



BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 7:00 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

Alderman James Phillips

City Administration

Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager

Bart Rowlett, City Attorney

Travis Bishop, City Recorder

Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder

- I. CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 pm by Mayor Paul Montgomery.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG** led by New Vision Youth.
- III. INVOCATION** led by Johnnie Mae Swagerty.
- IV. ROLL CALL** by City Recorder Travis Bishop.
- V. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**
 - 1. Proclamation: Sexual Assault Awareness Month** (Alderman Cooper)
 - 2. Proclamation: Volunteer Appreciation Week** (Alderman Baker)
 - 3. Dobyms-Bennett High School Wrestling Team** (Vice Mayor Duncan)
- VI. COMMENT**

Mayor Montgomery invited citizens in attendance to speak.

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Suzanne Quillen spoke on behalf of her father who was in opposition to the Fairview Avenue rezoning and listed several issues that would affect his residence. Dallon Fritz also spoke in opposition of the same rezoning item, citing safety issues, compatibility with the neighborhood and the notification process. Curt Rose commented on the agenda item regarding the naming of the courthouse and asked the board for their support. Patty Teague presented a letter suggesting a sign to mark a Kingsport landmark. She also spoke in opposition to the Fairview Avenue rezoning and presented photos showing the residences are in close proximity and listing other concerns. Aaron Rose spoke in favor of the rezoning and provided responses to some of the concerns previously mentioned regarding traffic.

There being no one else coming forward, the mayor then closed the public comment section.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(These items are considered under one motion.)*

Motion made by Alderman Baker, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 1. April 6, 2026 - Work Session**
- 2. April 7, 2026 - Business Meeting**

VIII. BUSINESS MATTERS REQUIRING FIRST READING AND/ OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Consideration of a Budget Adjustment Ordinance for the General Fund, General Projects Fund, Cattails Project Fund, Cattails Fund and Bays Mountain Park Community Fund in FY26 (AF-127-2026) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE AMENDING THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 2. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the FY 2026 Budgets by Appropriating General Obligation Public Improvement Bond Series 2026A Proceeds (AF-124-2026) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

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Passed: All present voting "aye."

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IX. BUSINESS MATTERS REQUIRING FINAL ADOPTION

1. **Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning of Tax Map 076, a Portion of Parcel 006.50, Located along S. John B. Dennis Highway from the BC, Business Conference District to B-3, Highway-Oriented Business District (AF-88-2026) (Jessica McMurray)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

ORDINANCE NO. 7252 AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND THE ZONING CODE, TEXT AND MAP, TO REZONE A PORTION OF PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG SOUTH JOHN B. DENNIS HIGHWAY FROM THE BC, BUSINESS CONFERENCE DISTRICT TO B-3, HIGHWAY-ORIENTED BUSINESS DISTRICT IN THE 13TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY; TO FIX A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

2. **Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning of Tax Map 120, Parcel 003.20, Located along Fordtown Road from the R-3, Low Density Apartment District to M-1R, Light Manufacturing Restricted District (AF-86-2026) (Jessica McMurray)**

Motion made by Alderman Baker, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

ORDINANCE NO. 7253 AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND THE ZONING CODE, TEXT AND MAP, TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG FORDTOWN ROAD FROM THE R-3, LOW DENISTY APARTMENT DISTRICT TO M-1R, LIGHT MANUFACTURING RESTRICTED DISTRICT IN THE 14TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY; TO FIX A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

3. **Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning of Tax Map 0461, Group A, Parcel 014.00, Located along Revere Street from the B-2, Central Business District to B-2E, Central Business Edge District (AF-87-2026) (Jessica McMurray)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman George.

ORDINANCE NO. 7254 AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND THE ZONING CODE, TEXT AND MAP, TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG REVERE STREET FROM THE B-2, CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO B-2E, CENTRAL BUSINESS EDGE DISTRICT IN THE

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11TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY; TO FIX A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

- 4. Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning of Tax Map 045E, Group C, Parcels 01.00, 00.26 and 00.27 Located along Fairview Avenue from the R-1C, Residential District to B-3, Highway-Oriented Business District (AF-96-2026) (Jessica McMurray)**

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

ORDINANCE NO. 7255 AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND THE ZONING CODE, TEXT AND MAP, TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG FAIRVIEW AVENUE FROM THE R-1C, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO B-3, HIGHWAY-ORIENTED BUSINESS DISTRICT IN THE 11TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY; TO FIX A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote:

Voting Yea: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips

Voting Nay: Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Mayor Montgomery

- 5. Consideration of a Budget Adjustment Ordinance for Various Funds in FY2026 (AF-85-2026) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

ORDINANCE NO. 7256 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE AMENDING THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

X. OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Consideration of a Resolution Naming the Kingsport/Sullivan County Justice Center in Honor of Judge John S. McLellan (AF-72-2026) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-214 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NAMING OF THE COURTHOUSE LOCATED IN THE KINGSPORT/SULLIVAN COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER IN HONOR OF JUDGE JOHN S. MCLELLAN, III

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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- 2. Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement between KHRA and the Grove at Poplardale, LP (AF-101-2026) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Vice Mayor Duncan.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-215 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES PROGRAM FOR THE KINGSPORT HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 3. Consideration of a Resolution to Enter Into an Administrative Services Agreement with BCBST to Provide Administrative Services for the City's Self-Funded Health Insurance Plans (AF-89-2026) (Tyra Copas)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-216 A RESOLUTION APPROVING RENEWAL OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE, INC.; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT; AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AMENDMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 4. Consideration of a Resolution Renewing the Award of the Bid for Unleaded Gasoline & Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel (AF-105-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-217 A RESOLUTION RENEWING THE AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASE OF ULTRA LOW SULFUR DIESEL FUEL AND RENEWING THE AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASE OF UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR USE IN CITY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES TO PETROLEUM TRADERS CORPORATION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE SAME

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 5. Consideration of a Resolution Renewing the Award of the Bid for Propane & Propane Conversion Kits (AF-106-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-218 A RESOLUTION RENEWING THE AWARD OF BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPANE AUTO GAS AND PROPANE CONVERSION KITS FOR USE IN CITY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES TO BLOSSMAN GAS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE SAME

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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- 6. Consideration of a Resolution to Execute a Blanket Order to NAPA Auto Parts for Various Vehicle/Equipment Parts Utilizing Sourcewell Contract (AF-104-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-219 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER TO NAPA AUTO PARTS UTILIZING SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR VARIOUS VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT PARTS FOR FLEET MAINTENANCE

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 7. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Pepsi Amendment for the City of Kingsport, Kingsport Aquatic Center (AF-112-2026) (Michael Borders)**

Motion made by Alderman Baker, Seconded by Alderman George.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-220 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH PEPSICO BEVERAGE SALES, LLC FOR SALES AT THE KINGSFORT AQUATIC CENTER; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT; AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AMENDMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 8. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Bid to Thomas Construction Co., Inc. for the Watauga St Improvements Phase 1 Project (AF-110-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Vice Mayor Duncan.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-221 A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR WATAUGA STREET IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 1 PROJECT TO THOMAS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 9. Consideration for Approval of Offer for Right-of-Ways and Easements for the Reedy Creek Trunk Sewer Replacement Project (Clinchfield to Gibson Mill) (AF-108-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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10. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept CAASI Bid for Wastewater Plant Valves (AF-109-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Mayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-222 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER FOR TO CAASI FLOW CONTROL FOR THE PURCHASE OF VALVES AND ASSOCIATED PARTS FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

11. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Mount Carmel for the City of Kingsport to Provide Residential Automated Garbage Collection (AF-92-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)

Motion made by Alderman Baker, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-223 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL AUTOMATED GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES TO THE TOWN OF MOUNT CARMEL, TENNESSEE

Passed: All present voting "aye."

12. Consideration of a Resolution to Enter into an Agreement with CDM Smith to Provide Engineering Services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Blower Replacement Project (AF-113-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-224 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH CDM SMITH FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WATER/ WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT BLOWER REPLACEMENT BASIS OF DESIGN REPORT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT; AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AMENDMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

13. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Purchase Order for Band Uniforms for Dobyys-Bennett High School from Fred J. Miller Inc. (AF-115-2026) (David Frye)

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-225 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BAND UNIFORMS FROM FRED J MILLER INC UTILIZING BUYBOARD CONTRACT 773-25

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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14. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Request for Proposals for the Customized Benchmark Assessment Program for Kingsport City Schools (AF-111-2026) (David Frye)

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-226 A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE CUSTOMIZED BENCHMARK ASSESSMENT PROGRAM TO INSTRUCTURE, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

15. Consideration of a Resolution to Enter into an Agreement with TN Department of Transportation for Utilities Relocating Along State Industrial Access Serving Eastman Chemical Company (AF-51-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman George.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-227 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENTS WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR UTILITIES RELOCATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH A STATE INDUSTRIAL ACCESS PROJECT SERVICING EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

16. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Bid to Southern Constructors, Inc. for the Clinchfield Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project, and Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF-128-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman George.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-228 A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR CLINCHFIELD STREET BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT TO SOUTHERN CONTRACTORS, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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- 17. Consideration of a Resolution to Approve an Amendment to the Agreement with Cain Rash West Architects for the Kingsport Public Library Project (AF-130-2026) (Michael T. Borders)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-229 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH CAIN RASH WEST ARCHITECTS TO EXTEND THE SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR THE KINGSPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

XI. CONSENT AGENDA *(These items are considered under one motion.)*

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

Passed as presented with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

- 1. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Signature Authority Allowing the Chief of Police or His Designee to Electronically Complete All Necessary Documents as Required by the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2025 (AF-77-2026) (Chief Jason Bellamy)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-230 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SIGNATURE AUTHORITY CONSENT FORM AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER DESIGNATING THE CHIEF OF POLICE AS THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT REPORTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

- 2. Consideration of a Resolution to Apply for and Receive the We Love Library Grant (AF-125-2026) (Michael T. Borders)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-231 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE A WE LOVE LIBRARIES GRANT FOR THE KINGSPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY

- 3. Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Branch House - Family Justice Center (AF-129-2026) (Chris McCartt)**

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RESOLUTION NO. 2026-232 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH BRANCH HOUSE – FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME

- 4. Consideration of a Resolution to Approve Right-of-Way Easement with Kingsport Power Company (AF-114-2026) (Ryan McReynolds)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-233 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT WITH KINGSFORT POWER COMPANY

- 5. Consideration to Reappoint Lora Barnett and Joseph White to the Board of Zoning Appeals (AF-117-2026) (Mayor Montgomery)**

REAPPOINT LORA BARNETT FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029; APPOINT JOSEPH WHITE TO A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029.

- 6. Consideration to Appoint Sheree Robinson and Josh McKinney and to Reappoint Scottie Burkhalter to the Community Development Advisory Committee (AF-118-2026) (Mayor Montgomery)**

APPOINT SHEREE ROBINSON TO FULFILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2027; APPOINT JOSH MCKINNEY TO A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029; REAPPOINT SCOTTIE BURKHALTER EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029.

- 7. Consideration to Reappoint Marvin Egan and Bob Prendergast to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals (AF-119-2026) (Mayor Montgomery)**

REAPPOINT MARVIN EGAN FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029; REAPPOINT BOB PENDERGRAST FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029.

- 8. Consideration to Reappoint Megan Allphin to the Demolition by Neglect Committee (AF-120-2026) (Mayor Montgomery)**

REAPPOINT MEGAN ALLPHIN FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029.

- 9. Consideration to Reappoint Terry Cox and Christie Gott to the Gateway Review Commission (AF-121-2026) (Mayor Montgomery)**

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REAPPOINT TERRY COX FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2031; REAPPOINT CHRISTIE GOTT TO A THREE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2031.

10. Consideration to Reappointment of Lindsey Nieuwland to the Historic Zoning Commission (AF-122-2026) (Mayor Montgomery)

REAPPOINT LINDSEY NIEUWLAND FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026 AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2031.

XII. COMMUNICATIONS

1. City Manager

Deputy City Manager Ryan McReynolds thanked the board for being patient as he filled in tonight the City Manager. He stated the City is in the midst of tremendous change in the Customer Information Systems, noting on Thursday at 5:00pm the system will go down until Monday morning while the information is being transferred. He confirmed there will be no negative impact to the customers and pointed out the many ways this information is being pushed out to the public. He thanked staff for moving it forward.

2. Mayor and Board Members

Alderman Mayes commented on the BlueCross BlueShield park opening, noting it is a \$7 million project funded by BCBS with outstanding amenities. He thanked staff for pursuing the grant. Alderman Cooper stated the Farmers Market opens Saturday. Alderman George mentioned she drives by the new park every morning and it is being used. She also mentioned the IMAX is moving along and should be open in June. Alderman Baker requested a discussion at an future work session concerning the parking downtown. Alderman Phillips stated the Exchange Place is having a spring garden fare this weekend. He also encouraged citizens to check out Visit Kingsport online regarding the "I Love This Place" campaign. He also said the new park was awesome and the kayak put-in will be nice when it is finished. Vice Mayor Duncan mentioned the Keep Kingsport Beautiful cleanup in Riverview last weekend, noting they picked up 500 pounds of trash. He also stated there will be a cleanup at the Greenbelt tomorrow for Earth Day. He noted May 2nd is the next KKB cleanup and pointed out the Healthy Kingsport road race is also coming up. Mayor Montgomery remarked the BCBS Healthy Place was a great amenity to Kingsport with no money being put in by the City. He also mentioned the great accomplishment in naming the courtroom. The Mayor noted the upcoming clean up at Darrells Dream playground at Warriors Path State Park as well as the Mayor's prayer breakfast on May 7th.

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XIII. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business for consideration, Mayor Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder

PAUL W. MONTGOMERY
Mayor