Trenton, Missouri
October 12, 2026

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, October 12, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at city hall. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Jackie Soptic; Council members Anna Ferguson, Glen Briggs, Lindsay Stevens, Marvin Humphreys, Angela Brill-Ely, David Mlika, Edna Foster and Bart Thomas; City Attorney Kenton Kinney; City Administrator Matt Harline; Police Chief Rex Ross; and City Clerk Anita Ewing.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that the minutes of September 28, 2026 be approved. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bailey Martin was in attendance and shared some concerns she had with the process the City is pursuing in seeking a contract with Affordable Vet to take over the animal control process. Mayor Soptic answered some questions and said the City would keep Ms. Martin's concerns in mind while finalizing the contract with Affordable Vet.

BILLS

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to receive and file the bills of the City of Trenton. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance changing code in regards to the number of meetings required each year for the Convention and Visitors Bureau to meet.

BILL NO. 28

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 28 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY TITLE I - GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 140 - FINANCER AND TAXATION, ARTICLE III - TAXATION, SECTION 140.105, TO AMEND LANGUAGE FOUND IN SUBSECTION F – CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, CHANGING THE NUMBER OF MINIMUM YEARLY REQUIRED MEETINGS TO SIX (6), OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 28 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 28 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on October 8, 2026. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Foster, Thomas, Ferguson, Briggs, Stevens, Humphreys, Brill-Ely and Mlika. Said bill was declared duly passed,

numbered Ordinance No. 2026-28, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

Ordinance entering into contract with CP2 Consulting for strategic planning.

BILL NO. 29

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 29 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PROPOSAL BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND CP2 CONSULTING FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE THE SAME BY AND ON BEHALF OF SAID CITY, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 29 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 29 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on October 8, 2026. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Thomas, Ferguson, Briggs, Stevens, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika and Foster. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2026-29, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning the pursuance of on-call engineering firms based on Request for Qualifications (RFQ) submittals. Administrator Harline said that twelve (12) firms had submitted RFQs. A committee consisting of Water Plant Supervisor Gunner Golden, Wastewater Plant Supervisor Bob Hutchinson, Water/Wastewater Distribution Supervisor Adam Snuffer and Mr. Harline scored the firms and are recommending the City prepare agreements for final approval by the City Council for six (6) of the firms, including Burns & McDonnell, Bartlett & West, Allstate Consultants, Howe Company, Olsson, and Benton Engineering. Having these firms as on-call engineers would eliminate one step in the bidding process for future projects. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to proceed with agreements with the six (6) firms recommended. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning a policy for paving streets. Administrator Harline mentioned that this came about when Daniel and Lindsay Stevens requested the street department chip and seal their private road, Day Street, which was formerly vacated by the City. Mr. Harline said staff is recommending approval to allow for the cost plus 5% to conduct road maintenance on Day Street. Staff also recommends creating a draft policy for future arrangements to be sent to the Administrative Committee. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to approve the immediate

action of chip and sealing Day Street and to draft a policy for paving private streets to bring back to the council. Motion carried, with Councilmember Stevens abstaining.

Discussion was held concerning electric bikes. Mr. Harline said that electric bikes are becoming more prevalent and is something not addressed in our code. Staff is recommending further studies be done with a goal of having a proposed ordinance in February in time for spring. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to pursue the study and bring information back to the council. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Attorney Kinney updated the council on the new process for nuisance properties and current court cases.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to adjourn to closed session for legal and personnel at 7:18 p.m. in accordance with RSMo. 610.021 (1, 3). The following vote was taken. Ayes: Ferguson, Briggs, Stevens, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Foster and Thomas.

Closed session minutes are on file at City Hall.

Council reconvened in open session at 8:06 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Briggs meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Soptic
Mayor

Anita Ewing
City Clerk