

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS  
AUGUST 13, 2020  
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-Asst. Fire Chief George McClellan**

**3. ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Councilmen: Cason, Mickens, Powell III  
**Absent:** Councilmen: Dancy  
**Mayor Robert Eastern III/Present**

**4. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2020,**

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

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

**PASSED:**

**5. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA/WITH THE NECESSARY ADDITIONS**

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

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

**PASSED:**

**6. REPORTS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-CHARLES POWELL III, CHAIRMAN**

**6A. ORDINANCE GIVING THE NAME OF SHERMAN HAMILTON SR. WAY TO 11<sup>TH</sup> TO 12<sup>TH</sup> & COLLEGE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS**

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

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Cason, Mickens, Powell III,</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Dancy</b>
<b>Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

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

**7A. PRESENTATION OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 2019**

**7B. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO WEED CUTTING CONTRACTS**

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

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Cason, Mickens, Powell III</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Dancy</b>
<b>Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

**8. PRESENTATION OF BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS-NONE**

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**8B. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE REGARDING FACE COVERINGS**

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

**Ayes:**  
**Nays:**  
**Absent:**  
Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

**Councilmen:** Cason, Mickens, Powell III  
**Councilmen:** None  
**Councilmen:** Dancy

**PASSED:**

**9. REPORTS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE-ROY MICKENS, CHAIRMAN-NONE**

**10. OLD BUSINESS-**Councilman Powell asked about Budget amendment to pay Christ Bros. Dwayne Stewart responded that it is being taking care of. Also, change order on 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Audit for 2018 has been completed. He still working on the GATA situation

**11. NEW BUSINESS-NONE**

**12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS-**She would like to start a Budget Workshop with the Councilmen on August 27, 2020, discussing the Budget and Programs for 2021 and after that she plans to talk with all Department Heads. She also informed the Council that the City can be reimbursed 1.1 million dollars due to Covid-19, for all expenses paid during this Pandemic.

**13. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS-**Councilman Mickens thanked everyone for wearing masks and practicing social distance mentioned special thanks to the Director of Regulatory Affairs, Tony Howard and Chief Perry. Mayor offered condolences to Treasurer and City Manager and thanked everyone for helping with Covid-19. Also, talked about the deadline for CENSUS 2020 and stated the deadline is September 30, 2020. Mentioned the Clean up next month and the streetlights are not working on State Street

**14. CITIZENS COMMENTS-** Mr. Morris Whitney wants to buy some property that is owed by the City, City Manager is looking into it and will get back with him

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Mickens and seconded by Council Cason to adjourn. Upon the question of the motion by Mayor Robert Eastern III called for a vote

**Ayes:**  
**Nays:**  
**Absent:**  
Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye

**Councilmen:** Cason, Mickens, Powell III  
**Councilmen:** None  
**Councilmen:** Dancy

PASSED TO ADJOURN @ 6:30 P.M.

**ATTEST:**



*Debra Hamilton Tidwell*

**Debra Hamilton Tidwell, City Clerk**