

CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2024

The Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri duly met on November 4, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in the Council Chambers with Mayor Andrew L. Dawson presiding. Mayor Dawson called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of legislative prayer led by Chaplain Byron Matson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Jack Robinson	Present	Bob Hiller	Present
Thomas Oldham	Absent	Bob Cross	Present
Chris Marshall	Absent	Rhiannon Foster	Present
Tina Boggess	Present	Steve Bloess	Present

SERVICE AWARDS:

10 Year Pin/Certificate	Jeremy Pepin	Lieutenant	Fire
10 Year Pin/Certificate	Kelvin Shaw	City Administrator	Administration
5 Year Pin/Certificate	Geoffrey Hammond	Equip Operator II	Street
5 Year Pin/Certificate	Kevin Tylar	Commander	Police

Fire Chief Matt Irwin stated that Jeremy Pepin is a highly motivated and dedicated employee who genuinely wants to see the City and Fire Department succeed. He is constantly sharing ideas for improvements, has completed all Fire Certifications offered by the State, achieved promotion to Lieutenant and is Instructor for the Fire I and II programs.

SPECIAL AWARDS:

Police Chief David Woolery presented Sergeant Neva Overstreet with a Life Save award. On October 1, Sergeant Overstreet was working as an instructor at the Central Missouri Police Academy in Warrensburg, Missouri. Kaylee Sanders, a fellow officer had a critical emergency. During the training exercise, Ms. Sanders stated that she went into V-Tac and Cardiac Arrest. Sergeant Overstreet assisted with administering CPR during the event.

RETIREMENT AWARDS: None

MINUTES: The Council Meeting minutes of October 21, 2024 were approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES: None

ROLL CALL OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

PUBLIC SAFETY – Chairman Jack Robinson, Vice Chairman Steve Bloess

<u>Presentation – Pettis County Joint Communications Budget</u>

Pettis County Joint Communications Director Dannelle Lauder gave an update on Joint Communications. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a certification and training opportunity for all Emergency Communications Centers and law enforcement agencies and Pettis County Joint Communications became one of six emergency and Joint Communications Centers to receive certification. Another achievement was related to ISO Ratings. There are two specific categories related to Joint Communications: Emergency Reporting and Telecommunications. This is the first time ISO has been rated since Joint Communications was formed and the first time that all fire departments in the County received a minimum of 1-3-point increase in the area of communications. Joint Communications received 90% for Emergency reporting and 90.44% for Telecommunicators training and expectations.

The department is responsible for 911 services, administrative calls and Officer initiated action. Currently, they are on track to end 2024 with 911 calls slightly higher than the previous year and there is no anticipation of an increase in administrative calls. Joint Communications was successful in installing a phone tree to assist in routing automated calls. Officer Initiated actions will trend up toward the end of the year and be on par with 2023. 911 centers are most scrutinized on answer times and expectations are 90% of the calls answered in less than 5 seconds. Their average time is 4.1 seconds and maintain it 98.32% of the time. Administrative calls have a 10-second expectation at 80% and their team averages 4.6 seconds and are exceeding at a rate of 96.26%.

Since forming Joint Communications in 2021, they have experienced a decrease in the time it takes to dispatch medical emergencies. Joint Communications started with an average response time of 52 seconds, reduced to 44 seconds in 2023 and to date for 2024 is 39 seconds from the point an address is verified.

The proposed Budget for 2025 compared with 2024 reflects a decrease in overall expenditures and Wage and Benefits line items due to expansion positions that were not filled; an increase in new equipment purchase related to end of life for current server; several battery backup systems are nearing end of life; significant decrease in telephone line item; replaced copper POTS analog phone lines with wireless backup this year saving \$10,000.00; expenditures decreased overall by \$75,232.00.

Director Lauder presented the following budget for 2025:

Revenues 2	2025	Expenditu	res 2025
Any Device	\$425,000.00	Salary	\$742,227.89
State Wide Prepaid tax	\$25,000.00	Benefits	\$305,668.41
Pettis County	\$335,268.81	Suppliers and Equip.	\$459,110.14
City of Sedalia	\$435,268.81	Expenditure Total	\$1,507,006.44
Pettis Co Ambulance Dist	\$285,268.81		
Interest	\$1,000.00		
Misc.	\$200.00		
Revenue Totals	\$1,505,806.44		

Director Lauder stated that to balance revenue sources, an increase of \$135,268.81 per agency is required for Pettis County, City of Sedalia and Pettis County Ambulance. Across the State, 48% of counties participate in a 911 Sales tax; 20% are funded through a General Revenue or Law Enforcement Tax; 9% use Any Device fees; and 23% are using a wireline tax of up to 15%.

The National Emergency Member Association reported that 82% of Joint Communication offices are understaffed by up to 34%. Director Lauder reported that she is currently fully staffed with 3 operators in training. Their mental health approach for staff is multi-tiered and they have a system integrated into their call system which monitors the overall workload and stress of each call taker. Counseling sessions for staff during critical debriefings are available for telehealth services and providers come in once every 3 months and provide in person services. A recent study indicated that 31% of Active duty dispatchers could potentially suffer PTSD due to acute stress levels associated with increased call volume.

<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u> – Chairman Bob Hiller; Vice Chairwoman Tina Boggess

<u>Strategic Planning Presentation – Street/Sanitation/Mowing/Alley Maint</u>

Public Works Operations Director Justin Bray presented the Strategic plan for Street, Sanitation, Mowing, Alley Maintenance and the Materials Management Site.

Progress - 2025 Projects

Mill & Overlay Streets, Alleys & Parking Lots:	School Parking Lots:
- Grand- Main Street to 65 Hwy	- Washington School
- S. Kentucky Ave. – 16 th St. to 20 th St.	- Parkview School
- N. Engineer- Reine to Tower	- Skyline School
- S. Ingram Ave. – 16 th – South City limits	Parking Lots:
 Outer Road – West Broadway near Winchester 	- Pacific & North Ohio
 Eagleview – Limit to Pro Adams/Pro Energy 	- West Main & South Osage
- Warren -16 th to 20 th	- 7 th & South Ohio
- Park- 32 nd to south City limits	Chip & Seal – 0 Blocks planned FY2025
- Alleyways one block east and west of S. Ohio Ave- W.	Cisterns – as requested
Main street to W. 7 th St.	
Asphalt Repairs – various base failures	Salt used on Roadways:
Crack Seal – Winter and Early Spring	2018 – 516 tons
Culvert Pipe Replacement – as requested	2019 – 1,199 tons
Street Sweeping – As scheduled	2020 – 1,072 tons
Concrete-Demolition CDGB Projects & other small projects	2021 – 555 Tons
Tree Trimming	2022 – 1,072 tons
In house removals – 58 trees	2023 – 84 tons
Outsourced removals – 51 trees	2024 – 344 tons
In house trimming – 757 trees	
Outsourced trimming – 45 trees	

Safe Routes to School:

Sacred Heart - Added pedestrian crosswalk "blink light"; updated signage and painting.

Parkview – Installation of ADA approach to cross 16th and New York.

Updating all school zone signs and roadway marking in high vis paint as well as high vis bollard markings.

2026 Mill & Overlay Projects

- 1. Grand 20th to south City limits
- 2. Emmet Broadway to Tower
- 3. Adams/Pro Energy Cherry Tree to Eagleview
- 4. 16th Street South Limit South Barrett Ave.
- 5. 24th Ingram to New York
- 6. Sneed -Broadway to dead-end adjacent to church

- 7. S. Washington Ave. between E. Main St. and E. 3rd St.
- 8. E. 10th St. from S. Ingram Ave. to S. Washington Ave.

Alleys

- 1. Between Broadway and 9th Ingram to South Merriam
- 2. Between Broadway and 7th Montgomery to Merriam

The department has 4 dedicated haul trucks and 10 dump/plow trucks, however, 5 are down with various repair issues. Director Bray would like to achieve uniformity across the fleet by having the best trucks to suit needs going with a multi-use platform.

Sanitation

One Pick-up Weekly - 4 days/week, 10 hours per day (Tuesday through Friday)

- Residential Trash Tons 4,990 or Pounds collected 9,981,200
- Clean Sweep Sedalia Bulky pick-up 4 cu yards approx. 15-week schedule 561 Tons or 1,134,000
 Pounds collected
- Yard and Tree Debris Twice Monthly Pick-up 269 scheduled pickups
- "BEST" overlooked service is container rental for large volume of bulky items, garage/household cleanouts, estate cleanups as well as C&D by far the best value.
- Container Rental- Sizes vary from 2,4 and 6-yard dumpsters to 10 and 30-yard roll-off containers

FY 2025 Sanitation Strategic Goals:

Encourage Community Involvement: Increase awareness about option to rent container for waste disposal; Foster community volunteerism to help clean up and maintain neighborhood cleanliness, including keeping alleys litter-free.

Safety Initiatives for Sanitation Workers: Currently ranked as fifth most dangerous job; committed to continuing efforts to improve safety for employees and the public; Enhance training programs and implement system for rewarding excellent safety records.

Upgrading Equipment for Enhanced Safety: New equipment purchases now include advanced safety features such as backup cameras, sensors, and automatic braking systems; Vehicles are equipped with LED lighting to increase visibility for employees and the public; Existing equipment being upgraded to LED lighting; develop plan to replace 2009 Grapple Truck.

Current sanitation rates don't allow for equipment replacements, Sanitation Enterprise Fund to repay the general fund for purchased equipment, and rates are much lower than comparable cities and private trash service companies. The main challenge for recycling is landfill costs.

Solutions

Volume based trash service: Provide different sized carts based on use and needs; 35, 65, and 95-gallon carts; Fair system that allows customer options to pay for actual use; Provides motivation for customers to recycle and reduce amount of trash.

Recycling: In conjunction with volume-based trash service; Customers will be encouraged to use drop off site(s) to recycle eligible materials; reduce amount of trash produced which reduces everyone's cost.

Mowing and Alley Maintenance

Mowing and Alley Maintenance mows public places, right-of-ways, easements, City lots and Code Enforcement lots. They also help with abatement mowing on private property, waste clean-ups, assist with demolitions and fill in for Sanitation or at the Materials Management Site when needed.

Director Bray stated that they have retained millings from asphalt projects this year and they are "stored" at the Materials Management Site; Alleys will be graded and millings will be used as surface material; Millings adhere via compaction and do not rut out as badly as gravel; and they nearly form a hard surface.

Director Bray stated he would like to add <u>1-Equipment Operator I</u> for container rentals, pickup on demands as well as a swing man for sanitation route driver vacancies; and <u>2-Laborers</u> to have (2) 3-man mow crews as well as to fill in on sanitation shortage.

Materials Management Site

Goals: Provide reliable recycling opportunities for City Residents via brush, leaves, grass, glass, metals, electronics and Hazadous Household Waste; Attract and Build/Retain Skilled Workforce that meets demands of growing community; Offer affordable recycled products for gardening and landscaping; Allow for card payment at the facility; and add scale to have more accurate measurements for payment.

Current Products	New FY 2026 Products
Bio Blend Compost	Colored Mulch
Screened mulch	Manned soil
Overs (wood chip 4" & up)	Natural Blend Compost
Wood Chips (3"-under)	Delivery of all products
Asphalt Millings	

<u>FY 2026 Requests</u>: Replace 2008 930H wheel loader; Drive on scale and scale house; Additional concrete walls for zones; Brush grinder; and Camera/security system.

The airport has land surrounding the runways as a buffer area in order to limit exposure to safety hazards. To put this land to good use, the City has worked with a local farming operation to lease the ground to produce crops and hay. The current lease is due to expire, and staff has negotiated a new lease with Helmig Farms. This lease term is for five years with an option for clearing an additional nine and a half acres, and will increase the term an additional two years. The rental rate is \$50,000 per year.

BILL NO. 2024-198, ORDINANCE NO. 12154 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE LEASING OF FARMLAND ADJACENT TO THE SEDALIA REGIONAL AIRPORT was read once by title. 2nd Reading – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent. Final Passage – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Bloess. All in Present Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

Improving the intersection of 65 Highway, State Route B and 32nd Street has been a high priority for the City for several years. We were finally able to get the attention of the Regional Planning Commission a couple years ago to elevate the priority rating. With these priority ratings, Representative Pollitt, with the support and assistance of Senator Crawford, was able to carry an initiative through the state budget to allocate \$4.7 Million for this project. Staff worked with Missouri Department of Transportation to coordinate the approach to making these improvements and they have proposed an agreement to allow the City to manage the project, with their oversight and approvals.

BILL NO. 2024-199, ORDINANCE NO. 12155 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND ROAD IMPROVMENTS AGREEMENT was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent. Final Passage – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

The airport utilizes an on-call engineer to assist with planning and project management for capital improvements. When we are able to secure funding to move projects forward, we enter into an agreement for specific projects. Derrick Dodson, Airport Director, has been successful in securing grants to move forward with the rehabilitation of the taxiway and the north section of the runway. Staff recommends approval of the agreement with H.W. Lochner for the design.

BILL NO. 2024-200, ORDINANCE NO. 12156 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AVIATION PROJECT CONSULTANT AGREEMENT was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent. Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

➤ In 2022, the solar arrays at the water filtration plant suffered flood damage. The City's insurance covered the estimate of the cost to repair the equipment to its original state in the amount of \$90,000. Staff recommends that as these units are replaced, they also raise the elevation to prevent the reoccurrence of flood damages. During the budgeting process, \$122,780.00 was appropriated for this item. The sole bid from MC Power for these repairs and improvements came in at \$139,462.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2114 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI, STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CITY'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 was read once by title and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent.

BILL NO. 2024-201, ORDINANCE NO. 12157 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 REGARDING WATER SOLAR ARRAY REPAIRS was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Hiller. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent. Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Hiller. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

BILL NO. 2024-202, ORDINANCE NO. 12158 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A QUOTE FOR REPAIR AND ELEVATION OF SOLAR ARRAY AT THE WATER FILTRATION PLANT was read once by title. 2nd Reading – Motion by Bloess, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent. Final Passage – Motion by Bloess, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

In February of this year, Missouri Department of Transportation bridge inspectors discovered significant issues with the Washington Street Bridge. Due to the severity of the findings, the City immediately closed the bridge to all traffic to ensure public safety. As reported in July, the City has partnered with HDR, Inc. to develop a comprehensive plan for repairs. As part of Phase I of their recommendations, the bridge was reopened to allow northbound traffic only for a period, with the goal remaining to restore two-way traffic. As part of the next phase to reopen the bridge to two-way traffic, City crews are addressing corrosion by removing paint and rust from the bridge's substructure. While this preliminary work is underway, HDR, Inc. is finalizing detailed plans and specifications for necessary repairs. To expedite the repair, we have assigned a

City crew to begin working on the project; they will need materials, tools, fencing, and other essential supplies to complete the project. Additionally, we must account for the costs of engineering and the final permanent repairs when planning the budget. Current estimates place the repair expenses at a minimum of \$375,000, with engineering costs projected at \$75,000, bringing the total to \$450,000. Since these repairs were not included in the current budget appropriations, a budget amendment is required.

RESOLUTION NO. 2115 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI, STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CITY'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 was read once by title and approved on motion by Cross, seconded by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent.

BILL NO. 2024-203, ORDINANCE NO. 12159 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 REGARDING WASHINGTON STREET BRIDGE REPAIR was read once by title.

2nd Reading — Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent. Final Passage — Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - Chairwoman Tina Boggess; Vice Chairman Thomas Oldham

In accordance with state statutes, each year Council must, by ordinance, call for a general election to be held for the expiring terms of city elected officials.

BILL NO. 2024-204, ORDINANCE NO. 12160 – AN ORDINANCE CALLING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 8, 2025 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING ONE COUNCILMAN FROM EACH OF THE FOUR WARDS IN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Bloess, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent. Final Passage – Motion by Bloess, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No". Oldham and Marshall were absent.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Chairwoman Rhiannon M. Foster; Vice Chairman Bob Cross

The City's economic development efforts and successes are largely dependent on work force development, which in turn is dependent upon the Sedalia #200 School District and State Fair Community College. Last year, Council adopted a resolution to waive permit fees for the expansion at SFCC that was centered primarily on their programs developing skills that support area businesses. These programs overlap with Smith Cotton High School classes to build skill sets essential to maintaining the work force necessary to keep the community thriving. Further, a good share of current construction is developing assets that the whole community will benefit from and expanding upon opportunities for sports tourism. Dr. Fraley, Superintendent, requested assistance for reductions in the amount of permit fees for construction projects.

RESOLUTION NO. 2116 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI, TO REBATE PERMIT FEES FOR PROPOSED SEDALIA #200 SCHOOL DISTRICT PROJECTS AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNER IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND SPORTS TOURISM was read once by title and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent.

APPOINTMENTS: None

BIDS:

- Leasing of Airport Farm Land May 30, 2024
- Repair & Raise Electrical Inverters on Solar Array October 17, 2024

<u>LIQUOR LICENSES:</u> The following renewal Liquor License was read and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Oldham and Marshall were Absent.

*Paige Shearer dba The Local Tap, 700 South Ohio, Liquor by the Drink

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATOR:

Chairwoman Foster expressed apprecication for all who assisted with Halloween at the Hall. It was well attended and everyone enjoyed participation by the Police and Fire Departments.

City Administrator Kelvin Shaw stated that the downtown event did bring lots of people downtown on Halloween. The Holiday Season is coming and there will be a lot going on. City Administrator Shaw reminded everyone to shop local and Small Business Saturday will be November 30, 2024. He also encouraged everyone to vote.

GOOD & WELFARE:

Albert Reine, 1022 West 7th, addressed Councilman Bloess and inquired that if Pettis County could pull 3 permits to work on the former Sedalia Democrat Building, Veterans should be allowed to pull permits free of charge on their own homes. Mr. Reine directed comments to City Administrator Shaw and encouraged him to take a different job with the City and finish out his retirement.

Michael Cook, La Monte, stated he is a former Sedalia resident who sold his home and his business and left with no plans to return. He has since heard that people unknown to him are talking about him. He is attending this evening to forgive and read scripture.

Gary LoBaugh, 821 South Arlington, inquired if the \$450,000.00 for the Washington Street Bridge repairs is in addition to any Union Pacific funding. He also requested the City make available a paper copy of reports and presentations when given.

Rene Vance, 19813 Tanglenook, announced that the quarterly Senior Center Fundraising Turkey dinner is Sunday, November 10 for \$15 and serving 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ms. Vance also asked anyone with spare time to consider volunteering to deliver meals.

Councilman Bloess announced that Ann Kyle at Christ Trinity Church is doing a fundraiser called "The Empty Bowl" to feed people.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. on motion by Foster, seconded by Cross. All Present in favor. Oldham and Marshall were absent.

THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI

Andrew L. Dawson, Mayor

Jason S. Myers, City Clerk

BID TABULATION

Leasing of Airport Farm Land May 30, 2024 2:00 p.m. Council Chambers

Lynn and Amy Staus: 2673 South Marshall Ave, Sedalia, MO 65301

Per acre: \$232.00 Per year: \$49,880.00 Per 5 years: \$249,400.00

Derek Twenter: 24652 Arator Road, Smithton, MO 65350

Per acre: \$231.00 Per year: \$49,665.00 Per 5 years: \$248,325.00

Richard Helmig: 1496 Butterfield Stage Road, Otterville, MO 65348

Per year: \$50,000.00 Per 5 years: \$250,000.00 Note: \$2,000.00 over best bid

Bid Tabulation

Repair and Raise Electrical Inverters on Solar Array October 17,2024 2 p.m. Council Chambers

	MC Power Companies, Inc.
	510 NE State Route 291
	Lee's Summit, MO 64086
Description	Bid Amount
Repair and Raise Electrical Inverters on Solar Array	\$139,462.00
TOTAL	\$139,462.00
Bid Bond	Yes
E-Verify	Yes
NOTES:	Supplier Lead Times for large gear are 8-12wks but could exceed 12+ Wks for replacemnet interior. Lead time verified at time of material order.