



City of Carthage, Missouri
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Old Business**
 1. Approval of 7/20/26 Minutes
- 3. Citizen Participation**

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 1. Consider and discuss Rallye in the Park - Jude Champagne
 2. Vision Carthage - Sally Stuart
- 4. New Business**
 1. Consider and discuss Annual Maple Leaf Festival - Julie Reams
 2. Consider and discuss surplus old Animal Control box - Chief Dininger
 3. Staff Reports
 - Fire Department
 - Police Department
- 5. Adjournment**

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July 20, 2026 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairman Thorn called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Members present: David Thorn, Ray West, Susan Reddy, Alan Snow

Others present: Police Chief Chad Dininger, Fire Chief Jason Martin, Mayor Flanigan, City Administrator Traci Cox, Police Admin Sgt. Heather Wolfe

Citizens present: Lora Phelps

2. Old Business

1. Approval of 6-15-26 Minutes

Councilman Snow made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as presented. Councilman Thorn made a motion to amend the minutes of the 6-15-26 meeting to move the Marian resolution to New Business.

Motion passed.

3. Citizen Participation

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1. Consider and discuss McCune-Brooks Healthcare Foundation fundraiser - Lora Phelps

Requesting partial closure of 2nd Street between Grant Street and Howard Street on Thursday, October 1, 2026 from 3:00PM to 10:00PM. Also requesting approval for food trucks to be parked within the event.

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Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the request. Motion passed.

4. New Business

1. Consider and discuss anonymous donation to the Fire Department - Chief Martin

Chief Martin spoke to the committee requesting to accept an anonymous donation that would be used for updating the station.

Councilman Snow made a motion to approve and forward the request to council for approval. Motion passed.

2. Consider and discuss CWEP request for crosswalks - Chief Dininger

Traci Cox advised Carthage Water and Electric requested approval for a crosswalk which will be located at the front of their building at 627 West Centennial Ave., leading south to their employee parking lot across the street. Councilman Snow made a motion to approve. Motion passed.

3. Consider and discuss Carthage R9 MOU - Chief Dininger
Chief Dininger requested acceptance of the Carthage R-9 MOU as years passed. The Carthage R9 district will have 1 Carthage Officer dedicated as a School Resource Officer and two Carthage Reserve Officers.
Councilman Snow made a motion to forward the MOU to council for approval. Motion passed.

Consider and discuss the approval of the 2026 Marian Days Resolution.
Councilman Thorm made a motion to approve and forward the 2026 Marian Days resolution to Council for approval. Motion passed.

4. Staff Reports

Fire Department

Chief Martin gave a station update. No motions were needed.

Police Department

Chief Dininger gave a station update. No motions were needed.

5. Adjournment

Councilmen West made a motion to adjourn at 6:03pm

Public Safety Meeting

From Sally Stuart <director@visioncarthage.org>

Date Tue 8/11/2026 3:23 PM

To Morgan Housh <m.housh@carthagemo.gov>

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Vision Carthage is involved in a few activities between now and December that I would like to make the Safety Committee aware of at your next meeting. Nothing requires formal approval that I am aware of, but I still would like to talk just a minute during Public Comments to bring up the 50s Throwback Day on the Square, Treats on the Square, Restoration Carthage and our Clean-up Day (NOT Dumpster Day). Thank you.



Sally Stuart

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August 10, 2026

Re: 2026 Maple Leaf Festival®

Public Safety Committee:

Let this letter serve, along with the supporting documents, for approval of street closures and vacating streets for the 60th Annual Maple Leaf Festival® to be held October 9th-17th. In addition, we respectfully request event security from the Carthage Police Department for events highlighted in yellow to be present at events on October 13th, & 16th during the designated times.

As in previous years, the Carthage Chamber of Commerce is also requesting to suspend the following ordinances during the festival:

- i. Request permissions to allow Arts/Crafts, Concessions, and Non-Profit vendors to sell under the Carthage Chamber Business License in violation of City Ordinance Section 12, Subsection 26. All vendors will be required to provide proof of liability insurance, and concessions will follow all rules and regulations for health and safety protocols.*
- ii. Requesting permission to temporarily (during Maple Leaf Festival® events) signage placement in the public right of way, poles, and signs owned by the City in violation of City Ordinance Section 6, Subsection 262 and Section 13, Subsection 132.*

Thank you for your consideration and continued support.

Respectfully,

Julie Reams
President
Carthage Chamber of Commerce
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Request to Public Safety Committee

1. Closure and vacating streets for Maple Leaf Festival®-includes:

- Monday, October 12th 5pm-8pm
- Friday, October 16th (early corner closure at 3rd & Main stage set-up) 8am-Sunday 10am (Stage tear-down)
- Saturday, October 17th 5am-7pm
- Sunday, October 18th Corner 3rd & Main (open corner by 10 am stage tear-down)
- Friday, October 17th Free Concert on the Square-designated area-Security 6pm-11pm

2. Central Park Security

- Tuesday, October 13th, Taco Tuesday, Security 5pm-7:00pm

Request #1

We request the closure and vacating of the following streets for the 2026 Maple Leaf Festival®.

Request #2

Request for an off-duty officer(s) for security in Central Park and on the Carthage Square on the following dates & times for a beer garden in a designated area.

Tuesday, October 14, 2026, 5pm - 7pm-Central Park

Request for an off-duty officer(s) for a beer garden during the Taco Tuesday event (in the designated area in Central Park).

Friday, October 17, 2026, 6 pm - 11 pm-Carthage Square

Request for an off-duty officer(s) for a beer garden during the Friday night concert on the square (in the designated area). The Woodshed will provide the Beer Garden.



2026 Maple Leaf Festival® Public Safety Request by the Carthage Chamber of Commerce

REQUEST DATE: MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2026

EVENT: MAPLE LEAF FESTIVAL® TOUCH-A-TRUCK

All locations are to be closed AND vacated.

Date	Time(s)	Description	Comments
10/12/26	5PM-8PM	3 RD Street from Main to Grant	including barricades
10/12/26	5PM-8PM	Grant Street from 3 rd to 4 th	including barricades
10/12/26	5PM-8PM	4 th Street from Grant to Main	including barricades
10/12/26	5PM-8PM	Main Street from 4 th to 3 rd	including barricades



2026 Maple Leaf Festival @Public Safety Request by the Carthage Chamber of Commerce

REQUEST DATES: FRIDAY, October 16, 2026

SATURDAY, October 17, 2026

All locations are to be closed AND vacated.

Date	Time(s)	Description	Comments
10/16/26	7am-7pm	County Parking Lot Located at 4 th & Grant Friday to Saturday	
10/16/26	8am-10am	Corner of 3 rd & Main Friday thru Sunday	including channelizers and rope
10/16/26	5pm-7pm	Grant (from 5th to 2nd) Friday to Saturday	including channelizers and rope
10/16/26	5pm-7pm	300 block of Main Friday to Saturday	including channelizers and rope
10/16/26	5pm-10pm	3rd (Grant to Main) Friday to Saturday	including channelizers and rope
10/16/26	5pm-7pm	4th (from Main to Howard) Friday to Saturday	including channelizers and rope
10/16/26	5pm-7pm	4th & Howard free parking lot-Chamber will	
		contact Drake Hotel to make arrangements/Friday & Saturday	
10/17/26	5pm-7pm	6th & Main free parking lot Friday to Saturday	
10/17/26	5am-12 noon	Centennial (from Grand to but not including Main)	
10/17/26	5am-10pm	3rd (from Grant to but not including Howard)	
10/17/26	5am-7pm	Main (from 3rd to 2nd)	
10/17/26	5am-10pm	3rd (From Main to Lyon)	
10/17/26	7am-1pm	Grant/Grand (From Central to and including Centennial)	
10/17/26	7am-1pm	Centennial (from Grand to but not including River)	
10/17/26	7am-12 noon	Main (from Central to and including Chestnut)	
10/17/26	7am-12 noon	Lyon (from Central to and including Chestnut)	
10/17/26	7am-12 noon	Maple (from Central to and including 7th)	
10/17/26	7am-12 noon	2nd-7th (from Garrison to but not including Howard)	
10/17/26	7am-12 noon	Chestnut (from Garrison to but not including Howard)	
10/17/26	7am-12 noon	Memorial Hall Parking Lot	

Requesting permission to allow Art/Craft, Concession, and Non-Profit Vendors to sell under the Chamber Business License in violation of City Ordinance Section 12, Subsection 26. Concession Vendors will be required to provide proof of liability insurance coverage.

Requesting permission to temporarily (only during the Maple Leaf Events) place signage in the public right of way and on poles and signs owned by the City in violation of City Ordinance Section 6, Subsection 262 and Section 13, Subsection 132.