

CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Regular Council Meeting

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

Monday, June 1, 2026, 7:00 PM

DRAFT MINUTES

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

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

Roll Call: Present: Aldermen Eiker, Goff, Hillier, Hope, Moore, Rainey, and Reed; Mayor Myers; Treasurer Barnum; Chief of Police Poyner; Engineer Cooper; and City Clerk Kirchgessner. **Absent:** Alderman Taylor, Attorney McCoy. Also present were Ms. Jill Davis, Mr. Everett Brokaw, Ms. Brooklyn Pieper, Mr. Carl Dortch, Mr. Andrew Dortch, Mr. Andrew Dortch Jr., Mr. Bernard Mates, Mr. Dane Fleisher, Mr. Troy Fleisher, and Ms. Charity Pieper.

Public Comments: Mr. Bernard Mates thanked the city employees for their hard work and thanked Chief Poyner for assisting him with a recent hacking incident.

Swearing in of Police Officer Carl Dortch: Mayor Myers swore in Officer Carl Dortch.

Approval of Minutes: Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2026, City Council Meeting. Alderman **Hope 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.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Knoxville Junior High School Recognition Sign Request:** Mayor Myers recognized Dane Fleisher for receiving the IESA Class 2A 7th Grade State Champion medal. Mr. Fleisher stated that he completed the 1,600 meters in 4:52. Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the sign request. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion, which **passed** with seven (7) Yes votes and one (1) Absent.
- 2. Award of Bid for MFT Public Square Resurfacing:** Engineer Cooper reported that two bids were received for the project: Brandt Construction submitted a bid of \$145,280.00, and UCM/Gunther Construction submitted a bid of \$189,967.29. Alderman **Hillier**

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moved to accept Brandt Construction's bid. Alderman **Eiker** **seconded** the motion, which **passed** with seven (7) Yes votes and one (1) Absent.

Mayor's Report:

- Phase 1 of the Downtown Knoxville Streetscape Project will begin in the next few weeks and was awarded to ICCI. Phase 2 will follow upon completion of Phase 1. AMP and MSI submitted bids for the new Streetlights.
- The city installed a new handle and door locks on the east side door to provide the library with easier access during the streetscape project.
- Mayor Myers reported that the Street Department was obtaining bids for a new Vac truck. One bid received was \$152,000.
- Mayor Myers reminded the Council about the retirement luncheon for City Collector Wilt.
- The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be held on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 7:00 PM.
- The work session for appropriations will be held on Monday, June 29, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

Committee Reports:

- **Administration:** No report.
- **Cemetery:** Alderman Hillier reported receiving at least five calls complimenting how well the cemetery looked for Memorial Day. She also stated that the cemetery was expecting a visit from IL Dept of Financial & Professional Regulation and that she and Cemetery Sexton Geoff Hurd were ensuring all details were in compliance.
- **Economic Development:** No report.
- **Parks:** No report.
- **Police:** No report.
- **Sanitation:** No report.
- **Streets:** No report.
- **Water/Sewer:** No report.

Adjourn: At 7:13 PM, Alderman **Goff** **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