

CITY COUNCIL
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

September 3, 2026

The Palmyra City Council met on the above date in the Palmyra Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Alan R. Adrian presiding. Council Member Steve Bland opened the meeting with an Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the following council members answered roll call: Brock Fahy, Kelly Walotka, Steve Bland, Eddie Kamm, and Rex Thomas. Council Member Clay Thornburg was absent. Also in attendance were Austen Dornberger, Mitch Carey, Mark Salter, Dustin Smith, Pete Dames, Nicole Kamm, Pam Behring, Alexia Gonzalez, Matt Rybinski, Keith Hurst, and James Lemon.

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

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

- a. Approval of Minutes – August 20th
- b. Bills for Approval
- c. Klingner & Associates – Invoice #92654 {Middle School Detention Basin}
- d. Klingner & Associates – LPA 1 {MoDOT TAP Grant – west side}

Pete Dames addressed the council on the community's petition for a state audit. He mentioned the fact that the cost of the audit would be approximately \$50,000 to \$100,000. Mr. Dames also stated that he is a retired employee from Missouri REC and was recently the interim electrical manager for the Palmyra Board of Public Works and that the community is not calculating the rates correctly when comparing electrical rates between these two entities. Mr. Dames went into detail and compared an average residential electrical service of 783 kw. Under this comparison, the bill through Missouri REC would be slightly higher.

A draft of the revisions to the credit card policy has been provided to the elected officials. Finance Chair Fahy asked that the department heads receive the document as well. If no comments or concerns are received by the finance committee, the policy will be on the September 17th council's agenda for approval.

The use agreement with Main Street Palmyra was briefly discussed. The elected officials asked City Attorney James Lemon to revise the agreement to reflect that Palmyra Parks & Recreation will be in control of scheduling events at this location. Once this statement is added, Mr. Lemon will send the document to Main Street Palmyra for execution.

A motion was made by Council Member Fahy and seconded by Council Member Walotka to approve a Klingner & Associates Engineering Contract Amendment #3 in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the preparation of easement descriptions associated with the sewer system improvements. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Fahy, Walotka, Bland, Kamm, and Thomas. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Kamm and seconded by Council Member Bland to approve the Klingner & Associates Engineering Contract in the amount of \$4,000.00 for the construction material testing services for the Hutcherson Trail project. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Fahy, Walotka, Bland, Kamm, and Thomas. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Walotka to amend the agenda to reflect the draft resolution for the data center moratorium would be assigned the resolution number of 2026-06. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Fahy, Walotka, Bland, Kamm, and Thomas. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Bland and seconded by Council Member Walotka to pass and approve Resolution #2026-06 concerning a data center moratorium. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Fahy, Walotka, Bland, Kamm, and Thomas. Nays: None. The motion carried.

The elected officials discussed the Howardine Estate subdivision and the lack of drawings provided by the developer from the start of this subdivision. The developer wants to construct another triplex. A motion was made by Council Member Fahy and seconded by Council Member Bland to revoke Building Permit #2026-054 and authorize City Attorney Lemon to prepare a Cease and Desist to be served on Mr. Griesbaum. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Fahy, Walotka, Bland, Kamm, and Thomas. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A discussion was held by the elected officials on the community's petition for a state audit. City Attorney Lemon discussed the difference between an auditor's audit and a petitioner's audit and the cost associated with the action which will be paid by the City.

Pam Behring left the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Council Member Walotka advised the next "Chit Chat" will take place on September 26th from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the library.

Mayor Adrian stated that he was a part of a meeting with MPUA where representatives viewed and assisted the electrical department with the substation. It was a good meeting with the outcome being there is old equipment in the substation which will need to be addressed.

City Attorney Lemon advised the Conner family will be obtaining their own appraisal for the property needed to address the stormwater issues between Stanley and Redd Streets.

Mayor Adrian advised that he has reviewed the City's ordinances, and he cannot find where a liaison is needed for either the Board of Public Works or the Parks & Recreation Board. The Board of Public Works is inclined to continue with the liaison position, but Mayor Adrian recommended dissolving the liaison position for Parks & Recreation.

A motion was made by Council Member Fahy and seconded by Council Member Kamm to dissolve the council liaison position for the Palmyra Parks & Recreation board effective immediately. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Fahy, Walotka, Bland, Kamm, and Thomas. Nays: None. The motion carried.

With no further business before the council a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Walotka and seconded by Council Member Thomas at 8:14 p.m.

Alan R. Adrian, Mayor

Deena L. Parsons, MRCC
City Clerk