

CITY OF LEBANON
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
JUNE 9, 2025

BE IT REMEMBERED that the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Missouri, met in Work Session on June 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 401 South Jefferson.

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Upon roll call, the following Officers were present: Gib Adkins, Mike Evans, Sheila Mitchell, Dan Mizell, Jeff Mutchler, Chuck Jordan, Bob Garner, Randy Wall, and Mayor Carr. Absent: None.

A quorum was declared.

Staff members and others in attendance: City Administrator Troy Schulte, Public Works Director Richard Shockley, Police Chief Jerry Harrison, Fire Chief Sam Schneider, Tourism Director Rebecca Rupard, Deputy City Clerk Melissa Richardson, Lebanon REDI President Brian Thompson, Finance Director Sean Bennett, Downtown Business District Executive Director Sarah Stewart, Communications Manager Derek Gean, City Clerk Lacey Brackett, and City Counselor Chris Allen.

PRESENTATIONS FOR FUTURE ACTION

Fiscal Year 2026 Budget

Finance Director Sean Bennett reviewed minor updates to the budget, including the addition of personnel tables for full-time staff and a discussion of a few new positions planned for the upcoming fiscal year. He noted a roughly 20% increase in personnel costs and outlined adjustments to the Capital Improvement Fund. Bennett also highlighted the rollout of Caselle and ClearGov and shared his goal of pursuing the GFOA budget award next year.

Councilman Jordan inquired about how many positions were reduced due to the 911 dispatch transition. City Administrator Troy Schulte advised that there were 6 positions; however, 2 of the personnel from those positions took different positions within the Police Department.

Councilwoman Mitchell inquired about the fire truck purchase and the fire/police training facility. Fire Chief Sam Schneider shared that the Fire Department had recently received its new brush truck, and a down payment had been made on the 100-foot ladder truck. He noted that the heavy rescue truck was the only remaining vehicle to be purchased, with an estimated cost of \$500,000.

Councilman Adkins requested a breakdown of personnel costs by department.

Code Amendment for Stormwater

Public Works Director Richard Shockley shared that upcoming code changes related to

stormwater would be presented to Council, reflecting updates to MS4 requirements from the Department of Natural Resources. He noted that the revisions include provisions such as the right to access private property to address post-construction issues, permitting for grading activities, and other updates.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Councilman Jordan commented that the turn at Fourth and Jefferson Street looked good.

Councilwoman Mitchell inquired about the completion timeline for the Bland Road sidewalk. Public Works Director Richard Shockley responded that the sidewalk is expected to be completed following the completion of the Downtown Pocket Park.

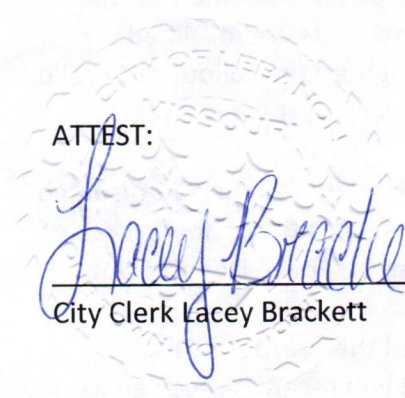
Mayor Carr shared that a citizen had offered a helpful recommendation regarding Boards and Commissions—suggesting a discussion regarding the board's roles, the Sunshine Law, and related items. Mayor Carr stated he would be reaching out to the Council on this matter.

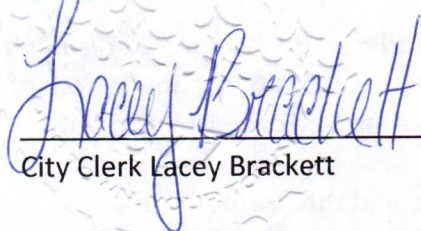
Councilman Adkins asked about the naming of the Downtown Pocket Park. Downtown Business District Executive Director Sarah Angst explained that the Board preferred a more basic name, as events held at the park would be sponsored.

ADJOURNMENT

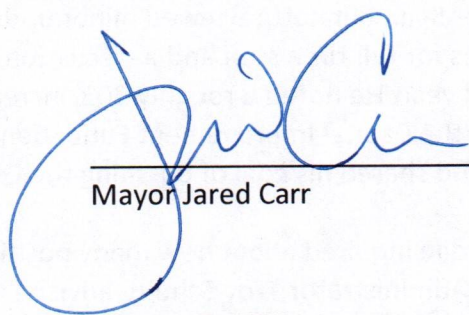
Mayor Carr declared the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

ATTEST:





City Clerk Lacey Brackett



Mayor Jared Carr

June 23, 2025

Minutes Approved