

OVERLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 17, 2025

Mayor Curt Skoog called the Overland Park City Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mrs. Holly Grummert, Council President; Mr. Jim Kite; Mr. Richard Borlaza; Mr. Logan Heley; Mr. Scott Mosher; Mrs. Melissa Cheatham; Mr. Gregg Riess; Mr. Drew Mitrisin; Mr. Chris Newlin; Ms. Inas Younis; Mr. Jeff Cox; and Mr. Sam Passer.

Also present were: Mrs. Lori Luther, City Manager; Mrs. Kristy Stallings, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Bryan Dehner, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Kate Gunja, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Jack Messer, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Meg Ralph, Strategic Communication Director; Ms. Morgan Stoyanov, Deputy Strategic Communications Director; Mr. Michael Koss, City Attorney; Mr. Shawn Gotfredson, Supervisory Civil Engineer; Mr. Bryan Toben, Parks and Recreation Director Ms. Doreen Jokerst, Police Chief; Mr. Alan Long, Fire Chief; Mrs. Lorraine Basalo, Public Works Director; Mr. Andrew Morrow, Senior Civil Engineer; Ms. Stephanie Como, Civil Engineer; Ms. Tania Tavakkoli, Senior Civil Engineer; Mr. Kyle Dieckmann, Deputy Civil Engineer; Ms. Elizabeth Nagaishi, Civil Engineer; Mr. Brian Xaine, IT Support Specialist; and Ms. Jessica Pierce, Recording Secretary. Approximately 22 people were in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Curt Skoog led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mayor Curt Skoog opened the public comment period.

Mr. Jeff Polson, 13319 W. 103rd Terrace, Lenexa, stated he is a bicyclist who rides year-round. At 107th Street and Nall to Roe heading east, there is a marked bicycle lane and there are always cars parked in that lane. Last year, he called the City to ask about this and was told there is a City ordinance that allows for vehicles to park in the bike lane. He was told he should ride around the cars. He double-checked this information and found it is illegal to park a vehicle in a bicycle lane. He asked what the law says about this. Mayor Skoog stated a member of staff will follow up with an answer. Mr. Polson stated if it is illegal, he would like for law enforcement to address this issue because it is dangerous to ride around the cars into the street.

Mr. Jeff Harkness, 9407 Bluejacket, stated concerning digital currency, they should digitize and streamline American currency. He believes next year may be a good time to do this because it is the United State's 250th birthday. There are five new quarters coming out to commemorate the United State's 250th birthday. The quarter has often been called two bits and it has been tokenized. They should replace the dollar bill and five dollar bill with a two dollar bill. The back of the two dollar bill has the Declaration of Independence on it and the ten dollar bill has the United States Treasury on it. The twenty dollar bill has the United States Capitol on it, but he would like to change it to

the Congress building. The fifty dollar also has the Capitol on it and he would like to make it the Department of Defense building. The one-hundred dollar bill has Independence Hall on it, which is where the Constitution and Declaration of Independence were approved. He noted that President Trump brought up the elimination of the penny, which has always cost the United States money. He read an article in the paper that the nickel should be discontinued as well. He believes they should eliminate the penny and the nickel and base currency off of ten cents. When companies balance out their pricing to equilibrium, they should eliminate the one dollar, the five dollar, the ten dollar, the penny, the nickel, and the dime, and only use quarters and two dollar bills. Then they could have digital currency. The two dollar bill could be looked upon as stable currency and the quarter could be called bitcoin. The two dollar bill is sixteen bits, which was the original microprocessor speed, which then increased to 32 bit, 64 bit, 128 bit, and then 256 bit. Dividing 16 bits by two comes to eight, and the factoring of the dollar would be based on eights. He believes the founding fathers were digital thinkers and they created America, which is the best experiment for self-rule.

With no further comments, Mayor Skoog closed the public comment period.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Curt Skoog opened the public hearing period.

CONSIDER THE ADVISABILITY OF THE CREATION OF A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – Stanley Square, generally located at the northwest intersection of 151st Street and U.S. Highway 69 and declaring the intent of the City to levy a Community Improvement District Sales Tax (Stanley Square CID).

ORDINANCE NO. CID-3479 – Making findings as to the nature and advisability of creating a Community Improvement District, authorizing a Community Improvement Project and approving the estimated cost and the method of financing of the Community Improvement District (Stanley Square CID).

RESOLUTION NO. 5025 – Approving the execution and delivery of a Redevelopment Agreement relating to the Community District at the northwest intersection of 151st Street and U.S. Highway 69 (Stanley Square CID).

REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT – Stanley Square, LLC, related to the redevelopment of the Stanley Square Shopping Center, at the northwest corner of 151st Street and U.S. 69 Highway (Stanley Square CID).

Assistant City Manager Jack Messer stated this Community Improvement District (CID) request has been before the Council a couple of times previously and tonight is the consideration to establish this district. The owner, Mr. Bob Renier, was present, as well as Mr. Todd LaSala, attorney, Stinson. The project is located at the corner of U.S. 69 Highway and 151st Street in the southern third of the City. It is a retail and commercial shopping center. The proposal is to upgrade the center with a modern format to replace the façade, as well as major parking lot improvements. The developer also provided for a couple of pad sites that are now included in the project approval. This is a refresh of the center to modernize it.

He noted the rendering shows the major part of the work, which is the façade improvements, but there are also various parking islands that will organize the parking lot and create pedestrian pathways from the parking area to the facade of the shopping center. The considerations tonight are to hold the public hearing. There will be an opportunity to hear the commentary and to act on Ordinance No. CID-3479, which would establish the district. If this is approved, there is an option to approve Resolution No. 5025 that would authorize the redevelopment agreement.

Mayor Skoog clarified there is one public hearing concerning item Nos. 1 and 2. Mr. Messer stated the public hearing considers setting the district and the second item is the resolution that approves the redevelopment agreement that goes with the district.

Mr. Chris Newlin asked what the total budget of this project is. Mr. Messer stated it is just over \$7 million. There is \$5 million of private investment and \$2 million of CID-related investment. Mr. Newlin asked when this CID money is provided to the developer, and whether it is provided up front and out of the direct tax income. Mr. Messer stated it is not provided up front. The City has established the CID in a pay-as-you-go (PAYGO) format. It is a one cent sales tax and as those sales generate, those funds become available to reimburse those eligible expenses. Mr. Newlin asked if this is over a 22-year period. Mr. Messer stated yes. Mr. Newlin asked if the developer only does \$.15 million in CID sale, what happens to the remaining \$500,000 at the end of 22 years. Mr. Messer stated they are only reimbursed what goes toward an eligible expense and what they produce. The maximum they can earn is \$2 million, but if they do not produce \$2 million in sales over the 22-year period, they would not be reimbursed that amount.

Mr. Jim Kite asked to expand on this topic, as there is more to this than a refresh. He noted this is transformational. He asked what else they will see, such as charging stations. Mr. Messer stated included in the project are proposals for electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. They are also preparing the roof to be ready for solar panels. Anytime there is a major improvement, the City requires projects to be upgraded to current standards. There will be current standards to upgrade the parking lot. The front of the building and the pedestrian access will be improved and the façade will be modernized. Mr. Kite asked if it will be more walkable. Mr. Messer stated he believes one of their goals is to improve the walkway from the parking lot to the front of the store.

Mr. Scott Mosher asked what the current occupancy level of this shopping area is. Mr. Messer stated he does not have this information on hand. Mr. Mosher asked if the walkability from the parking lot to the façade is normal. Mr. Messer stated it is normal, but this will provide for it in a better format. This is what the City does with newer parking lots. The enhancement of it is proposed. Mr. Mosher asked if they would be ready for solar panels, but they will not be installing them. Mr. Messer stated they will prepare the roof for solar panels, but at this time, they will not be installing the panels.

Mr. Greg Musil, Rouse Frets Law Firm, 5250 W. 116th Place, Suite 400, Leawood, stated this is the third time this item has come before the Council. He introduced Mr. Bob Renier on behalf of the owner, and his partner Mr. Chris Maddox, who worked with staff. He appreciated the comments by the Council. He noted the costs are immediate and this project will be done this year. Reimbursement is not at risk, as it

is the one percent sales tax over a 22-year period. They do not receive money up front and they pay an administrative fee. The project will be done this year. They will consolidate approximately five wooden trash enclosures in the back with masonry, which the neighbors like, and it will be better for the tenants in the store. They are over 90 percent occupancy, many of which are newer tenants from the last couple of years, with the promise that there will be continuous capital improvements and they will also seek a CID. The pedestrian sidewalk in the front will be widened so it is modernized.

The reconfiguration of the parking lot will allow the sidewalks to be in a protected island, and they will extend to 151st Street. There has been no connection to the public sidewalk on 135th Street. They will install EV charging stations and if solar is feasible for an additional capital investment, it will be ready. They are consistent with other CIDs in the City regarding the percentage of the total project cost that would be reimbursed over 22 years.

They carefully reviewed Resolution No. 4054 to demonstrate why they believe they meet the requirements.

Mayor Skoog stated many people think 151st Street is all new. He asked him to expand on this. Mr. Musil stated this site was part of Stanley before the annexation by the City and it was rezoned in 1981 under County Zoning. It was approved for construction in 1987, so it is approaching 40 years old. There are project in this area, such as the Incred-A-Bowl, and 151st Street needs to be updated. They hope this will be a catalyst for other investment in this area. There are some places that need to be helped.

The applicant has been putting money into this and there must be consideration as to whether there is return on investment. They are confident this project will be good for the community and the tenants in this center.

Mr. Mosher stated if this was a blighted area and they could provide money from a tax rebate, it would encourage people to move into the area. He believes this seems to be the creation of a tax district at the benefit of the developer who has been putting money in, and the City is paying them to remodel it. They are 90 percent occupied. He does not see this as a blighted area. He asked why would a CID program benefit this location. Mr. Musil stated if they encourage owners to let their store become blighted with 50 percent occupancy, that is an option, though this is not something that the Renier properties have done. Their properties have benefited from a CID from Overland Park and Leawood. There will be a point at which the money from the owner will not properly update the property. This is a user fee from shoppers that will beautify, renovate, and reconstruct the center so that it will be viable for the next few decades, and will hopefully become a catalyst for 151st Street. He believes the preferred policy would be to enhance the ability to attract tenants, redevelop and reinvigorate an area, and they must consider whether the developer is putting in 45 percent of the capital. The developer is investing almost 72 percent of the capital. They reviewed these considerations and staff held them to it as they brought it to the Finance, Administration, and Economic Development (FAED) Committee.

Mr. Mosher stated they should not let it become blighted before they consider investing into his property; however, with the investments by the owner over time, the property should not deteriorate until they must ask the City for assistance. He believes

they are asking an additional one percent from citizens that use it, who will unknowingly pay the one percent tax. The average constituent does not see the extra tax. When an owner wants to remodel their shopping center, they typically ask for a tax rebate.

Mr. Drew Mitrisin stated there is a \$2 million upfront cost and they will be reimbursed over a 22-year period. He asked if this is baked into the reimbursement. Mr. Musil stated the upfront cost is \$7.1 million. The reimbursement over the 22 years is the over \$2 million, with interest included in that amount.

Mayor Skoog opened the discussion for a public hearing on item No. 1, consideration of the advisability of the creation of a Community Improvement District for Stanley Square, generally located at the northwest intersection of 151st Street and U.S Highway 69. With no comments being made, Mayor Skoog closed the public hearing.

Mr. Newlin moved that the Governing Body approve Ordinance No. CID-3479. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sam Passer.

Mrs. Melissa Cheatham stated she will support the motion with some reservations. They should not be in the habit of doing this for every project, though she believes this will be an improvement in the area that will benefit residents who want to have nice places to shop, good businesses to visit, and have a nice shopping center nearby, which will improve their property values. She sees improvements that she appreciates, including the solar-ready roof and EV charging. She would like to make an introduction for them to someone who may be able to help them determine if they can install solar at this time.

Mr. Kite stated they have had development properties in the past where he did not vote in favor of the property. They must draw a distinction between a refresh and this project, which he believes is a business expense. He noted this is transformational, as they are helping to modernize this in an important location and he will support it although he normally would see this as the landlord's responsibility.

Mr. Jeff Cox stated he normally does not like tax incentives, though he believes this is the appropriate intent for the City to be involved in redevelopment. He does not believe tax incentives should be used for development. Redevelopment may be appropriate under certain circumstances and he is not against all use of tax incentives, and he prefers CID. He believes this is an appropriate use due to the state of the property. He believes this is the right message to the community and it will improve the area. He hopes it would encourage others in the area to make the same offer to the City, especially with how this is financed, which is different than a property tax abatement. This is the kind of incentive they should be offering and it is good for people who live in that area, which is the most important consideration for this project.

Mr. Newlin stated this is a tired area and he sees this location on a daily basis. They do not wish to change the integrity of 151st Street or add multi-family or any other large addition, but rather refresh the look, which will change things across the street and the shopping center next to it. There are many places in Ward 6 where they can see positive changes. This was built in 1988 and at that time, things were different. This is a good move and this is the responsibility of the developer, and it will help the developer reach their goals to achieve the full benefit of the CID. If this is not done correctly, they will not receive the money. The property tax on this parcel will increase

through these improvements, which is also an additional benefit to the residents and to the community for the future.

Mr. Mitrisin stated there are a couple of properties in the northern part of town that have CIDs and when there are code violations or other issues on the property, the City has more enforcement over property maintenance issues. If there were ever issues, being able to withhold the reimbursement until those issues are corrected is a powerful tool. As compared to other similar properties with CIDs, if this project is successful, it will provide a major improvement to the area. This is outside of the City's strategic investment areas, but he believes it is a good use of a CID, and he would encourage their colleagues to go outside the boundaries for projects that require it. He will support the motion.

Mr. Mosher stated they will set a precedence for those who wish to remodel their private entity because they will make money from it. He noted he is not aware of the history of this shopping center, but he does not wish for the City to begin a trend of giving money to businesses who want to remodel their properties. He cautioned that by doing this, they set a precedence. He believes the area needs refreshing and the location is 90 percent occupied. There have been instances where a CID has allowed for a property to flourish, and he has mixed emotions concerning CIDs.

Mrs. Inas Younis stated in Overland Park, they often discuss charm and character, and Stanley Square is known as a charming place that has not been corporatized and preserving that is important to the identity of the City brand and character. The majority of the tenants are small businesses, which she is passionate about supporting. This location is tired and she is encouraged by the idea that this could become a catalyst for further development in that region. She will support the motion and looks forward to the improvements.

Mayor Skoog stated there is a policy on how the City implements CID and this fits within that policy. This is a lower percentage of CID reimbursement than the policy allows, which is a benefit to residents. Reviewing the projects that the City has done CIDs for and seeing the impact they have had on the center, type of tenants, and neighborhoods around them, they have all been successful. He is happy to see support for this and if needed, he will vote in favor of it.

The motion passed by a roll-call vote of 12 to 0.

Mr. Newlin moved that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 5025. The motion was seconded by Mr. Passer, which passed by a roll call vote of 12 to 0.

MAYOR CURT SKOOG

PROCLAMATION – Proclaiming the week of February 16, 2025, as Engineers Week in Overland Park.

Mr. Kite stated engineers provide the talent and skills necessary to analyze and solve complex problems and create the infrastructure that is essential for the high quality of life, which residents of Overland Park enjoy. The support of an understanding and informed community such as Overland Park is vital to efficient planning, design, construction, and operation of public infrastructure. They depend upon engineers to ensure the health, safety, welfare, comfort, and economic vitality of this community,

as well as the success of various City-wide construction projects. There exists in Overland Park one of the nation's largest collection of engineering firms, which are known and recognized world-wide as leaders in their profession. The western chapter of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers in partnership with the eastern chapter of the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers are celebrating the 74th annual engineers week. Mayor Skoog proclaimed the week of February 16, 2025, as Engineers Week, and called upon all residents and civic organizations to recognize the significant contributions that their engineers make every day to their health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

Mayor Skoog stated as the son and brother of engineers, and having been involved with the City for 20 years, he has seen the impact engineers have on implementing quality of life. He is honored to issue this proclamation.

City Engineer Lorraine Basalo stated she is the daughter, wife, daughter-in-law, and the mother of engineers, so engineering is a large part of her life. She is thankful for the City acknowledging the contribution of engineers to this community. Engineering is all around us and it is embedded in the quality of life in the community. Some engineers from Public Works and Planning and Development Services were in attendance, including Shawn Gotfredson, Andrew Morrow, Stephanie Como, Tanya Tavakkoli, Kyle Dieckmann, and Elizabeth Nagaishi. It is a privilege to work with each of them and she appreciates the unique perspectives and problem solving skills they contribute to work every day. As engineers, they are committed to public safety, health, and welfare. She is honored to be a part of a profession that holds true to those values. She asked that they join her in celebrating this engineers week and recognizing their achievements and their continued role in designing a better community for everyone.

PROCLAMATION – Proclaiming February 21, 2025, as Government Communicators Day in Overland Park.

Mrs. Holly Grummert stated effective communication is essential to the success of government operations, and government communicators play a vital role in delivering accurate, timely, and transparent information to residents, businesses, visitors, and others in the community. Government communicators often respond to crisis's, handle complex inquiries, and build meaningful relationships with the media and public, and the dedication of the City's communication team strengthens public trust, fosters community connection, and enhances the effectiveness of government initiatives. Mayor Skoog proclaimed February 21, 2025, as Government Communicators Day in Overland Park and called upon the community to recognize and thank the City's communication division staff for their service to Overland Park.

Mayor Skoog stated over the years, he has noticed an increase in the resident's and businesses expectations of hearing from the City, and the communication department continues to thrive to meet those expectations. He is excited to have this proclamation today.

Ms. Morgan Stoyanov, Deputy Strategic Communications Director, stated there is a fantastic team at the City that works hard every day to build trust, foster transparency, and engage the community in different ways. It is a team she is honored to be a part of, and it is an honor to work for a City that not only values and respects its communications team, but celebrates it as well.

Mayor Skoog noted this week, the Council had the opportunity to visit Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead and socialize with the baby goats. It was fun and the opening of the farmstead is around the corner. They expect there to be approximately 52 baby goats.

REAPPOINTMENT TO THE LEGACY OF GREENERY COMMITTEE:

James Dunn – Term 02-01-2025 to 02-01-2027

REAPPOINTMENT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Jeff Byers – Term 01-01-2025 to 12-31-2026

Jared Coleman – Term 01-01-2025 to 12-31-2026

Mrs. Grummert moved to approve the reappointments to the Legacy of Greenery Committee and the Parks and Recreation Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heley, which passed by a vote of 12 to 0.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HOLLY GRUMMERT

Mrs. Grummert stated on Saturday and Sunday, the weather will be warmer and sunnier, which is a great opportunity to visit the Overland Park Arboretum and Botanical Gardens to enjoy time in nature. There is a Stained Glass for Beginners workshop on Saturday from noon to 1 p.m., and visitors can register at OPKansas.org. There are two upcoming public works public meetings in Ward 1 on Tuesday, February 25, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Matt Ross Community Center to discuss the 77th Street, Metcalf Traffic Signal Project, which will begin in 2026, and on Thursday, February 27, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Matt Ross Community Center, they will discuss the Metcalf Pedestrian Trail Project, which will begin in 2027.

CITY MANAGER LORI CURTIS LUTHER

CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AGREEMENT –
McCownGordon Construction, LLC, for secondary electrical and lighting controller relocation for Clock Tower Landing, in the amount of \$1,809,320.

Assistant City Manager Kate Gunja stated Change Order No. 2 includes the secondary service for electrical undergrounding, as well as the reconnection of service to businesses along Overland Park Drive from 79th Street to 80th Street, and from 80th Street from Overland Park Drive to mid-block going east. This change order also includes relocation of a lighting controller, which is currently on Overland Park Drive. Funding for design for heavy timber design within the Farmer's Market structure is also included. This work is anticipated to begin in March to April and will require significant communication and coordination with the businesses in downtown. The team understands the importance of this and while there will be interruptions and inconveniences with a major project like this the teams are committed to minimizing those impacts as much as possible. They have also had regular ongoing construction updates and communications with the Downtown Improvement Business District and the Downtown Overland Park Partnership (DOPP) has helped to coordinate those

communications. The next in-person construction update will be part of the DOPP annual meeting that is occurring next week. Staff recommends approval of Change Order No. 2 to the construction manager agreement with McCownGordon Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$1,809,320. The estimated project completion date remains on track for May 2026. The owner's representative Jamie Stadler, Deputy Parks and Services Director Bryan Toben, and McCownGordon representatives are present to assist answering detailed questions.

Mayor Skoog asked for clarification regarding a previous discussion for change orders, which sounds like they are adding money to the budget. He asked if this is all within the budget. Mrs. Gunja stated yes, these are all anticipated and budgeted costs. As they make progress on design and the project moves forward, they will bring the change orders to the Council. They are working at the pace of this project so they can ensure they are ready to move onto the next phase as quickly as possible. This is a critical path for this project, and they are ensuring they can get the utilities underground in this area as quickly as possible to keep the rest of the project on track.

Major Skoog clarified they are still on budget, and this is a process to release the money to do different parts of the project. Mrs. Gunja stated that is correct.

Mr. Mitrisin stated the power poles are set to be removed no later than June 25, 2025. He asked how much leverage do they have over the timeline on this. Mrs. Gunja stated this is a reason why they are working to get this change order to the Council to ensure they are staying on track with the Evergy schedule, and can keep pace and are ready to move on to the secondary connection as soon as the primary is done. They have had monthly meetings with all of the City's utility partners to stay on track. Work will begin in the March-April timeframe to work on the underground segment. Mr. Mitrisin clarified they will perform this work and then the City will reimburse them based on this change order. Mrs. Gunja stated this is for the reconnection to businesses. The primary work is covered under a separate contract, and that work will not have to come before the Council. This is the work that McCownGordon is doing to make those reconnections once Evergy or the Evergy-selected partner moves forward with the primary undergrounding.

Mrs. Grummert moved that the City Council approve Change Order No. 2 to Construction Manager Agreement, with McCownGordon Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$1,809,320. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mosher.

Mr. Cox stated he will vote no and it is not a reflection on the contract or the amount of money, but he does not support the entirety of the project.

Mrs. Grummert stated she is excited to see this moving forward and she believes the undergrounding of utilities is a large part of this project that will enhance this area and beautify the new project that is coming forward.

The motion passed by a vote of 11 to 1, with Mr. Cox voting nay.

Mayor Skoog stated he is excited for this project and they are continuing to march forward on Clock Tower Landing and the new farmer's market.

City Manager Lori Curtis Luther stated the City is preparing for more snow tonight and it is expected to continue into tomorrow morning. The City crews are on duty overnight treating streets with a salt and magnesium mix. As the accumulations begin to gather in the morning, they will begin plowing. If they get the accumulation that is anticipated of four-to-eight inches, it may take 48 hours from the time the snow stops to clear all streets. This is a longer time period than is typical with a normal snow event, but that is because they are anticipating a higher than average snowfall. Crews will be working around the clock from tonight forward until completion. The snow map will remain unavailable as they are still working on the improvements to ensure its accuracy for greater snowfall amounts and longer snowfall time frames. She would ensure that those at home are aware of the anticipated freezing temperatures and -25 to -30 degree potential windchills. Those are also very unusual windchills for this part of the country, though it is not unusual for northerners. Those outside can get frostbite in very short periods of time with those windchills. She encouraged residents to use caution and travel carefully. Most of the school districts have called off school for tomorrow due to the severe cold and anticipated snow. The City will continue to update social media channels, the City's website, and other information sources.

There are two long-term staff retirements coming up. After 27 years of service with the Planning and Development Department, Management Assistant Ruth Hamel is retiring. Many people worked with Ruth during Forward OP and FrameworkOP. She also provided support for Vision Metcalf, the Community Development Committee, and has been at Planning Commission meetings and many other important planning initiatives in the City. She is a meticulous planner and is always incredibly friendly and welcoming. They will celebrate Ruth on Thursday afternoon and hope that the Council can join them. The City wishes her congratulations.

Rick Cooper is also retiring again after ten years of service with the Overland Park Fire Department. He began his new mission with the Fire Department Support Services after he retired from a career with the JC Penny Warehouse Distribution Center. The City was fortunate enough to have Rick take care of personnel and equipment needs for the past decade. His attention to detail and his heart for service will be sorely missed. His retirement will be celebrated on Friday, February 28.

Mayor Skoog stated the City is able to provide the services their resident expect because of employees like Ruth and Rick. He thanked them for their service.

CONSENT AGENDA:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – COMMITTEE REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 5018 – Declaring the SevenDays Make a Ripple, Change the World, shall be a City sponsored public event for the calendar years 2025-2029.

RESOLUTION NO. 5019 – Setting a public review and comment period and a public hearing on March 24, 2025, regarding the approval and submission of the City's Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER).

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – STAFF REPORT

COUNCIL MINUTES – December 2, 2024.

EXPENDITURE ORDINANCE NO. 1C – Outlining the expenditures from the General Operating Fund and the Capital Project Fund for January 17 through January 30, 2025.

Mrs. Grummert moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heley, which passed by a roll call vote of 12 to 0.

REGULAR AGENDA:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Committee Report:

Logan Heley, Chair

Mr. Heley stated the committee met earlier this month and their businesses was just voted on as part of the Consent Agenda.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – Staff Report:

No report.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – PARKS AND RECREATION – Staff Report:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Committee Report:

Melissa Cheatham, Chair

Mrs. Cheatham stated due to the inclement weather last week, this month's public safety meeting was moved to tonight and was held just before this Council meeting. They have two items that were approved unanimously at the Public Safety meeting, which are now before the Council on the Regular Agenda rather than the Consent Agenda.

REPORT FROM PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2025:

FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION REPORT – United States Department of Justice.

The first item for the Council's consideration is the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification (ESAC) report. Federal equitable sharing is more commonly referred to as forfeiture funds. The ESAC reports include the agency's annual affidavit and details the Police Department's receipts and expenditures of equitably shared funds for both the Department of Justice and the Department of Treasury Equitable Sharing programs. Agencies must submit the ESAC report within two months after the end of their fiscal year. This item was recommended unanimously by the Public Safety Committee for approval.

Mrs. Cheatham moved that the City Council approve the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report for 2024 in accordance with the Federal Equitable

Sharing Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mosher, which passed by a vote of 12 to 0.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 – Hoefer Welker, LLC, to provide engineering and architectural services for the Police Training Facility, project in an amount not to exceed \$1,659,814, for a revised total amount not to exceed \$1,925,514.

Mrs. Cheatham stated this agreement is for Hoefer Welker, LLC, to provide final site development and design services permitting construction, document preparation, and construction administration for the Police Training Building construction. A construction manager will be selected in spring 2025 to work alongside the design team, provide construction recommendations, and ultimately construct the facility. The Public Safety Committee unanimously recommended to the City Council that the supplemental agreement be approved.

Mrs. Cheatham moved that the City Council approve Supplemental Agreement No. 1, with Hoefer Welker, LLC, to provide engineering and architectural services for the Police Training Facility, project No. PB-2139, for a fee not to exceed \$1,659,814, for a revised total not to exceed contract amount of \$1,925,514. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mosher, which passed by a vote of 12 to 0.

PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE DEPARTMENT - Staff Report:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE DEPARTMENT – Staff Report:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS – Committee Report:

Jim Kite, Chair

Mr. Kite stated this will be a busy storm season and he reminded residents to remove their cars from the streets. There is a public meeting concerning the bridges along College at Corporate Woods. There will be an open house the night of February 20, at 5:30 p.m. at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center. This is a major project that involves a thoroughfare. He noted he will be attending and they will be speaking with businesses from Corporate Woods, as well as residents from affected areas.

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Committee Report:

Chris Newlin, Chair

Mr. Newlin stated the Finance, Administration, and Economic Development Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, in Conference Room No. 1.

PUBLIC WORKS – Staff Report:

No report.

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Staff Report:

Holly Grummert, Chair.

No report.

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Staff Report:

No report.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS -
REGULAR AGENDA:**

No report.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

No report.

PLANNING COMMISSION - REGULAR AGENDA:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:31 p.m., Mayor Skoog declared the meeting adjourned. Minutes transcribed by Jesica Pierce.

Curt Skoog, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Kelley, City Clerk