

CITY COUNCIL
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

September 4, 2025

The Palmyra City Council met on the above date in the Palmyra Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Brock Fahy presiding. Council Member Clay Thornburg opened the meeting with an Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the following council members answered roll call: Earl Meyers, Rex Thomas, Brock Fahy, Zach Jones, Steve Bland, and Clay Thornburg. Mayor Alan R. Adrian was absent. Also in attendance were Austen Dornberger, Mike Baker, Brent Abell, Kyle Brennemann, Kevin Hillman (Navigate Building Solutions), Alexia Gonzalez (MECO), William and Savannah Koch, and James Lemon.

A motion was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Jones to approve the agenda as presented. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Meyers and seconded by Council Member Thornburg to approve the consent agenda. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- a. Approval of Minutes – August 21st
- b. Bills for Approval
- c. Klingner & Associates – Invoice #87354 {CDBG-N Dickerson/Golf Course}
- d. Klingner & Associates – Invoice #873752 {MoDOT TAP Grant Easements}
- e. Klingner & Associates – Invoice #87356 {DNR-Sewer System Improvements}

Kevin Hillman with Navigate Building Solutions addressed the council with information on the company and ways the company can assist in City with projects. The company provides services that extend from engineering through construction oversight. After answering questions, Mr. Hillman exited the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

The items on unfinished business were briefly discussed and updates provided.

City Attorney James Lemon provided the second reading of Bill #1659 entitled “AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION 355.110 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA, PROHIBITING THE PLACEMENT OF A SHIPPING OR STORAGE CONTAINER OR “POD” ON THE STREETS OR ALLEYS OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA.” A motion was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Jones to adopt and approve Bill #1659 into ordinance. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried. Bill #1659 became Ordinance #1294-25-11.

City Attorney James Lemon provided the second reading of Bill #1660 entitled “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF TITLE IV, ZONING CODE, CHAPTER 400, ZONING REGULATIONS AND FURTHER CREATING CHAPTER 413, REGULATIONS FOR ZERO LOT LINE ZONED SUBDIVISION.” A motion was made by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Bland to adopt and approve Bill #1660 into ordinance. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried. Bill #1660 became Ordinance #1295-25-12.

A motion was made by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Thornburg to approve and authorize Mayor Adrian to execute the SCI contract for supplemental cultural resource services required by MoDOT with an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 which will be paid out of the capital improvement stormwater fund. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Meyers to authorize Mayor Adrian to execute Amendment No. 2 of the Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement for the DNR project concerning the sewer system improvements. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers,

Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried. The document splits the engineering cost into two phases which are wastewater treatment plant project and sewer project.

A motion was made by Council Member Meyers and seconded by Council Member Thomas to authorize Street Commissioner Austen Dornberger to move forward with the Bleigh Construction quote to provide the equipment, operator and fuel at a cost of \$230.00 per hour to lay riprap on the north side of the creek from Dickerson to Main Street for an estimated cost of \$5,500.00. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried. The street department will haul the rock, and Dornberger provided an all-inclusive estimate of \$14,000.00 which will be paid 100% by the City.

The council discussed the items heard by the Planning & Zoning Committee on August 25, 2025, and decided the following by consensus:

- a. Approval to move forward with the Palmyra R-1 School District's request for rezoning.
- b. Discussed abandoning City right-a-way frontage in the 300 Block of West Main Cross.
- c. Requiring Ross Hein to follow the steps of the minor subdivision ordinance for the request of splitting a lot.

The elected officials reviewed and discussed the current work hours by employees in the various departments. A motion was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Jones to continue with the current working hours and review the same in one year. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Meyers, Thomas, Fahy, Jones, Bland, and Thornburg. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Police Chief Mike Baker advised it has been stated to him the mold problem at the Palmyra Police Department is due to dirty coils and that the coils need to be cleaned and a UV light put in place to kill the mold. The council asked for a second opinion and an additional quote before moving forward.

Superintendent Brent Abell advised the billboard promoting Warren Head Business Park has been installed and would be unveiled at a photo opportunity on September 11th at 1:00 p.m.

Superintendent Abell provided a proposed Letter to Editor concerning the high utility bills. This letter will be provided to the elected officials for comments. The Board of Public Works is not in favor of the letter, but if the council moves forward, would like to see it in the local newspaper and provided with the bills, and not on social media.

With no further business before the council a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Jones at 8:51 p.m.

Brock Fahy, Mayor Pro Tem

Deena L. Parsons, MRCC
City Clerk