

Official proceedings of the City Council of the City of Marseilles of the meeting of March 5, 2025.

The City Council of the City of Marseilles met in the City Chamber of City Hall at the hour of 6:00 P.M. on March 5, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll call showed the following present: Mayor Hollenbeck, Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, and Buckingham. Absent: None.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the minutes from the Council meeting of February 19, 2025 be approved as displayed and placed on file. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Ann Sommer with the Scouts said they collected 1,000 pounds of soft plastic to earn money for a plastic bench. The scouts would like to put their bench at Eagle Park by the tree line on the Southwest corner. The council agreed to the bench's placement at Eagle Park.

Tom Goodin and Ray Anderson from Pacific Street would like the city to clean up the weeds by the railroad. Dylan Trettenero is working on his Eagle Scout project. He said he will be digging post holes on April 5 and needs help from the city digging the holes. ESDA director Nate Schaefer and family resigned from the board effective immediately, Jeff Laitila will be the interim President. Katie Troccoli spoke regarding music in the park for summer 2025. She is with Here and Again, inc. 501 (C) 3, she feels Pete Hall was mistreated and would like the city to financially support music in the park.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the accounts payable for the last half of February in the amount of \$87,342.00 be approved and a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury for the said amount. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the payroll for the last half of February in the amount of \$87021.29 be approved and a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury for said amount. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Small that the payment to Phalen Steel in the amount of \$90,022.76 for the City Hall and Police Department remodel project be approved. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the special event permit application for Marseilles Cruise Night to be held July 19, 2025 be approved

and the permit fee be waived. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Schieb, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the special event permit application for 3K Bunny Fun Run to be held April 19, 2025 be approved and permit fee be waived. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Schieb, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Commissioner Scheib asked the council to consider financially supporting music in the park this summer. He will bring the subject for a vote at the next council meeting on 3/19/2025, he'd like the city to donate \$2,000. Commissioner Kaminski suggested asking the Recreation Board to vote on the donation.

Commissioner Scheib would like to see 3 changes, more public meetings, hire a full-time engineer, and change the form of government. Scheib would like City Engineer to work on the 2025 summer MFT program. He also wished everyone happy lent.

Commissioner Buckingham asked residents with the heavy rains coming to keep their drains cleaned out. Buckingham said to get over the purchase of the 200 Riverfront Drive and move on. He also stated he is not in favor of changing the current form of government.

Mayor Hollenbeck said he has been working on a federal assistance grant. The city needs assistance with lining more sewers and fixing the Main Street bridge.

City Engineer called the IEPA regarding an NFR letter for 200 Riverfront Dr. The IEPA rescinded the letter, and everything is satisfactory at the new City Hall/Police Department.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Kaminski that the City Council adjourns. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Lesley Hart
CITY CLERK