

Minutes of the Belton City Council
Electronic Meeting
<https://www.belton.org/watch>
January 26, 2021

Mayor Davis called the electronic public hearing to order at 6:01 p.m.

The City of Belton held a Public Hearing in accordance with RSMo Section 99.865 to determine if the following tax increment financing plans and the redevelopment projects associated with such plans are making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedules contained within the approved plans for completion of the projects.

- Belton Town Centre TIF
- Y Highway Market Place TIF
- Southtowne Plaza TIF, Projects 1, 2, 3
- Y Belton Plaza TIF, Projects 1, 2, 2A, 3
- Cedar Tree TIF

Carolyn Yatsook, Economic Development Director, presented the annual report for each TIF. There was no one in the audience to speak. Being no further business, Mayor Davis adjourned the public hearing and called the work session electronic meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

Sheila Ernzen, Finance Director and Assistant City Manager, gave an overview of the General Fund, Public Safety Sales Tax Fund, General Capital Fund, Capital Project Funds, and TIF Fund in the proposed FY2022 budget.

Being no further business, Mayor Davis adjourned the work session at 7:32 p.m. and called the regular electronic meeting to order.

Mayor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilmembers present via videoconference: Mayor Davis, Tim Savage, Gary Lathrop, Chet Trutzel, Dave Clark, Ryan Finn, Stephanie Davidson, and Lorrie Peek

Councilmember absent: Dean VanWinkle

Staff present via videoconference: Alexa Barton, City Manager; Padraic Corcoran, Attorney; and Andrea Cunningham, City Clerk

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Trutzel moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of a motion:

- **approving the minutes of the January 12, 2021, City Council Meeting.**

Councilmember Clark seconded. All present voted in favor. Consent agenda approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

Andrea Cunningham, City Clerk, gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-02: **An ordinance determining and declaring the necessity of acquiring for public use temporary construction easements and permanent easements for drainage and sanitary sewer improvements for the construction and maintenance of certain improvements to the City's Stormwater Management and Sanitary Sewer System generally located near Hargis Lake in the City of Belton, Missouri; authorizing the City and its designees to negotiate for the purpose of acquiring the easements and property acquisition by contract or condemnation; and authorizing the City Attorney and his designees to institute condemnation proceedings if such interests in land that cannot be acquired by purchase through good faith negotiations.** Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Trutzel. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Davidson, Finn, Clark, Mayor Davis, Savage, Lathrop, Trutzel

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 VanWinkle

Bill No. 2021-02 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4606**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2021-03: **An ordinance approving the Final Plat for The Encore; a tract of land in the Southwest quarter of Section 12, Township 46, Range 33, in the City of Belton, Cass County, Missouri and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Plat for recording with the Cass County recorder's office.**

Presented by Councilmember Lathrop, seconded by Councilmember Finn. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2021-04: **An ordinance approving a Tips Hotline contract with the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission.**

Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Peek. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed. **Councilmember Clark moved to hear the final reading.** Councilmember Finn seconded. Vote to hear the final reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Motion passed. The final reading was read. Presented by Councilmember Lathrop, seconded by Councilmember Clark. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Davidson, Finn, Clark, Mayor Davis, Savage, Lathrop, Trutzel

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 VanWinkle

Bill No. 2021-04 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4607**, subject to Mayoral veto.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilmember Davidson gave a Park report.

- The Park Department is hiring
- There are online signups for leagues

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor said he received an invitation to meet the new President of Calvary University.

Alexa Barton, City Manager, said she spoke with the Cass County Health Department this week. Their advice was to keep the City buildings "open by appointment only" until March 1. At that time, it will be re-evaluated month-by-month.

James Person, Police Chief, said the Covid numbers have gone down, but they continue to be high. There is increase absence at the Belton schools due to Covid.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

February/March 2021 City Council Meetings – 6:00 p.m.

February 9, 2021

February 23, 2021

March 9, 2021

March 23, 2021

MOTIONS

Councilmember Clark moved that the redevelopment project described in the Belton Town Centre TIF Plan and submitted to the Belton City Council at the public hearing held on January 26, 2021, is making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedule contained within the approved plans for completion of such project. Councilmember Savage seconded. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Councilmember Clark moved that the redevelopment project described in the Y Highway Market Place TIF Plan and submitted to the Belton City Council at the public hearing held on January 26, 2021, is not making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedule contained within the approved plans for completion of such project. Councilmember Savage seconded. All present voted in favor except Councilmembers Peek, Finn, Trutzel, Lathrop, and Mayor Davis. Motion failed.

Councilmember Trutzel moved that the redevelopment project described in the Y Highway Market Place TIF Plan and submitted to the Belton City Council at the public hearing held on January 26, 2021, is making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedule contained within the approved plans for completion of such project. Councilmember Finn seconded. All present voted in favor except Councilmembers Davidson, Clark, and Savage. Motion carried.

Councilmember Finn asked for all the motions to be read in the affirmative.

Councilmember Trutzel moved that the redevelopment project described in the Southtowne Plaza TIF Plan and submitted to the Belton City Council at the public hearing held on January 26, 2021, is making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedule contained within the

approved plans for completion of such project. Councilmember Lathrop seconded. All present voted in favor except Councilmember Davidson. Motion carried.

Councilmember Clark moved that the redevelopment project described in the Y Belton Plaza TIF Plan and submitted to the Belton City Council at the public hearing held on January 26, 2021, is making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedule contained within the approved plans for completion of such project. Councilmember Trutzel seconded. All present voted in favor except Councilmembers Davidson and Clark. Motion carried.

Councilmember Trutzel moved that the redevelopment project described in the Cedar Tree TIF Plan and submitted to the Belton City Council at the public hearing held on January 26, 2021, is making satisfactory progress under the proposed time schedule contained within the approved plans for completion of such project. Councilmember Clark seconded. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

At 8:10 p.m. Councilmember Finn moved to enter Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the leasing, purchase or sale of Real Estate, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.2; to discuss matters pertaining to the hiring, firing, disciplining or promotion of personnel, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.3; to discuss matters pertaining to preparation, including any discussion or work product, on behalf of a public governmental body or its representatives for negotiations with employee groups according to Missouri Statute 610.021.9; and to discuss matters pertaining to negotiated contracts, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.12, and that the record be closed, and the meeting adjourned from there. Councilmember Clark seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Davidson, Finn, Clark, Mayor Davis, Savage, Lathrop, Trutzel

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 VanWinkle

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned following the executive session.

Andrea Cunningham, City Clerk

Mayor Jeff Davis