

MINUTES
NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL
May 19, 2026 - 7:00 PM
Neosho Council Chambers
203 E. Main St., Neosho, MO

OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor opened with prayer and Mayor Workman led the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Workman called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Julie Humphrey was absent.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to excuse Julie Humphrey; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to approve the agenda; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve the consent agenda:

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Bill No. 2026-25

Bill No. 2026-27

Bill No. 2026-28

Bill No. 2026-29

Bill No. 2026-30

Bill No. 2026-31

Amendments to Liberty Utility; Councilman Evans seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

POLICE OFFICER PINNING AND OATH

Hope Birkinsha

Police Chief Russell presented Hope Birkinsha with her pin and City Clerk Wright swore her in as a Police Officer for the City of Neosho.

VISITOR'S BUSINESS

There were no visitors present.

BIDS

Overlay, Micro-Surfacing

Public Works Director Noah addressed the city council stating that this agenda item is to seek council approval for the overlay and Micro-surfacing on city streets.

Approximately 1.1 miles of asphalt and 3.2 miles of Micro-surfacing

Bid A

Blevins \$204,241.10

Emery Sapp and Son Inc. \$249,608.32

Apac-central Inc \$234,192.85

Bid B

Vance Brothers LLC 241,518.88

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to approve Blevins Asphalt for bid A in the amount of \$204,241.10 and Vance Brothers for bid B in the amount of \$241,518.88; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

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Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Traffic Barricades for Event Safety

Police Chief Russell addressed the city council stating that the community regularly hosts public events and coordinates with partner agencies requiring temporary vehicle access control and perimeter security. The MVB3X Modular Vehicle Barrier System is a mobile, rapidly deployable barrier solution designed to prevent unauthorized vehicle intrusion while maintaining emergency access and operational flexibility. The system is certified to ASTM F2656-15 standards and is designated under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Safety Act. The proposed equipment includes three fully loaded 60-unit trailer systems, each capable of storing and deploying modular barriers, pivot gate components, and lighting systems for nighttime operations. The system is designed for rapid deployment by a single operator, requires no tools, and allows continuous barrier coverage adaptable to various roadway widths. Advanced Security Technologies (AST) has certified that it is the sole source provider of the MVB3X system and its integrated components, including the transport trailer and modular barrier units. Additionally, similar systems are currently utilized by nearby jurisdictions such as Springfield and Joplin, providing regional consistency and interoperability during mutual aid and emergency response operations. Traffic control/ perimeter security is essential for public safety at large events. The city events often draw crowds in the 10,000–18,000 range. This barricade system will help ensure safety and help mitigate some security concerns during those events. The total cost for the three (3) trailer packages is \$494,964, with freight and training included. This item was budgeted in the amount of 481,000. The vendor honored the quote of the barriers but, due to an increase in freight, the price went up for freight.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve the bid for traffic barricades as presented by city staff.; Councilwoman Robinson seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

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NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 2026-32: Contract with KPM CPAs, PC for Consulting and Audit Services

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Neosho, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with KPM CPAs, PC, a Missouri Professional Corporation, for the purpose of providing accounting services for audit of fiscal years 2026 and 2027, for the not to exceed price of Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$36,500.00) for fiscal year 2026 and Thirty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$38,500.00) for fiscal year 2027; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2026-32 in title only.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2026-32; Councilman Evans seconded.

Finance Director Forest addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the City's annual auditing services contract with KPM. On July 18, 2023, the City Council awarded the bid for the City's annual auditing services to KPM. The contract is to be renewed and approved on an annual basis. The ordinance and contractor agreement was for a term of 3 years whereas the bid proposal was for 5 years. Staff is requesting to include the additional 2 years engagement for independent auditing services for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2026 and September 30, 2027.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2026-33: Utility Easements for City of Neosho

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho accepting and authorizing perpetual and permanent utility easements and rights-of-way upon, across, and under the lands owned by the City of Neosho, Missouri, situated in Newton County, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2026-33 in title only.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2026-33; Councilman Cobb seconded.

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek

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approval for an ordinance accepting and authorizing perpetual and permanent utility easements and rights-of-way across City-owned property in Newton County, Missouri, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the related easement documents on behalf of the City of Neosho. The ordinance formalizes utility easements and rights-of-way on City-owned property where water lines, sewer lines, pipes, and related utility appurtenances currently exist. Approval of the ordinance will allow the City to document and preserve perpetual access, ingress, and egress rights for utility purposes and to record the easement with the Newton County Recorder of Deeds.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2026-34: Sale of Real Estate on Austin Dr. and Howard Bush Dr.

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho declaring certain tracts of real property located generally at Austin Avenue and Howard Bush Drive within the City of Neosho as surplus and authorizing the City of Neosho, Missouri, a Missouri Municipal Corporation (“City”), to enter into and approving a Real Estate Purchase Contract with Davco Warehousing Services, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company, pursuant to Section 120.235 Purchases and Sales of Real Estate, for the sale of real property declared surplus; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2026-34 in title only.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2026-34; Councilman Workman seconded.

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval to request City Council approval to declare certain real property located generally at Austin Avenue and Howard Bush Drive as surplus and to approve a Real Estate Purchase Contract with Davco Warehousing Services, LLC, for the sale of the property. The City owns approximately 16.7 acres of real property located at Austin Avenue and Howard Bush Drive. Staff have determined that the property is not needed for a current public purpose and is appropriate to be declared surplus. Pursuant to Section 120.235 of the City Code regarding the purchase and sale of real estate, the City solicited sealed bids for the property. Davco Warehousing Services, LLC, submitted the successful bid in the amount of \$110,513.00, and the bid was awarded on May 5, 2026. Approval of the contract will allow the City to move forward with the sale in accordance with City procedures.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake

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Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2026-35: IBC Agreement for Health Insurance Broker

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Neosho, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with Insurance Benefits Consultants, LLC, a Missouri Limited Liability Company, for the purpose of providing consulting services as insurance broker; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2026-35 in title only.

Councilman Evans made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2026-35; Councilman Collinsworth seconded.

Human Resources Director Muhic addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the contract with Insurance Benefit Consultants for broker services. The City of Neosho bids on an insurance broker every three (3) years for health insurance, dental, vision, and other supplemental plans. During May 5, 2026, council meeting, council approved the bid from Insurance Benefit Consultants (IBC) for the city's insurance broker. This agenda item is for a three-year agreement with IBC for those services.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2026-36: Chapter 100 Bonds Issuance to LZB Manufacturing, Inc.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PLAN FOR AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR LZB MANUFACTURING, INC.; AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, TO ISSUE ITS TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS (LZB MANUFACTURING, INC. PROJECT), SERIES 2026, IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$18,500,000 TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF THE PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2026-36 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2026-36; Councilman Evans seconded.

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Finance Director Forest addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval of an ordinance approving the Plan for an Industrial Development Project for LJB Manufacturing, Inc. and authorizing the issuance of the City's Taxable Industrial Development Revenue Bonds (LJB Manufacturing, Inc. Project), Series 2026, in a principal amount not to exceed \$18,500,000, to finance (or reimburse) eligible project costs. On February 3, 2026, Council adopted Resolution No. 2026-04 declaring the City's intent to pursue Chapter 100 industrial development revenue bond financing for the LJB Manufacturing, Inc. project. The project consists of (a) acquisition of approximately 25 acres at the intersection of Doniphan Drive and Hempstead Avenue; (b) construction of an approximately 150,660 square foot distribution center facility to complement and enhance LJB's existing manufacturing operations in Neosho; and (c) acquisition and installation of related machinery, equipment, and personal property. Missouri law (RSMo §§100.010–100.200) requires the City to prepare and approve a Plan and cost-benefit analysis for the project and to provide notice to affected taxing jurisdictions prior to approval. Staff have prepared the Plan (Exhibit A), provided the required notice, and considered any comments received. The proposed bonds are limited obligations payable solely from project lease revenues and do not constitute a general obligation debt of the City.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Resolution Bill No. 2026-16: Destruction of Records

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, NOTIFYING THE COUNCIL OF THE DESTRUCTION OF CITY RECORDS.

City Attorney Snyder read Resolution Bill No. 2026-16 in title only.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Resolution Bill No. 2026-16; Councilman Workman seconded.

City Clerk Wright addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the destruction of certain City records that have met the retention requirements established by Missouri law and are eligible for disposal under RSMo. 109.230(4). The Secretary of State has established procedures for the retention and destruction of municipal records. The City Clerk has reviewed and processed City records in accordance with those requirements and identified records that have satisfied the applicable retention periods. The records recommended for destruction are listed in Exhibit A attached to the resolution.

City Clerk Wright stated that these records have been scanned into the Laserfiche program and

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comply with the city's digital retention policy. The question arose whether the council would prefer these records to come before council since the permanent digital record is kept.

Council requested staff bring back an updated policy allowing for these records to be destroyed without being brought to council, as long as they were being scanned in and not records that have met retention.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Area Agency of Aging Use of Facility

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the yearly donation of the Senior Center facility for a \$1.00 for the use of Area Agency of Aging for our senior citizens programs.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve the donation of the Senior Citizen building to Area Agency of Aging for \$1.00; Councilman Collinsworth seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Mirma 2026-2027 Assessment

Finance Director Forest addressed the city council stating that this year the MIRMA insurance invoice is slightly under budget.

Budget Transfer of Funds Form

By a consensus of council to bring back a policy for approval.

Celebrate Neosho 2026 Update

Public Information Officer Johnson addressed the city council updating them on the 2026 Celebrate Neosho event and the items that are planned for this event.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

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April Financial Reports

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

Police Department Update

Police Chief Russell updated council regarding the police department.

Badges and Burgers May 30th

Police Chief Russell invited everyone to attend Badges and Burgers on May 30th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lampo Building.

Building Inspector

Development Services Director stated that the new building inspector has been hired, Mason Rounds.

Pool Openings for Memorial Weekend

Parks and Recreation Director Balls stated that the pools will be opening on Memorial Weekend. The wading pool has been filled, and the municipal pool will be filled tomorrow.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the council, Mayor Workman asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Adjourn; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Ashton Robinson, Angela Thomas, Tom Workman, Jake Evans

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

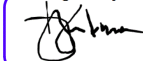
Mayor Workman adjourned the May 19, 2026, Council Meeting at 8:04 p.m.

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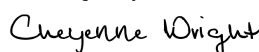
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