

CITY OF LAKE SAINT LOUIS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE/
PUBLIC WORKS
JOINT WORK SESSION

MAY 19, 2014

The Board of Aldermen for the City of Lake Saint Louis, Missouri met in an Administrative/Finance/Public Works Joint Work Session on Monday, May 19, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room, 200 Civic Center Drive, Lake Saint Louis, Missouri.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Sidebottom was present and presided over the meeting. Aldermen present were: Kathy Schweikert, Ward II; Gary Torlina, Ward I; Tony Zito, Ward I; Karen Vennard, Ward II; and John Pellerito, Ward III. Alderman Jason Law, Ward III, arrived after the meeting began. Also present were: Paul Markworth, City Administrator; Donna Daniel, City Clerk; Steve Schertel, Community Development Director; Mike Force, Police Chief; Derek Koestel, Public Works Director; Eric Sterman, Assistant City Administrator; and Darren Noelken, Parks and Recreation Director.

2013/14 Season Private Street Snow Plow Reimbursement

Derek Koestel, Public Works Director, presented information about the 2013/2014 Private Street Snow Plowing Reimbursement, specifically Waterford Villas' request for reimbursement and staff's denial. Staff denied their request, based on the criteria outlined in the Ordinance governing private streets with six (6) or more attached parking spaces not qualifying for reimbursement.

The Board held a general discussion about the City's Ordinance authorizing reimbursement for snow plowing services on private streets. Comments included:

- Alderman Schweikert noted Waterford Villas was reimbursed last year. If we reconsider Waterford Villas' request and change the Ordinance to allow them to qualify, in fairness to all, we would have to allow others who meet the amended criteria to also submit their requests for reimbursement.
- Alderman Pellerito and Alderman Torlina spoke in opposition to paying anyone for snow plowing services on private streets.

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- Alderman Vennard asked how the Board could accomplish authorizing Waterford Villas' reimbursement request. She spoke in favor of allowing any Home Owner's Association (HOA) additional time to submit the requests for reimbursement after the Board changes the definition of qualifying streets.
- Alderman Zito spoke in favor of the City's Ordinance authorizing reimbursement for snow plowing services on private streets, including Waterford Villas. He also spoke in opposition to the \$5,000 budget allocation which he thought should have been \$15,000.

Alderman Pellerito made a motion, "Don't pay anybody." A discussion was held about what voting "aye" or "nay" would mean. Mayor Sidebottom informed the Board that if you vote "aye" it means "don't pay them". Alderman Zito asked for clarification: who does "them" represent? Alderman Vennard replied, "Them' means Waterford." Mayor Sidebottom concurred. The motion was seconded by Alderman Torlina and passed by a vote of three (3) "ayes" to two (2) "nays."

Board Retreat

Paul Markworth, City Administrator, reminded the Board that Mayor Sidebottom has asked each Board member to identify three (3) items that are important to him/her that could be items for discussion at the Board Retreat.

Mr. Markworth also asked the Board if they want a Facilitator; the consensus of the Board members was they do want to hire a Facilitator to run the meeting.

Mr. Markworth suggested they might want to consider Terry Jones, a Public Administration Professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, or Art Davis, a former City Administrator at Lee Summit, Missouri.

The Board held a general discussion about Mr. Jones' and Mr. Davis' services and fees. Alderman Zito spoke in favor of Professor Terry Jones. Alderman Pellerito spoke in favor of Art Davis. The consensus of the Board was to hire Art Davis as the Facilitator for the Board Retreat.

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Lake Saint Louis Boulevard Federal Grant Application Score

Derek Koestel, Public Works Director, gave a power-point presentation and answered questions about the Lake Saint Louis Boulevard Federal Grant Application (low) score and what we need to do to get a better score.

The Board held a general discussion about the pros and cons of submitting a grant application to the St. Charles County Road Board this year.

Alderman Law arrived at the meeting at approximately 6:35 p.m.

After learning that it was unlikely that the City will receive Federal funds for the Lake Saint Louis Boulevard Project, the consensus of the Board was to wait until next year to apply for grant funds from the St. Charles County Road Board.

TRIM Grant

Darren Noelken, Parks and Recreation Director, informed the Board that City staff and the Tree Board recommend the City apply for a Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (TRIM) Grant to:

- Update the tree inventory on City property
- Create a seven-year plan for tree maintenance with an emphasis on ash trees
- Develop a public outreach program for residents, telling them about the Emerald Ash Bore and how to manage ash trees throughout the City

The Board held a general discussion about the TRIM Grant. It was noted that, if the Board approved submitting an application and we receive the grant, we will need to make a budget adjustment after July 1, 2014.

General Discussion

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board in the Administrative/Finance/Public Works Joint Work Session, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:50 p.m.

Donna F. Daniel, City Clerk