

**CITY OF FERGUSON, MISSOURI
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2022**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Council meeting is being conducted through the use of a Webinar invite in which all members of the City Council, staff and citizens are participating in the meeting remotely. Section 610.015 of the Mo. Sunshine Law provides that members of the Council who are not physically in the Council Chambers can participate and vote on all matters when an emergency exists and the nature of the emergency is stated in the minutes. Thus, these minutes reflect that the U.S., and the world, is in a state of emergency due to the Coronavirus—COVID-19. The Missouri Governor and the County Executive have issued Orders limiting meetings and gatherings sizes. These Orders are intended to avoid the spread of the Coronavirus. Therefore, all members of the City Council, and staff, are participating in this meeting electronically as matter of public health and safety for each other and the general public.

Mayor Ella M. Jones called the meeting to order at 6:36p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Naquittia Noah	Present	Mayor Ella M. Jones	Present
Councilwoman Fran Griffin	Present	Councilwoman Linda Lipka	Present
Councilwoman J. Toni Burrow	7:36pm	Councilwoman Phedra Nelson	Present
Councilwoman Heather Robinett	Present		

A quorum was declared. Also present were City Manager Eric Osterberg, Assistant to the City Manager Chris Crabel, Community Development Coordinator Bailey Mitchell, and City Clerk Octavia Pittman.

DISCUSSION REGARDING OPENGOV

Eric Wingbermuehle, Andrew Jones and Gerrod Franklin introduced the OpenGov cloud based platform that offers permitting, licensing, code enforcement and citizen engagement solutions and provided a demonstration of workflow capabilities. After questions from the council it was clarified that the city owns the data, it is able to interface with the current financial system and implementation is estimated at 4 months but varies based on community size and staffing. City Manager Osterberg reported the estimated costs as \$40,000 for a 5 year contract and noted that other modules are offered that may be considered in the future (i.e. financial and budgeting modules).

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, a motion was made by Councilwoman Robinett and seconded by Councilwoman Lipka to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Unanimous vote in favor taken; **MOTION PASSED.**

Approved on the 26th day of April, 2022.

ATTEST:

Ella M. Jones, Mayor

Octavia Pittman, City Clerk