

**CITY OF ROELAND PARK, KANSAS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
ROELAND PARK CITY HALL  
4600 WEST 51<sup>ST</sup> STREET, ROELAND PARK, KS 66205  
June 2, 2025, 6:00 P.M.**

- Michael Poppa, Mayor
- Benjamin Dickens, Council Member
- Jan Faidley, Council Member
- Emily Hage, Council Member
- Jennifer Hill, Council Member

- Matthew Lero, Council Member
- Tom Madigan, Council Member
- Kate Raglow, Council Member
- Jeffrey Stocks, Council Member

- Keith Moody, City Administrator
- Jennifer Jones-Lacy, Asst. City Admin.
- Kelley Nielsen, City Clerk
- Cory Honas, Police Chief
- Donnie Scharff, Public Works Director

**Admin**  
Faidley  
Stocks

**Finance**  
Dickens  
Hage

**Safety**  
Hill  
Raglow

**Public Works**  
Madigan  
Lero

(Roeland Park Council Meeting Called to Order at 6:02 p.m.)

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Poppa called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call**

City Clerk Nielsen called the roll. All Governing Body members were present with CMBR Stocks attending online. Staff members present were City Administrator Moody, City Attorney Walker, Finance Director/Assistant City Administrator Jones-Lacy, Public Works Director Scharff, Police Chief Honas, Parks and Rec Superintendent Brungardt, and City Clerk Nielsen.

### **Modification of Agenda**

*There were no modifications to the agenda.*

#### **I. Public Comments**

*There were no public comments.*

#### **II. Consent Agenda**

- A. **Appropriations Ordinance #1068**
- B. **City Council Meeting Minutes May 19, 2025**

**MOTION:** CMBR DICKENS MOVED AND CMBR LERO SECONDED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. (THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.)

#### **III. Business from the Floor - Proclamations/Applications/Presentations**

*There was no Business from the Floor.*

#### **IV. Mayor's Report**

##### **A. Pride Month Proclamation**

Mayor Poppa read the proclamation into the record declaring the month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in Roeland Park.

Taryn Jones from Equality Kansas thanked Mayor Poppa and the City Council and stated they appreciate Roeland Park as a leader in LGBTQ rights and protections.

##### **B. Juneteenth Proclamation**

Mayor Poppa read the proclamation into the record declaring June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth in the City of Roeland Park.

Haile Simms, President of the Advocacy & Awareness Group of Johnson County, also thanked Mayor Poppa, the City Council, staff, and the residents of Roeland Park for this proclamation. He invited everyone out to the oldest Juneteenth celebration to be held June 14<sup>th</sup> at Thompson Park in Overland Park. Beginning at 10 a.m., there will be a peaceful march from the Overland Park City Hall to downtown Overland Park. There will be a rally from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with various speakers and entertainment. The theme for this year is Freedom is Good for Your Health.

##### **C. National Gun Violence Awareness Day Proclamation - Friday, June 6**

Mayor Poppa read the proclamation into the record declaring June 6 as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in Roeland Park.

Christie Smerchek from Moms Demand Action thanked Mayor Poppa and the City Councilmembers and is appreciative of the proclamation. She asked that everyone wear orange in honor of the victims of gun violence and to honor Hadiya Pendleton who was tragically shot in 2013. She thanked Roeland Park for their partnership. Also, on June 7<sup>th</sup> at Harmon Park in Prairie Village, they will hold their Wear Orange event.

Following the reading of the proclamations, they were presented to the community representatives and photos were taken. All Governing Body members signed onto the proclamations showing their support. Mayor Poppa thanked everyone for the work they do in their communities.

#### **V. Reports of City Liaisons and Committees**

##### **A. MARC - Bike & Pedestrian**

CMBR Faidley said her report is attached to the agenda packet. She added she is now the alternate for MARC's Bike-Ped to the Kansas STP Priorities Committee.

##### **B. Aquatics Center Advisory Committee**

Nathan Brungardt, the City's new Parks and Recreation Supervisor, introduced himself to the Governing Body. He said that Sunday was a remarkably busy day at the pool. Mr. Brungardt said a lot

of passes were purchased before the pool opened. He also asked if anyone sees Dean Long and Lucas Wilson to thank them for their work in getting the pool open as it took a lot of effort.

CMBR Faidley welcome Mr. Brungardt to the City. She asked if the memberships for the Council and their families are available. City Clerk Nielsen said that will be available at the front desk for pick up.

City Manager Moody also welcomed Mr. Brungardt and said they are happy to have him on board. He also thanked him for coming to the meeting. Mayor Poppa also expressed his welcome to Mr. Brungardt.

**C. Ad-Hoc 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee**

CMBR Hage said the committee has convened a couple of times. Katie Garcia has been working with them through a strategic planning process to develop some tactics to communicate with each of the City committees as they move forward.

**D. Ad-Hoc Strategic Planning Committee**

The minutes from the committee's first meeting are in the agenda packet. There will be an official update from the partners at a meeting next month.

**VI. Unfinished Business**

*There was no Unfinished Business discussed.*

**VII. New Business**

**A. Approve Material Testing Agreement with Kaw Valley Engineering for City Projects**

**MOTION:** CMBR FAIDLEY MOVED AND CMBR LERO SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MATERIAL TESTING AGREEMENT WITH KAW VALLEY ENGINEERING FOR CITY PROJECTS. (THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.)

**B. Peddler's License - EcoShield Pest Solutions**

CMBR Hill asked what the specific dates for the license were. City Clerk Nielsen said that EcoShield is requesting the entire year. CMBR Hill said the requests are usually for specific days. Ms. Jones-Lacy added when a peddler's license is issued, they must notify staff of the times they will be out. CMBR Hill said she would like residents to know the dates, so they know it is a legitimate license. City Clerk Nielsen said they did put that information out on social media at least three days prior.

CMBR Faidley asked about staff's recommendation to deny the permit and asked for the timeline between when they were notified, they needed a license and when an application was submitted. City Clerk Nielsen said they were notified by Neighborhood Services and the company then filled out an application.

Ms. Jones-Lacy added that various folks from EcoShield have been in Roeland Park without a license. They have been notified by the Neighborhood Services officer about the need for a permit. This has happened several times and they have not received approval for a license yet. After being notified,

they did fill out an application but continued to peddle door-to-door. The ordinance states they cannot have violated the terms of the code regarding peddler's license.

Mayor Poppa reiterated they violated the ordinance before they applied and after the application but before it was approved and before obtaining the license.

CMBR Faidley asked if they would deny the permit tonight, what is the time the company must wait to reapply. City Clerk Nielsen read the ordinance that reads them being ineligible to reapply for two years.

CMBR Hill asked Rogan Freeburg, owner of EcoShield Kansas City, if there was a reason his employees continued to solicit in Roeland Park without permit. Mr. Freeburg stated that one of his employees said they were not aware they were in Roeland Park and believed they were in Mission. He said the company has permits in Mission, Mission Hills, Prairie Village, and Westwood. CMBR Hill said they want to protect their residents, especially the elderly, from scams, and they are also an environmentally friendly community.

Mr. Freeburg asked the Governing Body if there were other door-to-door pest companies who had applied for permits. The Councilmembers responded that yes there are.

CMBR Madigan said EcoShield was notified they were breaking the ordinance, and then they applied to abide by the ordinance, which in his mind sounds like the right way to do things and did not see a reason to penalize them.

CMBR Faidley said that when the workers were notified by the codes officer, they did not have permission, and they continued to do it anyway.

CMBR Hage said they were notified, filled out their application, and continued to solicit door-to-door. City Clerk Nielsen said they were at her house on Friday and explained to them they needed a permit. Ms. Jones-Lacy said they were at her house too. CMBR Hage said this is unfortunate.

Mayor Poppa said they are grappling with the actions that occurred in the interim of the application being filed and waiting for approval. He felt that if they had stopped going door-to-door during the application process, the item would have passed.

CMBR Dickens said that one of the managers knew they needed a permit and continued to solicit. Mr. Freeburg said he was frustrated when he heard about his employees being spoken to multiple times about the need for a permit.

**MOTION:** CMBR HILL MOVED AND CMBR MADIGAN SECONDED TO APPROVE THE PEDDLER'S LICENSE TO ECOSHIELD PEST SOLUTIONS. (THE MOTION FAILED 3-5 WITH CMBRS FAIDLEY, DICKENS, RAGLOW, HAGE, AND STOCKS VOTING NO.)

**C. Appoint Kourtney Leibman to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee**

**MOTION:** CMBR RAGLOW MOVED AND CMBR HAGE SECOND TO APPROVE KOURTNEY LEIBMAN TO THE DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE. (THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.)

**D. Approve Work at City Hall by Universal Construction**

City Manager Moody reviewed the planned work for the dais. There will also be painting and a chair rail put in at the Police Department. The price and scope of the project is the same in the change order.

Mayor Poppa asked about built-in drawers for the dais. City Manager Moody said this order does not include drawers, but he has examples he would like the Council to look at. There is limited space in the area, and they will be sharing a drawer between two Councilmembers.

CMBR Lero asked if the recess will be removed because he always bangs his knees. City Manager Moody said it will be removed, and the area will be flat.

CMBR Faidley asked about the ramp and the railing and believed that the railing would be anchored to the floor. City Manager Moody said the width of the ramp will remain the same. She also asked if the lectern would need to be moved. City Manager Moody said they will maneuver it so that it's not in conflict with the railing.

CMBR Lero wanted to know if they were going to hide the wires. Mayor Poppa said they should ask. City Manager Moody said the wires are connected to the AV system underneath the dais. Nothing has been scoped out for that, but he will ask Universal if they can create something.

CMBR Raglow wanted to clarify that in hiding it, they are only covering them because they still want to have access if needed.

**MOTION:** CMBR DICKENS MOVED AND CMBR LERO SECONDED TO APPROVE THE WORK AT CITY HALL BY UNIVERSAL CONSTRUCTION AT A COST OF \$26,500. (THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.)

#### **VIII. Ordinances and Resolutions**

*There were no ordinances or resolutions presented.*

#### **IX. Executive Session**

*There was no Executive Session held.*

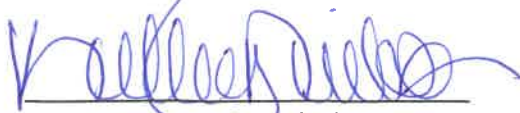

#### **X. Reports of City Officials**

*There were no reports.*

#### **XI. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** CMBR MADIGAN MOVED AND CMBR RAGLOW SECONDED TO ADJOURN. (THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.)

(Roeland Park City Council Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.)

  
Kelley Nielsen, City Clerk  
Michael Poppa, Mayor