



CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, May 27, 2025 | 7:00 PM
Council Chamber- City Hall
900 Church Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504

AGENDA

- I. Invocation** *Councilmember Timmer*
- II. Recognitions**
 - II.1.** 20th Citizens Academy Graduation
- III. Consent Agenda**
 - III.2.** Second Reading: Consideration of adopting Resolution #R-25-038 amending the FY 2025 City Capital Projects Fund budget and appropriating \$125,000 to improve parking at the Ed Page entrance to the Blackwater Creek Trail.
 - III.3.** Consideration of approving the minutes from the April 22, 2025, City Council meeting.
 - III.4.** Consideration of approving the minutes from the April 29, 2025, City Council meeting.
- IV. Public Hearing**
 - IV.5.** Consideration of adopting Ordinance #O-25-040 rezoning 665, 667, 669 Leesville Road to allow the construction of townhomes.
 - IV.6.** Continue a public hearing to receive citizen input regarding appointments, or reappointments, to vacancies that will exist June 30, 2025, in School Board Districts I, II, III.
 - IV.7.** Consideration of adopting Ordinance #O-25-___ to amend Section 36-223 of Division 3 of Article V of Chapter 36 of the Code of the City of Lynchburg and increase the City's Transient Lodging Tax.
- V. Public Comment**
 - V.8.** Hear from a group representative regarding "[how] to identify trouble entities, identify probable solutions, and target corrective actions before they manifest into critical mass for the youth in our city". (Diva Garland)(Shifting The Narrative LLC)
 - V.9.** Hear from a citizen regarding "appreciation of two specific city departments". (Beth White)
 - V.10.** Hear from a group representative regarding "the embarrassment of our city council along with our parking authority making it difficult and not following the rules and making or deciding on when or what to enforce." (Thomas Bradner)(Eight O One Raw Bar LLC)
 - V.11.** Hear from a citizen regarding "citizen expectations of council". (John Wolhfert)
 - V.12.** Hear from a citizen regarding "Florida Avenue sidewalk issue". (Barbara Mays)

- V.13.** Hear from a citizen regarding "budget and taxes". (John Fees)
- V.14.** Hear from a citizen regarding "current council behavior, small business and development concerns". (Daryl Calfee)
- V.15.** Hear from a citizen regarding "the future of Lynchburg, part 1". (Peter Cefaratti)
- V.16.** Hear from a group representative regarding "lighten our burden". (Greg Berry)(City Elders)
- V.17.** Hear from a group representative regarding "[the] tax rate". (Ryan Thomas)(Common Sense Lynchburg)
- V.18.** ~~Hear from a group representative regarding "tax rates and implications for city services". (Ellen Nygaard)(Friends of the Library)~~
- V.19.** ~~Hear from a citizen regarding "the increased tax rate proposed for Lynchburg City". (Karen Jacobson)~~
- V.20.** Hear from a citizen regarding "taxes". (Bill Hawkins)
- V.21.** ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA: Hear from a citizen regarding a matter. (Dave Henderson)

VI. General Business

- VI.22.** Consideration of adopting Ordinance #O-25-____ to set the Real Estate Tax Rate effective July 1, 2025.
- VI.23.** Second Reading: Consideration of adopting Ordinance #O-25-037 approving the FY 2025 Third Quarter Adjustments.
- VI.24.** Second Reading: Consideration of adopting Ordinance #O-25-039 amending the FY 2025 City Capital Projects Fund budget and appropriating \$5,250,000 to create a fan experience project at the City of Lynchburg's Bank of the James Stadium in conjunction with the 2025 Hillcats Franchise Agreement.
- VI.25.** ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA: Consideration of adopting Ordinance #O-25-____ to amend Section 36-223 of Division 3 of Article V of Chapter 36 of the Code of the City of Lynchburg and increase the City's Transient Lodging Tax.

VII. Closed Session