

CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Regular Council Meeting

Council Chambers, Knoxville City Hall Annex, 33 N Public Sq, Knoxville IL

Monday, October 6, 2025, 7:00 PM

Draft Notice

Call to Order: Mayor Myers called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

All rose to recite the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Roll Call: Present: Aldermen Eiker, Gruner, Hillier, Moore, Rainey, Reed, and Taylor, Mayor Myers, Treasurer Barnum, Police Chief Poyner, Attorney Rob McCoy and City Clerk Kirchgessner. Also Present: Ms. Jill Davis, Ms. Penny Flesner **Absent:** Alderman Hope

Public Comments: N/A

Approval of Minutes: Gruner moved to approve the Minutes of September 15, 2025, City Council Meeting. Alderman Hillier seconded the motion which passed by voice vote seven (7) Yes and one (1) Absent.

GENERAL REPORTS

Attorney Report: Attorney Rob McCoy explained the upcoming Ordinances and how the sale of the property will be held.

Engineer Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

City Clerk's Report: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Additional Library Computer to Recycle Knoxville Library:** Alderman Hillier moved to recycle the additional obsolete computers. Alderman Taylor seconded the motion which passed with seven (7) Yes votes and one (1) Absent.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance 2025-08 Authorizing Bids for the Sale of 109 W. Main:** Attorney Rob McCoy explained the ordinance and suggested that the Council fill in the blanks on the presented ordinance. Attorney Rob McCoy suggested the City refund fifty (50) percent if the property would be used to build a home within 3 years of closing. Alderman Eiker moved to approve Ordinance 2025-08 Authorizing Bids for the Sale of 109 W Main St with a fifty (50) percent refund to the homeowner once a dwelling is completed. Alderman Gruner seconded the motion which passed with seven (7) Yes votes and one (1) Absent.

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2. **Ordinance 2025-09 Amending the City's Hotel Tax:** Attorney McCoy presented a draft ordinance adding provisions to Chapter 26 concerning collecting hotel/motel tax for online short-term rentals. Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve Ordinance 2025-09 Amending the City's Hotel Tax. Alderman **Gruner seconded** the motion which **passed** with seven (7) Yes votes and one (1) Absent.
3. **October 31, 2025, Trick or Treat Hours:** Alderman **Hillier moved** to stay with the Trick or Treat hours of 6-8 pm on October 31, 2025. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion which passed by voice vote with no dissent.

Mayor's Report:

- Representative Dan Swanson has been helping Mayor Myers work with Comcast and Brightspeed to have excess poles and equipment moved. Representative Swanson seems to be making progress quicker.
- The Knoxville City financial audit is complete and will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- Mayor Myers discussed the future of Knoxville School District 202 and the proposed options that are being considered.
- Mayor Myers stated that the Knoxville Stop of the Knox County Scenic Drive first weekend was a success.
- Mayor Myers stated that all new water meters are in place and should be able to determine water loss by next meeting.
- The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be on Monday, October 20, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

Committee Reports:

- **Administration:** No Report.
- **Cemetery:** No Report.
- **Economic Development:** No Report.
- **Parks:** No Report.
- **Police:** No Report.
- **Sanitation:** No Report.
- **Streets:** No Report.
- **Water/Sewer:** No Report.

Adjourn: At 7:24 PM, Alderman **Gruner moved** to Adjourn the Meeting; Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion, which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Barbara Kirchgessner, City Clerk