TENTATIVE AGENDA
(Amended)

COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING
CLINTON BUILDING

Thursday, September 17, 2015
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER
II. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE
III. OPENING PRAYER
IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS
   A. Leaf Removal Program
   B. Discussions: City Gateway & Wayfinding Signage Program
   C. Other Items As May Be Determined During the Course of the Meeting
V. ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
   Litigation (RSMo 6.10.021(1))
   Property (RSMo 6.10.021(2))
VI. ADJOURNMENT

Dated this 15th day of September 2015

Carroll Couch, City Clerk

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Council Letter

Date of Meeting:  15-09-17

Originating Department:  Public Works Department

To the Mayor and City Council:

Subject:  Briefing on Leaf Collection Program for 2015

Action Options:

1. Other action Council may deem appropriate

Background:

By the end of last year’s leaf collection season, both of the city’s leaf machines were out of service. During the subsequent budget deliberations, it was determined that rather than repair or replace the aging and inefficient leaf collection machines, the city would offer an alternative program for leaf disposal. Therefore, DPW staff proposes the following program for leaf disposal and public education.

The city will not be providing curbside pickup of leaves this winter. Residents will be given the following options to address leaves:

- Take Leaves to the Compost Site (compost site hours will be extended)
- Hire a Commercial Contractor to Take Leaves to the Compost Site
- Mulch the Leaves in their yard
- Burn the leaves in their yard

To accommodate this new practice, two changes are being made to the compost site:

1. The Compost Site will be open extended hours in November and December to accommodate the delivery of leaves from residents.
2. Commercial Contractors will be allowed to bring leaves to the compost site during the extended hours of November and December. They will need to show proof of a business license, and will be limited to leaves and small sticks. Limbs and trees will not be allowed to be dumped by contractors.

The proposed extended compost site hours are as follows:

M-F  Nov 15 to Dec 31  8-12 & 1-3 (Except Holidays)
Sat  11/7, 11/21, 12/5, 12/19  8-12

For anyone dumping leaves at compost site, staff will be asking for the associated address(es).
For making sure this new information is made available to the public, we will be taking part in the following education/advertising campaigns:

- Advertisements in the Standard Democrat
- Articles in the Sikeston Scanner
- Posts on the City’s Facebook page
- Door Hangers will be placed in key areas prior to November
- Door Hangers will be placed for lots that put leaves at the street
- Commercial Contractors will be notified by mail prior to November.

Ultimately, this will free up a significant amount of manpower. This operation usually takes approximately 6 workers for a period of 6 weeks to accomplish. Through this change in protocol, we will free up 4-5 workers that can be working on our street maintenance issues.
To the Mayor and City Council:

Subject: Sikeston Gateway-Wayfinding Signage Program

Attachment(s):
1. Gateway-Wayfinding Signage Program – Purpose, Objectives, and Design Criteria

Action Options:
1. Provide direction for implementation of signage program
2. Other action as Council may deem appropriate

Background:
On August 24 staff provided an overview of the City’s Gateway and Wayfinding Signage Program and received Council’s authorization to proceed. Following this action, various members of the public provided feedback regarding the color of the proposed signage, which has prompted today’s discussions.

The Committee would like to share with Council the purpose, objectives and science that went into their recommendation. This information is summarized in the attachment and will be discussed in greater detail during the September 17 Council meeting.
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Purpose:
To create a master plan that establishes a cohesive wayfinding philosophy and design approach for all future City of Sikeston signs. This plan will provide a uniform sign template for all City gateways, directional, public facility and place name signs.

Uniform signage will assist visitors, residents and business interests more easily navigate the City and identify city-owned facilities. The plan’s implementation will enhance economic prosperity of local businesses while improving the quality of life for all residents.
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• Objectives
  • Identify key entry points into the City;
  • Identify locations/zones first-time visitors would seek access;
  • Define pathways for vehicular traffic into these locations/zones;
  • Create awareness of these destinations;
  • Enhance the perception Sikeston is a safe, clean & welcoming community;
  • Create a sense of place, making Sikeston more memorable to residents and visitors.
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• **Design Criteria:**
  
  • Be user friendly – Signs should be legible, uncomplicated, and reflective for night reading;
  
  • Consistency – maintain design constraints throughout sign system, keep messages consistent, coordinate signage with city brochures and maps;
  
  • Minimalism - Use limited number of sign types and quantity;
  
  • Aesthetically pleasing – Signs are harmonious to environment, appropriately scaled;
  
  • Maintainable – Easy to install/remove, cleanable/repairable, low maintenance; and
  
  • Vandal resistant.
Federal Wayfinding Design Standards

• **Brown Cultural / Recreational Signs:** Direct motorists to parks, historic districts and sites, recreational areas and scenic vistas.

• **Green Guide Signs:** Direct motorists to significant institutions or districts.

• **Blue Motorist Service Signs:** Identify specific services/businesses. Eligible service categories are limited to: gas, food, lodging, camping, attractions, hospitals and 24-hour pharmacies.
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• **MoDOT Color Restrictions:**

Wayfinding signage shall not include the following color combinations for legend and background:

• Red/White  Pink/Black
• Yellow/Black  Purple/Black
• Orange/Black  Yellow-Green/Black
• Any florescent version of the colors listed above.
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• **Color Contrast by Science**

  Arthur & Passini described in their book Wayfinding from 1992 a reliable calculating method to calculate the contrast difference between two colors.

  The formula is based on the light reflectancy (LR) readings in percentages for each of the two colors involved. By subtracting the darker color from the lighter color, divided by the difference by the lighter, and multiplying by 100, we get brightness differential.

  When the brightness differential is 70 percent or higher the legibility is assured. When it is less, the legibility cannot be assured and those colors should not be using in that combination.
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— Arthur & Passini 1992
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Color examples and meaning

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• Black is associated with power, elegance, formality, death, evil, and mystery.

• With a black background the lettering tends to stand out more onto background than with other colored backgrounds. Black is one of the few surfaces that lets other colored text work great together. Beware of too small lettering with too high contrast (white lettering), these will lead to less legibility of the text because of overwhelming background. With large lettering white on black works great. Also yellow on black is a good combination.

• Advisable work areas: Airport signage, office building signs, visual overwhelming environments, hotel signage, indoor usage.
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• White is associated with light, goodness, innocence, purity, and virginity. It is considered to be the color of perfection.

• White background surface gives the most workable combinations, but beware of that white can absorb its environment. Black lettering tends to be squeezed into the background making it hard to read. Lower contrast lettering gives better results like blue, orange and red.

• White backgrounds can be used specific sign projects where design plays a bigger part than the actual wayfinding. For instance using silver lettering on a white background can give fabulous results, due the shadow of the silver lettering the text becomes readable on the white surface.

• Advisable work areas: Museum signage, office building signs, pylon signage, retail signage, hospital signage, indoor & outdoor usage.
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- Red is the color of fire and blood, so it is associated with energy, war, danger, strength, power, determination as well as passion, desire, and love.

- Red is often used for warning signs, red sends out a signal of warning, danger. Many of the warning signs consist of a red background with yellow or white lettering, by using pictograms as warning the signs are multi-language and don’t need explanation, even if you cannot read the text.

- Red is a very powerful color which stands out in a visual crowded environment. I have seen various other signs produced with red but in my opinion red is a signal color. Works great with black, white and yellow lettering.

- Advisable work areas: Warning signs, public spaces, indoor & outdoor usage.
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- Yellow is the color of sunshine. It’s associated with joy, happiness, intellect, and energy.

- Yellow background works best in visual crowded environments, for architectural and psychological factors yellow is often used. Yellow with black lettering sends out a clear information message which is needed in such an environment. Using yellow also makes in easy to use orange, red and green which all work great together in a signage system.

- Also for traffic signs yellow works good as background color in combination with black lettering. In a outdoor situation, yellow stands out from its background giving a clear message. In many European countries yellow is chosen as background color.

- Advisable work areas: Airport signage, road signs, public spaces, indoor & outdoor usage.
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• Blue is the color of the sky and sea. It is often associated with depth and stability. It symbolizes trust, loyalty, wisdom, confidence, intelligence, faith, truth, and heaven.

• Blue is one of mankind’s favorite colors, as is represents sky, heaven, trust and faith. The color blue is good recognized with white lettering as an information sign. In the Netherlands all highway signs are with blue background as well as the railway signs.

• To use blue in sign systems beware of create enough contrast in order to make the signs work best. For instance with light blue a higher contrast lettering will be needed such as black and for dark blue white lettering will work best.

• Advisable work areas: Highway signs, railway signs, hotel signage, retail signage, public spaces, indoor & outdoor usage.
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- City Identification Sign
- Pedestrian Signs
- Secondary Vehicular Directional Sign
- Major Vehicular Directional Sign
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OPTION 3:
- SHARP EDGES
- INCORPORATES NATURAL COLORS WITH CRISP LINES
- EARTHY COLOR TONES AND MATERIALS WILL CORRELATE WITH THE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH THE SIGNS WILL
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OPTION 2:
- CRISP MODERN DESIGN
- CLEAN LINES WITH METAL CURVATURE
- INCORPORATES THE USE OF MODERN MATERIALS AND LINES WITH EASY TO READ TEXT
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OPTION 4:
- CURVED LINES OUTLINED WITH A SECONDARY COLOR
- EASY TO READ TYPE
- USES CURVED EDGES THAT ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE SIGN POSTS WHICH IS A NOD TO SIKESTON'S HISTORICAL PAST
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OPTION 4:
-Curved lines outlined with a secondary color
-Easy to read type
-Uses curved edges that are compatible with the sign posts which is a nod to Sikeston’s historical past
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- CURVED LINES OUTLINED WITH A SECONDARY COLOR
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• Council direction is requested in order for the Committee to proceed with the development of engineering specifications, and the bid process.

• Tentative Timeline for Signage Project
  • September 2015
    • Develop engineering specifications
    • Submit proposed signage program to MoDOT for review and approval
  • October 2015
    • Release RFP for manufacturing and installation
    • Begin right-of-way negotiations
  • November-December 2015
    • Award RFP for manufacture and installation of signs
    • Complete right-of-negotiations, execute contracts
  • March 2016
    • Install signage