

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
JUNE 12, 2023  
DES PERES GOVERNMENT CENTER**

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Des Peres, Missouri was held at the Des Peres Government Center, 12325 Manchester Road 63131, commencing at 7:01 P.M. on Monday, June 12, 2023.

**ROLL CALL**

The City Clerk took roll call with the following elected officials physically present: Alderman Concagh, Alderman Fitzpatrick, Alderman Kleinschmidt and Alderman Pound. Mayor Becker was also present. Alderman Barrett attended remotely, via zoom.

Alderman Osherow was absent.

Staff members present included the City Administrator, Assistant City Administrator, Director of Public Works, Director of Finance, Director of Public Safety, Director of Parks and Recreation, City Clerk and City Attorney.

All present rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AMENDMENT TO AGENDA - NONE**

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Jeanne Fluri – 1820 Gray Drive – spoke very much against recreational marijuana and asked the board not to rush on B23-2993.

Kevin Cushing – 120 S. Central Clayton, MO – spoke about B23-2993 and asked the board to take their time considering passing such bill.

Sam Eversman – 1308 Bansbach – spoke against Root66 and asked the board not to jump the gun.

Bill Smith – 12341 Creekhaven – spoke about Amendment 3, rumors being spread among Des Peres residents, residential buffers and the term “unduly burdensome”.

Yvonne Allen – 1600 Bopp Road – spoke against marijuana, protecting the children and protecting banks.

Robert Barringer – 1322 Bansbach Road – spoke in opposition of marijuana and talked about having more regulations to the residential buffer.

Nancy Calijan – 2045 Oak Drive – spoke in opposition of marijuana. Ms. Calijan also spoke of her three children and how Des Peres is only looking at the price tag on recreational use.

Carla Kramer – 18 Morris Place Lane – spoke in favor of adding a 1,200 sqft residential buffer.

Dan Welsh – Representative of Root 66 – spoke about B23-2993 and gave a power point presentation on the parking details within the bill. Mr. Welsh requested a few changes be made to the bill specifically on the parking standards. Alderman Fitzpatrick and Dan Welsh went back

and forth about the parking and the revenue Root66 said they would receive for comprehensive marijuana.

Kevin Quigley – 1308 Kendon Drive – spoke about the saying “just say no to drugs”. Mr. Quigley also sent an email in before the board meeting stating his opposition on marijuana.

Kevin Cushing – 120 S. Central Clayton, MO – stated he is representing Briann Reality Group and spoke about the traffic study the city paid for.

Dan Welsh – Representative of Root 66 – stated the traffic study the city paid for, did not include the thousand square feet of gross floor area of the comprehensive marijuana dispensary facility.

Hamid Hamrah – 1408 Fawnvalley Drive – spoke about 7/11, Village Bar and Mobil on the Run serving to minors with fake IDs, with dispensaries they have to run IDs through a security system for you to actually buy marijuana. Mr. Hamrah spoke up for the individuals who are struggling with cancer, mental illness, PTSD and other medical problems marijuana help with.

Sam Eversman – 1308 Bansbach – spoke against the parking at Root66.

Yvonne Allen – 1600 Bopp Road – spoke about the fairness to all business’ in Des Peres.

Robert Barringer – 1322 Bansbach Road – spoke about the security measures at Root66.

Carla Kramer – 18 Morris Place Lane – asked if the city really needs another traffic study.

Nancy Calijan – 2045 Oak Drive – spoke about individuals driving under the influence of marijuana.

Cathleen Kolthoff – 1525 Breezerigde Drive – sent an email stating she was unable to attend the meeting tonight, however she still wanted to express her opposition on marijuana.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Becker announced that there were thirteen (13) action items currently under the Consent Agenda. Alderman Pound requested line item 4. R23-3696 be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. City Administrator Doug Harms stated line item 4. R23-3696 will be added to New Business on the agenda. At the request of Mayor Becker, Alderman Concagh read aloud those twelve (12) items individually:

1. Minutes of the Board of Aldermen
  - a. Regular Meeting Held May 8, 2023
  - b. Special Meeting Held May 15, 2023
2. Approval of Warrant List
  - a. Warrant List from May 18, 2023
  - b. Warrant List Dated June 8, 2023
3. R23-3695 Acknowledging Receipt of the 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Citizens Popular Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022
4. ~~R23-3696 Authorizing an Agreement with Civil Design Inc (CDI) for Design and Construction Management Services Relating to Expansion of the City Hall Parking Lot and Adopting a Supplemental Appropriation Relating Thereto~~
4. R23-3697 Authorizing Purchase and Installation of Commercial Fitness Equipment from Push Pedal Pull and Foremost Fitness Using a Cooperative Procurement Contracts Offered Through Sourcewell
5. R23-3698 Authorizing A Contract for Renewal of Property Insurance Coverage with