

MINUTES
NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL
October 7, 2025 - 7:00 PM
Neosho Council Chambers
203 E. Main St., Neosho, MO

OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Father Chaz opened with prayer and Mayor Pro Tem Robinson led the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Robinson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Richard Davidson and Charles Collinsworth were excused from the meeting after a motion was made by Councilman Workman and seconded by Councilwoman Thomas.

Roll Call Vote:

Carl Cobb - Yes

Julie Humphrey - Yes

Ashton Robinson - Yes

Angela Thomas - Yes

Tom Workman - Yes

Motion carried.

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:

David Kennedy, City Manager; Derek Snyder, City Attorney; and Cheyenne Wright, City Clerk, minutes taken by clerk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve the agenda; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve the consent agenda to include:

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Bill No. 2025-70

Bill No. 2025-71; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

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No: None
Abstain: None
Passed.

VISITOR'S BUSINESS

Sheena Rogers - Sober Living

Sheena Rogers, From the Trenches Ministry, explained the plan for this ministry to help those coming out of the prison system and how this will benefit the community. October 25th will be our first event in Neosho, Missouri in Morse Park.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you from Crowder Aggies Roughrider Rodeo

Thank you from the Crowder Aggies Roughrider Rodeo read by City Clerk Wright.

BIDS

Fire Department Request for Approval Fire Extinguisher Trainer

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to purchase a Fire Extinguisher trainer. In the past, we have used fire extinguishers and a live fire to train people who request a class. This tool will allow us to teach this class indoors or out with the utmost safety. This trainer simulates fire and has a weighted extinguisher that the participants use to extinguish the fire. This also includes a smoke machine that will allow a more realistic approach to training. Additional items are carrying cases, a pull station alarm, and training software. This item, if approved, is being purchased through a Sourcewell contract. this is a budgeted item, and is under budget.

Sourcewell Contract # 011822-LIO Dinges Fire Company \$22,209.00

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve the Sourcewell Contract with Dinges Fire Company in the amount of \$22,209.00 ; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Fire Department Request to Purchase ATV's

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the bid on the purchase of 2 new ATVs from S & H Farm Supply. The Fire Department currently has 4 2006 Polaris ATV's that have served us well but are becoming maintenance issues. I am requesting 2 new ATVs to replace the 4 2006 models. This is a budgeted item and is being purchased through a state bid contract. (CC231921003) S & H Farm Supply \$19,285.98

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 ATVs in the amount of \$19,285.98

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from S&H Farm Supply; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Fire Department Request to Purchase New UTV

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the purchase a new UTV for the Fire Department. We have long since needed a UTV to use for firefighting as well as rescue and removal of victims who are injured in a wooded area that is not accessible by road. This unit has the capability to do both. It is 4-wheel drive and will give us access to areas in the park on the bike trails where victims could get injured, and we have no road access. The only option is to carry the victim out on uneven terrain and possibly suffer an injury to our personnel or worse, to add additional injury to a victim who is already injured. This UTV is being purchased through a state bid contract.

Heritage John Deere(CC250855005) \$19,434.36.

S & H Farm Supply(CC231921003) \$20,182

Councilman Workman made a motion to approve the bid from Heritage John Deere in the amount of \$19,434.36 for a 4-wheeler; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Fire Department Request to Purchase New Truck

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the purchase of a new Chiefs truck. I am requesting the purchase of a new vehicle to serve as the Chiefs truck to replace a 2000 Dodge Ram 2500 4x4. I requested state bid pricing on a vehicle for purchase. I contacted Don Brown in St Louis and Griffith Motor Company in Neosho. Griffith had a vehicle on the lot that was cheaper than the state bid price and had more available options on it. Griffith was also interested in a trade for our vehicle while Don Brown was not. I am requesting to purchase the vehicle from Griffith Motor Company for the price of \$47,323 with Trade In. This item is under budget.

State Contract Number (MC250182005)

Griffith Price \$56,460.00

Griffith Trade In \$9,262.00

Don Brown \$57,152

Don Brown Trade In \$0(not interested)

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve the bid from Griffiths in the amount of \$47,323.00 for a 2024 truck; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

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Abstain: None
Passed.

Request to Purchase Police Vehicles

Interim Police Chief Whitehead addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval to purchase new police vehicles to replace older vehicles in the fleet. Purchase 3 Ford Explorer Interceptor Vehicles for \$137,724.00, budgeted amount for this purchase was \$ 146,000.00.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve the purchase of three Ford Explorer Interceptor vehicles in the amount of \$146,000.00 from Joe Machens Ford; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Purchase of 20 Tasers, Holsters, Cartridges, & Training

Interim Police Chief Baird addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for upgrading outdated equipment to allow officers to proficiently perform their duties. The police department needs to upgrade all issued tasers within the department. Taser is a sole source vendor and that documentation is attached to this agenda. Over the years, our current models have become unusable, and replacement parts have been discontinued. This will allow the police department to upgrade every officer with state-of-the-art reliable equipment to perform their duties. The budgeted amount for this purchase was a \$ 100,000.00.

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to approve the bid for police tasers, holsters, cartridges and training in the amount of \$95,808.00; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

59 Hwy Improvements

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the bid from Blevins Asphalt Company for improvements to 59 Highway from Clemons to Malcom Mosby Drive. This project is being funded out of the street/bridge tax from the current fund balance to improve the industrial park area. Attached are the plans for improvement along 59 highway including Clemons and Industrial Drive. Approve the recommendation of AMA for Blevins Asphalt Company in the amount of \$793,150.32.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve the bid from Blevins Asphalt Company in the amount of \$793,150.32 for Hwy 59 Improvements; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

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No: None
Abstain: None
Passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing for the Rezoning of Property near 15318 Kentucky Road from R-1, First Dwelling House District, to M-2, Heavy Industrial District

Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson opened the public hearing for the rezoning of property near 15319 Kentucky Road from R-1, First Dwelling House District, to M-2, Heavy Industrial District at 7:19 p.m.

There was no one present to speak.

The hearing closed at 7:20 p.m.

Public Hearing for Rezoning of property near 15111 Kodiak Road from R-1, First Dwelling House to R-2, Second Dwelling House District

Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson opened the public hearing for the rezoning of property near 15111 Kodia Road from R-1, First Dwelling House District, to R-2, Second Dwelling House District at 7:21 p.m.

There was no one present to speak.

The hearing closed at 7:22 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 2025-72: Rezoning of Property near 15318 Kentucky Road (Water Filtration Plant) from R-1, First Dwelling House District to M-2, Heavy Industrial District.

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, to amend the zoning District Map for certain real property within the limits of the City located at 15318 Kentucky Rd, Neosho, Missouri, as requested by the owner, City of Neosho, from a District "R-1" First Dwelling House District to a District M-2- Manufacturing 2: Heavy Industrial District.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-72 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-72; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

Development Services Director Leavens addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to seek council approval to rezone the property located near 15318 Kentucky Road (Water Filtration Plant) from R-1, First Dwelling House District to M-2, Heavy Industrial District. The city has annexed the property the city's water filtration plant is located on. This item moves the appropriate zoning from R-1, First Dwelling House District to M-2, Heavy Industrial District. The rezoning has been reviewed and recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission on September 8, 2025.

Roll call vote:

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Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman
No: None
Abstain: None
Passed.

Bill No. 2025-73: Rezoning of property near 15111 Kodiak Road from R-1, First Dwelling House to R-2, Second Dwelling House District

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, to amend the zoning District Map for certain real property within the limits of the City located at 15111 Kodiak, Neosho, Missouri, as requested by the owner, Hartland Motors, Inc., a Missouri corporation, from a District "R-1" First Dwelling House District to a District "R-2" Second Dwelling Two-Family District.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-73 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-73; Councilman Workman seconded.

Development Services Director Leavens addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to seek council approval to rezone property near the address of 15111 Kodiak Road from R-1, First Dwelling House District to R-2, Second Dwelling House District. The owner of the property has requested the rezoning of this property from R-1, First Dwelling House District to R-2, Second Dwelling House District for the building duplexes on the property. The request was considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission and is recommended for passage by the City Council.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman
No: None
Abstain: None
Passed.

Bill No. 2025-74: Accepting right of way and roadway of the unnamed street between Aldi's and Zak's Car Wash.

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, accepting real property dedicated for public roadway purposes as deeded by Aldi, Inc., People's Bank of Seneca and Zak's Express Car Wash, LLC, and providing for the name of said street for public use within the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-74 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-74; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Development Services Director Leavens addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to accept the right of way and roadway of the unnamed street between Aldi's and Zak's Car Wash. This street was built by the property developer in 2023 with the intention of requesting that the city adopt it into the city publicly maintained street inventory. It was constructed to the city's street standards and inspected by city staff during construction and determined to meet those standards. The deeds for the right of way have been recorded at the Newton Recorder's Office in the city's favor.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to amend Bill No. 2025-74 Section 2 to name this road Southern

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View Drive; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote to amend:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Roll call vote to approve the amended Bill No. 2025-74:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2025-75: Fire Department Surplus Property

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri declaring certain personal property as surplus; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the appropriate documents.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-75 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-75; Councilman Workman seconded.

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the surplus of 5 items from the Fire Department. I am requesting the surplus of our 4 current Polaris Sportsman ATVs and of a 2000 Dodge Ram 2500 4x4. The 4 ATVs will be replaced by the 2 new ones previously approved. The 2000 Dodge Ram has become a maintenance issue and will be traded in on the purchase of a new vehicle.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2025-76: ARPA Project Change Order# 4

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho authorizing Change Order No. 4 to an Agreement for Construction Services with Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc., a Missouri Corporation for cost overrun in the amount of Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Five and 71/100 Dollars (\$9,985.71), and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-76 in title only.

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-76; Councilman Workman seconded.

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the change order for the Lower School Branch for additional materials and supplies. Change order # 4 takes into account increases and decreases in supplies or materials needed for the project. This change order increases the project by an additional \$9,985.71 bringing the total cost to \$4,802,174.97 for this project. This

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does fall within the city manager's approval. However, since a budget amendment will be needed, Council approval is requested.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2025-78: Liberty Utilities_Municipal Electric Service Agreement_MESA

AN ORDINANCE authorizing and providing a contract between the City of Neosho, Missouri (hereinafter sometimes called the CITY) and The Empire District Electric Company (hereinafter sometimes called the COMPANY), its successors or assigns, for electric service and equipment to light the CITY's streets, alleys, and public ways, electric service for light and power for the CITY's parks, other properties and public places, for a term of years, and specifying the prices to be paid for such lighting and power service, and the terms and conditions of such contract; and in consideration of COMPANY's covenants and obligations contained herein and COMPANY's acceptance of the terms and conditions contained herein for the establishment, operation and maintenance of the Company's facilities within the CITY; except providing further that nothing herein shall prohibit the CITY from lawfully collecting an occupation tax, license tax, motor vehicle license fees and any ad valorem tax on the COMPANY's real estate and personal property.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-78 in title only.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-78; Councilman Cobb seconded.

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the municipal electric service agreement with Liberty Utilities. The MESA (Municipal Electric Service Agreement) between the City and Liberty keeps the City eligible for the street lights to be billed under the Municipal Street Lighting Tariff which is less expensive than paying for each light under the private lighting tariff. This lighting agreement requires a renewal every ten years, and the previous agreement was signed in 2015.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2025-79: Amending Code Section 100.110 City Seal

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho amending Chapter 100, General Provisions, Article I, General Code Provisions, of Title I, Government Code, of the City of Neosho Code of Ordinances by repealing and replacing Section 100.110, Official City Seal, Paragraph A. to establish the method of approving the Official Seal of the City.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-79 in title only.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-79; Councilman Workman seconded.

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City Clerk Wright addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval to amend Code Section 100.110 City Seal to utilize the new official seal of the city. The city just concluded our city branding project and now have a new city seal. The City Seal code section needs to be amended to allow for the use of the new city seal.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2025-81: Celebrate Neosho 2026 Fireworks Contract

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, authorizing an Agreement by and between the City of Neosho and Pyro Spectaculars, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company for the purpose of providing a fireworks display for the Annual Celebrate Neosho, Independence Day Event for the not to exceed price of Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$25,000.00); and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-81 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-81; Councilman Workman seconded.

Human Resources Director Muhic addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the contract with Pyro Spectaculars Midwest, LLC for Celebrate Neosho 2026 in the amount of \$25,000. Pyro Spectaculars Midwest, LLC provided two options for the City to choose from for Celebrate Neosho 2026. Staff recommended option 1 for \$25,000.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2025-82: Contract with Blevins Asphalt for 59 Hwy Improvements

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, authorizing an Agreement for construction services by and between the City of Neosho and Blevins Asphalt Construction Company, Inc., a Missouri corporation for the Highway 59 Improvement Project for the not to exceed price of Seven Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty and 32/100 Dollars (\$793,150.32); and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2025-82 in title only.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2025-82; Councilman Workman seconded.

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the contract with Blevins Asphalt Construction Co in the amount of \$793,150.32. This improvement project is

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being funded by the street/bridge tax from the fund balance. There are improvements along highway 59 including Clemons and Industrial Drive. This will help with drainage of the area, rebuilding portions of the intersections and a complete mill and overlay from Malcom Mosby north just past Clemons Drive.

1. Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc. is the low, responsive, responsible bidder with a bid in the amount of \$793,150.32.
2. A recent conversation with a representative for Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc. suggests that they are comfortable with the submitted bid.
3. Our experience with projects performed by Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc. suggests that they are capable of performing the work as stated in the plans and specifications.
4. Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc. has submitted all required documentation

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Resolution Bill No. 2025-34: Newton County Lighting Agreement

A RESOLUTION of the City of Neosho, Missouri, approving an Agreement by and between the City of Neosho and Newton County, Missouri for the purpose of authorizing specific connection of electric to the existing City and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Resolution Bill No. 2025-34 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Resolution Bill No. 2025-34; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek Council's guidance on request from the Newton County Commissioners. The courthouse currently has 4 lawn streetlights; the 2 on the west side of the square currently do not work. The electrical lines had been busted by heavy equipment on the lawn and aren't repairable. The only way to get underground electricity to the lights is to bore under sidewalks and a driveway. The commissioners have inquired if the city would allow them to connect to existing electric panels we currently own on each corner of the square. These boxes are utilized for events only at this time. They have offered an agreement with an annual fee for the Council to consider. Ultimately, allowing this would save taxpayers dollars to allow them to connect to existing electric panels.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Resolution Bill No. 2025-35: Recycle Building Change Order#1

A RESOLUTION of the City of Neosho, Missouri, authorizing Change Order No. 1 to an Agreement for Construction Services with Marion Company, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company for cost overrun in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$13,568.00), and authorizing

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the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Resolution Bill No. 2025-35 in title only.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Resolution Bill No. 2025-35; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Public Works Director Siler addressed the city council stating that the this agenda item is to seek council approval for the additional cost to match the existing roof material of the original building. The bid packet sent out for the construction of the new Recycling Building was not the correct specification for the roof material. To match the existing building, this change order must be approved. The additional cost for this change is \$13,568.00.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Neosho Golf Course Logo

This item will be brought to the next council meeting for presentation.

HMV grant funds

Interim Police Chief Whitehead addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval to allow the police department to submit additional overtime funds for Hazardous Moving Violations enforcement. Every year, the SOM allows government entities to apply for extra funds in the area of moving violations and impaired driver enforcement. This will allow the police department to pay officers overtime to perform these duties at no cost to the city. These grants also provide additional equipment such as light bars or preliminary breath testing units.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve the application of HMV Grant; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

DWI grant funding

Interim Police Chief Whitehead addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval to submit additional overtime funds for Driving While Intoxicated moving violations enforcement. Every year, the SOM allows government entities to apply for extra funds in the area of impaired driver enforcement. This will allow the police department to pay officers overtime to perform these duties at no cost to the city. These grants also provide additional equipment such as light bars or preliminary breath testing units.

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Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve the application for the DWI Grant; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Budget Amendment for Housing Authority Parking Lot Grant

Interim Police Chief Whitehead addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for The purpose of this item is to gain the Council's approval for staff to apply for additional funding for the Neosho Housing Authority grant (4317-NEOS-02-HSNG-15). After the review of the sealed project bid, it is apparent that the original estimated budget for this grant project were insufficient. Staff is requesting the City Council's authorization to seek a budget modification for this CDBG grant (#4317-NEOS-02-HSNG-15) and to authorize the mayor's signature on the forms.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve the budget amendment for the Housing Authority Parking Lot Grant; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Blue Shield Grant Approval

Interim Police Chief Whitehead addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to inform council that the city has been awarded the Blue Shield Grant with the State of Missouri in the amount of \$50,000.

DOR Form 4379

Finance Director Forest addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the Department of Revenue Form 4379 allowing David Kennedy and Leslie Forest to view the detailed tax information provided to the state of Missouri for Local Sales and Use Tax Records. Staff Recommends Council Approve the names on the list and allow the Mayor to sign as Chief Executive.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve David Kennedy and Leslie Forest to be authorized for DOR Form 4379; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

ShoMeSugars Mobile Pick-Up Sign Request

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City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council regarding the mobile pick-up sign request, and he does believe that the mobile pick ups can still be done at the rear of his building. However, putting up signs within city parking is not something that staff would recommend.

Councilwoman Humphrey addressed the council and stressed the importance of not allowing specific spaces for one business on the square due to the slim amount of parking already allowed on the square.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve the request for mobile pick-up sign request for ShoMeSugars; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: None

No: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

Abstain: None

Failed.

Missouri Senate Bill 735 Alcohol Sales

By consensus of council to bring an ordinance back to council to exempt ourselves.

APPOINTMENTS AND VACANCIES

Events Board (2 Openings on the Board)

- 1. Request for Reappointment for Jeff Jones**
- 2. Request for Reappointment for Justin Carnahan**
- 3. Request for Appointment from Pris Reed**
- 4. Request for Appointment from Mikki Davis**

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to appoint Jeff Jones, Justin Carnahan, and Pris Reed to the Events Board; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Parks and Recreation Board (2 Openings on the Board)

- 1. Jennifer Smith Request for Reappointment**
- 2. Anna Turney Request for Reappointment**

Councilman Cobb made a motion to reappoint Jennifer Smith and Anna Turney to the Parks and Recreation Board; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

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Abstain: None
Passed.

Planning and Zoning Commission (1 Opening on the Board)

- 1. Request for Reappointment from Aaron Lewis**
- 2. Request for Removal from Julie Kruse**

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to accept the removal of Julie Kruse and reappoint Aaron Lewis to the Planning and Zoning Commission; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

August Financial Reports

Finance Director Forest addressed the city council updating them on the August Financial Reports.

Annual Day of Service

Parks and Recreation Director Balls addressed the council and updated them on the Annual Day of Service Event.

City Surplus Auction

City Clerk Wright addressed council and informed them of the City Surplus Auction to be held on October 25, 2025.

Fall Festival

Krysti Muhic addressed the city council updating them on the 2025 Fall Festival.

Chief of Police

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that Peter Russell will begin his employment with the City of Neosho as our new Police Chief on Monday, October 13th.

Public Safety Center

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council and presented the new plans that have been received for the future Public Safety Center. These are the initial plans but there will be some adjustments to these plans.

First Friday Coffee

Staff asked if council would approve of the city hosting a First Friday Coffee and supplying the breakfast goodies. By a consensus of council to move forward with hosting this event in February.

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CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson made a motion to to go into closed session 610.021(1) and (2); Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson closed the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:55 p.m. and announced that no votes were taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the city council, Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to adjourn; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson adjourned the October 7, 2025 Council Meeting at 8:55 p.m.

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NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL

Mayor

ATTEST

City Clerk

