## CITY OF WELDON SPRING JOINT WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN and ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION APRIL 10, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: The work session of the combined Architectural Review Commission (ARC) and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Weldon Spring was held on Wednesday April 10, 2024, at approximately 6:02 PM. The meeting was held at the Weldon Spring City Hall, which is located at 5401 Independence Road. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Donald Licklider.

The following Aldermen were present in person: Alderman Clutter, Alderman Conley, Alderman Kolb. The following ARC members were present in person: Bill Wagner, Karen Hotfelder and alternate member Bob Breth. Also present in person were Mayor Don Licklider and City Planner Steve Lauer.

**Mayor Licklider** spoke on items A thru E on the agenda for the work session and then discussion ensued regarding said items.

Alderman Clutter started off by asking regarding item A, what the City's direction is with both business and residential builds and new projects.

Commissioner Hotfelder said it would be beneficial to ARC to know what is going on in the City with new businesses opening. Alderman Clutter stated he would like to know also and would ask City Administrator Stolberg to inquire of the City Clerk what businesses had opened up in Weldon Spring since the start of the fiscal year, October 1, 2023.

There was a discussion on how home design styles have changed, from brick/stone to the more recent Farmhouse styles.

Commissioner Wagner talked on EV (Electric Vehicle) charging stations and that Planning and Zoning Committee (P&Z) would need to address it on their side first. There was discussion to compare what Cottleville has done for EV in their city, as well as solar panels. He stated that Whitmoor allows solar panels on homes but only on the back and flush with the roof. He further stated that their standards were updated in 2019 to reflect the changes in the solar industry.

**Commissioner Breth** talked about solar panels and the possibility of hail damage to the panels. He also discussed Ameren's payback program for installing solar.

There was discussion about wind turbines, brick facades and updating the color palettes for what is allowed in the City. **Commissioner Wagner** said that if ARC sees something that is not necessarily in compliance, but they (the committee) feel that it is acceptable, the ARC has the ability to review it and recommend to the BOA for review and approval for requests not covered by the ARC ordinance. He referred to **City Planner Lauer's** research with 5 other

municipalities last year, and **Commissioner Wagner** stated he felt the City was going in the right direction.

There was a very brief discussion on front entry garages.

The work session was declared concluded at 7:00 PM by Mayor Licklider.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Brown, CCA Deputy City Clerk