IN THE MATTER OF   )
PUBLIC COMMENTS   )

Megan Wunderlich – West Alton, requested help from the Council to reopen the library and post office in West Alton. Wunderlich stated in the 6 months since the flooding in West Alton, the Library remains empty and Post Office services remain inadequate. Wunderlich stated Orchard Farm School District is the only school district in the County without a library building which compounds the problem of unreliable internet access of many residents. Wunderlich urged Council not to support proposed upstream development projects along the Missouri river because they would threaten to destroy the City of West Alton by increased flooding.

Matt Poston – THD Design Group, spoke in support of reversing the Board of Zoning Adjustment’s decision on VAR19-03. Poston exhibited with pictures how the position of the proposed building would not impact visibility at corner of Murdoch Lane and Berg Crossing.

Joyce Wiley – Unincorporated St. Charles County, stated she owns 20 acres of land that includes her home and a black walnut tree farm. Wiley stated she had been harassed for several years by Lake St. Louis to cede a portion of this land to them for a hiking trail and she appreciates any support the Council can give her in fighting an involuntary annexation by Lake St. Louis.
Sabrina Wren – Unincorporated St. Charles County, stated she opposes RZ19-14. Wren stated the County has approved short sighted land development that overwhelms the infrastructure. Wren stated the Council has the authority to deny this rezoning request if it doesn’t serve the public interest by measures of need, suitability of use, adequacy of water and sewer services and avoids solely serving the interest of the applicant.

Dave Muehling – Unincorporated St. Charles County, stated he opposes RZ19-14. Muehling explained that other builders have not kept promises to steward the land which has caused erosion and flooding on his property. Muehling provided an overlay displaying the proposed lots over current trees, he stated the trees couldn’t be preserved if houses were built on the lots. Muehling displayed large tracts of nearby land for sale and noted the $20,000+ asking price per acre is priced for developers, not individuals and large developments would cause Dardenne Creek to flood.

Alice Frees-Molitor – Unincorporated St. Charles County, asked the Council to consider this rezoning with a soil and conservation mindset, stating the land is highly erodible with a slow infiltration rate. Molitor stated area residents have protected the land from erosion using water control measures since 1843 and wants the County to protect 5+ acre lots, topsoil health and wildlife habitat, and preserve rural western St. Charles County. Molitor stated the area is a watershed for Dardenne Creek, and water run-off from the Auburn Meadows subdivision has caused erosion on her property.

Nancy Aberasturi – Unincorporated St. Charles County, stated RZ19-14 provides no public service. Aberasturi stated the area is rural, it includes horse farms, horse boarding facilities and family farms. Aberasturi believes 10-acre minimum lots would be ideal zoning for this rural residential area. She requested a no vote to this rezoning, stating it is inconsistent with the agricultural district and not responsive to the desires and needs of the current residents.

Arnie A.C. Dienoff – O’Fallon, stated his opposition and requested 4 million in funds be removed from the Streets of Caledonia project in the proposed Transportation Improvement Plan for 2020-2023 and noted an additional 1% CID for the project. Dienoff suggested 5-acre lot minimums regarding RZ19-14 to control erosion and sewer problems and expressed his opposition of 3 paid lobbyist for St. Charles County in Jefferson City.

There being no additional speakers, Public Comments ended.

IN THE MATTER OF
ORAL REPORT
FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The County Executive presented no oral report.

IN THE MATTER OF
CONSENT AGENDA

Council Chair White requested consideration of the Consent Agenda. Council Member Cronin made a motion to remove the following bid seconded by Council Member Hammond with all Council Members in favor.
Council Member Cronin stated his intention to put forth legislation to keep large purchases off the consent agenda and called on Information Systems Director, Matthew Seeds, to explain the process for choosing a new phone system. Cronin expressed concern about not seeing any other competitive bids for this purchase. Seeds explained he chose a co-operative agreement through pre-approved State bid.

Council Member Cronin made a motion to put this item back on the consent agenda seconded by Council Member Hammond with all Council Members in favor.

Council Member Elam motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member White and unanimously approved. *Council Member Schneider recused herself from voting on her reappointment to the Community and Children’s Resource Board. The approved items are as follows:

**Approval of Journal of the previous meeting** – 12-2-19 Meeting

**Approval of Bids**
- Facilities Management - Dispatch and Alarm HVAC Unit Replacements Re-Bid/Integrated Facility Solutions/$66,605.00
- Information Systems – Cisco Phone System/SHI/$705,454.18

**Nominations and Appointments**
- Community and Children’s Resource Board - Nancy L. Schneider/reappointment/term expires 12/31/22
- Commission on Housing Assistance - Demetrius Cianci Chapman/filling vacancy/partial term expires 10-31-21

**IN THE MATTER OF**

**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No. 19-08 – Sponsored by Council as a Whole – A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE INVOLUNTARY ANNEXATION OF LAKE ST. LOUIS OF A PORTION OF A BLACK WALNUT TREE FARM

Council Member Joe Brazil stated he disagreed with Lake St. Louis that protecting residents from hunters and sewer stabilization were compelling reasons to annex this land. Council Members Brazil believes Lake St. Louis is wrong to try to annex this property. Council Member Hammond agreed with Council Member Brazil’s statements. Council Member Cronin stated annexation should be reserved for extreme cases and not forced on this landowner. Council Member Cronin stated he reached out to Lake St. Louis to reconsider their position.

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote:
- Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Resolution No. 19-08 was approved 6-1
IN THE MATTER OF

BILLs FOR

FINAL PASSAGE

Bill No. 4792 - Sponsored by: Council as a Whole - AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROPRIATING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – no, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4792 was approved 5-2

Bill No. 4793 - Sponsored by: Joe Brazil - AN ORDINANCE AFFIRMING THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT’S DECISION ON APPLICATION VAR19-03

Council Member Elam motioned to amend Bill No. 4793 and replace with Substitute Bill No. 4793 seconded by Council Member Hammond with all Council Members in favor. Discussion was held concerning the Board of Zoning Adjustments criteria for approving variances and reasons the Council feels this request was appropriate.

Substitute Bill No. 4793 - Sponsored by: Joe Brazil - AN ORDINANCE AFFIRMING REVERSING THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT’S DECISION ON APPLICATION VAR19-03

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4793 was approved 6-1

Bill No. 4794 - Sponsored by: Council as a Whole - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2020 THROUGH 2022 AND CORRESPONDING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

Council Member Brazil stated that Section 15 of Exhibit E for Bill No. 4794 has been revised. Council Member Cronin stated he researched this project and his concerns had been addressed and he is in support of the project

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4794 was approved 6-1

Bill No. 4795 - Sponsored by: John White - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND SENIOR SERVICES FOR A GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF $94,000 TO COMBAT OPIOID ABUSE

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4795 was approved 6-1

Bill No. 4796 - Sponsored by: John White - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI EXTENSION COUNCIL OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AT A COST TO THE COUNTY OF $100,000

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4796 was approved 6-1


Council Member Cronin requested the Director of Human Resources, Samantha Shadrach, explain the requested changes. Shadrach stated the changes cleaned up the Personnel Administration Plan by removing confusing language, deleting duplicate information and adding clarification language but affected nothing controversial.

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4797 was approved 6-1

IN THE MATTER OF ) BILLS FOR ) INTRODUCTION )

Bill No. 4798 Sponsored by: Joe Brazil AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE COUNTY OF ST. CHARLES, MISSOURI, BY REZONING A TRACT OF LAND FROM A, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT, TO RR, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, PER APPLICATION RZ19-14

Council Member Brazil stated he is not in support of 3-acre lots in this area because they burden the infrastructure and go against the wishes of current residents. Discussion was held concerning
development, infrastructure, water run-off and preserving the rural nature of the area. Council Member Cronin stated the topography of this land necessitates larger lots and should be protected. Director of Community Development, Mike Hurlbert, explained tree conservation requirements only affect the RR zoning district, and does not affect acreage zoned Agricultural. Dale Bax, project engineer, stated a lake had been added to the site plan to address water runoff/detention concerns and clear cutting lots was not planned.

**Bill No. 4799**  Sponsored by: Joe Brazil - AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. CHARLES, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR THE HYMAN KAYE TRACT

**Bill No. 4800**  Sponsored by: Joe Brazil  AN ORDINANCE AFFIRMING THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT’S DECISION ON APPLICATION ZAP19-01

Discussion was held concerning the level of damage to this property which exceeded the 50% of value FEMA requirement for elevation before rebuilding. It was noted if the County didn’t follow FEMA rules it would jeopardize the County’s eligibility for disaster assistance and that insurance offsets the cost of elevation.

**Bill No. 4801**  Sponsored by: Joe Brazil, Joe Cronin - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 405.090.E.7 OF THE ORDINANCES OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY MISSOURI, THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, TO ADD AN EXCEPTION TO DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCESSORY NONRESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS OVER TWO HUNDRED (200) SQUARE FEET IN “R1A” ZONING DISTRICT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF METAL POLE BARNS OVER TWO HUNDRED (200) SQUARE FEET ON LOTS GREATER THAN 3 ACRES.

Discussion was held concerning pole barn requirements and that this issue is about zoning not lot size because metal pole barns are allowed on smaller lots. It was noted the R1A zoning of this property is inconsistent for the area.

**Bill No. 4802**  Sponsored by: Council as a Whole - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE COST SHARE AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT NO. J6S3507 FOR ROUTE I-64 OUTER ROAD (INTERSTATE DRIVE) FROM PROSPECT ROAD TO QUAIL RIDGE PARK, WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF FIFTY (50) PERCENT OF TOTAL PROJECT COST UP TO AND NOT TO EXCEED THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF $1,539,500

**Bill No. 4803** - Sponsored by: Council as a Whole AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SAINT PETERS FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF SPENCER ROAD

**Bill No. 4804** - Sponsored by: Council as a Whole AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LAKE SAINT LOUIS FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF LAKE ST. LOUIS BOULEVARD PHASE 3

**Bill No. 4805** - Sponsored by: John White  AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES, CONTRACT #:ER130200090 FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (“VOCA”) WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION (DEPARTMENT)
Bill No. 4806 - Sponsored by: John White AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES, CONTRACT #:ER130200091 FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (“VOCA”) WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION (DEPARTMENT) AND ST. CHARLES COUNTY, PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE


Council thanked all involved, especially the County Assessor, Scott Shipman, for his work on this project.

Bill No. 4808 - Sponsored by: Council as a Whole - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR ADVOCACY AND LOBBYING SERVICES

Council Member Cronin requested information be made available at the next meeting regarding what our lobbyists have accomplished. The County Executive explained 80% of lobbying efforts are defensive.

IN THE MATTER OF

TABLED BILLS

Council Member Elam motioned to remove Bill No. 4790 and bill No. 4791 from the table noting they were tabled on December 2, 2019 because ten days had not passed between introduction and the December 2nd meeting. Council Member Hammond seconded the motion with all council members in favor.

Bill No. 4790 - Sponsored by: John White - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A PROGRAM SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES FOR VIOLENT DEATH AND OVERDOSE DEATH SURVEILLANCE REIMBURSEMENT

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4790 was approved 6-1

Bill No. 4791 – Sponsored by: John White - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, AND THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY’S OFFICE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY
PATROL AS FISCAL AGENT AND NAUMAN WADALAWALA AS AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

There being no further discussion, Council Vice Chair Brazil requested the following roll call vote: Council Member Cronin – yes, Council Member Brazil – yes, Council Member Elam – yes, Council Member Hammond – yes, Council Member Hollander – absent, Council Member Schneider – yes and Council Member White – yes. Bill No. 4791 was approved 6-1

IN THE MATTER OF )
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND )
MISCELLANEOUS )

Council Member Cronin presented the County Executive with a Christmas present of a hand-held metal detector.

Council Member Schneider stated Lindenwood University was seeking to tear down an historic brick water tower on their St. Charles campus, citing the cost of repairs and unsoundness. Council Member Schneider wanted to make people aware of this issue, urged them to make their opinions known and stated she would hate to see the tower go because too many beautiful structures have already been lost. Schneider stated Lindenwood University would have to apply for a demolition permit going forward.

County Counselor, John Watson, stated the County executed closing documents on the Missouri Bluffs roads and land acquisition, noting all negotiations went as planned. Watson stated upgrades the roads involved are covered by a $500,000 escrow account and the County expects $100,000 annually from the land lease.

Steve Ehlmann, County Executive, thanked retiring Workforce and Business Development Director, Scott Drachnik for his leadership and diligent work in serving his department, the County and the State of Missouri. Drachnik thanked Ehlmann for the opportunity to serve the County, expressed concerns about recession and his desire for a strategic plan that involves the region, preserves land for growth and includes a qualified workforce to support new economic growth.

There being no further announcements or discussions, Council Member Elam motioned to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Hammond and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Examined and Approved

John White, County Council Chair
St. Charles County, Missouri