

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
June 5, 2023

In Attendance:

Committee: Chairman Rob Rice, Councilman Bill Farnham, Councilman Cecil Davis

City Staff: John Doyle, Miriam Jones, Doug Potts

Media: Darrell Maurnia

1. **Call to Order and Citizen Comments**– Chairman Rice called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.
2. **Approval of minutes**- Councilman Davis made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from May 1, 2023. Councilman Farnham seconded the motion. Motion passed.
3. **Business Spotlight**- June Business Spotlight is A+ Tire & Lube.
4. **Small Business Renovation/Demolition Grant Program**- Doug Potts recommended approving Business Graphics application and A Place for Grace application for \$5,000 each. Councilman Davis made a motion to approve Business Graphics application for \$5,000. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Chairman Farnham abstained. Motion passed. Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve A Place for Grace application for \$5,000. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.
5. **EV Charging Stations Grant**- Doug Potts stated the EV Charging Station grant is due June 13. Application will be submitted. Requesting \$500,000. Grant match is 20% which would be \$100,000.
6. **The Wall that Heals Application**- Mr. Potts is very confident that we will get a spot this time. A date will be selected either in June, July, or August of 2024 for the Wall to be in Laughlin Park. Application was submitted May 30. Wall will require 150 volunteers.
7. **Digital Sign Permit**- Doug Potts submitted for a permit and was not approved by MODOT. He has submitted a letter to appeal against the decision.
8. **Billboard Renderings**- I-44 Billboard renderings provided to the committee. The first one to go up will be advertising Hogs and Frogs for September 22. Once Hogs and Frogs is over a new advertisement will go up with graphics about Waynesville, Missouri.
9. **Special Events**-
 - i. Kids to Park Day- June 3, 2023
 - ii. Juneteenth Celebration- June 19, 2023
 - iii. Cave State Cruisers- June 23-25, 2023
 - iv. Old Settlers Day- July 27-30, 2023
 - v. Hogs and Frogs- September 22-24, 2023
 - vi. Pumpkinfest- October 28, 2023

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting will be held on July 3, 2023, at 5 p.m.