

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2023

In Attendance:

Committee: Chairman Rob Rice, Councilman Bill Farnham

City Staff: Michele Brown, Tracey York, Miriam Jones, Doug Potts

Guests: Councilman Ed Conley, Mayor Pro Tem Sean Wilson

Media: Darrell Maurina

1. **Call to Order and Citizen Comments**– Chairman Rice called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. No citizen comments.
2. **Approval of minutes**- Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 7, 2023. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Chairman Rice amended agenda to include a closed session at the end of agenda for item #9- Hard Luck Auto per RSMo 610.021- (2) Real Estate.

3. **Proposed Committee Week Schedule/Boards & Commission Week Schedule**- Proposed new schedule for meetings reviewed. Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve new schedule. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion passes.
4. **Proposed Committee Assignments**- Proposed Committee assignments were reviewed. Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve new assignments. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion passes.
5. **Business Spotlight**- March Business Spotlight is Just Because.
6. **Dollar General Update**- Doug Potts stated right now in the process of reviewing site plan for Dollar General. Still in discussion.
7. **Small Business Enhancement Program**- Received application from Haute Dawgs. Requested funding amount \$15,000. Doug Potts stated that the grant program only has \$30,000 in funding so if give the full amount requested then would only be able to give funding to one more business. In order to provide funding to other businesses that may apply Doug Potts recommended granting \$10,000 to Haute Dawgs. Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve Haute Dawgs to receive \$10,000. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion Passes.
8. **Digital signage for City- Sign Smart**- Doug Potts would like to get a digital sign for the City of Waynesville which would provide advertisement opportunities and a way to communicate with the community. Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve purchasing digital sign. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion passes.
9. **Hard Luck Auto- Mechanic & Auto Body Donations**- Moved to closed session per RSMo 610.021 (2) Real Estate
10. **Special Events**-
 - i. 100th Anniversary Roubidoux Bridge- April 1, 2023
 - ii. Kids to Park Day- June 3, 2023
11. **Other Business**- Don't forget to vote. April 4th is Election Day.

There was a need for a closed session. Councilman Farnham made a motion to enter into closed session. Chairman Rice seconded that motion. Committee entered closed session at 5:33 p.m. Councilman Farnham made a motion to return to open session. Chairman Rice seconded that motion. Committee returned to open session at 5:52 p.m.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting TBD.