BLUE SPRINGS
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MINUTES OF JANUARY 5, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MEETING INFORMATION

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri, was held on Monday, January 5, 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

Kent Edmondson

Jeremy Rowan - ABSENT

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

- Minutes of the December 15, 2025 City Council Meeting
- **Resolution No. 001-2026** approving the disposition of Information Technology, Finance, and Public Works 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. 002-2026** approving a contract with Athco Acquisition Corp for the purchase and installation of playground equipment and surface at Rotary Park in the amount of $906,052.00.
- **Resolution No. 003-2026** approving an amendment to Contract Number 2025-065 with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. for Design Development Services and Construction Administration services resulting in an increase in Basic Services and Supplemental Services related to the design and construction of Southwest Park.
- **Resolution No. 004-2026** approving a purchase in the amount of $1,522,340.40 from DC Structures for an events venue kit package (materials only) for Southwest Park, CIP project PR-71.
- **Resolution No. 005-2026** terminating the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Redwood Blue Springs Southwest Wyatt Road MO P1 LLC, and approving an agreement with Pentwater Apartments Phase I LLC in the amount not to exceed $300,000 for sanitary sewer gravity main installation. The project funding source is approved as CIP SAN-19 for Sewer Infrastructure Deployment.

The Consent Agenda was approved with the following:

VOTE

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Edmondson – Aye

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

PUBLIC HEARING – VACATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY EXPANSION

Mayor Lievsay opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 to consider a vacation of a Right-of-Way easement located generally at the City of Blue Springs Public Works Facility Expansion (VAC-11-25-9743). The minutes of the public hearing were recorded by a certified court reporter. The City Clerk entered one exhibit into the record.

STAFF REPORT

Associate Planner Asif Haque reviewed the details of the proposed vacation and addressed questions from the Council.

APPLICANT

The applicant was available to address questions from Council.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5374 – VACATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY EXPANSION

Councilmember Edmondson introduced Bill Number 5374 approving a vacation of a Right-of-Way easement located generally at the City of Blue Springs Public Works Facility Expansion. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5374 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5374 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5374

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5374 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill Number 5374 upon its second reading and give it

ORDINANCE Number 5473, 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

Kaylor – Aye

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5375 – FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH MODOT FOR SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT FOR 7 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5375 approving a modified funding agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in care of the Missouri Department of Transportation, otherwise known as MoDOT, for the construction of sidewalk improvements, in FY2028 along State Route 7 Highway between 40 Highway and SW Lake Village Road / SW Liggett Road (CIP ST-43), STBG 1207(408). City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5375 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5375 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5375

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5375 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill Number 5375 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5474, 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

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5376 – FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH MODOT FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FOR 7 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5376 approving a modified funding agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in care of the Missouri Department of Transportation, otherwise known as MoDOT, for the construction of sidewalk improvements, in FY2026 along State Route 7 Highway between 40 Highway and SW Lake Village Road / SW Liggett Road (CIP ST-43), TAP 9901 (447). City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5376 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5376 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5376

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5376 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill Number 5376 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5475, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Kaylor and carried with the following:

VOTE

Ericson – Aye

Edmondson – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5377 – FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH MODOT FOR AA IMPROVEMENTS

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5377 approving a modified funding agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in care of the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) for the construction improvements to AA Highway, in FY2027 along State Route AA Highway between 40 Highway and the eastern city limits (CIP ST-52), STBG 9901(448). City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5377 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5377 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5377

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5377 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill Number 5377 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5476, with a copy attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Kaylor and carried with the following:

VOTE

Edmondson – Aye

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – Aye

Brummel – Aye

Ericson – Aye

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5378 – LAND BANK AGREEMENT

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5378 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Land Bank of Blue Springs, Missouri to provide administrative and operational support. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5378 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5378 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tholen and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5378

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5378 by title. Councilmember Edondson moved to adopt Bill Number 5378 upon its second reading and give it

ORDINANCE Number 5477, 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 – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 5379 – BOND ELECTION FOR WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS AND TREATMENT PLANT

Councilmember Kaylor introduced Bill Number 5379 calling an Election for the issuance of $65,000,000 in revenue bonds for the water and sewer systems and treatment plant by the City of Blue Springs. City Clerk Erin Ford made the first reading of Bill No. 5379 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Ericson moved to approve Bill No. 5379 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brummel and carried unanimously.

SECOND READING – BILL NUMBER 5379

Ms. Ford made the second reading of Bill Number 5379 by title. Councilmember Edmondson moved to adopt Bill Number 5379 upon its second reading and give it ORDINANCE Number 5478, 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

Kaylor – Aye

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – Aye

DISCUSSION – EVALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY FOR WORLD CUP EVENTS

Councilmembers Ericson and Kaylor led the Council in a discussion regarding evaluation of the Church property to host City events related to the upcoming World Cup.

Councilmember Ericson moved to direct staff to spend up to $75,000 to evaluate the Church property, starting with the sanctuary. Motion seconded by Councilmember Kaylor and **failed** with the following vote:

VOTE

Brummel – No

Ericson – Aye

Edmondson – No

Kaylor – Aye

Tholen – No

Rowan – ABSENT

Mayor Lievsay – No

MAYORAL COMMENTS

- City services will be closed on Monday, January 19 in observation of Martin Luther King Day. The City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20 due to the holiday.

ADJOURN

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 Tholen and carried unanimously.

January 5, 2026

SIGNATURES:

CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS

Chris Lievsay, Mayor

ATTEST

Erin Ford, City Clerk