

1. GENERAL AGENDA

Mayor Dean Katerndahl opened the work session at 6:34 p.m. on June 20, 2023, at City Hall, 8880 Clark Avenue, Parkville, Missouri. In attendance were aldermen Tina Welch, Philip Wassmer, Brian T. Whitley, Stephen Melton, Michael Lee and Allyson R. Berberich.

The following staff was also present:

Alexa Barton, City Administrator

Jeffery Rhodes, Assistant City Administrator

Kevin Chrisman, Police Chief

Dan Harper, Public Works Director

Stephen Lachky, Community Development Director

Brittanie Propes, Parks & Recreation Director

Chris Ashley, Parks & Recreation Project Manager

John Mautino, City Attorney

A. Ballot questions to impose a local use tax on out-of-state sales and a local sales tax for adult use marijuana

City Administrator Alexa Barton stated that in order to meet the deadline for the November 7 election, the City had to submit ballot questions by August 1. She provided an overview of the two proposed ballot questions; one was to impose a use tax and the second was to impose a sales tax for adult use marijuana.

Barton said that the ballot question for the use tax was updated to include specific projects and to set 75 percent of the revenue for infrastructure and capital projects and 25 percent to maintain transportation corridors, including multi-use trails and recreational trails. Barton said the new trail at Creekside along Brush Creek was being built by Platte County, but she was concerned about sustained funding because the City would be responsible for maintaining the trail after it was completed. Park and Recreation Director Brittanie Propes said the City had 15.25 miles of trails, which would increase to 18.35 miles once the Brush Creek trail was completed.

Barton recommended using the revenue to fund stormwater projects.

Discussion focused on transportation corridors that included trails, making the use tax ballot language clear that revenue would be used for matching grant dollars for transportation projects; providing complete accounts of revenues and expenditures; concerns that matching grant funds would limit use of the use tax revenue if there were not any grants available for a project; adding construction of trails with trail maintenance; adding roads which would reduce the funds for trails; other percentage options to split the use tax revenue (80 percent for transportation corridor/roads and 20 percent for trails and pedestrian corridors); and postponing the marijuana sales tax to the April 2024 election.

2. ADJOURN

The work session ended at 7:00 p.m.

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The work session minutes for June 20, 2023, having been read and considered by the Board of Aldermen, and having been found to be correct as written, were approved on this the eighteenth day of July 2023.

Submitted by:

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