



The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri, met on Monday September 22, 2025, for a Public Hearing at 5:50 p.m. and a Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall located at 711 West Main Street, Festus, Missouri.

I. 5:50 PM - Public Hearing

- a. Floodplain Management Regulations
- b. Planned Unit Development at 2351 Buck Creek Road

Mayor Richards opened the Public Hearing for Floodplain Management Regulations at 5:50 p.m.

Mayor Richards asked if there were any citizens who wished to speak. No citizens spoke. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

Mayor Richards opened the Public Hearing for the Planned Unit Development at 2351 Buck Creek Road.

Mayor Richards asked if there were any citizens who wished to speak.

The following citizens spoke in opposition of the Planned Unit Development:

- Bob Boyer, 2370 Marilyn Lane
- Haley Taylor, 2350 Buck Creek Road
- Donna Masters, 1940 Iron Mountain

Councilman Cook moved to close the Public Hearing and was seconded by Councilman Collier.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Mayor Richards closed the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.



II. Call to Order

Mayor Richards called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Councilman Boyer
Councilman Collier
Councilwoman Templeton
Councilman Wehner
Councilman Dennis
Councilman Venez
Councilman Tinnin
Councilman Cook

Absent:

None

Also in attendance:

Mayor Samuel F. Richards, City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Leah Smith, Finance Director Michelle Vaughn, Building and Planning Director Mark Harris, Parks Director Josh Whaley, Recreation and Tourism Director Barb Lowry, Police Chief Doug Wendel, Fire Chief Jeff Broombaugh, Public Works Director Michael Christopher and City Attorney Brian Malone.

Pledge of Allegiance

Recited

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes

- a. September 8, 2025 – Work Session
- b. September 8, 2025 – Regular Session

2. Approval of Bills

Mayor Richards asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mayor Richards announced the bills were in the amount of \$ 563,390.52.

Motion to approve the consent agenda, the bills, and minutes of the Council Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes on September 8, 2025, was made by Councilman Venez, seconded by Councilwoman Templeton.

Vote:



Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried.

3. Correspondence

IV. Remarks of Visitors

- Mike or Kathy Baladenski, 519 Lee Ave** - not in attendance
- Susan West, 11427 Westhill Drive** – Spoke in opposition of Bill No. 4847
- Grant Winnett, 2380 Buck Creek Road** - Spoke in opposition of Bill No. 4847
- Mark Schmitz, 11402 Westhill Drive** - Spoke in opposition of Bill No. 4847
- Kathy Nausley, 11401 Westhill Drive** - Spoke in opposition of Bill No. 4847
- Greg Redfield, 2008 Adare** - Spoke in support of Bill No. 4847

V. Bids

a. Daupler Response Management and Callout Module

Public Works Director Michael Christopher reported that staff reviewed dispatching options for after-hours emergencies and complaints. The Daupler system was identified as the only option meeting all needs, providing a dedicated phone line, call center dispatch to staff, text updates to callers, and the ability to upload photos and track progress on issues. Councilman Dennis clarified that current calls are through Police Dispatch and will now be through this system, which Mr. Christopher confirmed and added that it will be under the parameters set by the City.

Motion to approve the single source Daupler Response Management and Callout Module bid for \$21,000.00 was made by Councilwoman Templeton and seconded by Councilman Boyer.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye



Councilman Dennis: Aye
Councilman Venz: Aye
Councilman Cook: Aye
Councilman Tinnin: Aye

Motion carried.

VI. Ordinances and Resolutions

Clerk Smith read the following:

Resolution No. 4846.5 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri directing the expenditure of certain opioid settlement funds.

City Administrator Greg Camp reported this request is for the Police Department to purchase DWI enforcement equipment.

Councilman Cook made a motion to approve Resolution No. 4846.5, seconded by Councilwoman Templeton.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer: Aye
Councilman Collier: Aye
Councilwoman Templeton: Aye
Councilman Wehner: Aye
Councilman Dennis: Aye
Councilman Venz: Aye
Councilman Cook: Aye
Councilman Tinnin: Aye

Resolution No. 4846.5 has passed.

Clerk Smith read the following:

Bill No. 4847 - Bill No. 4847 - An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; approving the Planned Unit Development for 2351 Buck Creek Road; incorporating Exhibit "A" attached hereto as a part of this ordinance; and establishing an effective date.

Building and Planning Director Mark Harris presented a PUD request with 28-ft streets (parking on one side only) and 5-ft sidewalks, noting 29% greenspace and compliance with advertising and hearing protocols. Public Works Director Michael Christopher summarized the traffic study. Council discussed road ownership and maintenance



responsibilities with FSRD, street width comparisons to other developments, and concerns about future complaints, plat reviews, and traffic impacts. It was clarified that tonight's vote was only on the street and sidewalk dimensions, with additional approvals required through future plat reviews. Ongoing issues with FSRD tax collection and service distribution were also noted.

Mr. Camp recommended an amendment to the City Council that Bill No. 4847, Section 1, be amended regarding street widths, sidewalks and setbacks.

Motion to amend Bill No. 4847, Section 1., to read, "The Planned Unit Development for 2351 Buck Creek Road is hereby approved. The owners are granted the following deviations from the standard district regulations: Required street width shall be twenty-eight feet (28') wide with sidewalks on both sides, and a forty foot (40') right of way; and Lot side yard setbacks shall be five feet (5')," was made by Councilman Dennis and seconded by Councilman Venz.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried.

Motion to suspend rules to read Bill No. 4847 as amended a second time was made by Councilman Tinnin and seconded by Councilman Venz.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye



Motion carried. Clerk Smith read Bill No. 4847 as amended, a second time.

Mayor Richards called for a vote to finally approve Bill No. 4847.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Nay
Councilman Collier:	Nay
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Bill 4847 finally passed.

Clerk Smith read the following:

Bill No. 4848 - An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri, amending Chapter 415 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus, Missouri, regarding certain Floodplain Management Regulations; repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith; and establishing an effective date.

Building and Planning Director Mark Harris reported that the floodplain maps are a procedural update for FIRMs (Floodplain Insurance Rate Maps) that FEMA mandates be updated.

Motion to suspend rules to read Bill No. 4848 a second time was made by Councilman Boyer and seconded by Councilman Collier.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye



Motion carried. Clerk Smith read Bill No. 4848 a second time.

Mayor Richards called for a vote to finally approve Bill No. 4848.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Bill 4848 finally passed.

Clerk Smith read the following:

Bill No. 4849 - An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; adopting the budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026; and establishing an effective date.

Finance Director Michelle Vaughn reported that this ordinance is to adopt a new budget, which includes 3 extra items of The Barn Phase 2 HVAC, sidewalks at Jokerst Park bathrooms, and Crites Park sewer work. Mayor Richards commended the Finance Department on their tireless efforts in preparing this years budget.

Motion to suspend rules to read Bill No. 4849 a second time was made by Councilman Venz and seconded by Councilwoman Templeton.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried. Clerk Smith read Bill No. 4849 a second time.



Mayor Richards called for a vote to finally approve Bill No. 4849.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Bill 4849 finally passed.

Clerk Smith read the following:

Bill No. 4850 - An ordinance of the City of Festus, Missouri; authorizing the Mayor to enter into and execute an agreement with Daupler for a Response Management System; incorporating said agreement as a part of this ordinance; and establishing an effective date.

Public Works Director Michael Christopher reported that this Daupler System is as previously discussed during Bids and will be split between the Street and Water Departments.

Motion to suspend rules to read Bill No. 4850 a second time was made by Councilman Collier and seconded by Councilman Boyer.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried. Clerk Smith read Bill No. 4850 a second time.



Mayor Richards called for a vote to finally approve Bill No. 4850.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Bill 4850 finally passed.

Clerk Smith read the following:

Bill No. 4851 - An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri, Amending Chapter 605 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus, regarding water bill reductions and the terms and conditions for such reductions; and establishing an effective date.

City Administrator Greg Camp explained this Code Amendment would allow staff the ability to make a one-time adjustment on utility bills depending on their good standing due to a significant bill increase at no fault of the account owner.

Motion to suspend rules to read Bill No. 4851 a second time was made by Councilman Venz and seconded by Councilman Collier.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried. Clerk Smith read Bill No. 4851 a second time.

Mayor Richards called for a vote to finally approve Bill No. 4850.



Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Bill 4851 finally passed.

VII. New Business

a. Picnic License Request for Taytro's Bar & Bistro – October 4, 2025

There was no discussion.

Motion to approve the Picnic License Request for Taytro's Bar & Bistro on October 4, 2025, was made by Councilman Wehner, seconded by Councilman Venz.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried.

b. Picnic License Request for Four Brothers Meadery – November 8, 2025 (Ladies Night)

There was no discussion.

Motion to approve the Picnic License Request for Four Brothers Meadery on November 8, 2025, was made by Councilman Wehner, seconded by Councilman Collier.



Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried.

- c. **Festitval Request – Festus R-VI District for the Homecoming Parade – October 17, 2025**
- d. **Festitval Request – Festus R-VI District for the Veterans Day Parade – November 11, 2025**

Motion to approve the Homecoming & Veterans Day Parade Requests for Festus R-VI School District on October 17 and November 11, 2025, was made by Councilman Boyer, seconded by Councilman Venz.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye
Councilwoman Templeton:	Aye
Councilman Wehner:	Aye
Councilman Dennis:	Aye
Councilman Venz:	Aye
Councilman Cook:	Aye
Councilman Tinnin:	Aye

Motion carried.

VIII. Old Business

None.

IX. Mayor and City Council Reports

Councilman Boyer – Reported that the Mayor's Cruise went well and asked Chief Wendel if there were any issues; Chief Wendel responded that there were quite a few. Commended the Finance Department for their excellent work on the budget.



Councilman Wehner – Thanked Michelle and her staff for their work on the budget.

Councilman Dennis – Expressed appreciation to the Police and Fire Departments for addressing recent city fire-related issues. Inquired about the Mayor's Police Report; Chief Wendel noted he was unsure what happened with the packet but reported that traffic stop levels remain at an average rate.

Councilman Cook – Discussed public misunderstanding of the PUD hearing, which some thought was a zoning or annexation hearing. City Administrator Greg Camp referenced a P&Z comment that City information is for everyone, not just Festus residents. Staff (Mark and Michael) are working to keep the website updated with accurate information, and citizens were reminded that City staff are available to answer questions. Encouraged the public to stay informed and engaged.

Councilman Collier – Nothing to report.

Councilwoman Templeton – Sad to see burnouts from the Mayors Cruise. Appreciates the budget and the fancy colors.

Councilman Venz – Thanked everyone for their work on the budget and the Mayor's Cruise. Noted appreciation that Mill Street repairs are complete after a lengthy process.

Councilman Tinnin – Commended the Finance Department for their work. Noted appreciation that tickets are being issued and complaints addressed. Commented that the Mayor's Cruise began calmly, but expressed gratitude to the Police Department for handling issues that arose.

Mayor Richards – Mayor thanked Miranda and Michelle for their work on the budget, noting that the process has been refined over the years and is now easier to pass. Commented that the Car Cruise was enjoyable and expressed satisfaction with how things have turned out. Stated that Buck Creek subdivision development should be taken one step at a time, noting this is one of several votes to come.

X. Adjournment

Councilman Cook made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Collier.

Vote:

Councilman Boyer:	Aye
Councilman Collier:	Aye

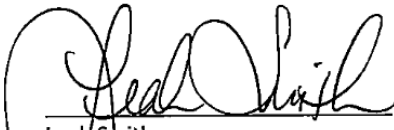


Councilwoman Templeton: Aye
Councilman Wehner: Aye
Councilman Dennis: Aye
Councilman Venz: Aye
Councilman Cook: Aye
Councilman Tinnin: Aye

Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

10/14/2025

Date - Approved by Council



Leah Smith
City Clerk
City of Festus, Missouri