



**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
JUNE 5, 2023**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Mikkelson presided.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the City Clerk with the following Councilmembers in attendance: Chad Herring, Cole Robinson, Inga Selders, Ron Nelson, Lauren Wolf, Bonnie Limbird, Dave Robinson, Piper Reimer, Greg Shelton, Courtney McFadden and Terrence Gallagher. Staff present: Byron Roberson, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Director of Public Works; City Attorney David Waters, attorney with Spencer Fane LLP; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Tim Schwartzkopf, Assistant City Administrator; Meghan Buum, Assistant City Administrator; Jason Hannaman, Finance Director; Adam Geffert, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Limbird seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS AND SCOUTS

No students or scouts were present at the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Cole Robinson read a proclamation declaring June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in Prairie Village.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Pam Justus, Ward 6, stated her opposition to the proposed community center.
- Jan Lane, Ward 1, shared concerns about certain proposals recommended by the Ad Hoc Housing Committee.
- Terry O'Toole, Ward 1, noted that he was running unopposed for City Council, and that he looked forward to working with the Mayor, other Councilmembers and City staff once elected.
- Leon Patton, Ward 5, shared thoughts about leadership and misinformation.



CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Mikkelson asked if there were any items to remove from the consent agenda for discussion:

1. Consider approval of regular City Council meeting minutes - May 15, 2023
2. Consider approval of expenditure ordinance #3026
3. Consider reappointment of Public Works Director

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: “aye”: Herring, C. Robinson, Selders, Nelson, Wolf, Limbird, D. Robinson, Reimer, Shelton, McFadden, Gallagher. The motion passed unanimously.

After approval, Mayor Mikkelson swore in Keith Bredehoeft as Public Works Director for a four-year term.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **PC2023-106 Consider Ordinance 2485 to approve the renewal of a special use permit for Homestead Country Club at 4100 Homestead Court**

Mr. Brewster stated that the applicant was requesting a renewal of their special use permit due to the five-year expiration date since the previous renewal in 2018. No additions or changes to the current site or operations were proposed with the application. He noted that the club was built in 1954 and had been operating under a special use permit since 1982, which had been renewed and amended several times to account for different operations and development activity.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on May 2. Comments were submitted prior to the meeting pertaining to parking issues which were addressed during the meeting, but no additional comments were made at the hearing. Staff originally suggested extending the renewal period to 10 years, but the Planning Commission recommended a five-year renewal timeframe subject to certain conditions.

Mr. Brewster said that a special use permit application required the City Council to act in its quasi-judicial role. When acting in this capacity, rather than a legislative capacity, the governing body must set aside personal opinions and, like a judge, apply the law to facts presented in the public record, taking into consideration the criteria commonly referred to as the “Golden” factors.

Mrs. McFadden asked for additional information about parking concerns, and how frequently they occurred. Police Captain Eric McCullough stated that issues were generally only observed when events were being held at the club, and that they were minor.



Mrs. McFadden asked whether the Council could approve the special use permit with a ten-year expiration date rather than five years as recommended by the Planning Commission. Mr. Waters said that nine votes of the Governing Body would be required to override the Planning Commission's recommendation, and that the Council also had the option of sending the item back to the Planning Commission to reconsider the term.

Mr. Cole Robinson suggested that the five-year term was more appropriate due to the number of new homes recently constructed on Homestead Drive, as well as an increase in club membership. Mr. Shelton and Ms. Reimer agreed.

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the renewal of the existing special use permit as presented. Mr. Shelton seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: "aye": Herring, C. Robinson, Selders, Nelson, Wolf, Limbird, D. Robinson, Reimer, Shelton, McFadden, Gallagher. The motion passed 11-0.

- Mrs. McFadden said that the VillageFest Committee met on May 25 to continue planning for the Independence Day event.
- Mr. Dave Robinson noted that the Insurance Committee had sent out an RFP for insurance brokers earlier in the year. Five responses were received, and four firms were invited to present to the committee on June 6.
- Ms. Limbird reported that the Prairie Village Art Fair had taken place the prior weekend at the Prairie Village Shops and that the Arts Council had a tent and table at the event. She noted that a coloring table for the Juneteenth kids' poster contest was also present. Additionally, a temporary sculpture had been installed at the Meadowbrook Shopping Center, and would remain there for 24 months.

Mayor Mikkelson shared a letter from an entrant in the recent photography exhibit complimenting the Arts Council.

- Ms. Reimer said that the Environmental Committee met on May 24 to finalize plans for its presence at VillageFest. Butterfly-themed crafts and milkweed seeds would be made available to attendees. She added that the Committee recommended the City consider holding a large-item cardboard recycling pickup event similar to the annual large-item trash pickup.
- Mr. Cole Robinson said that a Juneteenth Freedom Celebration planning meeting was held the prior weekend, and that the event would take place on June 17 at Harmon Park. Additionally, a town hall on recent state legislation regarding transgender individuals would be held on June 26 at Meadowbrook Park.



MAYOR'S REPORT

- The Mayor stated he had attended the following events since the prior Council meeting:
 - A Northeast Johnson County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy graduation, at which Chief Roberson and Ms. Lee graduated
 - A Touch-a-Truck event at the Public Works facility
 - The second-annual Meadowbrook Park festival on June 2
 - A retirement celebration for Lorra Jagow, who served 22 years as a records clerk in the Police Department
 - A preview of the remodeled Kansas City Ballet studio in the Meadowbrook shopping center, which would reopen later in the year
- The Mayor noted the following upcoming events:
 - A Wyandotte County / Johnson County Mayors meeting on June 7
 - A MARC Regional Assembly meeting on June 9
 - A United Community Services of Johnson County board meeting on June 9
 - A Northeast Johnson County Chamber golf tournament on June 12
 - A seminar regarding federal grant training for municipalities on June 13 at the Black and Veatch headquarters
 - An Overland Park Chamber of Commerce meeting about World Cup planning on June 20
- The Mayor also noted the following:
 - The passing of Donna Bysfield, a former Shawnee Mission School Board representative
 - The Shawnee Mission East boys' golf team won first in the state 6A competition
 - The Kansas City Christian School's tennis team won first in the state 3A competition
 - Shawnee Mission East senior Wyatt Houghton won titles in 800-meter, 1600-meter and 3200-meter races at the Kansas Class 6A state track and field meet

STAFF REPORTS

- Mr. Jordan reported that the first draft of the 2024 budget would be presented at the June 20 Council meeting. He added that the June plan of action was included in the meeting packet.

Mr. Dave Robinson asked about the progress of the MOUs with the Johnson County Library and YMCA regarding the proposed community center. Mr. Jordan stated that both entities were currently reviewing the draft documents, and that it was possible they could be presented to Council for approval at the June 20 meeting. He also noted that the July 3 meeting would be cancelled.



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- Mr. Bredehoeft said the Public Works Department was planning to apply for the “Safe Streets for All” program, which could provide federal funding for road construction projects. He also noted that staff would be meeting with residents on 67th Street between Roe and Nall to discuss traffic calming issues on June 13.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were included in the Council meeting packet.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mikkelson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Adam Geffert
City Clerk