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CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2025

Mayor Andy Schabell called the Alexandria City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the invocation and the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members answering roll call:

Tom Baldrige	Present	Patrick Blair	Present
Laura Fincher	Present	Stacey Graus	Present
Michael McGrath	Present	Robert Strong	Present

Also: Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk
Mike Duncan, City Attorney
Kelly Perry, City Treasurer

Lucas Cooper, Police Chief
David Plummer, City Administrator
Doug DeJaco, Public Works Supt.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 18, 2025, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve the minutes of September 18, 2025, Regular Meeting, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor, the motion passed, 6-0-0.

UNSCHEDULED VISITORS AND GUEST

Jack Walters: He mentioned the Market on Main Fall Event will be October 11th. He stated he has some new support with Dream Spire, a non-profit with a desire to open the arts to children in the area. They have an office above the Public Library. They will be providing child-friendly activities at the Market on Main Fall Festival, chalk art competition, pumpkin carving and other activities. She asked if council could financially support the event for the pumpkins and supplies and some prizes and maybe some water for the volunteers.

Mayor Andy Schabell shared his concerns regarding donating taxpayer dollars to non-profit organizations because he would not be able to say no to the next non-profit. He did say he would personally donate \$150.00 for the pumpkins out of his own pocket. Mr. Blair asked how folks could go about donating to the prizes. The carved pumpkins will be on display at Kincaid Regional Theatre, and they are looking at a way and place to display around the city. The city will send out an email to boards and commissions requesting some assistance for setting up and tearing down.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS

(Mike Duncan read the following.)

Ordinance 2025-15 (1st Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, approving a recommendation of the Alexandria Planning Commission, in order to adopt text amendments to the Alexandria Zoning Ordinance in order to provide regulations for tattoo and body piercing establishments in the city.

Mr. Duncan gave a brief overview of the Planning & Zoning public hearing regarding tattoo parlors.

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Resolution 2025-12: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Kentucky, authorizing the issuance of up to \$45,000,000 maximum aggregate principal amount taxable Industrial Building Revenue Bonds, series 2025A, and authorizing the issuance of up to \$5,000,000 maximum aggregate principal amount taxable Special Obligation Industrial Building Revenue Bonds, series 2025B, in order to assist OFAK LLC, or assigns, to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of an industrial building facility and related infrastructure improvements located within the City of Alexandria, Kentucky and to improve said facility; providing for the pledge of revenues for the payment of said bonds; authorizing a springing executory interest deed; authorizing a trust indenture appropriate for the protection and disposition of such revenues and further to secure the payment of said bonds, as applicable; authorizing a bond purchase agreement; authorizing a PILOT mortgage to secure PILOT payments, and authorizing the execution of any further necessary instruments, including commercially standard lender documents.

Stacey Graus gave a brief overview of the process and how the city is not on the hook for the bonds but rather a conduit for the bonds for the developer. This development will generate jobs and payroll taxes for the city.

Jim Parson-Bond Counsel for Kroger: He explained how the PILOT program works, where the City is the owner of the property and then leases it to Kroger. This is so they are exempt from property taxes but are required to make PILOT payments to the city, county, school and fire. They are not exempt from any other taxes.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-12, seconded by Tom Baldridge. All in favor, the motion passed, 6-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Ms. Tarter reported that property taxes have gone out, and payments have started rolling in. The city has collected about 11% so far.

City Administrator: See attached report. Mr. Plummer gave an update regarding having Dr. Wilson at the 1st meeting in November and also mentioned the will be advertising for the solid waste contract.

Police Department: Chief Cooper mentioned the Coffee with a Cop event on Tuesday, October 7th and the Drug Take Back on October 25th.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Public Works – Tom Baldridge: Next meeting will be October 16, 2025, at 6:00pm.

Safety – Laura Fincher: Next meeting is November 20, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Business Retention & Development – Michael McGrath: Survey has gone out, and the responses are starting to come in. Next meeting is November 6, 2025, at 6:00pm

Personnel – Robert Strong: Next meeting is October 16, 2025, at 6:30pm.

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Future Planning – Patrick Blair: Met this evening and discussed brand identity standards for the new logo. They also discussed recognizing the designers of the old logo and new logo at a future meeting. They will also review the comprehensive plan in conjunction with Planning & Zoning. Next meeting is in 2026.

Finance – Stacey Graus: Next meeting is December 4, 2025, at 6:00pm.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Amplify Alexandria: Gave a report on the Amplify Alexandria winner for October, Finesse Auto Detailing.

Halloween Beautification Award Dates:

Nominations: 10/10 – 10/17 at 3:00pm

Voting: 10/18 – 10/31

Announce: 11/6 Council meeting

October 16, 2025 meeting: The meeting will move forward as there will be a quorum.

OLD BUSINESS – None

COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

Tom Baldridge: He asked for an update on the Pickleball courts. Mr. Plummer reported they are having issues with the contractor for the fence, so they are looking at changing contractors.

Michael McGrath: He highly recommends Finesse Auto Detailing as they do incredible work.

Robert Strong: He gave a brief update on the new city building. He also stated the beam for signing is on site and will need to be signed by October 15th or 16th.

Stacey Graus: He commented on 709 and they are moving at a slow pace. He also shared how there are folks smoking at the park around the kids. There are currently no signs up at the park regarding no smoking, he would like to see if we could do something about that. Mr. Schabell stated we could order some signs and get them installed.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- October 7, 7:00pm – Planning & Zoning
- October 8, 7:00pm – Board of Adjustment
- October 14, 7:00pm – Board of Ethics

COMMUNICATIONS


- October 7, 8:30-10:30am – Coffee with a Cop, Brass Key Coffee
- October 7, 7:00-8:00pm – Candle-lit Yoga at Park, Alexandria Community Park
- October 10-17 – Halloween Beautification Award Nominations
- October 18-31 – Halloween Beautification Award Voting
- October 25, 10:00am-2:00pm – DEA National Drug Takeback, Calvin A. Perry Community Center

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- October 25, 7:30-9:30pm – Haunted Walk, Alexandria Community Park, \$2.00 entry fee
- October 31, 6:00-8:00pm – Trick or Treat
- November 1, 9:00am-2:00pm – Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Thomas More Stadium

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Robert Strong made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tom Baldrige. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.


Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk

Date: 10/16/2025


~~Andy Schabell, Mayor~~ Stacey Graus, Mayor Pro Tem

Date: 10-16-25