

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020  
6:30 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance to Flag
4. Calling of the Roll
5. Reading and Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting
6. Old Business
  1. **C.B. 20-01** – An Ordinance of the City of Carthage, Missouri, imposing a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate of two and three-quarters percent (2.75%) pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced or raised in the same amount as any city sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised; and providing for submission of the proposal to the qualified voters of the City for their approval at the General Municipal election called and to be held in the City on April 7, 2020. (Budget Ways & Means)
7. Adjournment

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE CALL 417-237-7000 (VOICE) OR 1-800-735-2466 (TDD VIA RELAY MISSOURI) AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO MEETING**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI  
January 14, 2020

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Dan Rife presiding. Fire Chief Roger Williams gave the invocation and Police Chief Greg Dagnan led the flag salute.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Kirby Newport, Ed Barlow, Juan Topete, Ray West, David Armstrong, Mike Daugherty, Ceri Otero, Darren Collier, and Alan Snow. Council Member James Harrison was absent. City Administrator Tom Short was present. City Attorney Nate Dally were absent.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Greg Dagnan, Fire Chief Roger Williams, Public Works Director Zeb Carney, Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson and City Clerk Traci Cox.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2019 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

During Citizen's Participation Period: Mark Elliff, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Director, reviewed a recent Workforce Investment Report. Morris Glaze was present to support Mark Elliff and his work on the Schreiber project and also thanked Schreiber's on their investment in the community. Mr. Glaze works with the MoKan Partnership and urged council members to develop an industrial park to attract businesses.

Mr. Snow reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee met January 13. There was further discussion on putting a use tax on the ballot. This was forwarded to council as CB 20-01 without a recommendation from the committee. Mid-year financials were also reviewed.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims met on this date in the Council Chambers and approved the claims. The Economic Development Activity Report was discussed but no action taken. The nicotine cessation program was reviewed. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to accept a plan from Ozark Center for the 2020 Nicotine Cessation Program. Motion carried. Ms. Otero moved to increase the nicotine differential from \$40 per month to \$75 per month effective January 1, 2021 for employees who use nicotine but do not participate in the Ozark Center program. Motion was seconded by Mr. Armstrong. Motion carried.

Mr. Collier reported the Public Safety Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for January 27.

Mr. Topete reported the Public Services Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for January 21.

Mr. Daugherty reported the Public Works Committee meeting scheduled for January 7 was cancelled.

Special Committee and Board Liaison reports were given by Mr. Topete for the Carthage Tree Board and Kellogg Lake Board, Ms. Otero for the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council, Jasper County Commissioners, and the Carthage Humane Society, and Mr. Barlow for the Planning, Zoning & Historic Preservation.

During Reports of Council Members, Mr. Armstrong discussed the material presented for the proposed aquatic facility and said he would like to see a resolution to the escrowed funds from the sale of the hospital.

Fire Chief Roger Williams reported on the recent passing of retired Battalion Chief Donovan Whitman.

Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson reported RFP's for fireworks and the Parks Master Plan are due on February 14.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: Kevin Kinsey has been hired as the new IT Manager and will begin January 20, economic development meetings, a staff meeting with Pearson Kelly to discuss communication issues, attendance at a Public Policy meeting, sales tax revenues, McGrath will be on site January 16 to begin the compensation study, and the Parks & Recreation Department continues to go through realignment.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$758,160.62 against the following funds: General Revenue \$147,344.17, Public Health \$817.17, Lodging \$8,500.00, Public Safety \$1,780.65, Parks/Stormwater \$51,033.59, Fire Protection \$593.63, Golf \$2,541.41, Capital Improvements \$20,107.00, Tax Distribution \$130,386.00, Library \$47,000, and Payroll \$348,057.00. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Public Hearing to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at City Hall in Carthage, Missouri, concerning annexation of property generally known as: Three Tracts of Land Northwest of the Intersection of W. George E. Phelps Blvd. & Hazel Ave. Containing 107 Acres, More or Less. No citizens were present. Mr. Short reported the information for the annexation was presented to the Planning and Zoning, and it is being supported by both the Planning and Zoning and City of Carthage.

Under Old Business, C.B. 19-49 – An Ordinance to amend Section 23-160 (C) (6) of the Code of Carthage providing for the extension of a School Zone within the City of Carthage, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 20-01.

Under New Business, C.B. 19-50 – An Ordinance annexing certain adjacent territory into the City of Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 20-01 – An Ordinance of the City of Carthage, Missouri, imposing a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate of two and three-quarters percent (2.75%) pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced or raised in the same amount as any city sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised; and providing for submission of the proposal to the qualified votes of the City for their approval at the General Municipal election called and to be held in the City on April 7, 2020 was placed on first reading with no action taken. Council members are in favor of putting the issue on the ballot but discussed the issues of timing and the ability to educate the community about the tax.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Tony Williams to the Police Personnel Administration Board until January 2024 and the re-appointment of Steve Cottrell to the Civil War Museum until January 2023. Motion carried.

During closing remarks, Mr. Snow thanked council members for the open discussion regarding C.B. 20-01 and also discussed the possibility of a planning session.

Mr. Snow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

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Dan Rife, Mayor

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Traci Cox, City Clerk

***OLD  
BUSINESS***

BILL NO. 20-01

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI, IMPOSING A USE TAX FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF TWO AND THREE-QUARTERS PERCENT (2.75%) PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 144.600 THROUGH 144.761 RSMO; PROVIDING FOR THE USE TAX TO BE REPEALED, REDUCED OR RAISED IN THE SAME AMOUNT AS ANY CITY SALES TAX IS REPEALED, REDUCED OR RAISED; AND PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY FOR THEIR APPROVAL AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION CALLED AND TO BE HELD IN THE CITY ON, APRIL 7, 2020.**

**WHEREAS**, the City has imposed local sales taxes, as defined in Section 32.085 RSMo, at the rate of two and three-quarters percent (2.75%); and

**WHEREAS**, the City is authorized, under Section 144.757 RSMo, to impose a local use tax at a rate equal to the rate of the local sales taxes in effect in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed City use tax cannot become effective until approved by the voters at a municipal, county or state general, primary or special election;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Carthage, Missouri, as follows:

**Section 1.** Pursuant to the authority granted by, and subject to, the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo, a use tax for general revenue purposes is imposed for the privilege of storing, using or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property. This tax does not apply with respect to the storage, use or consumption of any article of tangible personal property purchased, produced or manufactured outside this state until the transportation of the article has finally come to rest within this City or until the article has become commingled with the general mass of property of this City.

**Section 2.** The rate of the tax shall be two and three-quarters percent (2.75 %). If any city sales tax is repealed or the rate thereof is reduced or raised by voter approval, the city use tax rate also shall be deemed to be repealed, reduced or raised by the same action repealing, reducing or raising the city sales tax.

**Section 3.** This tax shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Carthage, Missouri, for their approval, as required by the provisions of Section 144.757 RSMo, at the General election hereby called and to be held in the City on Tuesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020. The ballot of submission shall contain substantially the following language:

Shall the City of Carthage, Missouri impose a local use tax at the same rate as the total local sales tax rate, currently two and three-quarters percent (2.75%), provided that if the local sales tax rate is reduced or raised by voter approval, the local use tax rate shall also be reduced or raised by the

same action? A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out-of-state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.

Yes       No

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "Yes." If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "No."

**Section 4.** Within ten (10) days after the approval of this ordinance by the qualified voters of City of Carthage, Missouri, the City Clerk shall forward to the Director of Revenue of the State of Missouri by United States registered mail or certified mail, a certified copy of this ordinance together with certifications of the election returns and accompanied by a map of the City clearly showing the boundaries thereof.

**Section 5.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.**

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**Dan Rife, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Traci Cox, City Clerk**

**Sponsored by: Budget Committee**