



BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN WORK SESSION MINUTES

Monday, June 02, 2025 at 4:30 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 Colette George

Alderman Gary Mayes

Alderman James Phillips

I. CALL TO ORDER 4:30 pm by Mayor Montgomery.

II. ROLL CALL by City Recorder Travis Bishop. Absent: Alderman Betsy Cooper.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

City Manager McCartt thanked the board for their time and input on the budget as well as the strategic plan. He gave a brief summary on the status of the tax rate, noting the first reading will be at the second meeting in June and final approval will be at the July meeting. Deputy City McReynolds pointed out this is the last year for the transition from the old rate structure to the new one. There was some discussion.

IV. REVIEW OF BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

City staff gave a summary for each item on the June 3, 2025 proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns.

XI.1. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase Playground Equipment from Playworld for Washington Elementary School Utilizing the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Contract 010521-LTS-8 (AF-104-2025) Assistant City Manager Jessica Harmon clarified the PTA raised \$31,000 of these funds and the remainder was part of the school budget.

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XI.2. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract to Engage the Firm of Brown, Edwards, and Company, LLP to Audit the Financial Statements of the City of Kingsport for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025 with Expected Annual Renewals for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027 (AF-154-2025) City Recorder Travis Bishop provided details on this item, pointing out the auditors will actually be putting the ACFR together beginning this year.

XI.3. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend Agreement with Barge Design Solutions for a South Fork Holston Water Quality Assessment (AF-142-2025) Deputy City Manager McReynolds stated this is the second phase for this project to determine the health of this river. He further noted it provides a good framework of information to guide engineers for future improvements.

NOTE: 4:51 pm Alderman Morris Baker left the meeting.

Mayor Montgomery commented that after speaking to citizens he would like to propose forming a committee to research creating a museum in Kingsport, pointing out there would be no funding from the city. Some discussion followed.

V. ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. Sales Tax Report

2. Projects Status Report

VI. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business for consideration, Mayor Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder

PAUL W. MONTGOMERY
Mayor