



**CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2025**

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The Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri duly met on August 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in the Council Chambers with Mayor Pro-Tem Rhiannon M. Foster presiding. Mayor Pro-Tem Foster called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of legislative prayer led by Chaplain Byron Matson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Jack Robinson	Present	Bob Hiller	Present
Cheryl Ames	Present	Bob Cross	Present
Lee Scribner	Present	Rhiannon Foster	Present
Tina Boggess	Present	Michelle Franklin	Present

Public Hearing – Sewer and Water Rates

Mayor Pro-Tem Foster called the Public Hearing to order at 6:35 p.m. regarding Sewer and Water Rates.

Sewer

Due to significant increases in material and freight charges, natural gas and electric services, labor and contract labor, and costs related to regulatory compliance, a seven and one-half percent (7.5%) increase from the current rates is proposed for the Monthly Wastewater Base Service Rate and the Monthly Volume Rate per thousand gallons. The proposed inside city limit residential sewer rate increase will result in the average sewer customer who uses 4,000 gallons per month seeing a \$4.48 per month or \$53.76 per year increase in their sewer charges. The outside city limit residential sewer rate increase will result in the average sewer customer who uses 4,000 gallons per month seeing a \$6.06 per month or \$72.72 per year increase in their sewer charges.

The Monthly Sewer Base Service and Volume Rates, currently and as proposed, are:

Description of Service	Current Monthly Base Rate	Proposed Monthly Base Rate	Current Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons	Proposed Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons
Residential, Inside City Limits	\$14.38	\$15.46	\$7.70	\$8.28
Residential, Outside City Limits	\$35.42	\$38.08	\$7.70	\$8.28
Commercial Inside City Limits	\$58.81	\$63.22	\$7.70	\$8.28
Commercial Outside City Limits	\$136.06	\$146.26	\$7.70	\$8.28
Industrial Inside City Limits	\$122.61	\$131.81	\$7.70	\$8.28
Industrial Outside City Limits	\$265.76	\$285.69	\$7.70	\$8.28

Water

Due to increased costs for material, freight, natural gas and electric services, labor and contract labor, a five percent (5%) increase from the current rates is proposed for the Monthly Water Base Service Rates and the Monthly Water Volume charges per thousand gallons. Additionally, rates proposed for installation of new water service and

replacement lines have increased as a result of increased material costs (i.e., brass fittings, pipe, pumps and freight charges) and increased contracting costs experienced over the last twelve months and continuing into calendar year 2025. The rates proposed reflect those actual cost increases and the percentage increase varies based on the costs of materials.

The Monthly Base Service and Volume Rates for Water, currently and as proposed, are:

<i>Description of Customer</i>	<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>Current Monthly Base Rate</i>	<i>Proposed Monthly Base Rate</i>	<i>Current Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons ⁽¹⁾</i>	<i>Proposed Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons (Note: First 10,000 Gallons ⁽²⁾)</i>
Residential, Inside City Limits	5/8"	\$10.09	\$10.59	\$3.77	\$3.96
Residential, Inside City Limits	3/4"	\$15.13	\$15.89	\$3.77	\$3.96
Residential, Inside City Limits	1"	\$17.13	\$17.99	\$3.77	\$3.96
Residential, Outside City Limits	5/8"	\$25.22	\$26.48	\$3.77	\$3.96
Residential, Outside City Limits	3/4"	\$37.84	\$39.73	\$3.77	\$3.96
Residential, Outside City Limits	1"	\$42.82	\$44.96	\$3.77	\$3.96
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Commercial Inside City Limits	3/4"	\$15.13	\$15.89	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Inside City Limits	1"	\$25.22	\$26.48	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Inside City Limits	1 1/2"	\$50.44	\$52.96	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Inside City Limits	2"	\$80.71	\$84.75	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Inside City Limits	3"	\$161.42	\$169.49	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Inside City Limits	4"	\$252.22	\$264.83	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Inside City Limits	6"	\$504.44	\$529.66	\$3.77	\$3.96
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Commercial Outside City Limits	2"	\$201.78	\$211.87	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Outside City Limits	3"	\$403.56	\$423.74	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Outside City Limits	4"	\$630.56	\$662.09	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Outside City Limits	6"	\$1,261.10	\$1,324.16	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Outside City Limits	8"	\$2,017.76	\$2,118.65	\$3.77	\$3.96
Commercial Outside City Limits	10"	\$3,229.07	\$3,390.52	\$3.77	\$3.96

Note: (1) The Monthly Charge is the same for Inside City Limits and Outside City Limits.

(2) As detailed in the below Table 1, the Volume Charge is a "Decreasing Block Rate" based on 5 units and a municipal metered rate.

<i>Description</i>	<i>Gallons per Month Used</i>	<i>Current Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Current Maximum Charge per Volume Unit ^(a)</i>	<i>Proposed Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Proposed Maximum Charge per Volume Unit ^(a)</i>
First 10,000 gallons per month	< or = 10,000	\$3.77	\$37.70	\$3.96	\$39.60

Next 40,000 gallons per month	> 10,000 but no more than 50,000	\$3.33	\$133.20	\$3.50	\$140.00
Next 50,000 gallons per month	> 50,000 but no more than 100,000	\$3.05	\$152.50	\$3.20	\$160.00
Next 100,000 gallons per month	>100,000 but no more than 200,000	\$2.78	\$278.00	\$2.92	\$292.00
All over 200,000 gallons per month	> 200,000	\$2.48	All remaining 1,000 gallons	\$2.60	All remaining 1,000 gallons
Municipal metered		\$2.28	All 1,000 gallons	\$2.39	All 1,000 gallons

The One Time Charge for Installation of New Water Service Lines, currently and as proposed, are:

Description of Installation	Current One Time Charge	Proposed One Time Charge	Proposed Increase Percentage (%)
3/4" Service	\$778.00	\$816.90	5%
3/4" Service with Street Cut	\$1,088.00	\$1,142.40	5%
1" Service	\$960.00	\$1,008.00	5%
1" Service with Street Cut	\$1,331.00	\$1,397.55	5%
1 1/2" Service	\$3,340.00	\$3,507.00	5%
2" or 3" Service	\$4,482.00	\$4,706.10	5%
4" or 6" Service	\$4,983.00	\$5,232.15	5%

Note: Full replacement of an existing service line will be at the above costs including street cut cost, if needed.
Less than full replacement of an existing service line will be based on actual time and material costs. If additional materials are necessary for a specific installation, such as stainless-steel tapping sleeves, these job specific materials will be charged back to the customer at actual cost.

Unmetered Fire Service Annual Rates, currently and as proposed, are:

Description of Service	Current Annual Charge	Proposed Annual Charge
<i>Private Fire Hydrants</i>	\$293.85	\$308.54
<i>Automatic Sprinkler Systems:</i>		
Minimum Bill (100 Sprinkler Heads) Per Year	\$152.09	\$159.69
Additional Sprinkler Heads-Each	\$0.31	\$0.33
<i>Fire Hose Risers:</i>		

1 st 2" Riser in Building not more than 3 Stories in Height Above Basement, with not more than 1 Riser Connection in Basement	\$83.95	\$88.15
Each Additional 2" Riser, as stated above	\$63.02	\$66.17
Each Additional 4" Riser in Building not more than 3 Stories in Height Above Basement, with not more than 1 Hose Connection on each floor and an Extra Connection in Basement	\$125.94	\$132.24

Sprinkler Service-New and Fire Hydrant Installation Charges, currently and as proposed, are:

Description of Installation	Current Standard Charge	Proposed Standard Charge
2" Sprinkler Service	\$1,455.00	\$1,527.75
4" Sprinkler Service	\$3,115.00	\$3,270.75
6" Sprinkler Service	\$3,197.00	\$3,356.85
8" Sprinkler Service	\$3,526.00	\$3,702.30
10" Sprinkler Service	\$4,157.00	\$4,364.85
Fire Hydrant (Installation including hydrant)	\$4,373.00	\$4,591.65

If approved, the new rates will become effective for the first billing after October 1, 2025.

Gary Lobaugh, 821 South Arlington, inquired if rate increase amount was combined or if it was separated out as Sewer and Water. With no further public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 6:36 p.m.

Public Hearing – Proposed Tax Rates for 2025

Mayor Pro-Tem Foster called the Public Hearing to order at 6:36 p.m. regarding Proposed Tax Rates for 2025.

	2024 ASSESSED VALUATION	2025 ASSESSED VALUATION	ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES ASSESSED FOR 2025	PROPOSED TAX RATE 2025 (PER \$100)
For Public Library Purposes:				
Real Estate	179,231,375	189,901,186		
Personal	60,276,561	61,078,585		
Public Library	239,507,936	250,979,771	\$ 608,124	0.2423
Library Temporary			\$ 174,180	0.0694
Total Public Library			\$ 782,304	0.3117
For Special Business District - Real Estate	4,910,500	5,019,600		
For Special Business District - Personal	40,292	59,030		
Total	4,950,792	5,078,630	\$ 43,168	0.8500

For All Other Purposes:

Real Estate	225,982,620	247,698,738		
Personal	84,041,920	84,540,883		
TOTAL	310,024,540	332,239,621		
General			\$	1,614,352 0.4859
Public Parks			\$	561,485 0.1690
Fire Pension			\$	163,130 0.0491
Police Pension			\$	315,628 0.0950
TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES			\$	2,654,595
Tax Levy for All Purposes				1.9607
Tax Levy for Outside Special Business District But Within Public Library				1.1107
Tax Levy for Outside Special Business District and Public Library				0.7990

With no public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 6:37 p.m.

Public Hearing – Designation of Jennie Jaynes Stadium Site as Historic Landmark

Mayor Pro-Tem Foster called the Public Hearing to order at 6:37 p.m. on designation of the Jennie Jaynes Stadium site as a Historic Landmark. Gary Lobaugh, 821 South Arlington, stated he feels that since the Stadium no longer exists it should not be done. Instead identify a photo to hang in the Council Chambers. With no further public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 6:38 p.m.

SPECIAL AWARDS/SERVICE AWARDS/RETIREMENT AWARDS: None

MINUTES: The Council Meeting minutes of August 4, 2025 were approved on motion by Cross, seconded by Ames. All in Favor.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

The Planning and Zoning Commission minutes dated July 2, 2025 were accepted on motion by Scribner, seconded by Boggess. All in Favor.

ROLL CALL OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE / ADMINISTRATION – Chairwoman Tina Boggess; Vice Chairwoman Rhiannon M. Foster

PRESENTATION – INSURANCE RENEWAL WORKCOMP/PROPERTY & CASUALTY

Kyle Ziegler with IMA, stated that staff has been working with the City's insurance broker, IMA Corp., to improve the City's property and casualty insurance program. The proposal is to move from the current carriers Cincinnati Insurance, MO Perm, and MEM to Travelers Insurance. This change provides broader coverage and is projected to save the City approximately \$192,000 annually compared to current premiums. The negotiated agreement includes a three-year rate guarantee, subject to certain stipulations. If council agrees, staff will move forward with binding the coverage under the IMA broker agreement effective September 1, 2025.

- The MML Conference is scheduled for September 14-17th in St. Charles Missouri. With many council members in attendance, we need to plan for cancelling or moving the regular scheduled council meeting that would occur on September 15th. Motion by Scribner, seconded by Ames to move the City Council meeting from September 15 to September 22, 2025.

Financial Update: Finance Director Jessica Pyle reported on Fiscal Year to Date June sales. Net sales are down about \$138,590.00 or 1.7%. City had budgeted a 4% increase. This makes the variance in the budget to around \$464,689. Part of this is due to last May being an abnormally high month. May 2025 was more on average. The Marijuana tax collection began in October 2023. This is the first full year comparison for Fiscal Year to Date. Franchise tax is lower this Fiscal Year to Date around \$253,851.00 of that is related to Electric taxes. Transportation taxes are higher due to higher gasoline tax of 10.8%, higher vehicle sales of 9.3%, and higher vehicle fees of 4.5%. Property tax payment collections this year to date are comparable to the prior year and the bulk of those come in December and January.

- Setting the property tax levy is an annual requirement under Missouri law to ensure rates reflect the current year's certified assessed valuations from the county. This process accounts for changes in property values, new construction, and budgetary needs while keeping the City within statutory limits. The amount of property tax imposed on any taxpayer is determined by two factors: (1) the assessed value of their taxable property, as established by the local assessor, and (2) the total of the tax rates set by the various governing bodies in which the property is located.

BILL NO. 2025-141, ORDINANCE NO. 12321 – AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2025 IN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Robinson. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

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

A five-minute recess called at 6:52 p.m. due to power outage on motion by Ames, seconded by Boggess. All in Favor. Meeting re-convened at 6:56 p.m.

- During the last council meeting, staff provided presentations of utility rates and all other applicable fees along with a recommendation of where to make changes. This process is intended to ensure transparency and provide the City Council with a clear understanding of current rates, the history of adjustments, and the justification for any proposed changes. While rate adjustments are never easy, they are often necessary to ensure the City can continue delivering reliable and high-quality services to the community at a reasonable rate. Staff recommends the new rates would not go into effect until October 1st.

Cemetery

Cemetery Director Roger Waters stated the last rate adjustments were in 2012 and 2017. In looking at a 2-year average of 61 graves sold and comparing to Fiscal Year 2026, the cemetery is projecting sales at 70. At present, there have been 69 graves sold, 14 sold in the last two weeks. Niches on 2-year average were 17 and FY 26 projected at 17; Casket burials at 59, FY 26 at 63; Cremation burial at 67, FY 26 is 72, and total on a 2-year average of 126, FY 26 is projected at 135. Director Waters reported that currently he and his crew are servicing and maintaining 35,194 graves in the cemeteries. Cemetery has over 25,000 feet of roads or 4 ¾ miles and the crew mows and maintains 66 acres. Revenues for the Cemetery in operating fees, lot sales, columbarium's, and engraving are a total direct revenue of \$113,743.00. Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 is \$154,803.00 with a variance of 36.1%. The Cemetery's percent of increase is 25%. Total expenditures for a 2-year average were \$411,704.00 and for FY 26 it is \$425,502.00. The City loses approximately \$2,374.00 per burial at current rates. With projected rate increases, this brings that number down to just under \$2,000.00.

Animal Services

Animal Services Director Randi Battson stated that last year when vet services were not inhouse the Shelter was paying \$117.00-\$135.00 for spay/neuter per cat and between \$130.00-\$230.00 per dog. The

average total cost to prepare dogs for adoption is \$199.11 and cats is 68.44. Current adoption rates for cats is \$35.00, kittens \$45.00, for dogs/puppies is \$55.00-\$150.00. Current adoption fees result in a loss of approximately \$23.44 for cats and approximately \$49.11 for dogs. In conducting a rate comparison for the area, the Sedalia Animal Shelter is way underneath other area shelters. Adoptability of dogs depends on desirability, size and breed not necessarily on amount of adoption fee. Director Battson shared proposed Animal Ordinance Violation fee increases. These fees cover violations for animals running at large, bite cases and vicious animals. Proposed rates for violations would move from a fixed fee to incremental increase per additional offenses and would be structured for altered and unaltered animals.

City Clerk

City Clerk Jason Myers stated that he has updated numbers for requests as of August 18, 2025. For Fire Department, the total is 56 requests with 49 requestors and a total of 11.75 hours. General requests have increased to 111 year to date with 33 requestors and a total time of 74 hours. Sunshine law allows charges for time spent, duplication of records and for research time filling the request. Charges cannot exceed average hourly rate of pay for clerical staff. Fees have not increased since 2017, however, salaries have so the request to increase is to align with current scales. Current Sedalia Police Department rate is \$24.75/hour with a proposed rate of \$32.22/hour, Fire and General are currently at \$23.60/hour and proposed increase is \$29.67/hour. Both rates are based on current salary base rate and benefits. Per Sunshine Law, copies remain at \$.10 cents per page.

Community Development

Chief Building Official Bryan Kopp stated for Public Hearings, Planning and Zoning and Board of Appeals the largest cost is in Certified letter mailing of over \$10 per letter sent to homeowners within 185 feet of each subject property. Currently there is no charge for Annexation fees or Flood Plain applications but those have been added to accommodate staff time. Extra Inspection fee of \$25 has been incorporated for failure of inspection two times for the same violation and cuts down on unnecessary re-inspections. Building, Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing will have a base fee similar to Building permits and calculate the remainder of the fee off the total cost of construction of \$6/1000. Base fee will increase from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Plumbing certificate is currently \$1 for Journeyman and \$5 for Master but plan to increase to \$25 across the board with the process remaining the same.

Public Works Operations

Public Works Operations Director Justin Bray presented proposed rate increases for Sanitation.

Proposed Residential Cart Rates

35 gallon cart (1) \$15.00

65 gallon cart (1) \$19.50

95 gallon cart (1) \$22.50

95 gallon cart (2) \$26.00

95 gallon cart (3 or more) \$26.00 for 2 + \$22.50 per each additional cart

Elderly discount of -\$2.00

Utilities

Utilities Director William Bracken stated that Utilities struggles to cover the costs of water treatment which leaves very little to put back into infrastructure, much of which is at the end of its life expectancy. This leads to reactive maintenance versus preventative. Moving forward, we will need to be proactive about replacement, particularly at the sewer plants. The City must work toward sustainable rates looking toward the future.

Proposed Wastewater Rates:

- **Volume Rate:** Increase from **\$7.70** to **\$8.28** per 1,000 gallons.
- **Monthly Base Service Charge:** Increase by **7.5%**.

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Proposed Drinking Water Rates:

- **Volume Rate:** Increase from **\$3.77** to **\$3.96** per 1,000 gallons.
- **Monthly Base Service Charge:** Increase by **5%**.
- **Note:** The Monthly Volume Charge is a "Decreasing Block Rate" based on consumption, but for simplicity, the proposed rate of \$3.96 per 1,000 gallons is shown here for the first 10,000 gallons.

Description of Customer	Meter Size	Current Monthly Base Rate	Proposed Monthly Base Rate	Current Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons	Proposed Monthly Volume Rate per 1,000 Gallons
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City Administrator Wirt stated all rates in this Ordinance are for various fees with the exception of Sewer and Water which are separate under Public Works and an Ordinance will be brought back to Council for Animal Shelter rates.

BILL NO. 2025-142, ORDINANCE NO. 12322 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI RELATING TO VARIOUS FEES was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Scribner. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Hiller. All in Favor.

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

- As part of review of fees, staff recommends approval of an ordinance amending the Fee Schedule by removing outdated fees related to the Sedalia Community Center. The deleted section includes gym rental charges for basketball and volleyball. This update aligns the Fee Schedule with current practices and removes references to charges that are no longer applicable.

BILL NO. 2025-143, ORDINANCE NO. 12323 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI BY REMOVING REFERENCE TO SEDALIA COMMUNITY CENTER FEES was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Cross. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

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

- Staff is requesting approval to expand the originally planned network upgrade for the Municipal Building to also include the Police Department. The original project budget of \$15,750.88 covered the replacement of 8 network switches in the Municipal Building. Upon further review, the current network design was found to require improvements for performance, reliability, and security. The revised scope includes replacement of aging equipment in both facilities, totaling 21 network devices. The new project cost is \$27,694.44, an increase of \$11,943.56, which will require a budget amendment. Pricing is from Sourcewell Contract which meets the city purchasing policy.

RESOLUTION NO. 2139 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AN INCREASE THE CITY’S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 was read once by title and approved on motion by Boggess, seconded by Ames. All in Favor, except Councilwoman Franklin who abstained due to spouse being IT Director.

BILL NO. 2025-144, ORDINANCE NO. 12324 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 REGARDING IT ADDITIONAL SWITCH UPGRADE PURCHASE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Hiller, Cross and Foster. No one voted “No”. Councilwoman Franklin abstained due to spouse being IT Director.

BILL NO. 2025-145, ORDINANCE NO. 12325 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A QUOTE FOR SWITCH UPGRADE PURCHASE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Cross. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Hiller, Cross and Foster. No one voted “No”. Councilwoman Franklin abstained due to spouse being IT Director.

PUBLIC WORKS – Chairwoman Michelle Franklin; Vice Chairwoman Tina Boggess

<u>PRESENTATION</u> – SOUTHEAST SEWER PLANT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF CONSENT
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The Southeast Wastewater Treatment Facility is 40 years old, with much of its infrastructure at or beyond its service life. Rather than listing each specific issue, the facility’s needs can be grouped into three primary categories: (1) critical equipment replacement for process units that are no longer operational or are at high risk of failure, (2) support system modernization such as electrical, pumping, and control systems that impact plant reliability and safety, and (3) capacity and operational improvements to meet current and future peak flow, treatment, and redundancy requirements. Staff recommends the City enter into a Voluntary Abatement Order on Consent with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to address these deficiencies in a structured, cost-effective manner. Advantages include: Establishing clear, binding timelines that satisfy MODNR and EPA expectations, allowing coordinated project planning so work is completed in the correct sequence, avoiding rework and wasted funds, providing regulatory protection by demonstrating proactive compliance efforts, reducing the likelihood of fines, and offering flexibility to align large-scale infrastructure projects with funding sources and budget cycles. A Condition Assessment Plan is already being pursued with an engineering firm to guide the project scope and cost estimates. By following this process, the City can ensure that the most urgent needs are addressed first, resources are used efficiently, and long-term compliance with permit limits is maintained. Staff recommends moving forward with requesting an AOC. If council agrees, staff will bring back formal documents with the agreement and plan at a later date.

Wastewater supervisor Ben Maness stated that following a recent inspection, several items were noticed that were not up to par due to years of wear with minimal maintenance. The City has been working with Department of Natural Resources on correcting where we are not currently in compliance. By entering an Administrative Order of Consent, the City will have a structured timeline to get the facility modernized and in compliance.

- The City of Sedalia has seven lease agreements with various cellular providers for antenna and equipment placement on the City’s two water towers and associated ground space. Many of these

leases were executed in the 1990s and are nearing expiration. New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) has occupied space on the East Water Tower at 214 East Main Street since November 2000 under a lease scheduled to expire December 31, 2027. Staff negotiated a new lease to take effect January 1, 2028, replacing the old terms with updated provisions and establishing market-based rent. The agreement provides an initial five-year term through December 31, 2032, with three optional five-year renewals for a possible total term through December 31, 2047. Rent will be \$3,923.66 per month starting January 1, 2028, with a 3% annual increase.

BILL NO. 2025-146, ORDINANCE NO. 12326 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TOWER AND GROUND SPACE LEASE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Hiller, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Cross. All in Favor.

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

- The proposed ordinance amends the City Code and updates the City’s Fee Schedule for wastewater service.

BILL NO. 2025-147, ORDINANCE NO. 12327 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 60-219 (d) OF ARTICLE V OF CHAPTER 60 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI RELATING TO THE SEWER USE CHARGE SYSTEM AND INCORPORATING SAID FEES INTO THE CITY’S FEE SCHEDULE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Ames, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

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

- The proposed ordinance implements a 5% increase to the Monthly Water Base Service Rates and the Monthly Water Volume charges per thousand gallons. Staff recommends the rates go into effect the first billing after October 1, 2025.

BILL NO. 2025-148, ORDINANCE NO. 12328 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 60-401 OF ARTICLE VII OF CHAPTER 60 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI RELATING TO THE WATER USE CHARGE SYSTEM AND INCORPORATING SAID FEES INTO THE CITY’S FEE SCHEDULE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Boggess, 2nd by Ames. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Hiller, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

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

- Staff is seeking authorization to apply for a Missouri Department of Conservation Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (TRIM) Grant. The \$15,000 request would be used to remove ash trees infested with the emerald ash borer, provide public education materials, and plant new trees to sustain and grow the City’s tree population.

RESOLUTION NO. 2140 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI FOR A TREE RESOURCE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE (TRIM) GRANT THROUGH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION was read once by title and approved on motion by Ames, seconded by Boggess. All in Favor.

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

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

- The Jennie Jaynes Stadium site has been nominated by the City of Sedalia for historic landmark designation. The stadium, dedicated in 1953 and constructed of concrete and steel with a 3,000-seat capacity, was central to Sedalia's high school sports until its demolition in 2015 to make way for the Heckart Community Center. For 61 years, it hosted generations of student-athletes and coaches, including several who went on to collegiate and professional sports careers. The designation honors the legacy of Jennie Jaynes Lewis, whose estate funded the original stadium for the educational and recreational benefit of Sedalia's youth. Although no structural elements remain, the site retains historic and cultural significance. The proposed action includes placing and maintaining a commemorative marker in the public right-of-way to inform future generations of the site's importance. Both the Historic Preservation Commission and the Planning and Zoning Commission have unanimously recommended approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2141 – A RESOLUTION NOMINATING THE SITE OF JENNIE JAYNES STADIUM AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK was read once by title and approved on motion by Cross, seconded by Robinson. All in Favor.

APPOINTMENTS: None

BIDS: None.

LIQUOR LICENSES:

The following renewal Liquor Licenses were read and approved on motion by Boggess, seconded by Ames. All in Favor.

*Daniela Silva dba Morelos Taqueria Bakery & Grocery, 125 East 16th, Packaged Liquor & Sundays Sales

*Cathy Geotz dba Break Time #3084, 318 West Broadway, Packaged Liquor

*Kay Jones dba Primetime #3 LLC, 1320 South Limit, Packaged Liquor & Sunday Sales

*Kay Jones dba Prime Fav Trip, 216 West Broadway, Packaged Liquor & Sunday Sales

*Luis Pereiri dba Taqueria El Costeno LLC, 504 West 16th, Liquor by the Drink and Sunday Sales

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATOR:

Mayor Pro-Tem Foster stated she was excited to see the ditch by El Espolon was cleaned out.

Councilman Robinson commented that the City received a compliment from the EPA regarding the the East Broadway property. We need to express our gratitude to the current and past Administration for their due diligence regarding this property following complaints from citizens.

Councilman Cross stated that no one likes increases, and many Citizens feel that the City makes a profit off of Sewer, Water and Trash, but he stressed that is not the case.

Councilman Hiller said that he knows several Seniors who are going to sign up next year for the property tax freeze. Many missed it this year because the deadline was not well publicized.

GOOD & WELFARE:

Derrick Standley, Presidio Environmental, Buckley Road, stated his group is putting in the repository 7 miles west of Sedalia. They do not take waste, they send it to facilities. Missouri is the 3rd or 4th largest exporter of waste. Over half of the waste disposed of in Kansas comes from Missouri. The reason for this is that Missouri is a very tough state in which to get permits. There are 16 facilities remaining in Missouri which will reduce to 10 in the next 5-7 years. He stated that the tax passed is supposed to go to economic development toward sanitation, recycling and road but Pettis County chose to keep it for themselves. Once his company is permitted, they will offer Sedalia the Most Favored Nation status.

Debbie Covington, PO Box 52, stated that the recent Ordinance passed regarding Citizens speaking at Public meeting is not only constricting, it is unconstitutional. Public Hearings are the place for citizens to bring their questions and concerns to those whom they elected. In addition, she disagrees with the practice of signing up and sharing a topic. She feels many times the topics are vague and therefore Citizens do not know ahead of time what Council will be voting on. It is difficult to know what questions need to be asked or what concerns to raise if details are not shared until the meeting. Having a Public Hearing and an Ordinance on a topic in the same meeting leaves little dialogue or opposition. Over 2 years, Sedalia has spent over \$1 Million dollars on legal fees with Lauber Municipal Law on useless litigation yet the public has little discussion about whether the expenditures served the Citizens.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m. on motion by Boggess, seconded by Cross to a closed-door meeting in the upstairs conference room pursuant to subsections 1 (Legal Advice), 2 (Real Estate), 3 (Personnel) and 12 (Negotiated Contracts) of Section 610.021 RSMo. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Ames, Scribner, Boggess, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Franklin. No one voted "No".

The regular meeting reopened at 9:46 p.m. on motion by Scribner, seconded by Ames.

ROLL CALL:

Jack Robinson	Present	Bob Hiller	Present
Cheryl Ames	Present	Bob Cross	Present
Lee Scribner	Present	Rhiannon Foster	Present
Tina Boggess	Present	Michelle Franklin	Present

BUSINESS RELATED TO CLOSED DOOR MEETING:

BILL NO. 2025-149, ORDINANCE NO. 12329 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI TO DEED CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY TO FURNELL INVESTMENTS, INC AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AN INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI AND FURNELL INVESTMENTS, INC, A MISSOURI CORPORATION was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Cross, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

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

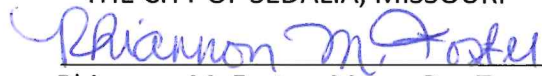
BILL NO. 2025-150, ORDINANCE NO. 12330 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN EASEMENT LOCATED ON THE PLAT OF PARK HILL 1ST SUBDIVISION. was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Scribner, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Scribner, 2nd by Boggess. All in Favor.

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

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m. on motion by Cross, seconded by Ames. All in Favor.

THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI

Rhiannon M. Foster, Mayor Pro-Tem


Jason S. Myers, City Clerk