



BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 4:00 PM

City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Montgomery - Watterson Boardroom

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Paul W. Montgomery, Presiding

Vice Mayor Darrell Duncan

Alderman Morris Baker

Alderman Betsy Cooper

Alderman Colette George

Alderman Gary Mayes

I. CALL TO ORDER 4:00 pm by Mayor Montgomery.

II. ROLL CALL by City Recorder Travis Bishop. Alderman James Phillips

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. KHRA Lee Property Update - Greg Perdue, KHRA Chair

Mr. Perdue gave a presentation on this project which was initiated in 2018. He stated the new name for the property is The Grove at PoplarDale and proceeded to provide details on the different components of affordable housing programs. He talked about the new advantages in funding and confirmed the project is moving forward, pointing out it will be a phased approach. He noted Knight Development will be assisting and provided details on the vision and future partnership opportunities. There was considerable discussion.

2. CIP / Bond Resolution - Travis Bishop

The City Recorder provided information on this item which will be on the agenda tonight, noting that in addition to new money for FY26 capital projects it will also refund Series 2013B Bonds for cost savings. He gave further details regarding the new money aspect. Deputy City Manager Ryan McReynolds answered questions regarding specific projects. Mr. Bishop provided a detailed timeline for the proposed issuance of bonds. There was considerable discussion.

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3. Senior Center Facility Update FY26 - Michael Borders

The Assistant City Manager provided an overview of the Senior Center regarding services and locations, noting the significant growth in membership and daily attendance. He gave details on the three improvement phases specifically at the Renaissance Center. The new parking lot will add 52 spaces with 11 of those spaces being accessible. Shirley Buchanan also provided further details and answered questions. Lastly, Mr. Borders provided information on the transition from the Lynn View Center. Discussion ensued throughout the presentation.

IV. REVIEW OF BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

City staff gave a summary for each item on the January 20, 2026 proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns.

IX.1 Conduct a Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance as it Pertains to Residential Foundation Requirements (AF-17-2026) Planning Manager Ken Weems stated the Chief Building Official recognized this change that needed to be made to update the code and provided further details.

IX.2 Conduct a Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance as it Pertains to Data Center and Cryptocurrency Mining Land Uses (AF-16-2026) Mr. Weems provided the background for this amendment, defining data centers and cryptocurrency mining as well as principal land uses. He pointed out these facilities would still have to get special approval from the Board of Zoning Appeals. The City Manager expressed his appreciation for the staff work put into this proposal.

V. ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. Sales Tax Revenue Report
2. Projects Status Report

VI. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business for consideration, Mayor Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder

PAUL W. MONTGOMERY
Mayor

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