

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA
RESULTS OF THE COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on Approving a Short-Term Lease Agreement Permitting H.O.P.E. Foundation Inc. to Go Upon and Use City-Owned Property Located at 801 Church Street and Known as Purpose Park for the Hope Foundation Community Health Fair Event.

An Ordinance Approving a Short-Term Lease Agreement Permitting H.O.P.E. Foundation Inc. to Go Upon and Use City-Owned Property Located at 801 Church Street and Known as Purpose Park for the Hope Foundation Community Health Fair Event. - **(Ordinance No. 49950)**

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 Approving a Short-Term Lease Agreement Permitting TWP - The Youth Movement to Go Upon and Use City-Owned Property Located at 801 Church Street and Known as Purpose Park for Fuse Fest 2025.

An Ordinance Approving a Short-Term Lease Agreement Permitting TWP - The Youth Movement to Go Upon and Use City-Owned Property Located at 801 Church Street and Known as Purpose Park for Fuse Fest 2025. - **(Ordinance No. 49951)**

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 Approving a Lease Agreement with the Virginia Cooperative Extension for the Lease of a Portion of the Property Located at 830 Goff Street, Known as the Huntersville Multipurpose Center.

An Ordinance Approving a Lease Agreement with the Virginia Cooperative Extension for the Lease of a Portion of the Property Located at 830 Goff Street, Known as the Huntersville Multipurpose Center. - **(Ordinance No. 49952)**

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 Vacating and Releasing to KG1 Little Creek LLC a Utility Easement Across the Property Located at 201 E. Little Creek Road.

An Ordinance Vacating and Releasing to KG1 Little Creek LLC a Utility Easement Across the Property Located at 201 E. Little Creek Road. - **(Ordinance No. 49953)**

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

CONSENT AGENDA

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED ON ANY ITEM, IT WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

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

C-1 An Ordinance Granting Goblek, Inc., for the Benefit of Serina Café, Permission to Encroach into the Right-of-Way Located on 4027 Bowdens Ferry Road with a Lit Projecting Sign to be Installed within the Existing Frame, which will Display the Establishment's Name, Serina Café. - **(Ordinance No. 49954)**

C-2 An Ordinance directing the City Treasurer to issue a refund to Grandbridge Real Estate Capital LLC upon the overpayment of its Business License Tax for Tax Year 2024. - **(Ordinance No. 49955)**

C-3 Letter from the City Auditor appointing Adriane D. Fisher to the position of Assistant City Auditor, II effective May 5, 2025.

REGULAR AGENDA

R-1 An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to Lease, Through the Statutory Bid Process, Extending the Term of an Existing Retail Lease by and Between the City of Norfolk, as Landlord, and 150 Owner LLC, as Tenant, by Ten (10) Years for the Lease of Premises Known as Suites 101 and 102 in the Office Building Currently Known as the Truist Building and Located at 150 W. Main Street in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Amendment to Lease on Behalf of the City. - **(Ordinance No. 49956)**

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

R-2 An Ordinance Approving a Short-Term Lease Agreement Permitting H.O.P.E. Foundation Inc. to Go Upon and Use City-Owned Property Located at 801 Church Street and Known as Purpose Park for a Community Outreach Event. - **(Ordinance No. 49957)**

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

R-3 An Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 29 of the Norfolk City Code, 1979, so as to Add a New Section Numbered 29-11, Relating to the Concealing or Taking Possession of Merchandise; Altering Price Tags; Transferring Goods from One Container to Another; Counseling, etc.; Another in Performance of Such Acts. - **(Ordinance No. 49958)**

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

R-4 An Ordinance Amending The FY2025 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 49,590) So As To Accept And Appropriate Donated Funds Up To The Sum of \$1,800 From The Norfolk Public Library Foundation To Support STEM Programming At The Van Wyck Neighborhood Branch Library, If And When Received, And Amending The FY2025 Budget To Add The Same. - **(Ordinance No. 49959)**

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

R-5 An Ordinance Approving the 2026 Officer and Employee Health Insurance Plans, the Employer and Employee Contribution Rates and Authorizing the Expenditure from the Health Care Fund of a Sum Sufficient Heretofore Appropriated. - **(Ordinance No. 49960)**

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

R-6 An Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the Norfolk City Code, 1979, so as to Create the Department of Military and Community Affairs, the Office of Citizen Services and the Office of Norfolk Arts. - **(Ordinance No. 49961)**

ACTION:	Continued to June 10, 2025 [Unanimous]
AYES:	Alexander, Clanton, Doyle, Johnson, McGee, Paige, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

R-7 An Ordinance to Dissolve the Broad Creek Renaissance District Tax Increment Financing Fund and to Terminate the Existence of the Broad Creek Renaissance District Development Project Area.

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

R-8 An Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sections 25.1-36, 25.1-75, 25.1-86, 25.1-87, and 25.1-140 of the Norfolk City Code, 1979, Regarding Discounted Parking Rates for Students in the Central Business District, Providing Two Free Hours of Parking in Off-Street Parking Facilities and Adjusting the Hourly Rates Accordingly, Designated Parking Lots, Designated Parking Garages, and Parking Meter Rates. - **(Ordinance No. 49962)**

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

R-9 An Ordinance Approving the July 1, 2025 Through June 30, 2026 Budget For The Norfolk Law Library, Authorizing The City Treasurer to Make Disbursements and Appropriating And Authorizing The Expenditure Of Up To Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand Dollars By The Norfolk Law Library From Various Sources Including Monies Assessed and Collected By The City As Part of Costs in Civil Court Actions in Accordance with the Approved Budget and the October 1, 1987 Agreement Between The City, The Norfolk Law Library And the Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association. - **(Ordinance No. 49963)**

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

R-10 An Ordinance Appropriating Grant Funds Totaling \$69,743,491 to The School Board of the City of Norfolk for Grants, Other Special Programs and the School Nutrition Services Program and Authorizing the Expenditure of the Funds in Fiscal Year 2026 for Norfolk Public Schools. - **(Ordinance No. 49964)**

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

R-11 An Ordinance Approving the Capital Improvement Plan Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 Beginning July 1, 2025, and Ending June 30, 2026; Appropriating \$260,207,613 for Certain Projects Approved Therein; Authorizing an Issue of Bonds in the Amount of \$180,549,235; and Authorizing the Expenditure of \$79,658,378 in Cash. - **(Ordinance No. 49965)**

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

R-12 An Ordinance Approving the Annual Budget and Appropriating Funds for Operation of the City for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026, Appropriating U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Entitlement Grants, Appropriating Annual Anticipated Grants and Other Fees/Revenues, Regulating the Payment of Money from the City Treasury, and Maintaining the Tax Rate on Real Estate Within the City at \$1.23 for Every \$100 of the Assessed Value; and Amending and Reordining Section 41-21(A) of the Norfolk City Code, 1979, as Amended, so as to Increase the Annual Fee for the Collection and Disposal of Refuse to \$402.12 for each Single-Family Dwelling Unit or Dwelling Units in Multiple Residences Not Exceeding Four Families or Dwelling Units. - **(Ordinance No. 49966)**

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