BLUE SPRINGS
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MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MEETING INFORMATION

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri, was held on Monday, October 19, 2026 at 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.

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.

PLEDGE

Mayor Lievsay led in the pledge of allegiance.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Lievsay called the 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 October 5, 2026 City Council Meeting
- **Resolution No. 073-2026** authorizing the offering for sale of Special Obligation Bonds for the benefit of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri to provide funding for the development of Southwest Park, including reimbursement of engineering and design costs for improvements to Rotary Park.

The Consent Agenda was approved with the following:

VOTE

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

PUBLIC HEARING – DURVET PLAN FOR AN INDUSTRIAL PROJECT AND TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS

Mayor Lievsay opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 p.m. to consider a plan for an industrial development project; authorizing the issuance of taxable industrial development revenue bonds in a maximum aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $7,550,000; and authorizing certain documents and actions in connection therewith for "Durvet, Inc. Expansion Project - 2026 phase." The City Clerk entered one exhibit into the record.

STAFF REPORT

David Bushek with Gilmore & Bell reviewed the details of the proposed Industrial Development Project and Taxable Industrial Development Revenue Bonds and addressed questions from the Council.

APPLICANT

The applicant, Valerie Paris, with Durvet, Inc. was available to address questions from Council.

The Mayor hearing no further comments for or against, closed the public hearing at 6:06 p.m.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5438 – DURVET PLAN FOR AN INDUSTRIAL PROJECT AND TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5438 approving a plan for an industrial development project; authorizing the issuance of taxable industrial development revenue bonds in a maximum aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $7,550,000; and authorizing certain documents and actions in connection therewith for "Durvet, Inc. Expansion Project - 2026 phase." City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5438 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5438 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5438

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5438 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5438 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5531, 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

PUBLIC HEARING – CODE AMENDMENT RELATED TO CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

Mayor Lievsay opened the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m. to consider amendments to the Unified Development Code. The City Clerk entered one exhibit into the record.

STAFF REPORT

Codes Administrator Jake Farrell reviewed the details of the proposed Code Amendment and addressed questions from the Council.

MOTION TO CONTINUE

Councilmember Kaylor moved to continue the Public Hearing and Bill 5439 to the November 2, 2026 City Council meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ericson and carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5440 – CODE AMENDMENT RELATED TO SUNSHINE LAW

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5440 amending Sections 122.020 and 122.100 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Blue Springs, Missouri, based on State of Missouri amendments to Section 610.021 RSMo. Missouri Sunshine Law which adds three new types of closed records, and language regarding timeframes for withdrawing requests. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5440 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5440 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5440

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5440 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5440 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5532, 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 5441 – WYATT ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND EASEMENTS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5441 authorizing the City to enter into agreements for Wyatt Road improvements including accepting temporary construction easements. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5441 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Tholen moved to approve Bill No. 5441 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5441

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5441 by title. Councilmember Ericson moved to adopt Bill Number 5441 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5534, 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

PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION

Tim Baysinger of the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies presented regarding the successful Full Reaccreditation for the Police Department and the Initial Accreditation of the Communications Center.

PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION

Theresa Keene with Downtown Blue Springs presented an overview of the organization's mission, ongoing initiatives, and role in supporting Downtown revitalization.

VISITORS

Citizen Deborah McGee spoke regarding a concern about a neighboring split pad rental.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Rowan noted the Blue Springs Golden Regiment Marching Band competed at the Bands of America Super Regional.

MAYORAL COMMENTS

- The Missouri State Historic Preservation Office recognized the City of Blue Springs for forty years of successful participation in the Missouri Certified Local Government Program at an event in Jefferson City on October 16.
- The Mayor noted the upcoming events of Trick or Treat Main Street and Pumpkin Plunge.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:52 p.m., Councilmember Kaylor moved for the Council go into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021(1), (2), (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, Real Estate 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 Tholen and carried with the following:

VOTE

Markworth – Aye

Rowan – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

October 19, 2026

SIGNATURES:

CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS

Chris Lievsay, Mayor

ATTEST

Erin Ford, City Clerk