



# ORIGINAL

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of July 17, 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:

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| 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: June 19, 2025, Regular Meeting**

**MOTION:** Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve the minutes of June 19, 2025, Regular Meeting, seconded by Michael McGrath. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

### **SCHEDULED VISITORS AND GUESTS:**

**New Police Hire – Lt. Col. Ryan Roessler:** Chief Cooper introduced Mr. Ryan Roessler as the new Assistant Police Chief. Mr. Duncan performed the ceremonial swearing in.

### **ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS**

*(Mike Duncan read the following.)*

**Ordinance 2025-10** *(2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**MOTION:** Patrick Blair made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-10, seconded by Tom Baldrige. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

**Resolution 2025-10:** A Resolution of the City of Alexandria requesting the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet promulgate a regulation prohibiting vehicles with increased dimensions from using Kentucky Route 547.

**MOTION:** Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-11, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Mr. Muench explained next steps prior to it reaching the Governor's desk.

**Municipal Order 2025-14:** A Municipal Order of the City of Alexandria appointing and approving Dawn Warner to fill the unexpired term of Laura Fincher on the City of Alexandria Park and Recreation Board for the remainder of her four (4) year term to expire on December 31, 2025, or as soon as her successor is appointed, approved, is qualified and sworn in.

**MOTION:** Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-14, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

**Municipal Order 2025-15:** A Municipal Order of the City of Alexandria declaring surplus property and authorizing transfer of equipment to Pendleton County Sheriff's Office.

**MOTION:** Robert Strong made a motion to approve Municipal Order 2025-15, seconded by Michael McGrath. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**City Clerk:** Ms. Tarter will send in the registration for the fair parade that will take place on August 27 at 6:30pm. She also reported that both Megan and Kelly would be attending the Kentucky Municipal Clerk's Institute training; they are both on year 2 of the 3-year training.

**City Administrator:** He reported the Park board reviewed the results of their survey and he sent a copy to council. He also shared the Pickleball courts will remain closed while repairs are made to one of the courts that had a low spot in the pavement. The bond funding for the new city building has been received and is sitting in an account to be used to make payments on expenses for the building. Mr. Blair asked for an update on the grant for the pickleball courts.

**Police Department:** See attached report.

**Public Works:** See attached report.

**Zoning/Code Enforcement:** See attached report.

**Community Center:** See attached report.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**Public Works – Tom Baldrige:** Next meeting will be September 18, 2025, at 6:00pm.

**Safety – Laura Fincher:** Met this evening and discussed the speed study that was performed on Grandview and also discussed a community alert system for residents. Next meeting is September 18, 2025, at 6:30pm.

**Business Retention & Development – Michale McGrath:** They met on July 3 and discussed a survey for businesses to get a better understanding of what they need. Next meeting is September 4, 2025, at 6:00pm.

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

**Future Planning – Patrick Blair:** Next meeting is August 7, 2025, at 6:00pm.

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

## **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

**Planning & Zoning:** Mayor Schabell shared there will be a vacancy on the board when Michele Nelson steps down, she has agreed to stay on until a replacement is found; the city is currently taking applications.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Amplify Alexandria:** Robert Strong gave a report on the July Amplify Alexandria winner, Wagner Chiropractic.

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

OLD BUSINESS - None

## COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

**Tom Baldridge:** The Bridge Church has finished the paving project of not only their lot but also the roadway between their lot and Popeye's and Dunkin. Walmart is in the process of doing a whole store remodel. Mayor Schabell commented on the Walmart gas station that he is hoping the increased competition will help lower the prices in the city.

**Laura Fincher:** She commented on how well the past couple of events at the park have been. They were well attended and well planned.

**Robert Strong:** He shared about the progress of the new city campus, lots of contractors and services are on site getting things like the plumbing and electrical laid.

**Stacey Graus:** He asked if the city has an Ordinance that requires parked cars be facing the correct way when parked on the street.

## FUTURE MEETINGS

- July 24, 7:00pm – Property Maintenance Board

## COMMUNICATIONS

- August 21, 7:00pm – Dog Days at the Park

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

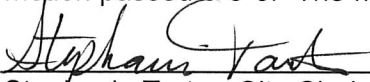
Mayor Schabel informed council they would need to go into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) for discussion regarding pending litigation against the city and its agents arising out a recent decision of the Planning Commission. City Administrator and City Attorney are invited to provide background and strategy for handling the lawsuit.

**MOTION:** Tom Baldridge made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Michael McGrath. Stacey Graus amended the motion to add for the purpose stated in the Mayor's comments. All in favor, the motion passed, 6-0-0. Executive Session began at 7:36 pm

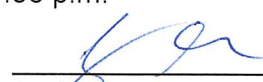
**MOTION:** Tom Baldridge made a motion to return to Regular Session, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. Returned to Regular Session at 7:56 pm

## ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Tom Baldridge made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

  
Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk

Date: 8/7/2025

  
Andy Schabell, Mayor

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