

**CITY OF BRENTWOOD, MISSOURI
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2016**

Alderman Kramer called the Public Safety Committee Meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Deputy Clerk Pittman called for attendance.

Alderman Kramer – Present
Alderman Leahy – Present
Alderman Lochmoeller – Present
Alderman Plufka – Absent

Also present were: Police Chief Dan Fitzgerald, Fire Chief Ted Jury, Assistant Fire Chief Terry Kurten and Deputy City Clerk Pittman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Alderman Leahy and seconded by Alderman Lochmoeller to approve the meeting agenda as submitted. Unanimous vote in favor taken; **MOTION PASSED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes December 17, 2015

Motion was made by Alderman Leahy and seconded by Alderman Lochmoeller to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. Unanimous vote in favor taken; **MOTION PASSED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Louise Charboneau, Madge, offered comments of the inconsistency of the crosswalk signs; she suggested a larger sign would be more easily visible. She also commented that there is a designated arrow at Pine and Brentwood and the request at Strassner and Brentwood was denied; she questioned the priority over those intersections.

Alderman Kramer responded that County previously denied the installation at Strassner, however, the city has ordered an engineering study with the hopes that the recommendation may prompt action.

COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Request For A Stop Sign At Pine Avenue And Hatton Avenue

Julia Roberts (9335 Pine) and **Bill Abeln** (9339 Pine) were present to discuss safety concerns with vehicles traveling at increased speeds. It was reminded that the city awaits the supporting petition from area residents to pursue this issue further. A brief discussion was also held regarding the petition requirements and it was suggested that signatures are

obtained from neighboring residents and licensed drivers of those households that are impacted. Mrs. Roberts will obtain the petition form from city hall in hopes to return to the city in the next couple of months.

Request For Resident Parking Restrictions On East Side Of St. Clair Avenue (Intersection Of St. Clair Avenue And White Avenue)

It was reminded that staff has been in contact with the Brentwood School District after receipt of resident complaints and regarding the scoop of work proposed by CBB to study the area. The District is evaluating and has agreed to conduct a study but requests that the City hold off on making any decisions. There is no further update on the project.

Update Regarding Crosswalk at Sonora and McKnight / Wrenwood and Brentwood Blvd

It was reminded that the city made application for TEAP funding of which was not awarded. Following the direction of the committee, contracts have been executed with CBB to conduct studies; of which are underway. CBB has not provided an update on the project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation on December 2015 Flood

The City sustained heavy rainfall on December 26th which caused flooding along the Manchester/Hanley Corridor. Early notification of the possibility of flooding was sent to citizens via CodeRed and staff also visited flood prone locations to ensure they were aware and making preparations. It was necessary for the fire department to launch the boat and also request the Swift Water Rescue Task Force in the area to assist with recovering trapped residents. Crews went door to door to both commercial and residential properties and in some instances were forced to evacuate and disconnect utilities due to safety concerns and utility hazards. There were no injuries reported for this incident. This incident was declared a natural disaster and with that FEMA is evaluating costs for reimbursement; the City is submitting costs for the use of emergency vehicles and personnel. The fire department has also included dry suits in the 2016 budget to prepare fire personnel for future incidents.

Discussion Regarding Eager Road Construction

Discussions were held regarding the construction of the Manhasset Village Apartments and the issues raised which appear to be more of a nuisance than violation.

Construction Trade Parking Concerns

Construction workers have been parking their vehicles on the south side of Eager Road in places generally used by Brentwood Place Apt residents causing upset. Administrator Akande has contacted the developer and asked that they refrain from parking here; although they have agreed, they continue.

Road Safety Concerns

Residents have noted concerns with visibility when exiting the driveway from Brentwood Place Apts due to the large construction trucks parked on either side. Residents are asking for a protected no parking zone on either side of the driveway. Staff is being asked who would make the recommendation for a sufficient amount of space. Alderman Leahy expressed concerns that the cars are legally parked and the restriction would push cars further down the road causing complaints from Brentwood Forest residents. Alderman Lochmoeller asked if this was a concern before the construction (no, there is not a problem of visibility with passenger vehicle, only oversized trucks) and if there are any signs placed stated there is no construction parking (not at this time because there is no restriction).

Carwash Coupons

Residents have also complained of the dirt, dust and debris left on Eager by the construction traffic. Mayor Thornton has reached out to Richmond Heights requesting a periodic wet sweep which was determined to be problematic in cold weather. Holland Construction (developer) has agreed to offer carwash coupons to impacted residents; however, clarity is needed on the amount of coupons offered, who they will contact and exactly how this program would work.

UPDATES FROM POLICE CHIEF FITZGERALD

General Police Department Update

Chief Fitzgerald announced that with the adoption of the budget, the department has been signed up for the CALEA conference in March. He also responded to Committee questions with regards to police presence in the commercial district; new reporting procedures are efficient. Also, the 2015 safety report, major crimes are nonexistent, car break-ins have decreased and camera surveillance at the police department will be tied in with surveillance at city hall.

UPDATES FROM FIRE CHIEF JURY

General Fire Department Update

Chief Jury announced the ballistic vests for the department have been ordered. He also stated that efforts are still underway with regards the training agreement; an update will be provided at a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Alderman Leahy and seconded by Alderman Lochmoeller to adjourn the meeting at 6:48pm. Unanimous vote in favor taken; **MOTION PASSED.**

Approved as submitted on the 22nd day of March, 2016.

Attest:

Bola Akande, City Clerk/Administrator