The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of February 5, 2018 was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 105 East Center, Sikeston. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Merideth and Councilmen Jon Gilmore, Brian Self, Mary White-Ross and Karen Evans. Mayor Steven Burch and Councilman Gerald Settles were absent. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Deputy City Clerk Rhonda Council, Public Safety Director Mike Williams, Assistant Public Safety Director James McMillen, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin and Parks Director Dustin Care.

**APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

City Council minutes of January 8 and January 29, 2018 were presented for approval. Councilman Self moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded:


**ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES**

Minutes from various board and commission meetings were presented to the City Council. Councilwoman White-Ross moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and voted as follows:


**ADVISORY BOARD COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS**

No reports were presented.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

2\(^{nd}\) Reading & Consideration of Bill #6086, Taxicab Services

Councilman Gilmore moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6086. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following vote recorded:


Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

**BILL Number 6086**

**ORDINANCE Number 6086**

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6086 AND SHALL AMEND CHAPTER 640 OF THE SIKESTON MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING
ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS REGARDING TAXICABS WITHIN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: This Ordinance shall be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: Section 640.020 shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 640.020 – Defined
Whenever used in this Chapter, the term “taxicab” means every motor vehicle used to transport persons for a charge or fee within the corporate limits of the City, except Transportation Network Companies regulated separately by the State of Missouri.

SECTION III: Section 640.060 shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 640.060 – Vehicle Identification
Every motor vehicle being used as a taxicab shall have printed on both sides and the rear of the vehicle written designation that it is a “Taxi”, the name of the cab company or the owner thereof and the identification number of such taxicab, in legible letters professionally stenciled or applied vinyl of not less than four (4) inches. Hand written letters shall not be considered legible.

SECTION IV: General Repealer Section: Any ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION V: Severability: Should any part or parts of this ordinance be found or held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, then the remaining part or parts shall be severable and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION VI: Record of Passage:
A. Bill Number 6086 was introduced and read the first time this 29th day of January, 2018.

B. Bill Number 6086 was read the second time and discussed on this 5th day of February 2018. Councilman Gilmore moved to table Bill Number 6086 and amend the bill to add background check requirements for taxicab drivers. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and voted as follows:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Absent, thereby being passed.

2nd Reading & Consideration, Bill #6087, Battery Backup Units at Traffic Signals

Councilman Self moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6087. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman White-Ross and the following vote recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Absent, thereby being passed.
Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

Bill No. 6087
Ordinance No. 6087

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6087 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AND THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION PROVIDING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF UNINTERRUPTED POWER SUPPLY UNITS (HEREINAFTER “UPS”), AT TRAFFIC SIGNALS IN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, THE CITY BELIEVES THAT THE INSTALLATION OF UNINTERRUPTED POWER SUPPLY UNITS AT CERTAIN INTERSECTIONS IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF ITS RESIDENTS.

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

SECTION I: This Ordinance shall not be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: That the Agreement set forth on “Exhibit A” set forth the various responsibilities and liabilities of the parties regarding the installation of UPS.

SECTION III: The Mayor and such other officials as may be necessary are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any documents necessary and proper to effectuate the same and specifically “Exhibit A” which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

SECTION IV: General Repealer Section. Any ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION V: Severability. Should any part or parts of this ordinance be found or held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining part or parts shall be severable and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION VI: Record of Passage:

A. Bill Number 6087 was introduced to Council and read the first time this 29th day of January 2018.

B. Bill Number 6087 was read the second time and discussed on this 5th day of February 2018. Councilman Gilmore moved to approve Bill Number 6087. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Absent, thereby being passed, and becoming ordinance 6087.

ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilwoman White-Ross moved to adjourn into executive session for discussion of litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following roll call vote was recorded:
Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Absent, thereby being passed.

Mayor Pro Tem Merideth called the executive session to order. Present were: Councilmen Karen Evans, Jon Gilmore, Brian Self, and Mary White-Ross. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Deputy City Clerk Rhonda Council and Public Safety Director Mike Williams.

No action was taken in executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Self moved to adjourn from executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Absent, Self Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Absent, thereby being passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the City Council, Councilman Settles moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Absent, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Absent, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: