



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 16, 2023 – 8:15 A.M.**

**Training Room - 210  
Blue Springs City Hall  
903 W Main St.  
Blue Springs, Missouri**

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Confirmation of Quorum
3. Approval of June 21, 2023 Minutes
4. Downtown Alive! Liaison Report
5. Project and Development Update
6. Adjourn

Posted Monday, August 14, 2023 at Blue Springs City Hall and on the City's website.

A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance; however, no City Council votes will be taken.



**CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS, MISSOURI  
MINUTES OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023**

A meeting of the Blue Springs Economic Development Council was held at 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, in the Administration Training Room of Blue Springs City Hall, 903 W. Main Street with Chair Joey Zarillo presiding.

**CONFIRMATION OF  
QUORUM**

Lyle Shaver, Vice Chair  
Ann Benson  
Terri Gilgour  
Brad Boldridge  
Adam Hathhorn

Kirk Lair - Absent  
Kirk Sampson  
Robin Terry-Revels - Absent  
Lara Vermillion - Absent

**STAFF &  
OTHER ATTENDEES**

City Councilmember Susan Culpepper, City Councilmember Jerry Kaylor, Interim City Administrator Christine Cates, City Attorney Sara Carnes, Economic Development Director Jason Norbury, Community Development Director Mike Mallon, Trish Totta, Tim Cowden and Jessica Palm were also in attendance.

**CALL MEETING ORDER**

Vice Chair Shaver called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

**APPROVE JUNE 15, 2022  
MINUTES**

Member Sampson moved to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2022 meeting of the Economic Development Council. Motion seconded by Member Gilgour and carried unanimously.

**DOWNTOWN ALIVE!  
LIAISON REPORT**

Vice Chair Shaver delivered the report of recent activities of Downtown Blue Springs Alive! The Corks and Canvas event was held on June 17, and reported a good steady crowd. The Cats on Main sculpture project had its launch on May 23, and the statues continue to draw crowds downtown.

**PRESENTATION FROM  
KCADC**

Kansas City Area Development Council President Tim Cowden and Vice President Jessica Palm gave a presentation on the recent development activities in the Kansas City region and of the KCADC. A copy of the presentation is attached. They answered questions about Blue Springs development and the 2026 World Cup among other topics.

**PROJECT UPDATES**

Economic Development Director Norbury delivered the report. Blue Surf Bay, the city's taxpayer-approved water park, continues construction on pace to open for the 2024 season.

Director Norbury has had several conversations regarding multifamily projects around the city, though none have filed development applications as of yet.

Director Norbury shared some initial output from Retail Strategies, showing the results of their "gap analysis", which represents the nearly \$1.4 billion in spending that occurs from residents of our trade area outside the trade area itself.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Council will be Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:32 a.m. there was no further business to come before the Economic Development Council, Member Gilgour moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Member Sampson and carried unanimously.

BLUE SPRINGS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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Lyle Shaver, Vice Chair