



**The City of Lee's Summit**  
**Action Letter**  
**City Council - Regular Session**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

6:00 PM

Missouri Innovation Campus  
1101 Innovation Parkway, Room B101  
Lee's Summit, MO 64086

**JOINT SESSION WITH LS R-7**  
**REGULAR SESSION NO. 27**

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Notice is hereby given that the City Council for the City of Lee's Summit will meet in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm in person and via video conference as provided by Section 2-50 of the City of Lee's Summit Code of Ordinances, adopted by the City Council on June 15, 2021, Ordinance No. 9172. Persons wishing to comment on any item of business on the agenda, including public testimony during a Public Hearing, via video conference may do so by sending a request prior to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2023, to the City Clerk at [clerk@cityofls.net](mailto:clerk@cityofls.net) to attend the meeting on the video conferencing platform. The City Clerk will provide instructions regarding how to attend by this method.

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**Preliminaries:**

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Call to Order

Mayor Baird called Regular Session No. 27, joint session with the LSR7 School Board, to order at 6:02pm.

- D. Roll Call

Also in attendance were members of the LSR7 School Board:

Board President Campbell  
Vice Board President Fritchie  
Board Member Sparks  
Board Member Murdock  
Board Member Eslick  
Board Member Foley

Dr. David Buck, Superintendent and Ms. Linda Ismert, Board Secretary, were both present for the school district as well.

**Present:** 9 - Mayor Bill Baird  
Councilmember Fred DeMoro  
Councilmember Phyllis Edson  
Councilmember Andrew Felker  
Councilmember Faith Hodges  
Councilmember Beto Lopez  
Councilmember John Lovell  
Councilmember Mia Prier  
Councilmember Hillary Shields

## 1. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Board Member Fritchier, seconded by Board Member Murdock, to approved the agenda as published.

6 Aye -  
President Cambell  
Vice President Fritchie  
Board Member Murdock  
Board Member Foley  
Board Member Eslick  
Board Member Sparks

**ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Shields, seconded by Councilmember Felker, to approve the agenda as published.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Baird  
Councilmember DeMoro  
Councilmember Edson  
Councilmember Felker  
Councilmember Hodges  
Councilmember Lopez  
Councilmember Lovell  
Councilmember Prier  
Councilmember Shields

## 2. Approval of Consent Agenda:

**ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember DeMoro, seconded by Councilmember Shields, to approve the Consent Agenda, Item 2.A. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Baird  
Councilmember DeMoro  
Councilmember Edson  
Councilmember Felker  
Councilmember Hodges  
Councilmember Lopez  
Councilmember Lovell  
Councilmember Prier  
Councilmember Shields

- A. [2023-5392](#) Approval of City Council Action Letters from January 17, 2023 and January 19, 2023.

**ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember DeMoro, seconded by Councilmember Shields, to approve the City Council Action Letters from January 17, 2023 and January 19, 2023 as part of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Baird  
Councilmember DeMoro  
Councilmember Edson  
Councilmember Felker  
Councilmember Hodges  
Councilmember Lopez  
Councilmember Lovell  
Councilmember Prier  
Councilmember Shields

### 3. Council Roundtable

There was no Council Roundtable.

### 4. Public Comments:

There were no Public Comments.

### 5. Presentations as Joint Session with LS R-7:

- A. [2022-5355](#) State of the District / Board of Education

Ms. Kathryn Campbell, Board President, Dr. Steve Shelton, Associate Superintendent of Operational Services and Dr. Buck, Superintendent, provided an overview of LSR7.

Discussion included:  
Apprenticeship  
Dyslexia Specialist / Math Specialist  
Focus on trades  
Robotics investments  
Geometry Construction

**This Presentation was presented.**

- B. [2022-5356](#) State of the City / Strategic Plan

Mayor Baird and Mr. Mark Dunning, City Manager, provided an overview of the City and the strategic plan.

Discussion included:  
Affordable housing  
Housing maintenance

**This Presentation was presented.**

- C. [2022-5357](#) Workforce Development Initiatives
- Dr. Buck and Dr. Jeremy Bonneson, Director of Summit Technology Campus, provided information on programs offered by the school to encourage workforce development.
- There was no discussion.
- This Presentation was presented.**
- D. [2022-5358](#) Education Partnerships
- Mr. Michael Park, Director of Public Works and Mr. Jeremy Bonneson, discussed several education partnerships within the City and with the City.
- There was no discussion.
- This Presentation was presented.**
- E. [2022-5359](#) Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives
- Dr. Buck and Mr. Dunning provided information on the diversity and inclusion initiatives within the schools and the City.
- Discussion included:
- Outreach
  - Combines initiatives
  - Hearing from citizens on reading (censorship vs. pornographic material)
- This Presentation was presented.**
- F. [2022-5360](#) Population Growth and Development
- Mayor Baird, Mr. Dunning and Mr. Josh Johnson, Director of Development Services, provided information on the growth of the city and increases in population and development.
- There was no discussion.
- This Presentation was presented.**
- G. [2022-5361](#) North 291 Interchange
- Mr. Park provided an update on the North 291 Highway Interchange
- Discussion included:
- Safety
  - Funding
  - Necessity
  - Agreements
- This Presentation was presented.**

H. [2022-5362](#) Paradise Park/Early Education Center renovation project

Dr. Buck provided information on the concepts and possibilities of developing Paradise Park as an early education renovation project.

There was no discussion.

**This Presentation was presented.**

I. [2022-5363](#) Parks Department Retreat / Update / Master Plans

Mr. Joe Snook, Administrator of Parks and Recreation, provided a brief update on the parks system, upcoming projects and future plans.

There was no discussion.

**This Presentation was presented.**

J. [2022-5364](#) April 4, 2023 Ballot

Ms. Campbell provided information on items on the April 4, 2023 for LSR7 and why these things are important to the district.

Mayor Baird gave information on the items on the April 4, 2023 for the City of Lee's Summit and how these items will effect the City as a whole.

Discussion included:

New starting salaries

**This Presentation was presented.**

K. [2022-5365](#) Lee's Summit Economic Development

Mayor Baird noted the importance of the Lee's Summit Economic Development and the breakdown of the relationship and plans to move forward.

The School Board is willing to assist the City in moving forward.

**This Presentation was presented.**

L. [2022-5366](#) Safety / Emergency Coordination

Dr. Steve Shelton, Associate Superintendent of Operational Services, provided insight on the safety and emergency coordination between the school district and the City of Lee's Summit.

There was no discussion.

**This Presentation was presented.**

## 6. Committee Reports

There were no Committee Reports.

## 7. Council Comments:

Councilmember Prier gave information on dyslexia in our schools and the reasons she promotes getting more information and help for our school.

Councilmember Edson thanked the school district and school board for hosting the meeting and for the work they do.

Mayor Baird thanked everyone for their involvement in making these meetings work for both entities and very proud of them all.

President Campbell thanked everyone for attending and for the trust and collaboration between the city and school board.

Vice President Fritchie said it has been an honor to serve with everyone and this will be her last year on the school board.

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez thanked everyone and how impactful these meetings are and how proud he is of the City and the school district.

Board Member Sparks stated it is what everyone invests in the city that will make a difference in the future.

## 8. Staff Roundtable

Mr. Dunning stated the Mayor's Character Breakfast is this Thursday at 7:00am.

Dr. David Buck thanked everyone for attending and invited everyone to East Trails Middle school on February 8th for a fundraiser.

## 9. Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Mayor Baird adjourned Regular Session No. 27, joint session with the LSR7 School Board, at 10:06pm.

Unless determined otherwise by the Mayor and City Council, no new agenda items shall be considered after 11:00 p.m.

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