

# CITY OF FRONTENAC



## MINUTES OF THE CITY OF FRONTENAC BOARD OF ALDERPERSON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

The August 21, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Alderpersons of the City of Frontenac was called to order at 4:30 p.m. with Kate Hatfield, presiding and the meeting was held via Zoom. The Alderpersons present were Pat Kilker, Meg Mannion, Scott Mullis, Tom O'Brien, and Dan Millman. Jamie Griesedieck was absent.

Also, in attendance was City Administrator, Scott Schaefer; City Clerk, Leesa Ross; and City Attorney, Kevin O'Keefe.

### A. ROLL CALL

The Pledge of Allegiance was stated.

### B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution No. 2023-540**: A resolution authorizing an agreement with World Wide Technology for information technology consulting services.

Mr. Schaefer stated Mr. O'Keefe reviewed the document. He has no issues with the document that was submitted, and this includes statutory requirements. Mr. Schaefer stated in section two questions arose, about the customer responsibilities on page 9. Mayor Hatfield asked is Acumen prepared to do, high level design, architecture, and physical pathology. Mr. Schaefer stated, yes, they are comfortable with the arrangement agreement. Alderperson Mullis stated he is concerned with limits on business days, etc. Mayor Hatfield stated Acumen should look at the contract. Mr. Schaefer stated they are okay with the contract and will work with what we have, and they will cooperate.

Alderperson Millman questioned has the Ways & Means Committee seen this, as it is a six-figure budget expense. He said he is not questioning the need, he is questioning the urgency. He asked why we should approve this now and not wait until the next meeting. Mayor Hatfield stated at the joint meeting in May with the Ways & Means Committee and Board of Alderpersons, \$150,000 was set aside for IT needs, as a place holder for IT expenses.

Mr. Schaefer questioned when we became a member of Omnia partners. He said he has looked into it and we are a member.

Mayor Hatfield asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-540.

**MOTION:** Alderperson O’Brien made a motion and Alderperson Mannion made a second to the motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-540.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Alderperson Mannion, “Aye”; Alderperson Mullis, “Aye”; Alderperson O’Brien, “Aye”; Alderperson Millman, “Aye”; and Alderperson Kilker, “Aye”. All alderpersons presented voted “Aye”. The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

2. Discussion of appropriating funds for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Plaza Frontenac Celebration.

Mayor Hatfield stated they have been meeting with a group for Plaza Frontenac’s 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Missouri History Museum will do photos for the history of fashion and will prepare a second moving video. They will work on a possibility to get some textiles to display at Plaza Frontenac. The clothes are not available, but they may be able to provide some hats, shoes, accessories for the display. To do the video, the cost is \$500-\$1000.

Mayor Hatfield stated beginning September 9, there will be a standing motion display at Plaza Frontenac which will begin at Saks Fifth Avenue and then move somewhere between Gucci and Neiman Marcus. She said she hopes to work with the mall and would like to have the fall festival at Plaza Frontenac in 2024, to coincide with Neiman’s 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Alderperson Millman, feels it is a marketing investment. Alderperson Mannion said it is hard to believe Brookfield has no money in their marketing budget, as they have paid advertisers in the shopping center, i.e., the vehicles shown. However she said it is good to support the Plaza and increase foot traffic. Alderperson Kilker said we should support the mall and asked what the total investment will be. Mayor Hatfield said they were thinking \$10,000. They are looking at ways to increase foot traffic and change the dynamics. There was discussion about involving other businesses, in particular the outparcels.

**MOTION:** Alderperson O’Brien made a motion and Alderperson Mannion made a second to the motion to approve authorize the City Administrator to spend up to \$1,000 for the work done by the Missouri History Museum to work to promote the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Plaza Frontenac. All alderpersons presented voted “Aye”. The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Mayor Hatfield stated the city has been meeting with SM Wilson to do an analysis assessment for the building repair needs for the future. Th estimate for the analysis will be approximately \$10,000.

**C. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.