



**MINUTES OF THE  
APRIL 4, 2023  
LENEXA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
COMMUNITY FORUM, 17101 W 87<sup>th</sup> STREET PARKWAY  
LENEXA, KS 66219**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Boehm called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Karlin, Eiterich, Nicks, Nolte, Roh, Arroyo, and Sayers were present with Mayor Boehm presiding. Councilmember Denny was absent.

Staff present included Beccy Yocham, City Manager; Todd Pelham, Deputy City Manager; Mike Nolan, Assistant City Manager; Scott McCullough, Community Development Director; Sean McLaughlin, City Attorney; Jennifer Martin, City Clerk; and other City staff.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Councilmember Roh made a motion to approve the March 21, 2023 City Council meeting draft minutes and Councilmember Eiterich seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

**MODIFICATION OF AGENDA**

There were no modifications to the agenda.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

SevenDays Week  
Fair Housing Month  
National Safe Digging Month  
Volunteer Recognition Month

**RECOGNITION**

Mayor Boehm presented Dianne Conway, Lenexa Volunteer Hall of Fame inductee, with her key to the city and framed certificate. He thanked her for her volunteer efforts to many organizations and congratulated her on being inducted to the hall of fame.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Resolution calling for a public hearing to consider approving Redevelopment Project Plan 1K in the City Center TIF District (Kiewit Penrose Lane Building Project)  
*This resolution is only to provide notice of a public hearing on May 16, 2023, at which time the Governing Body will consider approving Redevelopment (TIF) Project Plan 1K encompassing 0.90 acres located south of 89th Street/Penrose Lane and west of*

*Renner Boulevard in the City Center TIF District.*

2. Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Overland Park for road improvements to Quivira Road from 99th Street to 103rd Street

*Lenexa and Overland Park share Quivira Road from 99th Street to 103rd Street. Maintenance of this portion of road is included in Overland Park's 2023 Pavement Management Program and the cities will share costs. The estimated total cost of the project is \$840,664. Overland Park's share is \$311,332 and Lenexa's share is \$311,332. The remaining balance will be paid with County Assisted Roads Systems (CARS) funding.*

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

*Councilmember Karlin made a motion to approve items 1 through 2 on the consent agenda and Councilmember Sayers seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

### **NEW BUSINESS**

3. Resolution approving the City of Lenexa, Kansas Governing Body Rules of Procedure *The Governing Body adopts rules of procedure to assist them in efficiently conducting the City's business and provide general information on the role and responsibilities of staff. The proposed rules of procedure reorganize the current rules of procedure with the goal of reducing redundancies, addressing new practices, and clarifying current practices.*

Sean McLaughlin, City Attorney, said that the City Council discussed updating the Rules of Procedure at its retreat earlier this year. He pointed out that the packet memo contained a typo; meetings shall not extending beyond 12 AM. He reviewed the updates made to the document regarding use of eelectronics during meetings, video recording City Council meetings, changes to agenda and packet distribution practices, extended length of meetings, and the allowance for the Mayor to suspendd the rules for an emergency declaration.

Councilmember Nolte asked if using electronics to look up maps or other information during a meeting is allowedd and Mr. McLaughlin said that rule is to maintain transparency in open meetings and is to say that councilmembers are not to communicate with each other or the public on electronic devices during a meeting.

*Councilmember Roh made a motion to approve Item 3 and Councilmember Arroyo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

### **STUDENT INTRODUCTIONS**

John LeRoy, Water One, and Melissa Montoya, Turner Construction, attended the meeting for Leadership Lenexa.

Jack Groebe and Tori Creason, Shawnee Mission Northwest High School students, attended the meeting for Government class.

## **COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Mayor Boehm said that several Governing Body members and staff attended the National League of Cities Congressional City Conference in Washington D.C. from March 26-28. He said they heard First Lady Biden speak and met with Congresswoman Davis and Senator Moran.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **4. City Center Wayfinder Sign Program**

Kyle Glaser, Economic Development Analyst, presented a history of the wayfinder sign program in City Center and explained that the initial program period expired in February. He said the program can be extended by action of the Governing Body if it desires to do so.

Mr. Glaser reviewed the locations of the signs and the number of logos on each.

Mr. Glaser said that staff recommends not extending the program due to fading business interest and travelers' increased use of mapping systems. He explained the process for removing the signs and said the one sign with an active logo would remain until November 2023, when it expires and then it would be removed.

Discussion followed regarding notification of program ending, waning business interest in the program, resources required to maintain the program, sign clutter, keeping one sign on westbound 87th Street Parkway & Renner Boulevard, having only one sign being confusing, these types of signs working best on highways, and the possibility of future City Center construction increasing the need for directional signage.

Beccy Yocham, City Manager, said the intent of the program was to help travelers find new businesses during the first two years with no renewal.

The Governing Body took no action to extend the program.

## **END OF RECORDED SESSION**

## **BUSINESS FROM FLOOR**

Mary Light, 10311 Hauser Street, talked about a recent emergency situation on her property where a utility company hit a gas line. She thanked members of the Lenexa Fire Department and Jeff Mains, Right-of-Way Technician, for helping her get through the situation safely, for saving her dog, and for answering all of her questions. She talked about the importance of the National Safe Digging Proclamation and calling 811 before digging to prevent such dangerous situations.

## **ADJOURN**

*Councilmember Nolte made a motion to adjourn and Councilmember Roh seconded the motion.* Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

/s/ Jennifer Martin  
City Clerk