CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
September 5, 2023

REGULAR SESSION

Becky Curtis	P
Julie Ausmus	P
Alexander Williams	P
Gina Reed Hibler	P
John Breckenridge	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Tuesday, the 5th day of September 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Cameron City Hall. Mayor Becky Curtis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Becky Curtis presided with the following Councilmembers present: Julie Ausmus, Alexander Williams, Gina Reed Hibler, and John Breckenridge. Absent: None.

Present were City Manager Rasmussen, Utility Director Johnson, Sergeant Miller, Police Chief Bashor, Finance Director Weigand, Fire Chief O'Donnell, Interim Public Works Director Wilson, Attorney for the City Padraic Corcoran and City Clerk Shellie J. Blades.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITH COUNCIL

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

a. Motion to approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2023 Regular Session.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Rasmussen:

- ✓ City Manager Rasmussen informed Council he will be out of the office on vacation September 22nd through the 29th.
- ✓ The Historical Preservation Society was contacted and they will present an update to Council on the Third Street Buildings at the September 18th Council Meeting.

- ✓ Local real estate agents have been contacted about the 98 acres available for sale near Eagle Lake. Four realtors have signed agreements to list the property and additional agreements are forthcoming.
- ✓ Congressman Graves came to Cameron for a visit last week and the City Manager and Mayor Curtis met with him. There are grant monies available for local and regional airports and the City expressed their appreciation for his assistance on these endeavors.
- ✓ Griffin Road Update: The City Manager was finally able to contact a representative with Brightspeed Fiber about the fiber line on the east side of Griffin Road. CP Excavating is working with Spire on the relocation of the gas line. Staff is still optimistic that this project can be completed and paved in October.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2023-22**, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI BUDGET OF THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2023 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2024** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-22 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6283**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2023-23, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, REPEALING THE CURRENT ELECTRIC RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW ELECTRIC RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-23 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, and Hibler. "Nay" Councilmember Breckenridge. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6284**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2023-24, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, REPEALING THE CURRENT WATER RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW WATER RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-24 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6285**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2023-25, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, REPEALING THE CURRENT SEWER USE RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW SEWER USE RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-25 were

available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6286**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2023-26, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HERNER CONSTRUCTION TO COMPLETE THE CAMERON COMMUNITY PARK PHASE II IMPROVEMENTS** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-26 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6287**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2023-27, **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PETITION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BRYAN ROAD COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND DIRECTING CERTAIN CITY OFFICIALS TO TAKE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL ACTIONS CONSISTENT THEREWITH** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-27 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6288**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing – Voluntary Annexation MOTA Group, LLC: Motion was made at 6:11 p.m. by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to enter a public hearing by Roll Call. "Aye:" Councilmembers Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler & Breckenridge. "Nay:" None.

Counselor Corcoran explained this action is for a voluntary annexation by fee simple property owners for a property located south of BB Highway/Evergreen Street and East of Packard Lane. There is a parcel of land not being annexed at this time between the MOTA Group, LLC property and I-35. A notice of public hearing was published per statutory requirements. The Planning & Zoning Commission met and recommends the annexation. There is a 14-day period following the public hearing for property owners to file any objections they may have to the annexation. Following that period, the Council can then vote to annex the property. Councilmember Ausmus inquired if the Cemetery was already in the city limits. Counselor Corcoran replied in the affirmative and that the annexation is contiguous and the cemetery property extends to the centerline of Packard Lane. BB Highway/Evergreen Street was annexed during a previous annexation process. The legal descriptions of the property being annexed includes to the centerline of Packard Lane. A brief discussion ensued about how far down Packard Lane road improvements would be made. The developer must bring the road up to City standards at least to

the point that both sides of the road are annexed. The portion of the property to be annexed which extends farther south than the cemetery property on Packard Lane will not be paved unless the Special Road District assists with those improvements. There were no comments from the public.

Motion was made at 6:15 p.m. by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to exit the public hearing by Roll Call. "Aye:" Councilmembers Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler & Breckenridge. "Nay:" None.

Bill 2023-28, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, TO APPLY FOR A MATCHING GRANT FROM THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AVIATION SECTION TO FUND RUNWAY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE CAMERON AIRPORT** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2023-28 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. City Manager Rasmussen stated this is a 10% matching grant, not-to-exceed $70,000 for engineering design for improvements at the Cameron Airport. Airport Manager Eric Evans stated this is the second grant being pursued for airport improvements. A request was also made earlier this year through Congressman Graves office for airport funding. Applying for this grant was discussed and recommended at the recent Finance Committee meeting and staff feels that the sooner the application is submitted the better. Congressman Graves staff did not believe the two grant opportunities would be in conflict. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to suspend the rules and place said bill on second reading by Roll Call vote. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6289**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Resolution 2023-36, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT WITH R & W CONTAINER FOR RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2023-36 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass Resolution 2023-36. Discussion. Interim Public Works Director Wilson explained this is a two-year extension to the current contract with R&W Container. There is no rate change requested and the new park location has been added to the agreement for collections. Resolution 2023-36 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2023-37, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO ACCEPT PROPERTY LOCATED ON NORTHLAND DRIVE AS PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY (POLATI FAMILY TRUST)** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2023-37 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass Resolution 2023-37. Discussion. Interim Public Works Director Wilson stated this Resolution as well as the next two are for permanent easements for the Northland Drive Improvement Project. There are several temporary easements which will expire after the project is complete. The easements Council is considering are for roadways and sidewalks and must be recorded due to their permanent nature. Resolution 2023-37 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2023-38, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO ACCEPT PROPERTY LOCATED ON NORTHLAND DRIVE AS PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY (RATANJI, LLC)** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2023-38 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass Resolution 2023-38. Discussion. None. Resolution 2023-38 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2023-39, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO ACCEPT PROPERTY LOCATED ON NORTHLAND DRIVE AS PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY (CARNEY DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENTS, INC)** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2023-39 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass Resolution 2023-39. Discussion. None. Resolution 2023-39 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2023-40, **A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO AUTHORIZE REGRADING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR POSITION IN THE CITY OF CAMERON'S SALARY MATRIX APPROVING THE AMENDED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR SAME** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2023-40 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pass Resolution 2023-40. Discussion. City Manager Rasmussen explained that the Public Works Director job description was modified last year to add additional responsibilities for a City Engineer. Those duties are no longer part of the position and staff is requesting the job description be amended accordingly and moved from a salary grade 12 to a grade 11. Resolution 2023-40 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITH COUNCIL

None.

MISCELLANEOUS-STAFF

City Clerk Blades:

- ✓ Informed Council she will be out of the office on vacation from September 11th through the 15th.
- ✓ MML will host a Northwest Regional Meeting in Marceline in October. RSVPs will be solicited closer to the event.

MISCELLANEOUS-COUNCIL

Councilmember Hibler:

- ✓ Advised she will be attending a Main Street event next week before heading to the MML Conference in Kansas City. Life is about learning and she hopes that learning leads to earning.

Mayor Curtis:

- ✓ Large trash pickup is scheduled for October 7th.
- ✓ There are several position available with the City of Cameron. City Clerk Blades added that a list of jobs is available on the City's website, applications are available at City Hall or applicants may apply through the website Indeed.

On motion made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Williams, Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:33 p.m. by roll call vote to discuss Attorney-Client Communications, Real Estate, and Negotiated Contracts [RSMo 610.021(1)(3)(11)]. "Ayes:" Councilmembers Curtis, Ausmus, Williams, Hibler and Breckenridge. "Nay:" none.

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There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Curtis, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m. by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Becky Curtis

ATTEST:

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City Clerk