

## **WORK SESSION SUMMARY**

**OCTOBER 15, 2025**

The City of Dardenne Prairie Work Session was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was held at Dardenne Prairie City Hall located at 2032 Hanley Road.

The following were in attendance: Mayor Widaman, Aldermen Detweiler, Gittermeier, Johnson, Nay, Waters and Wilson. Also present were City Clerk Kim Clark, City Administrator Cathy Pratt, City Engineer Matt Davidson and City Attorney John Young.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION**

**1. St. Charles County Police Quarterly Report (Captain Hunt)**

Captain Hunt reported the police department has responded to 2,337 calls for service between January and October resulting in 94 arrests, 256 written police reports and conducted 4,254 traffic stops resulting in 1,795 traffic tickets and 1,457 written warnings. In addition to the Dardenne Prairie officers, the departments full-time traffic unit has conducted an additional 19.5 man hours of patrol time in specific areas, issuing 168 tickets. Officers Lawrence and Van Deusen work from 7 am to 3 pm and 11 am to 7 pm, with adjusted hours for specific events. A radar trailer was deployed on Rembrandt at Parish, in seven days 1,865 cars passed through, 987 of which were driving at the posted speed limit of 25 mph or below. Only a couple dozen cars were going over 30 mph. The radar trailer will remain in place for a longer period due to the residents' complaints. Captain Hunt stated the ongoing SWAT operations, primarily focus on drug search warrants and internet crimes, with rare barricade situations. The Department is making efforts to inform the Mayor and City Administrator about SWAT activities post-operation. Captain Hunt also mentioned a recent tour of the police department by Mayor Widaman and other elected officials. City Administrator Pratt thanked the Police Department for conducting a vulnerability assessment of City Hall and will be reviewing recommendations during the budget.

**2. St. Charles County Roads and Traffic Managing Director presentation of the County's BikeWalk Plan (Amanda Brauer)**

Unfortunately, Amanda Brauer, who was going to give the presentation, has fallen ill and will need to postpone this discussion to a future meeting.

**3. A bill opting out of temporarily extended liquor service hours during the 2026 FIFA World Cup Tournament (Mayor Widaman)**

Mayor Widaman stated this is an option for the City to opt out of the temporary extended liquor services and sales during the 2026 FIFA World Cup Tournament. This Bill was put out by the State to allow businesses to stay open and serve liquor 24 hours a day during the World Cup. Cities have the option to opt out of it and that Ordinance will be on the regular agenda. The consensus was to reach out to the businesses that currently hold the liquor licenses affected for their feedback.

**4. Review of 10-15-25 Board of Aldermen agenda**

### **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

**1. City Attorney**

Nothing to report

**2. City Engineer**

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City Engineer Davidson stated he met with East-West Gateway and the County regarding the Bates Road Project. He mentioned East West Gateway stated that the removal of the separated bike lanes would warrant approval from them through a project scope change. The project would then be re-evaluated to their scoring criteria. The removal of the bike lanes would deduct four points from the bike facility section and an additional three points from the safety section. This project was already on the threshold for funding. The removal of the bike lanes would drop the project below the funding threshold and lose \$836,000 in federal funding. Additionally, the county stated if we were unable to put any bike facilities with this project, we would lose their funding as well of \$359,000.

### 3. City Administrator

City Administrator Pratt mentioned the budget meeting is scheduled for October 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. She stated the first-round of interviews for City Clerk have been completed and have been narrowed down to two finalists out of five applications. Second round interviews will be held later this week, and I hope to be able to have the Board interview on November 5. City Administrator Pratt stated the website redesign process has begun and will take about 6 months. There are approximately 112 pages to review and 750 forms and documents to review and update.

### 4. Aldermen

Alderman Nay stated the tour of the Police Department was exceptional and he learned a lot about how they work with other agencies all over. Alderman Nay stated he toured the updated Chesterfield YMCA facilities and reviewed the benefits of community facilities.

Aldermen Johnson recommends postponing the bidding for solid waste services until next year and consider a one-year renewal with Grace Hauling. The consensus of the Board was to postpone solid waste services until 2026.

### 5. Mayor

Mayor Widaman stated the Police services for Dardenne Prairie is exceptional and recommended those that didn't take the tour of the Police Department should do so. He will cover his quarterly report in the regular meeting. He also mentioned the current website is lacking, and it is not user friendly, and he is looking forward to the website redesign.

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Detweiler to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kim Clark, City Clerk

The City of Dardenne Prairie Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

Present at roll call were Mayor Widaman, Aldermen Detweiler, Gittemeier, Johnson, Nay, Waters and Wilson. Also present were City Clerk Kim Clark, City Administrator Cathy Pratt, City Engineer Matt Davidson and City Attorney Bradley Pryor and Sara Rutherford.

**PROCLAMATION** – Honoring Adnit Jhamb, resident of Dardenne Prairie and recognized as a rising star in the USA Cricket circuit. Mayor Widaman presented a Proclamation along with the Board of Aldermen wishing all the best to Adnit Jhamb on his current and future successes.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Board of Aldermen Minutes – 09-03-25 and 10-01-25
2. Work Session Summary – 09-03-25, 09-17-25 and 10-01-25
3. Expenditures for Approval – 10-15-25
4. Treasurer's Report – As of August 31, 2025.
5. Treasurer's Report – As of September 30, 2025
6. Performance Bond Release – KJU, Inc. – 1666 Stump Road ROW Permit

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – The following individuals were in attendance to speak:

Jeff Amelong  
Gary Schneider

A motion was made by Alderman Gittemeier, seconded by Alderman Wilson to open the Public Hearings. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

1. STILLWATER GROVE CUP, SITE PLAN & REZONING REQUEST – “R1-A” TO “R1-D” CUP TO ALLOW SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED DWELLINGS.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Gittemeier to postpone the Stillwater Grove Public Hearing until November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

2. OTR LIQUORS CUP, TO ALLOW “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES (LIQUOR, BEER, WINE) RETAIL” AND ‘DRIVE – THROUGH FACILITIES (RESTAURANTS, PHARMACY, GROCERY, ETC)” AS A CONDITIONAL USE

Applicant Rokesh Patel was present and described the renovations planned for the building and the services they plan to offer, including a drive-through for pre-ordered transactions. Mr. Patel clarifies that the current plan does not include food but mentions future possibilities.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Wilson to close the Public Hearings. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Wilson to read Bill #25-48 for the first time by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

**Bill #25-48**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7827 TOWN SQUARE AVENUE, SUITE NUMBERS 101 AND 102

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Wilson to read Bill #25-49 for the first time by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

**Bill #25-49**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A MAINTENANCE DEPOSIT AGREEMENT GUARANTEEING MAINTENANCE OF INSTALLED PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS WITH LETTER OF CREDIT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI AND GREYSTONE HOLDINGS, LLC FOR THE DRAGONSTONE DEVELOPMENT.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Gittlemeier to read Bill #25-49 for the second time by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Wilson to put Bill #25-49 to final vote. Roll call was as follows:

Alderman Gittlemeier – Aye	Alderman Wilson – Aye
Alderman Nay – Aye	Alderman Detweiler – Nay
Alderman Johnson – Aye	Alderman Waters – Aye

Mayor Widaman declared Bill #25-49 passed and designated it to be Ordinance #2384.

A motion was made by Alderman Gittemeier, seconded by Alderman Wilson to read Bill #25-50 for the first time by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

**Bill #25-50**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, CHANGING THE COMPENSATION FOR THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Wilson to read Bill #25-51 for the first time by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

**Bill #25-51**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, EXEMPTING THE CITY FROM SECTION 311.2026 (House Bill No. 1041) RELATING TO 24 HOUR - OPERATION OF LIQUOR LICENSEES BEGINNING JUNE 11, 2026, THROUGH JULY 19, 226.

**OLD BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Detweiler to postpone Bill #25-42 until 11-05-25. Motion passed unanimously.

**Bill #25-42**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR THE BATES ROAD PHASE 1 PROJECT STBG-5407(622).

**OFFICER & STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

**1. City Attorney**

Nothing to report.

**2. City Engineer**

Nothing to report.

**3. City Administrator**

City Administrator Pratt provided clarification related to the Aldermen pay change.

**4. Aldermen**

Aldermen Gittemeier stated she appreciates Grace Hauling and they have wonderful customer service.

Alderman Detweiler stated she has also had wonderful customer service with Grace Hauling.

**5. Mayor**

Mayor Widaman presented his quarterly report, highlighting achievements in modernization, infrastructure and community engagement. Mayor Widaman reviewed the hiring of the City's first IT Manager, the launch of a digital timekeeping system and the proposed redesign of the city's website. The Mayor thanked the Board, staff and residents for their support and contributions to the city's progress.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Alderman Gittemeier, seconded by Alderman Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kim Clark, City Clerk