



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of September 4, 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: August 21, 2025, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Michael McGrath made a motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2025, Regular Meeting, seconded by Tom Baldrige. All in favor, the motion passed, 6-0-0.

SCHEDULED VISITORS AND GUEST

St. Paul's Church, Proclamation 2025-06, Reverend Paul Forray, Debbi Fowee, Evelyn Dietz, Jeanne Greiser: Reverend Paul Forray said a few words regarding their 175-year anniversary of being in the community. Mayor Schabell presented the attendees with the Proclamation.

UNSCHEDULED VISITORS AND GUEST

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS

(Mike Duncan read the following.)

Ordinance 2025-13 *(2nd Reading)*: An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, providing for the assessment of real property within the corporate limits of the City of Alexandria and levying an Ad Valorem Tax of \$0.140 on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation (1.40 per thousand) of real property in the city for the 2025 assessment tax year and specifying the purpose for which the tax is levied.

MOTION: Robert Strong made a motion to accept Ordinance 2025-13, seconded by Michael McGrath. Tom Baldrige stated it would bring in about \$27,000 more in revenue. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Ordinance 2025-14 *(2nd Reading)*: An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, Amending Chapter 90 of the City of Alexandria Code of Ordinance by adding section 90.10 therein in order to adopt the Campbell County Animal Services fines and fees schedule pursuant to interlocal agreement.

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

Municipal Order 2025-19: A Municipal Order of the City of Alexandria appointing and approving Nickolaus Sears as a member of the City of Alexandria Board of Adjustment for a full four (4) year term to expire on December 31, 2028, or as soon as his successor is appointed, approved, is qualified and sworn in.

Motion: Stacey Graus made a motion to accept Municipal Order 2025-19, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

City Clerk Stephanie Tarter swore in Mr. Sears.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Ms. Tarter noted they will be working on getting out the tax bills in the next few weeks.

City Administrator: See attached report. Mr. Plummer gave an update on the trail cooperation and there will be meetings in the future to participate, the first one will be September 15th. He gave a brief update regarding the sidewalk grant, the utility poles and moving those to the other side of the street. He also gave an update about the EV grant for the charging stations at the new city building, advising he received confirmation, and the city has 1-year to install the EV stations. He gave an update about the Kroger traffic study; the city kicked the study back to the developer because it did not meet standards and would not be beneficial to the residents of Alexandria. He also gave an update regarding the 709-turn lane, and the residents should see movement in the coming weeks. He also gave an update about the truck climbing lane on US-27 and how right now the 536 expansion is ranked higher on the list as of now.

Mayor Schabell shared about the meeting he had with Senator Frommeyer and Senator Higdon who is the Chair of the Senate Transportation Committee and shared about the needs of Alexandria and the importance of the 536 expansions to help alleviate the truck traffic.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

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

Safety – Laura Fincher: Next meeting is September 18, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Business Retention & Development – Michale McGrath: Met this evening and finalized a survey to go to the business and would like to have those back by October 16th to review the needs and struggles of local businesses. Next meeting is November 6, 2025, at 6:00pm.

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

Future Planning – Patrick Blair: Next meeting is October 2, 2025, at 6:00pm.

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

Mayor Schabell asked about the new trailer and mentioned how nice it looked and asked how the Fair overall turned out. Chief Cooper said the Fair was a success and the parade went really well, stated Sgt. Nogueras worked hard to set up the trailer and it is more versatile and will be used at other events. Mayor Schabell commended the officers for their hard work helping out with the parade.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Park & Rec: Mayor Schabell gave an update regarding the new playground set that will be installed in the next few days.

NEW BUSINESS

Amplify Alexandria: Mr. Strong gave a report on Adorn Aesthetics, the Amplify Alexandria winner for September.

OLD BUSINESS – None

COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

Tom Baldridge: He commented on how the parade was fun and full of floats. He asked about the new flashing light that has been installed before the light at Walmart indicating the light will turn red, he asked if they would install another one heading north on 27. Mayor Schabell gave a brief explanation regarding the warning light, and the turn lane at the north end of the Walmart entrance. The left turn off of US27 into the north entrance of Walmart will remain, otherwise there would be added back up at the light.

Michael McGrath: He said the lights at US-27 and Main Street have been a help with traffic and will take time for people to adjust to.

Robert Strong: He gave an update on the city campus and the trades on site. He stated they will have the steel beam to have signed and that it will go up at the end of October. The mason worker will install a cornerstone, and the city will have a time capsule that will need to be filled with items to mark the occasion and time.

Patick Blair: He gave a shoutout to his public speaking class at the high school.

Mayor Schabell: He commented on how quickly the building is going up and how much it changes from week to week.

FUTURE MEETINGS


- September 10, 7:00pm – Board of Adjustment
- September 11, 7:00pm – Code Enforcement
- September 16, 7:00pm – Planning & Zoning

COMMUNICATIONS

- September 18, 6:00pm – CCHS Homecoming Parade, from Fair Grounds to Middle School
- September 23, 7:00pm – Free Yoga in the Park; bring mat and bottle, rain cancels

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Tom Balridge made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.


Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk

Date: 9/18/25


Andy Schabell, Mayor

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