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Memorandum
Department of Public Services

To: Mike Herring, CA
From: Mike Geisel, DPS *mgr*
Date: 9/18/2012
Re: Transportation Commission



As we were researching the City Code in response to Council's decision to dissolve the Public Works Citizens Advisory Group, we were reminded as to the inclusion of the Transportation Commission in the Administrative Section of our City Code. As you may remember, the Transportation Commission was created by Ordinance #2031 in September of 1996. As I recall, it was formed in response to an initiative to extend public transportation to West County. Subsequently, I recall the Commission met only a few times and has been inactive for more than a decade.

In hindsight, it would be extremely difficult for a Citizen's Committee to function in this capacity. The City of Chesterfield is an active leader in the St. Louis region and is a professionally managed organization where its staff is empowered to immediately respond and react to events in a manner consistent with the policies and direction provided by City Council. Frankly, the opportunities, regulatory restrictions, and agency interactions require that Staff be continuously informed, involved and understand the full view of Chesterfield's strategic planning in order to effectively manage transportation issues.

I recommend and request that the City Council consider dissolution of the Transportation Commission. I've also prepared legislation for this purpose. With your consent, I suggest that this memorandum and attached legislation be forwarded to the Planning and Public Works Committee for consideration.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please advise.

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BILL NO. _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 2031 OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISSOLVING THE CHESTERFIELD TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Chesterfield established the Chesterfield Transportation Commission in 1996 by Ordinance 2031 to encourage short term and long term planning with regard to transportation issues; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Public Works Committee has reviewed the ongoing need to maintain the Chesterfield Transportation Commission as a standing committee and has recommended that it be dissolved; and

WHEREAS, the City's need for continuous professional and technical assistance can be effectively addressed by discipline specific ad hoc committees and professional staff, the City Council of the City of Chesterfield has determined that the Chesterfield Transportation Commission should be dissolved.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ordinance 2031 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 2. The Chesterfield Transportation Commission is dissolved.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this _____ day of _____, 2012.

Bruce Geiger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy Naggiar, City Clerk

BILL NO. 1262ORDINANCE NO. 2031**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE "CHESTERFIELD TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION".**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Chesterfield finds that it is in the best interest and welfare of the City that the City encourage short term and long term planning with regards to transportation issues within the City of Chesterfield; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to establish a mechanism and a process for investigating such issues and ideas as can be brought before the City Council with the purpose to develop and encourage alternative modes of transportation within the City as well as to enhance the quality and capacity of existing transportation infrastructure and for other matters which may be brought before the Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Chesterfield hereby establishes the "Chesterfield Transportation Commission".

Section 2. The Mayor shall appoint the initial Commissioner with the concurrence of a majority of the City Council. The Commission shall be made up of thirteen (13) members who shall consist of the following:

One (1) resident representative from CCDC

One (1) resident representative from Chamber of Commerce

One (1) resident representative from Spirit Airport

One (1) resident representative from the Chesterfield Mall

One (1) resident representative from Valley 2000 Coalition

Two (2) citizens from each of the 4 Wards to be nominated by the Mayor with approval by a majority of those elected to the City Council.

To serve as ex-officio members shall be the following:

Liaison from Public Works/Parks Committee of City Council

City Administrator

Director of Planning

Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Superintendent of Parks, Recreation and Arts

Section 3. The individuals appointed to this Commission shall serve a three (3) year term. However, the initial appointments shall be staggered so that three (3) appointments shall expire each year starting in 1997 as determined by the City Council.

Thereafter, other than the citizens chosen from each Ward, all other members of the Commission shall be selected by their representative organizations and forwarded to the Mayor, who shall, in turn, forward the same to the City Council for review and approval. The terms of office shall coincide with the initial date of the approval of this ordinance.

Section 4. No elected officials or full or part time employee of the City of Chesterfield shall be considered for appointment to the Commission.

Section 5. The City may from time to time appropriate funds, in its discretion, for the Commission that will enhance the general welfare and benefit of the City as a whole.

Section 6. The mission of the Commission shall be to develop and encourage alternative modes of transportation within the City of Chesterfield; to improve regional mass transit options available to the Chesterfield community; to improve the quality and capacity and existing transportation infrastructure; to improve transportation access to further develop employment opportunities in Chesterfield; to identify opportunities for regional cooperation for transportation improvement; to provide the Public Works/Park Committee and City Council with informed recommendations concerning transportation issues; to identify and pursue funding sources to accomplish this mission; to enhance recreation and tourism; to project short and long term transportation needs in Chesterfield, and such other matters as may come before the Commission and such other matters as the Commission may determine are essential for it to consider in carrying out its mission.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this 16TH day of SEPTEMBER, 1996.

Jack Leonard
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Manda L. McMay
CITY CLERK