

CITY OF KNOXVILLE
Administrative Committee and Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers, Knoxville City Hall Annex, 33 N Public Sq, Knoxville IL

Monday, November 17, 2025, 6:30 PM
Draft Notice

Call to Order: Mayor Myers called the City of Knoxville Administrative Committee Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Roll Call: Present: Aldermen Eiker, Gruner, Hillier, Hope, Moore, Rainey, Reed and Taylor; Mayor Myers, Treasurer Barnum, and City Clerk Kirchgessner.

Alderman **Hillier moved** to go into closed session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(I) to discuss compensation for City employees at 6:32 PM. Alderman **Gruner seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) yes votes.

Adjourn: Alderman **Gruner moved** to adjourn the Administrative Committee Meeting. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion, which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

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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, Hope, Moore, Rainey, Reed and Taylor; Mayor Myers, Treasurer Barnum, Chief of Police Poyner, and City Clerk Kirchgessner. Absent: Attorney McCoy and Engineer Kevan Cooper. Also present: Mrs. Jill Davis

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: Alderman **Gruner moved** to approve the Minutes of the November 3, 2025, City Council Meeting. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent.

GENERAL REPORTS

Attorney Report: No report.

Engineer Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

City Clerk's Report: No report.

Payment of City Bills: Alderman **Taylor moved** to approve payment of the City Bills. Alderman **Gruner seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) Yes votes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Sanitary Sewer Televising and Lining Project:** No new information.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. **Employee Holiday Bonuses:** Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the employee holiday bonuses totaling \$11,925.00 as discussed in the Administrative Committee meeting. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion **which** passed with eight (8) votes.
2. **Closing of City Offices November 28, 2025:** Offices will be closed on November 28, 2025, and no action is required, as this was a permanent change in 2024. Other City services will be open.
3. **Water Bill/Landfill Price Increase January 1, 2026:** The landfill will be increasing prices as of January 1, 2026. The increase will be 47%. Alderman **Hope moved** to increase the City refuse price by \$5.00, from \$12.00 to \$17.00. Alderman **Gruner seconded** the motion **which passed** with eight (8) votes.

Mayor's Report:

- Interviews for the open Account Specialist position will begin next week.
- The City of Knoxville and Knoxville District 202 will be receiving a grant courtesy of Illinois Senator Mike Halpin. Mayor Myers will be attending school board meeting to inform the public of the new grant.
- We will be setting up luminaries at 3:30 pm on December 6, 2025. The City Council will meet at Knoxville High School to line up for the parade. Candles will be added to luminaries following the parade. Clean up will begin at 8:00 am Sunday December 7, 2025.
- The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be on Monday, December 1, 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 7:21 PM, Alderman **Gruner moved** to Adjourn the Meeting; Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion, which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Barbara Kirchgessner, City Clerk