

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS
MAY 13, 2021
Meeting held at East St. Louis City Hall
301 River Park Drive
Council Chambers
East St. Louis, Illinois 62201**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Councilmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Robert Eastern III.

2. PRAYER-HR Director Monica Grandberry

3. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Absent:

Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Present

4. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES N/A

A. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT PRO TEM

A motion was made by Councilman Cason to appoint him as Pro-Tem and seconded by Mayor Eastern III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:

Councilmen: Cason

Nays:

Councilmen: Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Absent:

Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

FAILED:

A motion was made by Councilman Dancy to appoint Councilman Powell III as Pro-Tem and seconded by Councilman Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:

Councilmen: Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Nays: Councilmen: Cason
Absent: Councilmen: None
Mayor Robert Eastern III/Nays

PASSED:

B. ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS, ILLINOIS

A motion was made by councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilman Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes: Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III,
Councilwoman: Parks
Nays: Councilmen: None
Absent: Councilmen: None
Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

C. SELECTION OF COMMITTEES AND CHAIRPERSONS

Public Works-Councilman Cason
Public Safety-Councilman Dancy
Community Development-Councilwoman Parks
Finance-Councilman Powell III

A motion was made by Councilman Powell III and seconded by Councilman Dancy to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes: Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III,
Councilwoman: Parks
Nays: Councilmen: None
Absent: Councilmen: None
Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

5. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Cason and seconded by Councilwoman Parks to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes: Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III
Councilwoman: Parks
Nays: Councilmen: None
Absent: Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

6. REPORTS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-CHARLES POWELL III, CHAIRMAN-NONE

7. REPORTS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE-RYAN CASON-CHAIRMAN

A. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HAYES MECHANICAL FOR HVAC MAINTENANCE SERVICES

A motion was made by Councilman Cason and seconded by Councilman Dancy to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:

Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Nays:

Councilmen: None

Absent:

Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

8. REPORTS OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE-TOMMY DANCY, CHAIRMAN

A. PRESENTATION OF BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Metropolitan Diagnostics
514 N 57th Street
East St. Louis, Il.

Mobile Lab
Ranita A. Walker
Peddlers License

Cal's BBQ
1475 St Louis Ave
East St Louis, IL

Restaurant
Shawn Calloway
General Business Activity 1

Fair Weather Leather
1316 Robin Street
Venice, Il.

Leather & Jewelry Retail
Gerald Williams
Peddlers License

Challie Brown's Corner Store
2319 Lincoln
East St. Louis, IL.

Convenient Store
Lauren Savage
General Business Activity 1

Ivy Ultra Lounge
911 St Louis Ave
East St. Louis, IL

Lounge
Craig Jarrion Stacker
General Business Activity 1

Rescue Cuts and Styles
1751 Baugh Ave
East St. Louis Ave

Barber Salon
Arnold Tutson, Jr
General Business Activity 1

Binky's Sweet Treats
2009 N 44th Street
East St. Louis, IL

Snack Truck
Terrence Stevens
Peddlers License

Bo's Corner Stop LLC
404 S 10th Street
East St. Louis, IL

Confectionery
Orlando Hughes
General Business Activity 1

In and Out Car Wash & Investment Co
310 N 73rd Street
East St. Louis, IL

Car Wash and Investment Company
Wilbert Marcus Sewell
General Business Activity 1

A motion was made by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilwoman Parks to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:

Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Nays:

Councilmen: None

Absent:

Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

B. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #29-10035 TO INCREASE ELECTRONIC PRODUCT PROMOTION SWEEPSTAKES KIOSK OPERATING ON PREMISES IN THE CITY OF EAST ST LOUIS

A motion was made by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilman Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:

Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Nays:

Councilmen: None

Absent:

Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

C. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO S. SHAFER EXCAVATING FOR THE DEMOLITION OF 646 NORTH 20TH STREET

A motion was made by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilwoman Parks III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:	Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III
	Councilwoman: Parks
Nays:	Councilmen: None
Absent:	Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

D. PRESENTATION OF AMENDMENT TO THE FIREWORKS ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF EAST ST LOUIS-NO DOCUMENT ATTACHED & NO ACTION TAKEN

E. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ST. CLAIR COUNTY PROPERTIES COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1000 NORTH 15TH STREET IN THE CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS

A motion was made by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilman Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:	Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III
	Councilwoman: Parks
Nays:	Councilmen: None
Absent:	Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

9. REPORTS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE-ROY MICKENS CHAIRMAN

A. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ST. CLAIR COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANTS DEPARTMENT FOR RECEIPT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR VARIOUS STREET IMPROVEMENT-NO ACTION TAKEN

10. OLD BUSINESS-NONE

11. NEW BUSINESS

- Councilman Dancy stated that Pirtle Shop needs to be demolished
- City Manager stated that the utilities are still on at the location and she contacted Mr. Pirtle to request that they be turned off. She also stated that this is not a TIF Area for demolition

- **Councilman Powell III stated relocation of Tree's needs a bid done**

A. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made to go into Executive Session by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilman Powell III. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:	Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III
	Councilwoman: Parks
Nays:	Councilmen: None
Absent:	Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED: @ 6:40 p.m.

John Barecevic spoke:

- **Franchise fees need to be collected**
- **Three Law Firms will work together as a group**
- **Work will be done outside of retainer fees paid to John Barecevic**
- **Question to City Treasurer about increase of fees for 2021 with American Water Company, Treasurer stated he will look into it.**

Councilwoman Parks asked has this group done this type of work with any other City? Answer was no.

B. RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ENTERING INTO A CONTIGENT FEE ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH JOHN J, DRISCOLL AND THE DRISCOLL FIRM, LLC, MILBERG COLEMAN BRYSON PHILLIPS GROSSMAN, PLLC AND CHATMAN & BARICEVIC, LLC

A motion was made to re-establish quorum at 6:50 P.M. by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilman Powell III. Upon the question of the Mayor Eastern III call for the roll call.

Ayes:	Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III
	Councilwoman: Parks
Nays:	Councilmen: None
Absent:	Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

C. RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ENTERING INTO A CONTIGENT FEE ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH JOHN J, DRISCOLL AND THE DRISCOLL FIRM, LLC, MILBERG COLEMAN BRYSON PHILLIPS GROSSMAN, PLLC AND CHATMAN & BARICEVIC, LLC

A motion was made to by Councilman Dancy and seconded by Councilman Powell III. Upon the question of the Mayor Eastern III call for the roll call.

Ayes:	Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III
	Councilwoman: Parks
Nays:	Councilmen: None
Absent:	Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS-NONE

13. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS-NONE

14. CITIZENS COMMENTS

- A. Ms. Cantrece Mosley-N/A
- B. Minister Glen Rogers-He states that the crime is high in the city, Councilman Dancy has hands full, chase of a man doing 50 mph down St. Louis Avenue, City needs a better image, we need Code Enforcement
- C. Edward Bryant Hamilton-He states Pennsylvania & summit Avenue Dead End Street, the parks need help people are speedy on the street, need Pro active plan, needs speed bumps
- D. Mayor stated that Illinois Department of Housing and St. Clair County have rental assistance Program for twelve months and application has to be filled out

15. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman and seconded by Councilman to adjourn. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Eastern III called for the roll call.

Ayes:

Councilmen: Cason, Dancy, Powell III

Councilwoman: Parks

Nays:

Councilmen: None

Absent:

Councilmen: None

Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

PASSED:

PASSES TO ADJOURN @ 6:59 P.M.

ATTEST:



Debra Hamilton Tidwell, City Clerk