

1. Meeting Called to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

The De Soto City Council met in Regular Session on March 16, 2026 at 6:00 PM, with the following being present: Mayor Matt Franken, City Council Member Kathy Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Todd Mahn, City Council Member Randi Scharf.

Staff Present: City Clerk Ann Houska, City Manager Todd Melkus , Chief Fitzgerald, Chief McCreary

2. Roll Call

Staff Present: City Clerk Ann Houska, City Manager Todd Melkus, Tom Fitzgerald Fire Chief, Ben Sullins Fire Department, Zac Frasca Fire Department, Mike Zebas Fire Department, Police Chief McCreary.

Visitors: Patsy Westhoff, Dean Kohler, Cindy Heimos, Don Heimos, Mike Bone, Becky Williams, Lisa Queen, Bev Wilson, Janice Butcher, Heather Parmley, Nancy Meli, John Clark, Cooke Clark, Dominic Lawson, Joni Roland, Frasca family, Robert Fitzgerald,

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

B. Approval of Bills

City Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by City Council Member Scharf. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, Council Member Scharf. Motion approved.

4. Citizens Comments

Bill Grobe questioned the City about the liquor licenses and its procedures.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

1. The Fire Department Pinned Zac Frasca and Ben Sullins for their one-year employment anniversary.

A. BILL NO. 4-2026 AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PUBLIC ALLEY SITUATED IN BLOCK 8 OF MAUTHES ADDITION TO THE CITY OF DE SOTO, MO.

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City Council Member Smith made a motion to approve Bill No. Bill 4-2026. Seconded by Chairman Pro Tem Mahn. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf.

BILL NO. 4-2026 AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PUBLIC ALLEY SITUATED IN

BLOCK 8 OF MATHUES ADDITION OF THE CITY OF DE SOTO MO

City Council Member Smith made a motion to approve Bill No. Bill 4-2026 on its first reading by title only. Seconded by Chairman Pro Tem Mahn. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf.

BILL NO. 4-2026 AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PUBLIC ALLEY SITUATED IN BLOCK 8 OF MATHUES ADDITION OF THE CITY OF DE SOTO MO

City Council Member Smith made a motion to approve Bill No. Bill 4-2026 on its final reading by title only. Seconded by Chairman Pro Tem Mahn. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf. All in favor motion approved.

- B. **BILL NO. 5-2026 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DE SOTO, MISSOURI ACCEPTING A CERTAIN STREET INTO THE CITY OF DE SOTO FROM VILLAS AT WEST RIDGE SUBDIVISION**

BILL NO. 5-2026 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DE SOTO, MISSOURI ACCEPTING A CERTAIN STREET INTO THE CITY OF DE SOTO FROM THE VILLAS AT WEST RIDGE SUBDIVISION

City Council Member Scharf made a motion to approve Bill No. 5-2026, seconded by City Council Member Smith. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf No: None. Motion .

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- C. **Special Event Request- Get Healthy De Soto Tractor and Little League Parade**
Chairman Pro Tem Mahn made a motion to approve the Little League & Get Healthy De Soto Parade. Seconded by City Council Member Scharf. All in favor motion approved.
- D. **Bill NO. 6-2026 Joint Public Hearing –Rezoning Parcel 24-2.2-03.1-0-000-009-01**

BILL NO. 6-2026 AN ORDINANCE REZONING PARCEL 24-2.2-03.1-0-000-009.01 FROM "M-1" LIGHT MANUFACTURING DISTRICT TO "R-4" MULTIPLE FAMILY DISTRICT REGULATIONS

Chairman Pro Tem Mahn made a motion to approve Bill NO. 6-2026. Seconded by City Council Member Scharf. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf.

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Chairman Pro Tem Mahn made a motion to approve Bill NO. 6-2026 on its final reading by title only. Seconded by City Council Member Scharf. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf. All in favor, motion approved.

- E. Special Event Request- Cinco De Mayo celebration coordinated by El Lobo Rojo and Sherwoods
City Council Member Scharf made a motion to approve the Cinco de Mayo special event, seconded by City Council Member Smith. All in favor motion approved.

7. Communication From City Manager

City Manager Melkus advised the council that MODOT is going to start working on State Rt. 21 at the county line south of De Soto to State Road B.

8. Communications From City Council

Chairman Pro Tem Mahn wished all the candidates running for election good luck. He also advised there are many fake Facebook accounts and all kinds of fake news on social media that we all need to make sure we have the correct information.

9. Roll Call Vote to Hold Closed Session

City Council Member Smith made a motion to adjourn at 6:37 PM to have a ten-minute recess before closed session. Seconded by City Council Member Scharf. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea: Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf. Motion approved

10. Adjournment

Chairman Pro Tem Mahn made a motion to Adjourn at 7:25 PM. Seconded by City Council Member Scharf. Upon roll being called, the vote was as follows: Yea:

Mayor Franken, City Council Member Smith, Chairman Pro Tem Mahn, City Council Member Scharf. Motion Approved.

Ann M. Houska, City Clerk