

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, February 26, 2026
City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road**

Mayor, Michelle Heiliger called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road, Wright City, Missouri. The meeting was available to attend via Zoom.

Roll Call

City Clerk Abbie Ogborn called the roll with Mayor Michelle Heiliger, Alderman Kim Arbuthnot, Alderman Karey Owens, Alderman Ramiz Hakim, and Alderman Don Andrews. City Staff present were City Clerk Abbie Ogborn, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chief Tom Canavan, Lieutenant Aaron Sutton, Building Inspector Lance Bauer, and Director of Public Works Kyle Roettger. Others present were John and Jeanette Woehrle, Bekah Baker, Kim Purl, Kathy Kehoe, William Carroll with the Warren County Record, Mike Thornton, Cheryl and Doc Doolittle, Rick and Sharon Wischmeyer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Andrews led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Andrews moved to amend the agenda to add the following Section to Closed Session: Subsection (2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor.

Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Andrews moved to approve the minutes from the February 12th, 2026, Board meeting.

Alderman Arbuthnot seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Financial Reports

None

Public Comments

None

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning

Proposed Amendment to The Woehrle General Store Conditional Use Permit – 107 East First Street North – Alderman Hakim moved to accept the recommendation as presented to amend the conditional use permit and add the use of Eating and Drinking Establishment.

Alderman Owens seconded the motion seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Applicant Bekah Baker asked if she could have live music (acoustic guitar) and a few chairs placed on the sidewalk during opening day. The Board was okay with it.

Gateway West Industrial Centre Lots 4 and 5 Boundary Adjustment Plat – Alderman Owens moved to approve the boundary adjustment plat as submitted. Alderman Andrews seconded the motion seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Retail Center Site Plan – 13480 Veterans Memorial Parkway – Alderman Owens moved to accept the recommendation and approve a 6-month extension on the site plan. Alderman Arbuthnot seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Gateway Truck and Refrigeration Site Plan Amendment – Alderman Hakim moved to accept the recommendation from Planning and Zoning and grant a variance under Section 410.105.A.6 to allow for the swale to not be paved provided that the owner agrees to maintain it as set forth on the note on the site plan. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Old Business

None

New Business

Stuerman Road Overlay Phase 2 Bids – Four (4) bids were received. Director of Public Works made a recommendation to award the bid to Mid River Asphalt. Alderman Hakim moved to

award the bid to Mid River Asphalt in the amount of \$88,296.12. Alderman Arbuthnot seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

2026 Pavement Overlay Program Bids – Three (3) bids were received. Director of Public Works made a recommendation to award the bid to Mid River Asphalt. The work would be completed once school lets out this summer and begin at the bus garage. Reason being is that Wildcat Drive is concrete south of the bus garage to the North Service Road. Alderman Arbuthnot moved to award the bid to Mid River Asphalt in the amount of \$376,997.88.

Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Forest Lakes Sealcoating Bids – Two (2) bids were received. Director of Public Works made a recommendation to award the bid to E. Meier Contracting. Alderman Andrews moved to award the bid to E. Meier Contracting in the amount of \$43,697.68. Alderman Hakim seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Ruge Park Walking Trail Pavement Project Bids – Three (3) bids were received for the pavement of the walking trail only, not the two parking lots. The city had went out for bid to have estimates for grant applications. No further action was taken.

Second Street Overlay Bids – Three (3) bids were received. Director of Public Works made a recommendation to award the bid to Mid River Asphalt. Alderman Arbuthnot moved to award the bid to Mid River Asphalt in the amount of \$63,417.37. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Omnigo Software Agreement – The Police Department has presented a 3-year contract agreement with Omnigo, the current records retention system. In the past, it was renewed annually. A three year contract will save the department funds and is within the budget. Alderman Owens moved to accept the agreement as presented. Alderman Andrews seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Cybersecurity Insurance Quote – Alderman Hakim moved to accept the proposal from CFC in the amount of \$2,210.25. Come out of Insurance outline and dispersed evenly amount those it is protecting. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Auto and Liability Insurance Quote – Alderman Owens moved to accept the proposal from MOPERM in the amount of \$123,966. This rate is for 9-months to allow a renewal date of January 1, 2027. Alderman Hakim seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Resolution R04-26 – A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY AS SHARHOLDER OF THE WRIGHT CITY REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ELECTING DIRECTORS FOR 2026. Ms. Ogborn read the Resolution by title. Alderman Owens moved to approve as presented. Alderman Arbuthnot seconded it and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Reports

Parks – The department is preparing for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt and are seeking prize donations.

Public Works – The department is working to prepare the Forest Lakes streets for future seal coating.

Building Official – The property known as 70 Cooperative Way, the old More than Reality building has been purchased. Magruder has submitted a site plan for an asphalt plant. City staff Met with McBride who is looking to build an additional development connecting to the previously approved Timber Run Preliminary Plat.

Police – Officers Gibbs, Parkinson, and Lawton attended tactical medical training, Stop the Bleed. The organization is willing to hold a training for Warren County.

City Hall – Baseball and Softball Registrations have been extended through March 1st. A coaches meeting will be held on March 9th. Continuing to work on the website, administrating our current grants and submitting reimbursements related to the grants. A date will be set for the city wide yard sale and large item pick up.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Andrews moved to pay the bills in the amount of \$60,870.31. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Announcements

The food pantry shared an update on the number of families they continue to serve. Fish Fry's begin February 27th. The Warming Shelter did really well and do not plan to reactivate this season. The Wright City PTO will host a fundraiser on March 14th. Meet the Candidate night is March 31st. Celtic Sunday event is March 29th at Diekreoger Park. High School Blood Drive is April 10th. Big Rig Day and Dub C Explorers fundraiser will be on May 2nd. Mayor thanked those that attended the FFA Breakfast and who supported the Backstoppers event. Blue and Gold will be March 21st.

Final Questions

Mike Thornton, Emergency Management Director, stated that CodeRed is no longer available and the county will be switching to Everbridge, a new form of communication alerts.

Vote to Enter Closed Session

Alderman Andrews moved to enter closed session for matters relating to RSMo Section 610.021(1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys; (2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge; (3) RSMo; hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting employees, and (13) Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment. at 7:37 p.m. Alderman Owens seconded it and voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Vote to Exit Closed Session

Alderman Arbuthnot moved to exit closed session at 8:03 p.m. Alderman Andrews seconded it and voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Adjournment

Alderman Arbuthnot moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Alderman Owens seconded it and voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Attested: _____