

CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of June 19, 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 Baldridge Present Patrick Blair
Laura Fincher Present Stacey Graus
Michael McGrath Present Robert Strong

Present Present 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: June 5, 2025, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve the minutes of June 5, 2025, Regular Meeting, seconded by Michael McGrath. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS

(Mike Duncan read the following.)

Municipal Order 2025-13: A Municipal Order of the City of Alexandria appointing and approving Megan Snyder to the office of Assistant City Clerk pursuant to Section 31.36 (B) of the Alexandria Code of Ordinances.

MOTION: Robert Strong made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-13, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Ordinance 2025-07 (2nd *Reading*): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, by estimating revenues and resources, and appropriating funds for the operation of city government.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-07, seconded by Tom Baldridge. Stacey Graus shared it was a difficult budget, and it is subject to amendment during the year if the need arises. He believes we are in good financial standing as a city. All in favor, the motion passed, 6-0-0.

Ordinance 2025-08 (2nd *Reading*): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, adopting the 2025 S-25 Supplement to the City of Alexandria Code of Ordinances, as prepared by the American Legal Publishing Corporation.

MOTION: Tom Baldridge made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-08, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Ordinance 2025-09 (2nd Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, amending ordinance 2024-06, the city's budget for fiscal year 2024/2025 by transferring funds to and among the various budget accounts according to the attached Exhibit "A", in order to

reflect an increase in revenues, bond financing for the New City Building and Community Center Project and to end the fiscal year in balance.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-09, seconded by Tom Baldridge. Stacey Graus explained this is a reconciliation budget ordinance. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Ordinance 2025-10 (1st Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, amending section 37.02 of the City of Alexandria Code of Ordinances and the City's Personnel and Pay Classification Plan by adopting the job description for the position of Detective Sergeant in the Alexandria Police Department.

Chief Cooper explained there have been some employment changes and needing to make adjustments to personnel and this is one of those pieces.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Mrs. Tarter mentioned, along with the adopting Ordinance 2025-08, if they have any ordinance books bring them in, and we will get them updated. She also added the city website switched from .org to .gov.

City Administrator: City Campus is still moving along, he gave an overview of where things are and that trades will be on site next week. Working through the details of long lead time items. He gave an update on the bond financing. Mr. Plummer gave an update on the status of Campbell County Fiscal Court now offering Animal Control services for all cities for free. He shared about the LIFT program being a recipient for that for the Alexandria Business Showcase event this past May. He shared about the TA Sidewalk Grant and how there will be a Public Hearing for the design phase on June 25.

Police Department: See attached report. He shared how the report looks a little differently and he added some information and explanation rather than just stats.

Public Works: See attached report. Pickleball courts are moving along but waiting for a few grading things to finish.

Zoning/Code Enforcement: See attached report.

Community Center: See attached report. Also attached are the reports for Kid's to Parks Day and Fishing Derby.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Public Works – Tom Baldridge: Met this evening and discussed the bids received for the 2025/2026 Street Program and recommend the city approve the bid from Riegler Blacktop. Next meeting will be July 17, 2025, at 6:00pm.

MOTION: Robert Strong made a motion to accept the bid from Riegler Blacktop for 2025/2026 Street Repair, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Safety – Laura Fincher: Next meeting is July 17, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Business Retention & Development – Michale McGrath: Next meeting is July 3, 2025, at 6:00pm.

Personnel – Robert Strong: Next meeting is August 21, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Finance - Stacey Graus: Next meeting is August 21, 2025, at 6:00pm.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Planning & Zoning: Mayor Schabell shared that P&Z had a lengthy meeting this past Tuesday for a site development plan for a subdivision off of Riley Road.

NEW BUSINESS

Profit-n-Loss: No one had any questions.

City Branding & Architecture: Mr. Blair shared a slide show explaining the need to update the branding and visual identity for the city (see attached). The current city logo has had a good run with 25 years. He shared the entries the city received from the survey that was sent out in November and December 2024. Mr. Blair introduced the creator of the logo that caught the attention of the board, Mr. Cody Disney. Mr. Disney said he wanted the logo to represent the city's history but not keep it stuck in the past. He explained the reason for his color choice but that could change. Mr. Blair shared this presentation is to just update council, to update the residents, to have a discussion and to recognize the work of Mr. Disney.

There was a conversation of how to make the "courthouse" portion of the logo more distinct. Mr. Disney explained why he kept things simple, so as to not lose the details in different applications. He wanted to keep things minimum and simplistic, which also plays into the longevity of a logo.

OLD BUSINESS - None

COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

Tom Baldridge: Code Enforcement report was really good and appreciates all that he does. Mentioned the Fishing Derby being a lot of fun. He would like to see more of the "stop" sign warning signs.

Laura Fincher: She was able to tour the construction site and appreciated the work of Mr. Strong and was able to attend the fishing derby and the art in the park event and they were all well attended.

Robert Strong: He expressed his appreciation of the preparation of the budget by Mr. Plummer, Mrs. Perry and Mr. Graus. He also shared that the job site has safety as the main focus, and they have not had an accident on site to date. Mayor Shabell added that he is very pleased with how focused they are on safety on the job site and really appreciates it.

Stacey Graus: He also expressed his gratitude for all of the work put in on the budget by Mr. Plummer and Mrs. Perry.

Mayor Schabell: He shared about how the Planning Commission has had two back-to-back public hearings, reviewing and approving subdivision submissions. He gave a brief background of the

backlash the board members, council members, and city employees are receiving. He shared a post that he made on Facebook. (see attached) He shared the city will actively look at ways to address the concerns. He shared he is more than willing to hear solutions and work with residents.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- July 1, 7:00pm Planning & Zoning
- July 2, 7:00pm Park & Recreation

COMMUNICATIONS

- July 4 Independence Day, City Offices Closed
- July 16, 10am-11am Campbell County Library Book Bus & Activity, Community Park

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Robert Strong made a motion to adjourn, se	conded by Tom Baldridge. All in favor, the
motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8	
Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk	Andy Schabell, Mayor
Date: 7/17/2025	Date: 7/17/25