

ROLLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2025; 6:30 P.M.  
ROLLA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
901 NORTH ELM STREET

Presiding: Mayor Pro-Tempore Kevin Greven

Council Members in Physical Attendance: Andrew Behrendt, Nathan Chirban, Steve Jackson, William Hahn, Kevin Greven, Tom McNeven, David Shelby, Micheal Dickens and Tina Balch.

Council Members Absent: Ward 1 Vacancy, August Rolufs, Aaron Pace, Mayor Louis J. Magdits

Department Directors and Other City Officials in Physical Attendance: Public Works Director Darin Pryor, Fire Chief Jeff Breen, Community Development Director Dawn Bell, Parks Director Floyd Jernigan, Police Chief Sean Fagan, Finance Director Steffanie Rogers, City Administrator Keith Riesberg, and City Counselor Todd Smith.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Kevin Greven called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 pm and asked Councilman Behrendt lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

At this time, Mayor Pro-Tempore invited Stevie Kearse, Executive Director and Abby Sugrue, Events Specialist with RACC to share details regarding Small Business Saturday (November 29<sup>th</sup>) and the Christmas Parade (Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am)

Jeff Sanquist with the Rolla Area Sister Cities Association shared the details regarding the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Christkindl Markt and Lichernacht with a “Gingerbread Wonderland on Route 66” theme.

**I. PUBLIC HEARINGS -**

A. **Public Hearing** for Ozark Actor's Theater (OATS) blight and declaration of historical structure. To be continued to a date certain of December 1<sup>st</sup>. (Community Development Director Dawn Bell)  
At 6:45pm a motion was made by Hahn, seconded by Jackson to open the Public Hearing. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. A motion was then made by Chirban, seconded by McNeven, to continue the public hearing to December 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**II. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS and SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS -**

A. Rodney Bourne, RMU GM: RMU 4th Quarter Presentation.  
Rodney Bourne shared 4th Quarter financial reports. Total operating expenses were \$38,744,264, a \$5,848,341 increase from 4th Quarter in 2024. Total Net Loss was \$1,501,568, due to increased cost of purchased power and expenses relating to the tornado.

**III. OLD BUSINESS – None**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS – None**

**V. CLAIMS and/or FISCAL TRANSACTIONS –**

A. **Motion** to award bid for 5 RPD Vehicles to Don Brown Chevrolet (state bid). (Police Chief Fagan)  
A motion was made by Jackson, seconded by Shelby, to award the state bid for \$279,730 (\$55,946 per vehicle) to Don Brown Chevrolet in St. Louis. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- B. **Motion** to award bid to Smith & Wessen for the replacement of RPD guns and holsters A motion was made by Jackson, seconded by Chirban, to approve the purchase of 45 - Smith & Wesson pistols and accessories for \$51,793.50. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- C. **Motion** to award bid and **Ordinance** to Donald Maggi, Inc for Little Oaks Road Improvements. (PW Director Darin Pryor) A motion was made by Jackson, seconded by Hahn to award the bid to Donald Maggi. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. City Counselor Todd Smith read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI AND DONALD MAGGI, INC.

## VI. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- A. Larry Tate of 1829 Sandstone Drive thanked Council for their help with the renaming of Sandstone Drive and shared his positive interactions with a number of city staff.
- B. Lister Florence shared that the Optimist Tree Lot would be open for business on the Friday after Thanksgiving.
- C. David Duke shared his feelings regarding Torch gambling machines, Opioid like drugs being sold in gas stations, and state statute requirements for candidates filing.

## VII. MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. Discussion regarding Administrative Search Warrants. City Administrator Keith Riesberg briefed Council on Administrative Search Warrants as discussed by previous Council. Council discussed with City Counselor Todd Smith different aspects for clarification on the previously failed ordinance. Council asked City Administrator Riesberg to work with the City Counselor Smith to bring back a clean-up version of the ordinance for first reading at a future meeting.
- B. Motion to appoint Lance Thurman to the Board of Adjustment to fill the unexpired term of Matt Miller (exp March 2028) A motion was made by Jackson, seconded by Balch to approve the appointment. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- C. Mayor Pro-Tempore Kevin Greven, acknowledged that Small Business Saturday would be on Saturday, November 29th: Official Proclamation to be presented at the ribbon cutting on November 24<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Hahn requested a rolling list of Council approved projects to be submitted with the monthly reports.
- E. Greven shared that Missouri S&T was now a Purple Heart University.

## VIII. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- A. Next City Council meeting, Monday, December 1st.
- B. Opening day of Candidate Filing: Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 8:00 am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the City Hall. City Clerk Powell shared that candidates would need a current government issued picture ID.

**IX. CLOSED SESSION** – Closed Session per RSMo 610.021 – (2) Leasing of Real Estate and (12) Negotiated contract

At 8:02 pm a motion was made by Jackson, seconded by Hahn, to go into closed session. A roll call vote showed: Ayes: Greven, McNeven, Behrendt, Balch, Hahn, Jackson, Shelby, Dickens, and Chirban. Nays: none.

**NOTE:** Closed session took place in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room of the Rolla City Hall to utilize teleconferencing.

At 9:21 pm, Council returned from closed session where there were no reportable actions taken.

**X. ADJOURNMENT -**

With nothing further to discuss the meeting was adjourned.