CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Regular Council Meeting

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

Monday, July 6, 2026, 7:00 PM

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, Goff, Hillier, Moore, Rainey, and Taylor; Mayor Myers, Treasurer Barnum, Chief of Police Poyner, City Clerk Kirchgessner. Absent: Aldermen Hope and Reed. Also present: Mrs. Melanie Tuthill, Mr. Bernard Mates, and Mr. Michael Rozum.
Public Comments: Mr. Michael Rozum with Gallagher made the board aware of the increase changes at the time of renewal for the benefits package with Blue Cross and Blue Sheild. Mr. Rozman is currently waiting on a price plan for United Healthcare

Approval of Minutes: Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the Minutes of the June 15, 2026, City Council Meeting. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion which **passed** by voice vote (6) yes and (2) absent.

GENERAL REPORTS

1. **Appointment of New City Auditor -Sikich** Alderman **Hillier made** a motion to approve Sikich as the City Auditor for a period of three (3) years. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion which passed with six (6) yes votes and two (2) absent,
2. **Monthly Cellphone Allowance-Isabella Stewart** Alderman **Hillier made** the motion to give Isabella Stewart the standard city cellphone allowance of thirty dollars. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion which passed with six (6) yes votes and (2) absent.
3. **Halloween Parade-** Sunday, October 11, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. The parade will go in one direction on Main Street. Alderman **Hillier made** the motion to approve the Halloween Parade on October 11,2026 at 7:30 p.m. going only one direction. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion which passed by voice vote with no dissent.
4. **Zoning Board of Appeals: Variance to Build an Accessory Building** 2400 Square foot-117 County Ct/Whispering Oaks Lot 9.
   This building passed Zoning Board after minor changes in size with a recommendation of 2000 sq foot. Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the Variance to Build an Accessory Building 2,000 square foot to specifications laid forth by the zoning board. Alderman **Moore seconded** the motion which passed with six (6) yes votes and two (2) absent.
5. **Purchase New Vac Trailer-Key Equipment:** Alderman **Hillier moved** to purchase the new vac trailer from Key Equipment for $156,817.00. The trailer will be paid for from 1/3 TIF, 1/3 Street, 1/3 Sanitation. Al**d**erman **Eiker seconded** the motion which passed with six (6) yes votes and two (2) absent.
6. **Approval of HMA Patching -Brandt Construction:** Alderman **Hillier made** a motion to except the HMA patching quote of $7,480. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion which passed with six (6) yes votes and two (2) absent.

Mayor's Report:

- The car wash sustained substantial damage in the recent accident and will be out of commission for a while.
- Fireworks were well attended this year with many compliments.
- The Knoxville Streetscape will be starting soon and should still meet the October 1, 2026, deadline.
- Mayor Myers stated that he had spoken with the Knoxville superintendent the morning prior to meeting about the new building.
- Public Hearing will be held on Monday, July 20, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
- The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be held on Monday, July 20, 2026, and will immediately follow the public hearing.

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 7:43 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

Barbara Kirchgessner, City Clerk