



CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Widaman called January 7, 2026, Dardenne Prairie Work Session to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call vote:

	Present	Absent
Mayor Widaman	X	
Alderman Detweiler	X	
Alderman Gittemeier	X	
Alderman Johnson	X	
Alderman Nay	X	
Alderman Waters	X	
Alderman Wilson	X	

Also in attendance: City Administrator Cathy Pratt (via video), City Attorney John Young, IT Manager Rose Maresca and City Clerk Deborah Ryan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

1. RBA Amend and update Purchasing Policy (City Administrator Pratt)

City Administrator Pratt gave an informative presentation regarding the proposed amendment and update to the City’s Purchasing Policy. City Administrator Pratt stated the City’s purchasing policy has not been updated since March 2011. The cost of goods and services have increased since then. These changes increase authorized spending limits for budgeted items to facilitate timely and effective purchasing procedures while maintaining fiscally conservative practices in securing lowest cost goods and services with added provisions for software purchases. Discussion among the Board continued.

2. Review of 01/07/26 Board of Aldermen agenda

There were no comments, questions or concerns regarding the regular agenda, as presented.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

1. City Attorney

No report

2. City Engineer

No report

3. City Administrator

City Administrator Pratt stated the outdoor sign has not shifted to the installers and once they receive the sign, they will reach out to schedule installation. The City’s website update is in production, staff have been meeting with the vendor and reviewing designs. Anticipate launch in early April. The City Administrator and the City Clerk will be representing the City again this year at the Municipal Showcase for St. Charles County municipalities in Jefferson City on Tuesday, January 27th.



4. Aldermen

Alderman Johnson asked with the City Engineer being out of the office, has staff been able to keep up on grant applications and submissions. City Administrator Pratt stated we have and those are the first things that he will be working on when he returns as they are due in February.

Aldermen Wilson thanked the residents for the support and conversations.

5. Mayor

Mayor Widaman thanked everyone for their attendance and apologies for the clerical error of the start times this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Alderman Detweiler, seconded by Alderman Gittemeier to adjourn the work session at 7:23 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

Approved by the Board of Aldermen on 1 21 26
Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Ryan, City Clerk