highway and Main Street.

The Consent Agenda was approved with the following:

VOTE

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

POINT OF HOPE REZONING AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT – WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT

Mayor Lievsay advised the Council that the applicant, Chuck Evans, requested the consideration of the Rezoning (RZ-06-26-9922) and Conditional Use Permit (CUP-06-26-9923) for Point of Hope located at 1211 NW 7 Hwy has been withdrawn.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2026-27 ANNUAL BUDGET

Mayor Lievsay opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m. to receive public comment on the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Budget. The City Clerk entered one exhibits into the record.

STAFF REPORT

City Administrator Christine Cates reviewed the details of the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget and addressed questions from the Council.

The Mayor hearing no further comments for or against, closed the public hearing at 6:16 p.m.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5426 – 2026-27 ANNUAL BUDGET

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5426 approving Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5426 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5426 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5427 – CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING OFFESNSES

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5427 amending Chapter 220 of the Blue Springs Code of Ordinances regarding offenses. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5427 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5427 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5427

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5427 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5427 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5519, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried with the following:

VOTE

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5428 – CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING PANHANDLING AND HANDBILLS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5428 amending Chapter 220 of the Blue Springs Code of Ordinances regarding panhandling and handbills. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5428 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5428 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5428

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5428 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5428 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5520, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried with the following:

VOTE

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5429 – CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5429 amending Chapter 310 of the Blue Springs Code of Ordinances regarding traffic regulations. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5429 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5429 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5429

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5429 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5429 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5521, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried with the following:

VOTE

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5430 – CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING STUNT DRIVING

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5430 amending Chapter 340 of the Blue Springs Code of Ordinances regarding stunt driving. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5430 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5430 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5430

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5430 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5430 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5522, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried with the following:

VOTE

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5431 – JACKSON COUNTY GRANT FOR CENTRAL PARK

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5431 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Jackson County, Missouri for 2026 Infrastructure Grant Project funding for Central Park Improvements. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5431 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5431 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5431

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5431 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5431 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5523, 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

Markworth – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5432 – AMERICA'S COMMUNITY BANK EASEMENT

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5432 approving a cross-access easement with America's Community Bank. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5432 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5432 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5432

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5432 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5432 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5524, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried with the following:

VOTE

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

RESOLUTION

Councilmember Kaylor moved to adopt Resolution No. 066-2026 approving a Memorandum of Understanding for a mutually agreed upon shared parking lot site plan

for the SW Smith Street Improvements Project, as well as off-site parking and dumpster accommodations in the Public Safety Parking Lot. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

MAYORAL COMMENTS

- Outdoor facilities at Blue Surf Bay and the Splash Pad closed on Labor Day.
- This year marks the 25th Anniversary of 9/11.

ADJOURN

Mayor Lievsay stated that the Closed Session Agenda was completed before the City Council meeting and an additional Closed Session would not be needed. At 6:28 p.m., there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Kaylor moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

September 8, 2026

SIGNATURES:

CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS

Chris Lievsay, Mayor

ATTEST

Erin Ford, City Clerk