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### **WORK SESSION MINUTES**

A work session of the Kirkwood City Council was held on June 18, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. Present were Mayor McDonnell, Council Members Biedenstein, Griffin, Jaksetic, Luetzow, Sears, and Ward. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes, City Clerk Betty Montañó, Public Information Officer Beth von Behren, and City Attorney John Hessel.

### **APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES**

Motion was made by Council Member Griffin and seconded by Council Member Sears to approve the meeting minutes of June 11, 2015. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **GREAT RACE**

Mayor McDonnell announced that the Great Race is this coming Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Cars will start to arrive by 8:00 a.m. and there will be a number of family-friendly activities. The Mayor asked the council to be there by 9:00 a.m. if they would like to be on the dais for opening introductions.

### **ST. PETER CHURCH/SCHOOL PRESENTATION**

Geoffrey Daniels, Lorry Bannes, and Kevin Stillman, with St. Peter Catholic Church, were in attendance to present and discuss a proposal for the St. Peter Parish property. Handouts were distributed that included; a site plan showing the existing layout of the campus, a site plan showing the proposed plan, and a memo outlining the current situation and what is being proposed. Some of the issues discussed are as follows:

- Council Members Jaksetic and Ward joined the meeting
- An overview was given of the proposed partial closure of Jefferson Avenue and how it would impact the City and the individual affected homeowners. Some of the proposed items are as detailed below:
  - Closure of a portion of Jefferson Avenue between Clay Avenue and the first residence west of the School on the north side of Jefferson Avenue in order to provide a safe and unified campus for St. Peter Parish. In so doing, the existing mid-block traffic signal would be removed.
  - Creation and development of a cul-de-sac to facilitate a partial use of Jefferson Avenue for the residences and those driveways located on the western section of Jefferson Avenue closest to Harrison Avenue.
  - Complete a land exchange in which St. Peter Parish would provide the City of Kirkwood with twenty foot setback (approximate) into the existing St. Peter property on the west side of Clay Avenue between Adams Avenue and Argonne Drive in exchange for the portion of Jefferson Avenue. The City could then use this property to create additional parking.
  - Relocation of existing utility services.
  - Retention of the existing building setback lines for future Parish development.
  - Liability License Agreement between the City and the Parish relative to the City's use of the Parish property for Business District parking.
- The proposed cul-de-sac would meet the requirements for fire and safety.
- Curb cuts would be eliminated along W. Jefferson Avenue and Adams.
- St. Peter Parish would retain the right to close the lot for Parish functions and special occasions.



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- The proposed plan currently does not have the approval of the Arch Diocese.
- A discussion took place.
- This item will be placed on a future work session agenda for further discussion.
- The City Council asked that staff in the Fire Department and Engineering Department review the proposal and provide information.

**MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING**

Motion was made by Council Member Luetzow and seconded by Council Member Sears to close the meeting pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.021 (1) Discussion with the City Attorney and (11) Contract Negotiations.

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Council Member Biedenstein	Absent
Council Member Griffin	“Yes”
Council Member Jaksetic	“Yes”
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Mayor McDonnell	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”
Council Member Ward	“Yes”

The meeting was closed. Council Member Biedenstein joined the meeting.

**MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING**

Motion was made by Council Member Jaksetic and seconded by Council Member Luetzow to open the meeting.

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Council Member Biedenstein	“Yes”
Council Member Griffin	“Yes”
Council Member Jaksetic	“Yes”
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Mayor McDonnell	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”
Council Member Ward	“Yes”

The meeting was opened.

There being no further issues to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned.

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Betty Montaño, MMC/MPCC  
City Clerk