

**FEBRUARY 13, 2024
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MINUTES OF COUNCIL WORK SESSION
VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING/5:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: MAYOR BRIAN TRAUGOTT PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS CHANTEL BINGHAM, MARY BRADLEY, LAURA DAKE, LISA JOHNSON, GARY JONES, AND ANN MILLER. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT.

DEPT. HEADS: MIKE MURRAY AND ELIZABETH REYNOLDS WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

PLANNING DIRECTOR STEVE HUNTER WAS ALSO PRESENT.

Medicinal Cannabis

Mayor Traugott distributed notes about the medicinal cannabis statute and administrative regulations, noting that the legalization of medicinal cannabis takes effect January 1, 2025. The notes listed the conditions specified by statute and the rules and requirements for dispensaries. He also disseminated the Planning Commission's drafted portion of the Comp Plan relating to medicinal cannabis facilities. Mayor Traugott noted that the City cannot regulate medicinal cannabis by type of facility – regulations must apply to all four (cultivator, dispensary, processor, or producer) equally.

Mayor Traugott and the Council further discussed the drafted zoning requirements for medicinal cannabis facilities including proposed setbacks, landscape requirements, and signage. City Attorney Moore noted that the next step could be to ask the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing. Council member Miller asked if the Council could hold their own public forum prior first and Mr. Moore responded that they could have a fact finding public discussion. Mayor Traugott reiterated that the only thing we can change are the setbacks and the zoning, everything else is dictated by statute. He also stated that the state is discussing changing legislation to allow licenses to be issued prior to the January 1st effective date and that we should have any zoning requirements in effect prior to the state beginning issuing licenses. Council member Jones suggested we go ahead and approve the proposed zoning requirements at the next regular council meeting and then we could vote on any changes or additions after hearing public comment.

Building Standards and Downtown Development Committee – Transportation Study

Council member Johnson stated that she would like for the Council to consider adopting the Study and then they would pass it on to Fiscal Court.

Mayor Traugott and the Council discussed the content of the Study. Mayor Traugott noted that he is typically a fan of the roundabout but he is concerned about the school traffic rush, stating that the traffic light provides a natural stop.

Council member Dake stated that the state has not seen the study yet and that the BSDD Committee wants the council's approval or "buy-in" before they distribute it further. Mayor Traugott noted that District 7 has been very engaged with Woodford County.

Council member Johnson stated that this is an independent study that shows multiple traffic zone impacts, rather than just looking at one area at a time. She stated that she would like to meet with Mayor Traugott and Public Works Director Miller to prioritize objectives and then draft a resolution for the next regular council meeting.

Mayor Traugott adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK