

**CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS,  
MISSOURI**

**SPECIAL MEETING, November 24, 2008**

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Richmond Heights, Missouri was held on Monday, November 24, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor James J. Beck, Council Members Ed Notter, Mike Jones, Tim Gallagher, Connie Williams, Jim Thomson, Gina Mitten and Paul Lore. Camille Greenwald was necessarily absent. Also present was Amy Hamilton, City Manager and City Attorney, Ken Heinz.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Beck announced the Council would be going into a closed session during the meeting to discuss contract negotiations with Michelson on the Hadley project.

Mr. Thomson stated the next District 2 meeting would be January 15, 2009. Mr. Thomson congratulated the Parks & Recreation department for the Holiday Lighting event.

Mr. Jones stated he had attended the Medal of Valor awards ceremony this week and noted what a moving presentation it was.

Ms. Williams stated she had attended the St. Louis County Municipal League's Breakfast Meeting and complimented Council Member Mitten on her presentation at the event.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS NO. 1**

**Kathy Wright-1336 Sunset**-spoke to the Council regarding the passage of Proposition T. She stated that while aware the ballot measure was passed, she was against repeal of the street parking ordinance on trucks, citing safety issues that could become evident if the larger trucks were allowed street parking. She spoke of vision issues when backing out of driveways, difficulty in seeing pedestrians and parking so as to obscure vision at cross streets.

Mayor Beck stated the Council had noted the 63% for, 36% against vote from voters who favored the repeal of the municipal code, but stated the Council had not decided on definite language for a Bill as yet and it was likely not to be heard until sometime in January.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **Regular Meeting, November 17, 2008**

Mr. Gallagher moved, Ms. Mitten seconded, a motion for the approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2008. Mr. Thomson stated he would like to amend the minutes on Page 6, stated the initial motion on the second reading of Bill No. 5233 was by Ms. Greenwald, not Mr. Lore. Mr. Gallagher moved, Ms. Mitten seconded, a motion to amend the November 17, 2008 Regular Meeting minutes. Carried unanimously. Mr. Gallagher moved, Ms. Mitten seconded, a motion for the approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2008, as amended. Carried unanimously.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **Truck parking ordinance**

Ms. Hamilton stated that the Proposition T ballot measure had gone to the voters and passed by a large margin. Ms. Hamilton stated that the Council now has the choice to repeal the Municipal Code on truck parking limits if they so wish and consideration of the definition of a commercial motor vehicle would be one way to do so.

Ms. Hamilton stated that the police department is currently working on a recommendation which will be reviewed and sent to Council for their guidance.

Mr. Notter asked about the definitions submitted in the draft ordinance, noting that truck tailgate open (no solid gate) was left out of the definitions list.

Ms. Hamilton stated the draft was just a preliminary start and further work would no doubt need to be done, taking into consideration all of the Council's input.

Council discussed weight, size, height, and types of the truck vehicles as opposed to the cars that are overly large and licensed as passenger cars rather than with a truck license. Council discussed a possible street parking shortage if the light duty trucks were in abundance and other issues.

Ms. Hamilton stated that further work needed to be done and would let Council review more language as soon as it is developed.

## CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

**None.**

At approximately 8:05 p.m, Mr. Gallagher moved, Ms. Mitten seconded, to hold a closed meeting with closed record and closed voting pursuant to Subsections (1), (2), and (12) of Section 610.021, RSMo., 2004, in order to discuss legal actions, causes of legal action or litigation involving a public governmental body, and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys and leasing purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore, and documents related to a negotiated contract. AYES: Mr. Lore, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Jones, Ms. Mitten, Mr. Gallagher and Mayor Beck. NAYS: None. Mayor Beck declared the Council would meet in closed session in the Mayor's office.

At approximately 8:59 p.m., Mayor Beck and Council returned to Open Session.

## BILLS PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED

**Bill No. 5233 (as amended); second reading  
An Ordinance authorizing the execution  
Of a Seventh Amendment to the Redevelopment  
Agreement with Michelson-Hadley Heights Development LLC.**

Mr. Gallagher moved, Mr. Lore seconded, a motion to table Bill 5233, as amended, until the next scheduled meeting. Carried unanimously.

Mayor Beck announced that Bill No. 5233 would be held over for consideration at a Special Council Meeting, on Friday, November 28, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

## CITIZEN COMMENTS NO. 2

**None.**

At approximately 9:00 p.m., with no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Gallagher moved, Ms. Mitten seconded, a motion to adjourn. Carried unanimously.

Mayor Beck declared the meeting to be adjourned.

PATRICIA S. VILLMER  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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