



CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 20, 2026

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The Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri duly met on April 20, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in the Council Chambers with Mayor Andrew L. Dawson presiding. Mayor Dawson called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of legislative prayer led by Councilwoman Tina Boggess followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Status, Name, Status. Rows include Jack Robinson (Present), Cheryl Ames (Present), Lee Scribner (Present), Tina Boggess (Present), Bob Hiller (Absent), Bob Cross (Present), Rhiannon Foster (Present), Michelle Franklin (Present).

Public Hearing – Designation of Sedalia Public Library a Historic Landmark

Mayor Dawson opened the Public Hearing at 6:32p.m.

John Simmons, with Sedalia Historic Preservation Commission, stated on March 10th the Commission held a meeting where they made a recommendation to approve Sedalia Public Library as a historic landmark. The Sedalia Public Library is significant because it was a gift from industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie to the citizens of Sedalia in 1899. This was the first in Missouri and was opened in 1901. With the words "Free to All" above its door, terracotta and Carthage stone building features Italian marble floors, fireplaces and beautiful oak woodwork. In 1980, the Sedalia Public Library was added to the National Register of Historic Places. The landmark is recommended on the basis of the integrity of its location, its architecture and its significance to the history of Sedalia.

In the Historic Landmark Process, the Commission has to tie it back to Historic Preservation and Master Plan goals of the City of Sedalia. Goal number seven states the Sedalia Historic Preservation Commission is to develop incentive programs to encourage Preservation landmarks in historic districts and neighborhoods and to invite public input to designate landmark nominees and promote the program.

With no public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 6:35p.m.

SERVICE AWARDS/SPECIAL AWARDS/RETIREMENT AWARDS: None

MINUTES: The Council Meeting minutes of April 6, 2026 were approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

The Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes dated March 11, 2026 were accepted on motion by Foster, seconded by Ames. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

ROLL CALL OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE / ADMINISTRATION

– Chairwoman Tina Boggess; Vice Chairwoman Rhiannon M. Foster

Financial Update: Finance Director Jessica Pyle stated that Sales tax is down Fiscal Year to Date by \$60,000.00. There was a store that did not report so that revenue could be made up next month when they report it. Use Taxes are down Fiscal Year to Date \$100,000.00 over last Fiscal Year to Date. About \$25,000.00 could be made up in the next month. Marijuana Taxes are higher by \$10,000.00. In Net, the City is down \$150,000.00 compared to last year. An increase of 3% was budgeted and there is a budget variance of \$200,000.00 for the first month of this Fiscal Year.

PUBLIC WORKS

– Chairwoman Michelle Franklin; Vice Chairwoman Tina Boggess

- City staff solicited bids for the lease of hay ground at cemetery properties and received a recommendation from staff and Calvary Cemetery Association following the bid opening. Based on prior experience, Les Thierfelder is recommended as the lessee due to a proven track record of timely hay removal, property care, and coordination to avoid conflicts with cemetery operations.

BILL NO. 2026-50, ORDINANCE NO. 12438 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING LEASE AGREEMENTS FOR HAY PRODUCTION AT CROWN HILL AND CALVARY CEMETERIES was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Foster. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted “No”. Hiller was absent.

- The City solicited bids for solid waste disposal services and received responses from GFL Environmental and Show-Me Landfill. While GFL submitted the lower bid at \$31.00 per ton compared to Show-Me Landfill at \$33.00 per ton, staff and the Public Works Council Committee evaluated additional factors including hauling distance, fuel costs, operational efficiency, and landfill conditions. Operational concerns at the GFL facility, including rough haul roads, inefficient turnaround times, and dumping conditions, were identified as ongoing issues. Staff conducted a one-week test hauling to Show-Me Landfill and found improved conditions, more efficient operations, and greater reliability, despite an increase in fuel usage during the test period. After considering total cost, equipment wear, operational efficiency, and long-term service reliability, the Public Works Council Committee recommends awarding the solid waste disposal contract to Show-Me Landfill.

BILL NO. 2026-51, ORDINANCE NO. 12439 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING AN AGREEMENT FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SEDALIA was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted “No”. Hiller was absent.

- City staff is requesting authorization to submit an application for the Safe Streets and Roads for All grant. The proposed project would focus on study and design concepts for the Winchester corridor from 10th Street to Broadway, which was identified as a priority through the Safe Streets for All public engagement process based on community input regarding safety concerns.

RESOLUTION NO. 2163 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL GRANT APPLICATION was read once by title and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

- The City is requesting approval of Change Orders No. 5 and No. 6 for the Washington Avenue Bridge repair project with Double Arch Construction, LLC. Change Order No. 5 reflects a request to extend the project completion date to June 27, 2026, to account for delays related to permitting, weather, material availability, and field conditions. Change Order No. 6 includes \$26,399.40 for necessary column replacements identified during construction. The column replacement work addresses unforeseen deterioration discovered in the

field. The contractor also noted that additional corrosion may be uncovered as sandblasting is completed, and if identified, those areas will be properly repaired prior to final coating.

BILL NO. 2026-52, ORDINANCE NO. 12440 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING CHANGE ORDER NUMBERS FIVE AND SIX FOR WASHINGTON AVENUE BRIDGE REPAIRS was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Ames. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Ames. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted “No”. Hiller was absent.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Chairman Lee Scribner; Vice Chairman Jack Robinson – No Report

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Chairwoman Rhiannon M. Foster; Vice Chairwoman Cheryl Ames

- Following the required public hearing, Council now will consider designation of the Sedalia Public Library (Carnegie Library) as a local historic landmark. The nomination has been reviewed by the Sedalia Historic Preservation Commission and the Planning and Zoning Commission, with both bodies recommending approval based on the building’s historical significance, architectural integrity, and long-standing role in the community. The library, constructed in 1901 as Missouri’s first Carnegie library, remains largely intact with significant original architectural features preserved and has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1980.

RESOLUTION NO. 2164 – A RESOLUTION NOMINATING THE SITE OF THE SEDALIA PUBLIC LIBRARY (CARNEGIE LIBRARY) AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK was read once by title and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Cross. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

- The Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant is a federally funded program administered through the National Park Service that provides financial assistance for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic properties. The City of Sedalia serves as the local administrator of these funds, working with property owners and the Sedalia Historic Preservation Commission to identify and prioritize eligible projects. These grants require a private match from the property owner and utilize City staff time for program administration. The first application is for property located at 219 South Ohio. This project includes roof repair and replacement with a total project cost of \$74,900, of which \$57,673 is funded through the grant and \$17,227 is provided by the property owner. The second application is for property located at 308 West Main. This project includes roofing replacement, second floor window replacement, storefront improvements, and masonry tuckpointing with a total project cost of \$83,545, of which \$66,958 is funded through the grant and \$16,587 is provided by the property owner. The third application is for property located at 322 South Ohio (Trust Building). This request replaces a previously approved agreement for stonework repairs, as the property owner has requested the grant be redirected toward roof replacement due to the roof reaching the end of its useful life. The total project cost is \$96,000, of which \$73,920 is funded through the grant and \$22,080 is provided by the property owner, with no direct City funding required beyond staff administration.

BILL NO. 2026-53, ORDINANCE NO. 12441 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PAUL BRUHN GRANT SUB-RECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR STRUCTURAL REPAIRS AT 219 SOUTH OHIO was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Cross. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Ames. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted “No”. Hiller was absent.

BILL NO. 2026-54, ORDINANCE NO. 12442 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PAUL BRUHN GRANT SUB-RECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR STRUCTURAL REPAIRS AT 308 WEST MAIN STREET was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Scribner. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.
Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted “No”. Hiller was absent.

BILL NO. 2026-55, ORDINANCE NO. 12443 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PAUL BRUHN GRANT SUB-RECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR STRUCTURAL REPAIRS AT 322 SOUTH OHIO – TRUST BUILDING was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Cross. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.
Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2nd by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.
Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted “No”. Hiller was absent.

APPOINTMENTS: None

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATIONS: Motion by Foster, seconded by Boggess to accept the following resignations. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

- *Adam Porter – Sedalia Park Board – Effective Immediately
- *Cassie Brown – Bothwell Regional Health Center – Effective Immediately
- * Tolbert Rowe – Planning and Zoning Commission – Effective Immediately

BIDS:

- Solid Waste Disposal – March 31 ,2026
- Hay Production Cemetery Properties – April 7, 2026

LIQUOR LICENSES:

The following renewal Liquor License was read and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Boggess. All Present in Favor. Hiller was absent.

*Cathy Geotz dba Break Time #3083, 808 East Broadway, Packaged Liquor

Council Meeting adjourned sine die.

PLAQUE PRESENTATIONS:

City Administrator Matthew Wirt presented outgoing Mayor Andrew Dawson with a plaque and read the following: “The City has had the honor of having Andrew Dawson as their esteemed Mayor for four years. The community will continue to prosper due to the accomplishments Mr. Dawson has achieved. The City will be forever grateful and wish Mr. Dawson fortune on all his future endeavors.”

City Administrator Matthew Wirt presented a plaque to outgoing 4th Ward Councilwoman Rhiannon Foster stating it was in honor of Ms. Foster’s service to the City of Sedalia as Councilmember of the 4th Ward. Ms. Foster’s dedication to serving the City and those she represented has been exemplary.

The newly elected City Council Members were called forward and given the Oath of Office by Jason S. Myers, City Clerk, and were presented Certificates of Election and then took their seats at the dias.

Jack Robinson, 1st Ward Councilman
Cheryl Ames, 1st Ward Councilman
Tina Boggess, 2nd Ward Councilman
David Covington, 3rd Ward Councilman
Spencer Redford, 4th Ward Councilman

Newly elected Mayor, Traves Williams, was then called forward and given the Oath of Office by Jason S. Myers, City Clerk and presented a Certificate of Election. Mayor Williams took his seat at the dias and called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Jack Robinson	Present	David Covington	Present
Cheryl Ames	Present	Bob Cross	Present
Lee Scribner	Present	Spencer Redford	Present
Tina Boggess	Present	Michelle Franklin	Present

MAYOR PRO-TEM:

Motion by Cross, seconded by Ames to nominate Councilwoman Boggess for Mayor Pro-Tem. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Covington, Cross, Redford and Franklin. No one voted "No".

Tina Boggess was elected Mayor Pro-Tem.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER TO SERVE ON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Motion by Ames, seconded by Franklin to nominate Councilman Robinson to serve as Council member on Planning and Zoning Commission.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Covington, Cross, Redford and Franklin. No one voted "No".

Jack Robinson elected to serve as Council member on Planning and Zoning Commission.

SELECTION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Mayor Williams read the list of new chairmen and vice chairmen for Council Committees.

Public Safety – Chairperson – Jack Robinson; Vice Chairperson – Spencer Redford; Member Tina Boggess

Community Development – Chairperson – Cheryl Ames; Vice Chairperson – David Covington; Members – Bob Cross and Tina Boggess

Finance & Administration – Chairperson – Tina Boggess; Vice Chairperson – Cheryl Ames; Member Lee Scribner

Public Works – Chairperson Michelle Franklin; Vice Chairperson – David Covington; Member Bob Cross

Motion by Covington, Second by Ames to add a Good and Welfare portion to the Council Meeting. All in favor.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Debbie Covington, PO Box 965, stated that she requests Council to talk in the coming weeks about repealing Ordinance 12255. Ms. Covington stated she does not like that no one can talk about grievances with City Council members or the Mayor and she believes it violates the First Amendment. People should be able to bring signs and be able to criticize public officials. She does not like restrictions on when and where you can take photos. Citizens should be able to speak their minds whether Council likes it or not. Mayor Williams stated the Ordinance

would have to be structured since it pertains to the Municipality and there will be no personal attacks allowed and no disrespecting the Chamber.

Gary Lobaugh, 821 S Arlington, stated when the original Washington Street Bridge was built, Union Pacific paid for half of it. Mr. Lobaugh asked if anyone asked Union Pacific if they would help with funding. City Administrator Matthew Wirt stated he was not City Administrator at that time but he believes Union Pacific was approached about it but they would not assist with funding unless another grade crossing was closed.


Israel Baeza, 1114 E 7, stated his thanks for the Councilmembers for stepping up because it is not easy to run for public office. There are better days ahead which started with a meeting in the morning between the State, City and County. Quarterly meetings were discussed and Mr. Baeza stated his door is open for whatever Council needs. He believes allowing public comment is a great step forward and agrees that it needs to be done respectfully. As representatives it is their job to make sure the citizens are heard. Councilwoman Boggess asked if the meetings could be held later for those that work so that they could attend as well.

Harry Hoffert, 1408 S Barrett, stated that he hopes that the new and previous Councilmembers will work together. Mr. Hoffert stated he wants to be able to place concerns on the Council and have Council respond back. The trust factor has been broken for him and that the citizens need to see the transparency that the voters deserve and what he thinks Council wants to show. Mayor Williams stated the citizen's opinions matter to him. If Council cannot find an answer, he will work hard to find a solution.

Stephanie Mitchell, 1212 S Grand, requested that "No Trucks" signs be put up on Grand Avenue. There are a lot of small children running around in the area and the trucks are also breaking the road.

Regular meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on motion by Boggess, seconded by Ames. All in Favor.

THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI


Traves Williams, Mayor


Jason S. Myers, City Clerk

**TABULATION OF BID
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL
MARCH 31, 2026 2:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

		GFL Environmental Inc 24461 Oak Grove Lane Sedalia, MO 65301				Show Me Landfill, LLC 230 SE 421st Road Warrensburg, MO 64093			
	Unit	Base Disposal (\$/Ton)	Minimum Load (Tons)	Spec, Handling/Add't Fees	Notes/Conditions	Base Disposal (\$/Ton)	Minimum Load (Tons)	Spec, Handling/Add't Fees	Notes/Conditions
Compacted Trash	Per Ton	\$27.39/ton	1 ton	N/A	MSW	33.50/ton			Solid Waste/C&D only
Loose Trash	Per Ton	\$27.39/ton				33.50/ton			Solid Waste/C&D only
Special Handling (if required)	Per Ton				Special Waste Pricing dictated by material type and associated profiles				Special Waste Projects would be priced separately based upon material
Other fees/Surcharges	Per Ton	\$1.50/ton			Pettis Co Host Fee				
Other fees/Surcharges	Per Ton	\$2.11/ton			MDNR fee				
Other fees/Surcharges	Per Ton								
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E-Verify	Yes					Yes			

TABULATION OF BIDS Hay Production - Cemetery Properties April 7, 2026 2:00 p.m. Council Chambers		
	Young Farms 25347 Perkins Road Sedalia, MO 65301	Leslie Thierfelder 32780 Boonville Road Smithton, MO 65350
Description	Price	Price
Crown Hill Cemetery	\$476.00	51.50/Acre x 8 = \$412.00
Calvary Cemetery	\$500.00	52.50/Acre x 9 = \$472.50
Lump Sum Total	\$976.00	\$884.50