



Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting

Jennings City Hall

March 25, 2019 – 6:45 p.m.

The two thousand three hundred ninetieth meeting of the Jennings City Council was held on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 7 p.m. at Jennings City Hall.

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ESTIMATE ALLOCATION

Mayor Austin opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m. Henry Johnson, Director of Housing and Economic Development, reviewed what the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was, how it was determined, and how the allocations are determined. He said the City receives an allocation of \$186,800 each year from the \$4,500,000 CDBG funds that are awarded to St. Louis County, because the City is a participating jurisdiction. Mr. Johnson said the City has the ability to carry out eligible CDBG activities with the allocation, while complying with the federal regulation, which is over seen by St. Louis County Office of Community Development. He stated the City does not automatically receive funding from the CDBG program but has to apply each year. He reviewed the application process of applying for CDBG funding. He reviewed the handout of eligible activities that can be undertaken with CDBG funding. He said some activities cannot be undertaken, due to federal regulations and census track data. Mr. Johnson said the recommendation for 2020 is to provide \$40,000 for the home improvement program and \$146,800 to the demolition program. He said the \$40,000 for the home improvement program will allow the City to serve approximately 8 families with up to \$5,000 per household. He went on to say the \$146,800 would allow the City to demolish 11 structures at approximately \$13,000 per structure. Mr. Johnson said the 11 structures to be demolished are currently considered to be in imminent danger of public health and safety.

Councilwoman Dugger asked if Mr. Johnson was saying residents would receive some of the CDBG funding and asked how the process would work. Mr. Johnson said the resident would need to apply through St. Louis County and the funding they could receive comes from the Home Improvement Program. Councilwoman Dugger asked if residents would have to show their income when applying with St. Louis County. Mr. Johnson said yes, there is an eligibility requirement through the Home Improvement Program. Councilwoman Dugger asked even though the money is being awarded to the City, residents would still need to qualify for the home improvement program. Mr. Johnson restated yes; residents would need to apply through St. Louis County. He stated there is an eligibility requirement and a waiting list for the Home Improvement Program. Councilwoman Dugger asked if the waiting list was for the City of Jennings or for St. Louis County. Mr. Johnson said the waiting list is for the City of Jennings, and he is only speaking of the funds that were awarded to Jennings.

A resident said that she has been told for a number of years that the vacant house next door to her is going to be demolished but it has not. She asked what are the deciding factors for the structures that are being demolished. Mr. Johnson said the primary focus of the demolition program is to take down structures that are in imminent danger status, meaning the house is in danger of collapsing on someone if they entered the property, walls missing, roof caved in, severe fire damage, or properties that are open and exposed. He said the City does have a lot of properties that are in a derelict condition, but the worst of the worst are chosen first, the properties that pose the greatest danger to the public at large.

Doris Green reiterated, that Mr. Johnson said there was a waiting list already in place for the Home Improvement Program. She asked when the waiting list was started and how did residents know to get on the list. Mr. Johnson said there used to be advertisements in the general area of City Hall. He said the program has been in effect for a long time. Ms. Green stated a lot of people would not have known to check for the program at City Hall. She asked what other ways has the City advertised the home improvement program. Mr. Johnson replied the CDBG public hearing is held annually to discuss the allocation of funds. He said residents would generally call and ask if there are any funds for home improvement. He went on to say, there are other agencies and community groups that discuss the CDBG home improvement funds. Mr. Johnson said the word is out and that is why the home improvement list is so long. Ms. Green asked if the information regarding the home improvement program could be added to the Jennings newsletter. Mayor Austin said the information could be put into the next newsletter. Councilman R. Epps said that information has been in past newsletters and if residents contact their Councilperson and ask about any available money, they should tell you about the home improvement funds.

Councilwoman Dugger asked when was the last time a resident was awarded any money from the home improvement allocation of CDBG funds. Mr. Johnson clarified the question and responded residents are awarded annually, but the home improvement program is administered by St. Louis County. Councilwoman Dugger clarified her understanding of the CDBG funds being awarded to the City and the allocation and use of the home improvement funds. She asked does or should the City have a list of when and who was awarded CDBG home improvement funds. Mr. Johnson stated that the City can get a list of what was allocated back to the City through the home improvement program and the number of residents who have received funding. Councilwoman Dugger said the City would need to know how it is working for the residents and if they are actually being awarded the funds. Mayor Austin said the City has asked St. Louis County for a list of residents who have received the home improvement funds, and the City was told the information is confidential. Mr. Johnson added St. Louis County has provided the amount that was awarded to each resident, and the number of properties funding has gone to in the City of Jennings, but St. Louis County could not tell the City the names of individuals awarded. Councilwoman Dugger clarified she is simply asking if the City has an accounting of how the funds are being spent, and the public should be able to see that Jennings residents are actually receiving the money each year for the home improvement program.

Robert Cotton said in 2014 there was a fire at 7123 Garesche Avenue. He said there were several hearings, concluding the property should be demolished. Mr. Cotton said the property has not been demolished, but every year he is told the property is on the demolition list. Mr. Johnson replied 7123 Garesche Avenue did not “burn out” and most of the damage was confined to the living room and kitchen area. Mr. Johnson said there was no exterior or roof damage from the fire. He said the City hopes to be able to add the property to the demolition list, but it did not meet the current qualifications. He said the City held the public hearings for the property because the City did not know who owned the property, and owner did not show up to any of the public hearings. Mr. Johnson said the City is still trying to work the programs to get a property “back online” through an owner-occupied situation. He said the property did not pose an imminent danger. Mr. Cotton said the porch is collapsing on the property. Mr. Johnson clarified the porch is just now starting to collapse.

A resident made a comment regarding the home improvement program through St. Louis County. She described the process she went through in getting the \$5,000 forgivable loan from the CDBG allocation. Councilwoman Dugger asked if the City still has a demolition list and if the City has demolished anything. She asked how many homes the allocation would allow to be demolished, and how many homes are on the City’s list to be demolished. Mr. Johnson replied the City does have a list of properties for demolition, the allocation this year, which has increased from the previous year, would allow for 11 homes to be demolished, and there are currently around 30 to 35 homes on the list. He said the City has demolished a lot of properties, but he is not prepared to give the exact numbers tonight. Councilwoman Dugger asked if the bidding process for a demolition company would start once the City receives the CDBG funds. Mr. Johnson confirmed the City would start the open bidding process once CDBG application is approved and the funds are awarded to the City. None spoke against the allocation of funding for 2020 CDBG funds, the public hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

B. REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order

Mayor Austin called the regular meeting for the City of Jennings to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Councilmembers Present:

Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps

Councilmembers Absent:

Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts

Also, Present:

Yolanda Austin, Mayor; Samuel (Sam) Alton, City Attorney; Deletra Hudson, City Clerk; Henry Johnson, Director of Housing and Economic Development; John Geasley Jr., Interim Corrections Lt.; Brenda Williams, Finance Director; Willie Brandon Jr., Recreation Director, James (Jim) Maixner, Interim Public Works Director of Streets and Parks; Sergeant Luis Perez, St. Louis County Police Department

4. Approval of the Agenda

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the Council voted all in favor of the approval of the agenda. (Councilwoman Jones was not present during the vote)

5. Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2019

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Stichnote, the Council voted in favor of approving the regular meeting minutes from February 25, 2019 by the following roll call vote, Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers opposed: Francine Dugger; Councilmembers absent Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none abstained from voting

C. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONERS, REMONSTRATIONS, COMPLAINTS AND REQUEST:

1. Presentation from Mayor Austin- Employee Recognition:

Mayor Austin recognized Joann Bommarito for 40 years of outstanding dedicated service to the City of Jennings. She said that Joann has really stepped up for the last 4-5 years and has done an awesome job of doing what is best for the City. Joann Bommarito expressed her gratitude, and said that she will miss everyone, since she is retiring at the end of the week (03/31/2019).

Mayor Austin presented a certificate of recognition to Jim Maixner for his outstanding leadership in his position of Interim Director of Public Works, Streets and Parks. She said his attention to detail, along with the urgency, and professionalism, by which he carries out the day to day operation within the department has contributed to greater safety and better livelihood for the Jennings community. Mayor Austin said that she has gotten a lot of calls and emails from residents during the winter saying the streets have never been so clean. Jim expressed his gratitude.

2. Presentation from the City Clerk- Employee Recognition:

Deletra Hudson presented a certificate of recognition to Kareen McNeal. Ms. Hudson said she would like to extend her appreciation for Kareen's commitment and dedication. She said Kareen

has stepped up to the plate and fills in when she is not present. Ms. Hudson said Kareen is working with all departments, and citizens to resolve any issues as urgently as possible.

Deletra Hudson presented a certificate of recognition for Lolita Thomas (she was not present at the meeting). Ms. Hudson said Lolita is very professional, and she makes a very good first impression for the City of Jennings and she is appreciated as part of the City Clerk's Office staff.

3. *Presentation from the Building Department- Employee Recognition for Employee(s) of the Month*

Henry Johnson presented Corey Reed with a certificate of appreciation and recognized him for his professionalism and help within the Building Department. Mr. Johnson said Corey has done an outstanding job with the City of Jennings. He said Corey has been what the Building Department calls an "inspectors inspector". He said that Corey is very professional, and detailed, and excellent at documenting his inspection process and reports.

Henry Johnson presented a certificate of appreciation for Estelle Davidson-Bruce. Mr. Johnson said Estelle has been an excellent and outstanding inspector. He said even though she is part-time Estelle has demonstrated extreme professionalism, and dedication that he had to recognize her.

Henry Johnson presented Myra Randle with a certificate of appreciation. Mr. Johnson said Myra has demonstrated a spirit of cooperation and teamwork through her various economic development activities. He said Myra has been a spearhead in a lot of the City's developmental programs. Mr. Johnson said he wanted to acknowledge Myra for her dedication and her earnest effort to be a people pleaser, and her infectious smile.

4. *Comments by the Public:*

Robert Cotton of 7119 Garesche, asked were the money is coming from for the Council to get a pay increase. Mr. Cotton stated he thinks the money would be better spent on the City's streets that are in state of disrepair, patching them will not work and they need to be resurfaced. Mr. Cotton said the Police Department is required to be at every Council meeting and he feels that Riverview Fire District (the Fire Department) should be required to be at every Council meeting as well. He said the Fire Department is representing the City and being paid by Jennings tax dollars. Mr. Cotton said the Fire Department should give a report at the Council meetings just like the Police Department. He said most of the time citizens are hearing the police are not doing their job, but they are out there doing community work. He said citizens do not see the Fire Department unless there is a fire or emergency medical services (ems) call. Mr. Cotton reiterated that he would like to see at least one representative from the Fire Department, if not the chief.

Councilman R. Epps said the Council will not be getting a raise and it will not be voted on tonight.

Teresa Lowman of 5513 Bel Ridge, stated that she understands Sam Alton is no longer the City's prosecuting attorney, since he took a new position with St. Louis County. Sam replied that he is the City's prosecuting attorney. Ms. Lowman asked Sam if he was the prosecuting attorney on January 16, 2019. Sam advised that he was, however, if he was out of town or has a conflict, he has someone from his office step in for him. Ms. Lowman went on to say on January 16th, a defendant, (the landlord for 5511 Bel Ridge) came to Court. She said the house has not had an inspection since 2010 and the landlord is "on his third tenant". Ms. Lowman said that Mr. Johnson is aware of the home and lack of inspections at 5511 Bel Ridge. Ms. Lowman said in October Corey "tagged" the house. She said that it is not fit for occupancy. She said the tenant removed the tag and is still living in the home. Ms. Lowman said she spoke to Mayor Austin on Friday, November 1, 2018. She said the next Friday Officer Bakula issued several tickets and the tenant now has warrants out for her but is still living in the house. She asked Sam why the case was dismissed for lack of evidence, when the landlord came to court. Ms. Lowman said she is friends with the landlord and there is a lot of work that needs to be done in the house. She said the landlord told her there was an inspector at the Court case. She said the landlord is an over the road truck driver and does not care one way or the other about the house. Ms. Lowman reviewed several ordinance violations that she has noticed at the property. Sam said that offhand, he does not have any idea what property Ms. Lowman is talking about, he would review the case. Sam asked if the tickets were against the tenant or landlord. Ms. Lowman said both. Sam asked if both the landlord and tenant were charged. Ms. Lowman stated that they were both charged. Sam said

his hunch is the City would be more concerned with the landlord fixing the property, as opposed to targeting the tenant of the property who is probably suffering under a landlord that is charging her rent for a property that is not up to code, but he will review the case. Ms. Lowman stated the tenant has three small school aged children and with it being almost June she puts the children outside and has no control, and they make the block look bad. Sam said if the children are in danger, Sgt. Perez and the police would address the issue. Ms. Lowman said the police have been on top of the issue. She said the police cannot sit at every corner in Jennings and watch what is going on, but if she calls the police they are there. She said she does not know what the issue Councilwoman Dugger has with the Police Department. Ms. Lowman said it seems as if Councilwoman Dugger has had an issue with the Police Department since 2015 and they are doing their job. She said when it comes to an occupancy issue it seems like the City is slacking on doing its job. Sam reiterated he would look into the case tomorrow

Councilwoman Dugger responded that she does not have any issues with the Police Department and she would like for everyone to know it was going to be part of her report; every time she calls the Police or Fire Department to help with any of the community events that she is involved in they immediately respond. She said the Police and Fire Departments come to the community events every year, and have done a tremendous job with participating. Councilwoman Dugger continued to say she would like for Ms. Lowman not to speak for her. She said she also wanted to thank the Police Department in particular, because there are some issues in the community particularly on her street and the residents called her and the police because of gun shots. She said she is sure the City has seen the increase in gun shots, and she wants everyone to know she can text Captain Cox if it is midnight and get a response. She described a situation when she texted Captain Cox and he was not available, but she still was able to get a quick response. She said she wanted to thank Captain Cox, Officer McCrary, and the detective that came on her street after the shooting. Councilwoman Dugger said the officers were on the street canvassing the area after the shooting and reiterated not to speak for her, she said that she thanks the police department, because to see them walking the streets is what the people needed to see. She said the Fire Department shows up for the Fishing Derby, Easter Egg Hunt, and other community events. She said there is not a resident in the City of Jennings who should speak for Councilwoman Dugger's relationship with the Police or Fire Departments. Ms. Lowman stated Councilwoman Dugger held meetings in 2015 trying to ensure the City would not re-sign a contract with the St. Louis County Police Department.

Tory Curtis of Moses Dixon Lodge, Prince Hall Masons of Missouri, thanked Councilmembers Carol and Rodney Epps, along with the City for working with the men of Moses Dixon Lodge for the first community clean up in Ward 4. Mr. Curtis said Prince Hall Masons plan to organize another community clean up with the City. He reviewed the Prince Hall Masons history with community engagement. He said that he can be contacted at 314-574-0307 with any questions. Councilman R. Epps thanked Mr. Curtis and said the clean up on March 16th was an enjoyable time.

David Green of 8630 Clifton stated the last time he spoke he was cut off at the three minute mark, but when he comes to the Council meetings he sees people allotted much more than three minutes to make comments, he asked not to be cut off just because the council does not like what he is saying.

Yolonda Henderson of 8822 Sumter said the City had visitors, and on St. Cyr and Dorwood the ground is caving in right in front of Gary Gore Community Center, she asked for an update; she said when you enter the City of Jennings there is graffiti and asked Councilwoman C. Epps if she has seen the graffiti on Lillian; C. Epps that she has seen the graffiti. Ms. Henderson asked how the graffiti is going to be addressed. She said in less than a week graffiti is cleaned up in St. Louis City; She said she was going back and forth with Sgt. Perez but at 2583 Wiedle the house has become a whore and drug house. She said people are jumping the fences and going into people's residences and if the door is locked, they are going through people's windows. Ms. Henderson said a resident is concerned the house might catch on fire. Ms. Henderson asked for an update on why the van was purchased at the Civic Center. She said the residents do not have any answers on the illegal daycare Councilwoman Dugger has mentioned several times, she would like an update. She said lots of money is spent to clean up City Hall and it looks a hot mess, we need to clean up the city. She asked for an update on Eichler the house is constantly caving in, thieves and residents are running in and out of there. She said a lot of money has been spent on Koeneman Park (on the inside), and asked when is the City going to cover up the

broken lights and fence. She asked if the City still have [shot spotter](#). She said that she is constantly hearing gun shots.

Councilwoman C. Epps responded Ms. Henderson should call the Building department so the graffiti can be removed. Jim said MSD (Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District) has been called about St. Cyr and Dorwood they are investigating, and he will get an update on the investigation. He said the fence at Koeneman park was run into by a resident who would not give her insurance information. They City is working with the insurance company to replace the special made fence. City Hall will be maintained internally with public works staff. Sgt. Perez said the police department is reaching out to City hall to have the shot spotter equipment placed in different locations through out the city where the random gun fire has been going on. He said the Police are trying to give more of a police presence to the areas with an increase of gun shots. He said this summer there should be around five bike patrol officers patrolling in Jennings. Willie Brandon said the recreation van is the back up when the senior bus is overloaded and can also pick up youth in need of a ride to the Civic Center with at least one parent. Sam said there is nothing to address about the daycare it is a legal matter, but it is over; Councilwoman Jones said there was a forensic audit done in regards to the illegal day care there were no findings, and there is no daycare operation at this time.

Wanda Lane of 9915 Martingale Rd, Bellefontaine Neighbors said she regularly attends the Riverview Fire District meetings and said that she had prepared comments for two of the candidates running for the fire board but they are not here. She said as a citizen she is disturbed when candidates intentionally spread false information in order to get a vote it is insulting to the constituents, because it means that they think we do not know any better, she said that she received false information from candidates Smith and Smith. She said Director Grace Harvey has represented the City of Jennings very well with financial knowledge and dedication. Ms. Lane described examples of Director Harvey's dedication. Sam interjected that the Council meeting is not the forum to indorse any specific candidate. Ms. Lane said the fire district meets every Tuesday at 5 pm and encouraged all citizens to attend.

Victoria Lee of 6368 Lalite Avenue asked about the gun shots she said her house has been hit from the back and front, she asked if there are any funds to help repair the houses and asked if a shot spotter could be placed in her area. She asked who she needs to speak to, to get speed bumps, because people are speeding in the area and cutting across residents' grass and have knocked the electric pole down a few times on the corner. Ms. Lee said the neighbors are about to lose it between the gun shots and the speed chases that are coming up the street on Lalite. Mayor Austin said 2-3 more shot spotters will be placed across the City. Councilwoman Jones asked if Sgt. Perez could explain what shot spotter is and the police departments response to shot spotter, and guns in the Jennings area. Sam said "we" (Westly Belle, St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office) are working hard with the first precinct on carjacking's and known violent criminals. He said if the police department comes across someone like that in the City of Jennings the City (police department) can contact him and the felon with the weapon or anyone else will be on "their" radar to make Jennings as safe as they can. Councilman R. Epps said he thinks the speed bumps are an insurance issue. Mayor Austin agreed and said the City can revisit that. Councilman R. Epps said Victoria is on the boarder of the City of Jennings and St. Louis City. He said St. Louis City's criminals are trying to get into Jennings and Jennings criminals are trying to get into St. Louis City and it is a mess at the border. Sgt. Perez encouraged all residents if they hear gun shots to immediately call 911. He said the police need the eyes and ears of the community to help out, if it is safe to do so get a description of the vehicle so the police know what they are looking for when they come to the scene. He said they can remain anonymous when reporting issues to 911.

Jane Brown of 2328 Ada Wortley, gave a big thank you to the Police Department for their excellent service. She described a situation when shots were fired on Ada Wortley and the police's response, and response time. Ms. Brown described the Fire Department response to checking on her alarming carbon monoxide detector and thanked them for their perfect service. She continued to express how she was impressed with the Fire Departments community outreach. She advised the neighborhood watch meetings are typically every second Tuesday night at 6 pm of the month at Gary Gore (2545 Dorwood Ave).

5. Councilmember's Reports:

Councilwoman Carol Epps: Councilwoman Epps said the 4th Ward clean up on Saturday March 16, 2019 was fantastic. She described the cleanup event and thanked all of the volunteers. She said the 4th Ward is the oldest Ward in Jennings. She said that her and Councilman R. Epps cannot be everywhere and sometimes there will be graffiti and people breaking in stuff. She said with everything going on she and Councilman R. Epps have done what they are supposed to do as Council people by helping their constituents in the 4th Ward. She said that no one can say that they didn't.

Councilman Rodney Epps:

Thanked Inspector Reed for the work done at 6376 & 6360 Laura. He asked if the police could check on 6376 and 6360 Laura, he said they are both supposed to be unoccupied, but they seem to be occupied at night. He asked for a board up at 5611 Wilburn. He asked if 244 and 242 Belle Avenue are going on the demolition or auction list. 6359 Lena report of trash, Jim Maixner's comment was inaudible. Councilman R. Epps closed by encouraging all residents to get out and vote on April 2, 2019

Councilwoman Julia Roberts: Councilwoman Roberts was absent from the meeting; no report was provided.

Councilwoman Phyllis Anderson: Councilwoman Anderson was absent from the meeting; no report was provided.

Councilwoman Francine Dugger: Thanked Sgt. Perez for the police departments response to the shooting on Ada Worthly. Councilwoman Dugger said her street is not used to having shots fired, and there were actually shell casings in her driveway. She said she appreciates the police department for trying to see what they can do for the fishing derby on June 8, 2019 at Koeneman Park. Councilwoman Dugger provided an overview of what the fishing derby is for. Councilwoman Dugger asked if any of the young men in attendance with Chief Goldstien would be willing to come to the fishing derby on June 8, 2019 and teach the youth how to fish. Councilman Wilson said, the young men in attendance are Fire Department Calendar Models. She asked the Community to bring out more youth to the fishing derby. She said that the derby has everything the kids need to fish. She said the Fire Department has been very gracious and she does not know if the Police Department can out do their generosity. She said June 8, 2019 at 7 am the bell will ring, and the derby will begin. She said the derby ends at 12 pm. she said bring as many kids as you can they just need to show up with a parent. She asked the youth and senior commission to add the fishing derby to their agenda, so they can see how they are able to help out. She would love the help and volunteers can contact her. Councilwoman Dugger said she would not say anything else about the guns, but it is going to take "all of us" not just 911.

Councilman Terry Wilson: Councilman Wilson said if you see an influx of children walking around during the day time they are not skipping school they are on spring break. He acknowledged Jennings School Board members present at the meeting John Schlereth Harold Austin, Yolonda Fountain Henderson. He said it is baseball season to come out and support the Jennings High School Warriors they had their opening game last week and won 10 to 0. He said they played at Koeneman park against Carnahan High School. He said the recreation department would love to have some children sign up for red-bird rookies and some volunteer coaches. Contact Mr. Brandon at the recreation department. Councilman Wilson acknowledged the police department he said he was one of the residents texting the police captain as well when shots were fired on Ada Wortley. He said the police did an excellent job with canvassing the community after the shooting and ensuring everyone's safety. He said he was at the Riverview Fire Department Meeting two weeks ago and said it is a short meeting and encouraged residents to attend. He said the Riverview Fire District has a three-person board. He said the City of Jennings was annexed into the Riverview Fire District four years ago. He acknowledged Grace Harvey as the City's representation on the Riverview Fire District Board. He said the Fire Fighters community outreach is having a corn whole fundraiser June 1, 2019 at 11 am he said all proceeds will go towards community outreach events like Councilwoman Dugger's Fishing Derby. He said there have been a lot of important guest in the City over the past few weeks. Teresa Parson,

the State's First Lady, visited the school district and was impressed with the way the school district and the City looked and the way the school district is being run. He said she sent a thank you letter to the district after her visit and hopefully that will invoke some positive conversations about what is going on in the great City of Jennings. He said the House Speaker Nancy Pelosi was in the City as well advocating for house resolution 1 which is co-sponsored by Congressman Lacy Clay and touches on some of the election laws. He advised residents if they do not know about things happening in Jennings to check out the [City of Jennings website](#), it has lots of information. Councilman Wilson asked Jim when the new Jennings sign (at Hord and Lucas and Hunt) would be "lit up". Jim's response was inaudible.

Councilwoman Miranda Jones: Councilwoman Jones said the annual Jennings School District Gala is coming up on Friday, April 5, 2019, at Norwood Hills which benefits the Friends of Jennings. She said tickets are on sale at the [Jennings School District website](#). She said "we" have done a lot of things in our community to try and bring equity to the students in the Jennings School District. She said Jennings School District has 100% free and reduced lunch, and a lot of things that school district does like having wash machines in the school and having the Hope House, the money is raised through Friends of Jennings, for things that do not hit the school district general operating budget. She said there are a lot of business that sponsor the event by buying tables but are not able to come. She said if anyone is interested in coming and does not have the funds to come to contact her. She said the shots fired have been thoroughly covered. She said the community is engaged and aware and texting each other and calling 911. She said that she hates to call 911 every time because when it is a true emergency, she wants them to respond quickly. She said that she is glad to know the City is getting more shot spotters. She said Yolonda Fountain Henderson had a long list of proprieties and 8803 Corwin was mentioned to her with reported excess trash in front. She said the speed bumps are maybe something the City would like to look into especially in the school zones. She clarified that MVT stood for motor vehicle theft. She said Ward 1 part one crimes are really high mainly because the number of motor vehicle thefts are so high. She asked if there was a trend. Sgt. Perez his knowledge concerning the motor vehicle thefts has been from people warming their cars up unattended. He said there were several crews of young men driving around in stolen cars looking for vehicles running and left unattended. He said the Police Department tried to put it out to the public that it is not worth it to warm up your cars unattended. He said as it gets warmer he does not think the trend will continue. Councilwoman Jones asked if the vehicles were being stolen from Ward 1 or were the stolen cars being recovered in Ward 1 and if they were recovered in Ward 1 does that count against Ward 1. Sgt. Perez said that he would have to say they were being stolen out of Ward 1. He noted that the auto theft detectives actually witnessed one of the motor vehicle thefts and followed the crew the best they could according to the St. Louis County Police Department Policy. She encouraged everyone to come out and exercise their right to vote so that everyone's voice can be heard.

Councilman Allan Stichnote: Councilman Stichnote stated Mayor Austin was on the [Bosley Show](#) (Mayor Freeman Bosley Jr. Morning Show). He said she talked about a lot of positive things and the City moving forward. He said he heard the Mayor say, "we did this, we did that" a lot, not "I did this, or I did that". He thanked Mayor Austin for that and said the show was excellent and he enjoyed it. He said March 30, 2019 from 12-4 pm at the New Northside Conference Center is going to honor 13 African American Mayors and Mayor Austin is going to be on of them. He said if you have an opportunity to go to the event do so. He said residents are talking about repairs in their home, He said [A Caring Plus](#) does up to \$20,000 worth of home improvement. He said A Caring Plus is located at 6344 Garesche and the phone number is 314-930-2083. He said that he believes Mr. Lewis L. McKinney Jr. is behind the home improvement loans from A Caring Plus. He said the Jennings American Legion Post decided to partner with the Jennings Do-Dads to give out four \$500.00 scholarships for the Jennings School District (from Jennings American Legion Post) and two \$500.00 scholarships from the Jennings Do-Dads. He said the Jennings American Legion Post and the Jennings Do-Dads voted to donate \$1,000 to the [North County Mustangs](#). Councilman Stichnote presented Robert and Kim Borrow of the North County Mustangs with a check for \$1,000. Kim Borrow stated they have been Jennings residents for 29 years and expressed their gratitude to the City, the School District and the City. She said the money would be able to help seven children.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the council voted all in favor of approving the monthly departmental reports.

E. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Ways and Means Committee – Chairman R. Epps said the Ways and Means committee has been meeting every Monday to get the City's budget together. He said luckily the City is in the "black" and we are proud that we are still in the black. He said that it is not that much in the black but we have over \$3,000,000 in reserve money.

Chairman R. Epps reviewed the Ways and Means Committee meeting minutes from Monday March 4, March 11, and March 18, 2019. He summarized the Ways and Means Committee meeting from Monday March 25, 2019 at 6:30 pm. saying Vice Chairman Wilson made a motion, which was seconded by Committee member Jones to rescind the motion from March 11, 2019 to send the capital improvement purchases in 2018/2019 request for an employee id badge maker to the full Council as presented which the committee approved. He said on the motion made by Vice Chairman Wilson and seconded by Committee member Jones the Committee voted all in favor to take the budget to the Council as presented.

Public Works Committee -Chairwoman C. Epps reported that there was no meeting.

Building Committee- Chairwoman Jones on the Joint Policy and Building Committee meeting from Tuesday, March 5, 2019. She said the committee reviewed committee's discussion about the rental registration and certification program. She reviewed the committee's discussion about the City's 2014 comprehensive plan. She said "our" world has changed in this region since 2014 and the committee is really talking about is it time to reassess and redo the City's comprehensive plan. She said the committee is discussing the combination of committees so that it can be done by the next Council meeting to have a plan on what will work for a better committee structure to get things done. She reviewed the committee discussion to change the title of the Police Advisory Board the Public Safety committee so that there is more accountability for the public safety within the City.

Parks Committee- Chairman Allan Stichnote said that there were two meetings. One on March 6, 2019 at 5:30 and reviewed the meeting minutes from that meeting. He reviewed the committee's discussion of the demolition of the old fire house since the City did not receive a grant to tear it down. He said the ribbon cutting ceremony will be April 13, 2019 at 11 am for the new basketball court at Koeneman Park with the Easter egg hunt to immediately follow at 12 (noon). Chairman Stichnote reviewed the committees meeting from March 13, 2019 he reviewed the committee's discussion about purchasing sod to go around the basketball court for \$4,100.00. He reviewed the committee's discussion to fix the gate at the front of Koeneman and to get new gates at the top of Koeneman and Lions Park

Municipal League- Council representative Terry Wilson said the February municipal league was held at the Rock Hill City Hall. He said the discussion was about the better together plan. He said there was a guest speaker that talked about cannabis within the municipalities and the City is going to have to look at its ordinances, because medical cannabis is legal within the State now, and the City would not be able to deny a dispensary from coming into our community. He said the next meeting is on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 6:30 pm at the Overland Community Center. He encouraged residents to attend.

Planning Commission- Council representative yielded the floor to Chairman Gary Johnson. Sam confirmed that Gary Johnson was on the Planning Commission. Mayor Austin said Gary Johnson is the Chairman of the Planning Commission. Sam said the question was asked if a Council member has to give the committee report. He said there is nothing in the code that says a Councilmember has to give the committee report it can be given by a Council member, Chairperson, or Council representative that is at the Council meeting. Councilwoman Dugger said she raised the question. She said she asked the question because the Mayor appointed each of the Committee Chairs from Council and the Council is who usually makes the report. She said she is not sure why it is all of the sudden changing. Councilwoman Dugger said there are a lot of things written "in the books" (laws) the City/Council is not following. She said this is not a Commission meeting and if the Chairman is going to give the report then the Council should have been notified. After a brief debate amongst the Council, Councilwoman Dugger said she wanted it on the record the Council was not aware

that it was going to start one meeting ago getting reports from the Chair of the Planning Commission. Councilman Stichnote said for the record it is ok for Chairman Johnson to give the Commission report. Chairman Johnson reported there was no Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, but there was an architectural review meeting for phase 3 of the senior building. Councilwoman Jones asked if the plans for phase 3 would come to the Council for approval. Chairman Johnson said the plans would come to council for approval next. Councilwoman Jones asked if the resident's issues were addressed. Chairman Johnson said yes. Chairman Johnson reviewed the resident's complaints and said that both residents' have signed a form saying their complaints have been addressed. Councilwoman Dugger confirmed the plans will come to the Council next. Chairman Johnson stated he believes that the plans would come to the Council next and reviewed the process that he is aware of. Councilwoman Dugger asked Henry Johnson if the plans would come to the Council next. Henry Johnson said it has been standard process to bring the plans to the Council next. Councilwoman Dugger asked if there something the Council would like to put on as a condition for the plans for phase 3 will the Council be able to do that. Mr. Johnson said he would assume so. He said in his experience the council has never made further stipulation once the committee has passed plans. Mr. Johnson said if the Council disapproves something the Council can recommend the plans go back to committee. Councilwoman Dugger said her concern is in making sure the Council will be able to review the plans before they are approved. Sam said in section 28-13 of the code the plans do not have to come before the Council. After further discussion amongst the Council the Mayor moved on to the next committee report.

Policy Committee- Chairwoman Jones provided the Policy Committee report when giving the Building Committee report.

Solid Waste Committee- It was reported that there was no meeting.

Beautification Committee- It was reported that there was no meeting.

Youth Commission- It was reported that there was no meeting.

Senior Commission -It was reported that there was no meeting.

F. LEGAL BUSINESS (Proposed Ordinances)

1. Approval of the Monthly Departmental Reports

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the Council voted all in favor of approving the monthly departmental reports.

2. Amending Section 2-43 of the City of Jennings Municipal Code

On the motion made by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman R. Epps Bill 2560 was introduced Amending Section 2-43 of the City of Jennings Municipal Code.

Councilman R. Epps made a motion for a second reading which was seconded by Councilwoman Jones. Councilwoman Dugger asked who sponsored the bill. Councilwoman Jones replied the bill is sponsored by the Policy Committee so her name can be put down as the bill sponsor. Councilwoman Dugger asked the City Clerk to make a record that the sponsor is not printed on any of the ordinances presented tonight.

On the motion made by Councilman R. Epps and seconded by Councilwoman Jones bill # 2560 became ordinance #2501 by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting.

3. Amending section 36-476 of the City of Jennings Municipal Code Prohibiting the Parking of Vehicles at Parking Lots.

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Stichnote Bill 2561 was introduced Amending section 36-476 of the City of Jennings Municipal Code prohibiting the parking of vehicles at parking lots.

Councilwoman Dugger asked who ever the sponsor is for this proposed bill to elaborate on why it is being presented to the Council. Mayor Austin said that it is for the parking lot at Buzz West Fall. She said there are a lot of trucks that are parking there during the week and weekend overnight. Mayor Austin said that the City needs to have an ordinance posted so the police can ticket the trucks. Councilwoman Dugger asked if Mayor Austin was the sponsor of the bill. Mayor Austin confirmed she is the sponsor of the bill. Councilwoman Dugger asked if the bill is only referring to Buzz West Fall. Mayor Austin said the bill is City wide but specifically she was concerned about Buzz West Fall because of the four to five semi-trucks parked overnight every weekend. Councilwoman Jones voiced her concern for people going on bus trips parking their cars on the lot because the bill says, "no vehicles". She asked if people going on bus trips would be able to get a permit to park on parking lots so they would not be ticketed. Sam said there are some acceptations and reviewed the main gist of the proposed ordinance is to keep people the City does not know or does not want from trying to figure out a way to hang out at parking lots at night were something bad might happen. He said like everything else there will be a need for discursion from law enforcement to decide when to enforce the code and write tickets. Sam said if bus trips want to park on the parking lots all they would need is something signed by the owner allowing them to park and police would not give them a ticket. He said the bill is designed to stop semi-trucks parked on the parking lots were crime can happen overnight. Councilwoman Jones asked how does the City make an ordinance on someone's private property. Sam said if the parking lot is a business which is what the bill is designed towards, but the City has the right for safety purposes to tell business that they can not just let people use their parking lots at all hours of the night for what ever people due on the parking lots. He said the City cannot make it specific towards one business, but the City make an ordinance for all business parking lots. Mayor Austin said the City has been in contact with the business owners at Buzz West Falls and they are ok with the ordinance. Councilwoman Dugger asked if there is a reason the proposed ordinance did not go through the Policy Committee for discussion first before there was an ordinance given to the Council by the Mayor. She said it looks like from what Sam is saying the Policy Committee should have further discussion. She said she understands the concern but does not understand why it did not come through the Policy Committee. Councilman R. Epps said he understands the safety concern, because some of the semi-truckers on the "Walgreens lot" look ask if they are living on the lot. He said his concern is if a "trucker" comes with a delivery outside of business hours and has to wait on the business to open. Sam reviewed where the business owner could give permission for the "trucker" to park and wait for the business to open. Councilwoman Dugger asked if there was a way for the owners or their representative to come to a Council or Committee meeting and speak with the Council. She said the Council does not have anything in writing from the owners that they agree with the proposed ordinance. After further discussion amongst the Council it was determined to change the wording in the proposed bill to say "commercial vehicles, vans or trucks". Councilwoman Dugger asked what kind of trucks are the issue. Sgt. Perez said from what he sees the problem is from semi-trucks parking on the old Target lot and treating it as truck stop. He said it is free and nobody is there to enforce anything. He said his concern is the parking lot is private property. He asked if there is anything in writing from Target saying they are ok with police enforcing citations on their lot. Councilwoman Dugger asked if there are any criminal actions happening. Sgt. Perez said that he is not aware of any criminal activity with the semi-trucks. After further discussion amongst the Council and Sgt. Perez

On the motion made by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the Council amended by interlineation to change the first sentence the language from vehicle to truck to say no commercial vehicles and or tractor trailers shall park there.

Councilman R. Epps made a motion for the second reading which was seconded by Councilwoman Jones. Councilwoman Jones asked if the title of the ordinance should be changed as well. Sam said that it does not need to be changed but can be changed for clarity.

On the motion made by Councilwoman Dugger and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council amended by interlineation to change the style and reading of the tile of the proposed ordinance to say prohibiting the parking of commercial vehicles and or tractor trailers shall park there.

On the motion made by Councilman R. Epps and seconded by Councilwoman Jones Sam read the first reading of bill # 2561 with the interlineation changes.

On the motion made by Councilwoman C. Epps and seconded by Councilwoman Jones bill # 2561 became ordinance #2502 by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

4. *Increase for Newly Elected Officials*

On the motion made by Councilman R. Epps and seconded by Councilwoman Dugger Bill 2562 was introduced Increase for newly elected officials

Councilwoman Jones said the reason the increase was proposed is because last year there was a 3% across the board raise for all employees except for the elected officials and the Mayor. She said in reviewing the “comps” between Jennings and other cities it was hard to justify an increase for the elected officials at this time. Councilwoman Dugger asked who sponsored the proposed bill. Councilwoman Jones responded the Ways and Means Committee. Robert Cotton made an inaudible comment. Sam interjected saying the only way elected officials can receive a salary increase is prior to an election because once they are in office it is very difficult to change their pay. He said the only thing he will say with the 3% increase is to consider the number of hours the Councilmembers and the Mayor put into the City. He said the number of hours the elected officials are putting in is off the chart, and if you look at the salary from an hourly basis they are under paid. Councilwoman Jones said the Mayor make \$25,000.00 a year, because she is a part time Mayor. She said Jennings does not have a City Manager like most other cities. She said City Managers are making in some cases \$60,000 or more. She said that she does not know anyone in the last “set of Mayors” who has really been part time, they are always here. Councilwoman Jones said across the board everyone at the table (department heads) is under paid for the work that they do. She said the City has a hard time even filling positions because a person that is working at a non-profit is making almost twice as much. She said the Council really needs to start looking at the employee’s salaries. Councilwoman Jones said the 3% increase that was given last year was completely eaten up by the raise in insurance premiums this year. She said employees are actually bring home less pay this year than they did last year due to the rate of inflation and the increase in insurance premiums. She said as a community we need to look at what we are paying “our” employees. After further discussion amongst the there was no motion or second for the second reading.

G. *UNFINISHED BUSINESS*

H. *NEW BUSINESS*

1. *Special Event Tent Sales for City Gear*

On the motion made by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council voted all in favor to approve a special event permit for a tent sale for City Gera store at 8005 W. Florissant Ave.

2. *Prisoner Housing Agreement Between the City of Jennings and Bel-Nor*

Councilman R. Epps made a motion to approve the Prisoner Housing Agreement Between the City of Jennings and bel-Nor which was seconded by Councilman Wilson. Councilman R. Epps asked if they City of Bel nor helps Jennings pay the insurance of if they provide a rider on their insurance. Sam said the City of Bel Nor provides the insurance.

On the motion made by Councilman R. Epps and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council voted all in favor to approve the prisoner housing agreement between the City of Jennings and Bel-Nor

3. *2020 CDBG Allocation*

Councilman Wilson made a motion to approve the CDBG Allocation which was seconded by Councilman R. Epps. Councilwoman Dugger confirmed the amount the City would receive from CDBG. Mr. Johnson reviewed the public hearing information. Councilwoman Dugger confirmed approximately 11 properties can be demolished. She said she is having an issue with the way the City is allocating the CDBG money, and it does not include street repair. Councilman R. Epps said the street repair comes out of Capital Improvement. He reviewed the Ways and Means Committee discussion regarding the ordinance for capital improvement funds and changing the ordinance to allow for some of the excess funds for street repair. After a discussion amongst the Council of why the ordinance was not changed now Councilwoman Dugger reviewed the uses for the CDBG funds.

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the Council voted in favor of approving the 2020 CDBG allocation by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers abstained: Francine Dugger; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts.

4. Resolution of the City of Jennings Opposing the Better Together Merger Plan

On the motion made by Councilwoman C. Epps and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council voted in favor of the resolution of the City of Jennings opposing the Better Together Merger Plan by the following roll call vote, Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed.

Councilman Wilson asked if the Clerk's off can send a copy of the approved resolution to the Municipal League

5. Approval of the 2019-2020 proposed budget

Councilman R. Epps made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 proposed budget which was seconded by Councilman Wilson. Councilwoman Dugger stated the salary increase are in the budget. Councilwoman Jones agreed and said the motion needs to be amended. After discussion amongst the Council the Mayor called for a roll call vote.

On the motion made by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the Council approved the 2019-2020 without an increase for the newly elected officials by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers opposed: Francine Dugger; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none abstained from voting

6. 2018-2019 Line Item Transfer and Budget Amendments

Councilwoman Dugger asked why \$300,000 is being transferred from General Revenue fund to the Economic Development fund instead of Streets for Street Repair. Councilman Wilson referred Councilwoman Dugger to the memo to explain the reason for the line item transfer. After further discussion it was determined the line item transfer was in the 2018-2019 budget and would not be able to go toward street repair during the 2019-2020 budget.

On the motion made by Councilwoman C. Epps and seconded by Council man Wilson the Council voted in favor to approve 2018-2019 Line Item Transfer and Budget Amendments by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers opposed: Francine Dugger; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none abstained from voting

7. Monthly Bills for Payment

On the motion made by made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman R. Epps the Council voted in favor to approve the monthly bills for payment Amendments by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson,

Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers opposed: Francine Dugger; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none abstained from voting

8. Motion for Closed Session Legal and Personnel (RSMO 610:021-1,3)

On the motion made by Councilwoman Dugger and seconded by Councilwoman Jones the Council voted in favor closed session legal and personnel (RSMO 610:021-1,3) by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

I. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Austin reported the Home Ownership Workshop held in partnership with the Urban league property connection and Midland Bank at Recreation Center on March 16, 2019 and it was a success. She said Ward 4 Clean Up with volunteers Jennings High School National Honors Society Students, the Masons held in partnership with the Public Works Department was a success. Mayor Austin thanked the Council for allowing the City to bring some in early to work with Joann, before she retires. She encouraged residents to come to Coffee with Cops on the 1st Thursdays of each month at Natalie's. Mayor Austin said she and police have also been having meetings at the seniors building and sharing things that are going on within the City and at the Civic Center with the residents. She said there are public meetings for MSD's rate increase which will be posted on the City's website. Mayor Austin provided a five-minute break before going into the closed session, legal and personnel (RSMO 610:021-1,3)

K. CLOSED SESSION, LEGAL AND PERSONNEL (RSMO 610:021-1,3)

Hire City Attorney

On the motion made by Councilman C. Epps and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council voted in favor of hiring Samuel Alton as the City Attorney by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Hire Permit Clerk

On the motion made by Council Stichnote and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council voted in favor of hiring Casionia Peebles Miller for the position of Permits Clerk with the City of Jennings Building Department pending the successfully completion of pre-employment screenings by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Terminate Site Monitor

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilwoman C. Epps the Council voted in favor of terminating Recreation Site Monitor Jalin Amerson by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Promote to Director of Public Works

On the motion made by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by R. Epps the Council voted in favor of immediately promoting James Maixner to Public Works Director of Streets and Parks by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Promote to Corrections Lieutenant

On the motion made by Councilman Stichnote and seconded by Councilman Wilson the Council voted in favor of promoting John Geasley Jr. to the Corrections Lieutenant by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Promote to Corrections Corporal

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Stichnote the Council voted in favor of promoting Terrell Shumpert to the rank of Corporal by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Promote to Sergeant

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Stichnote the Council voted in favor of promoting Freddie Holloway to the rank of Sergeant by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Adjournment

On the motion made by the Councilwoman Dugger and seconded by Councilwoman Jones the Council voted to adjourn the closed session, legal and personnel (RSMO 610:021-1,3) at 10:19 pm on Monday March 25, 2019 by the following roll call vote; Councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Miranda Jones, Terry Wilson, Francine Dugger, Rodney Epps, Carol Epps; Councilmembers absent: Phyllis Anderson, Julia Roberts; none opposed or abstained from voting

Attest:



Mayor Yolanda Austin



Kareen McNeal, Deputy City Clerk