

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA
RESULTS OF THE COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

A CITIZEN WHO WISHES TO ADDRESS COUNCIL CONCERNING A CONSENT, REGULAR OR PUBLIC HEARING MATTER ON THE AGENDA, OR NEW BUSINESS (HELD ON THE FIRST MEETING OF THE MONTH) SHOULD REGISTER TO SPEAK WITH THE CITY CLERK BY 3:00 PM THE DAY OF THE MEETING BY CALLING (757) 664-4253 OR EMAILING CCOUNCIL@NORFOLK.GOV.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Kenneth Cooper Alexander	Mayor	Present
Carlos J. Clanton	Councilmember-Superward 7	Present
Courtney R. Doyle	Councilmember - Ward 2	Present
Mamie B. Johnson	Councilmember - Ward 3	Present
Jeremy D. McGee	Councilmember-Superward 6	Present
John E. Paige	Councilmember - Ward 4	Present
Thomas R. Smigiel Jr.	Councilmember - Ward 5	Present
Martin A. Thomas Jr.	Vice Mayor - Ward 1	Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the Minutes of the Previous City Council Meeting.

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

A Resolution certifying a closed meeting of the council of the City of Norfolk in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

INVITATION FOR BID

- IB-1 Invitation to Bid and Notice of Public Hearing, pursuant to State Law, granting Long Term Access, With a Twenty-Year Term, Across City of Norfolk Property Located on Hampton Boulevard, All in Conjunction With the Installation of Borings and Monitoring Wells to Evaluate the Soil and Groundwater Quality, Subject to Certain Terms and Conditions.

ACTION:	Continued to November 18, 2025 [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- PH-1 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Approving a Lease and Food Services Agreement by and Among the City of Norfolk, Acting Through Nauticus Foundation, and Trolley House Refreshments, Inc. for the Lease of Space Located Within 1 Waterside Drive for the Provision of Dining Service, Market Service, and Catering Service, and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into the Lease and Food Services Agreement on Behalf of the City of Norfolk.

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ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-2 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Approving a Lease by and Between the City of Norfolk and Boyd Gaming Corporation for the Lease of Certain Parcels Located on Reeves Avenue in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, for Vehicle Parking and Laydown of Materials in Connection with the Construction of the Casino Project at 200 Park Avenue, and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into the Lease on Behalf of the City of Norfolk.

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ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-3 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Michael Schwing of That Certain Parcel of Property Located at 1705 Canton Avenue for the Total Sum of \$2,000.00 in Accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

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ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-4 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Jerekia Kendrick of That Certain Parcel of Property Located at W S Gregory Drive in Accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Purchase and Sale Agreement, and Authorizing the Release of the City's Right of Reverter Upon Satisfaction of a Certain Condition.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Jerekia Kendrick of That Certain Parcel of Property Located at W S Gregory Drive in Accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Purchase and Sale Agreement, and Authorizing the Release of the City's Right of Reverter Upon Satisfaction of a Certain Condition. - **(Ordinance No. 50136)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-5 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Ann Marie Taijeron Myers of That Certain Parcel of Property Located at 1541 Vine Street in Accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Authorizing the Release of the City's Right of Reverter Upon Satisfaction of a Certain Condition.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Ann Marie Taijeron Myers of That Certain Parcel of Property Located at 1541 Vine Street in Accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Purchase and Sale Agreement, and Authorizing the Release of the City's Right of Reverter Upon Satisfaction of a Certain Condition. - **(Ordinance No. 50137)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-6 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Approving a Fourth Amendment to Lease Between the City of Norfolk, as Lessor, and National Railroad Passenger Corporation, as Lessee, for a Portion of the Property Located at 280 Park Avenue in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Fourth Amendment to Lease on Behalf of the City of Norfolk.

An Ordinance Approving a Fourth Amendment to Lease Between the City of Norfolk, as Lessor, and National Railroad Passenger Corporation, as Lessee, for a Portion of the Property Located at 280 Park Avenue in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Fourth Amendment to Lease on Behalf of the City of Norfolk. - **(Ordinance No. 50138)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-7 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, tot hear comments on an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 24-234 of the Norfolk City Code SO AS TO Adjust the Levy of the City’s Tax on Transients Obtaining Lodging in Short-Term Rental Units by Applying the Per-Night, Per-Room Flat Tax Based on the Number of Bedrooms in the Unit.

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ACTION:	Adopted [7 to 1]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.
NAYS:	Paige

REGULAR AGENDA

- R-1 An Ordinance Amending The FY2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 49,966) so as to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds up to the sum of \$27,986 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, through the Office of First Responder Wellness Grant Program, Award Number 549878, for Norfolk Fire-Rescue to Purchase 15 Massage Chairs to be placed in each of the 14 Fire Stations and the Training Facility ("the Project"), if and when received; and Amending the Annual Grants Plan in the FY2026 Budget to add the Grant Information. - **(Ordinance No. 50140)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-2 An Ordinance Amending The FY2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 49,966) so as to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds up to the sum of \$4,000 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM), For the FY'26 PSAP Education Program, for the Norfolk Police Department to Purchase Training for Public Safety Communication and GIS Personnel, if and when received; and Amending the Annual Grants Plan in the FY2026 Budget to Update the Grant Information. - **(Ordinance No. 50141)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-3 An Ordinance Amending the FY2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 49,966) so as to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds up to the sum of \$500,000 from the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority for the Norfolk Department of Public Health to Support the Operation STOP!: Norfolk City Project, if and when received; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Contingencies and Signature Agreement; and Amending the Annual Grants Plan in the FY2026 Budget to Add the Grant Information. - **(Ordinance No. 50142)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-4 A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Design-Build Contract for the Construction of the Harbor Park Pump Station. - **(Resolution No. 1954)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-5 A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Design-Build Contract for the Construction of the East Street Parking Garage. - **(Resolution No. 1955)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-6 An Ordinance Authorizing a First Amended and Restated Grant Agreement by and Between the United States Department of Transportation and the City of Norfolk Providing for Additional Grant Funds in the Amount of \$1,666,279 to Further Support the St. Paul's Transformation BUILD Project and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the First Amended and Restated Grant Agreement on Behalf of the City of Norfolk. - **(Ordinance No. 50143)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-7 An Ordinance Approving an Assignment and Assumption of Easement and Operating Agreement, a Lease Assignment, and General Assignment, Each by and Between the Economic Development Authority of the City of Norfolk, as Assignor, and the City of Norfolk, as Assignee, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Assignment and Assumption of Easement and Operating Agreement, the Lease Assignment, and the General Assignment on Behalf of the City of Norfolk. - **(Ordinance No. 50144)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-8 An Ordinance Approving an Assignment and Assumption of Ground Lease by and Between the Economic Development Authority of the City of Norfolk, as Assignor, and the City of Norfolk, as Assignee, for all of Assignor's Right, Title, and Interest For Property Located at 5859 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Assignment and Assumption of Ground Lease on Behalf of the City of Norfolk. - **(Ordinance No. 50145)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-9 An Ordinance Accepting the Conveyance From Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority to the City of Norfolk of that Certain Parcel of Real Property Containing 0.1011 Acres, More or Less, and Located at 2601 Church Street in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, and Authorizing the City Manager to Accept the Deed on Behalf of the City. - **(Ordinance No. 50146)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-10 An Ordinance Amending and Reordaining Section 1 of the FY2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 49,966) in its entirety so as to Appropriate and Expend Funds not to Exceed \$227,880, Contingent on Subsequent Reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Authorizing the Expenditure of \$62,432 in Local Funds Already Appropriated, to Provide Norfolk's Full-Time Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Employees Within its Division of Social Services Within its Department of Human Services Bonuses Amounting to 1.5% of their Current Salaries; and Authorizing the Expenditure of Additional Funds not to Exceed \$68,575, Already Appropriated for the Purpose of Funding Compensation Within the Department of Human Services, to Provide Additional Bonuses Equal to 1.5% of their Current Salaries to Norfolk's Part-Time VDSS Employees and to Norfolk's Full-Time Non-VDSS Employees Within the Division of Social Services Within the Department of Human Services. - **(Ordinance No. 50147)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-11 An Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023 and Ending June 30, 2024 so as to Transfer \$160,000 in Funding from the Support Outdoor Athletic Field Lighting Project to the Renovate Facilities at Ocean View Elementary School Baseball Fields Project. - **(Ordinance No. 50148)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

- R-12 A Resolution appointing 1 member to 1 Authority for certain terms - **(Resolution No. 1956)**

ACTION:	Adopted [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.