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## **WORK SESSION MINUTES**

A work session of the Kirkwood City Council was held on May 12, 2016, at 7:00 a.m. Present were Mayor Griffin, Council Members Duwe, Edman, Luetzow, and Sears. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Georgia Ragland, City Clerk Betty Montañó and City Attorney John Hessel. Council Member Ward was absent and excused.

## **APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES**

Motion was made by Council Member Luetzow and seconded by Council Member Duwe to approve the meeting minutes of May 5, 2016. The minutes were unanimously approved.

## **MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION**

Mayor Griffin announced that the South Geyer Road Stop Sign issue will be placed on the May 19, 2016 Council Work Session Agenda for further discussion.

Mayor Griffin announced that by City Ordinance the Audit Committee requires a certain number of council members service on the committee. Mayor Griffin recommends Council Members Luetzow, Ward, as well as himself to be members of the Audit Committee. Meetings will begin in late May/early June.

## **LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL**

Steve Wightman, Account Executive with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co, and Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Georgia Ragland were in attendance to present and discuss the 2016-2017 Property/Casualty Insurance Renewal. Handouts of the Renewal Summary were passed out. Some of the issues discussed are as follows:

- Renewal Summary:
  - Lower Workers' Compensation Retention from \$1,375,000 to \$750,000
  - Increase Coverages and Keep Deductibles Low
  - Provide the City with a decrease in premium
- Council Member Sears joined the meeting
- Options:
  - #1: utilizes many of the current carriers, but with the parameters set forth during renewal discussions. This option allows the City to continue the relationship with the current carriers and allows for the lower retention on the workers' compensation.
  - #2: utilizes almost exclusively new carriers. This option would provide substantial cost savings.
- City staff recommends option #2. A discussion took place.

- It was the consensus of the council to go with option #2. Legislation will be drafted and placed on the next formal council agenda for council consideration.

**MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING**

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

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Council Member Duwe	“Yes”
Council Member Edman	“Yes”
Mayor Griffin	“Yes”
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”
Council Member Ward	Absent

The meeting was closed. Council Member Duwe excused herself from the meeting.

**MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING**

Motion was made by Council Member Sears and seconded by Council Member Edman to open the meeting.

Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Council Member Duwe	Absent
Council Member Edman	“Yes”
Mayor Griffin	“Yes”
Council Member Luetzow	“Yes”
Council Member Sears	“Yes”
Council Member Ward	Absent

The meeting was opened and adjourned

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Betty Montañó, MMC/MPCC  
City Clerk