

**CITY OF LAGRANGE
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

CITY HALL / COMMUNITY CENTER @ 6:00 P.M.

Monday, June 17, 2026

WELCOME- Meeting called to order at 6:06pm.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT-

Mayor John Black
City Clerk, Heather Woodcox
Attorney, Beach Craigmyle

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' PRESENT-

Latosha Booker-Bishop	Jason Taylor	Kenneth Powell-Absent (Joined meeting 6:58pm)
Lucy Ricketts	Laura Taylor	Jason Kinser
Joe Davenport-via zoom	Trey Kamer	

APPROVAL OF JUNE 17, 2026, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AGENDA

Motion to approve: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Latosha Booker-Bishop

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

PUBLIC COMMENT-

Steve Mahoney, Parks Director-Spoke in favor of Ordinance No.6-Personnel and pay classification plan for city employees.

Katie Bechtold, HR Director-Spoke in regard to Ordinance No.6-Personnel and pay classification plan for city employees. **Motion to extend Public Comment time for Katie Bechtold by 4 minutes:** Council Member Trey Kamer, **Second by:** Council Member Lucy Ricketts. **Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0**

Rod Spies-Spoke in opposition to current proposed Ordinance No.6-Personnel and pay classification for city employees.

Sarah Little-Spoke in opposition to current proposed Ordinance No.6-Personnel and pay classification for city employees. Also spoke in opposition to current proposed Ordinance No.8-2026-2027 General Fund Budget.

Corey Rusnak, Public Works Director-Spoke in regard to No.6-Personnel and pay classification for city employees.

Chief Greg Collett, Police Department-Spoke in regard to when the department's pay scale was adopted and why.

Motion to extend Public Comment time for Chief Collett by: **Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0**

Council Member Kenneth Powell- Joined meeting at 6:58PM

PUBLIC COMMENT-continued...

Cindy Alvano, Finance Director- Spoke in regard to Ordinance No.6-Personnel and pay classification plan for city employees.

Donna Sabo-Spoke in regard to Ordinance No. 6-Personnel and pay classification plan for city employees.

Motion to go out of public comment: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

COUNCIL REVIEW AND DISCUSSION RELATING TO ORDINANCE NO.6-SERIES 2026-

Ordinance No.6, Series 2026 proposed amendments to page one: Remove: #Jobs column and Grade column and add legend for chart.

Motion to approve amendment: Council Member Laura Taylor

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to postpone indefinitely Ordinance No. 6, Series 2026: Council Member Jason Taylor

Council Member Jason Taylor withdrew motion

Motion to table Ordinance No. 6, Series 2026 until January 2027: Council Member Laura Taylor

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Motion in favor passed: 6-YES / 2-NO (Council Member Lucy Ricketts and Council Member Joe Davenport)

BREAK- 8:05PM-8:20PM

COUNCIL REVIEW AND DISCUSSION RELATING TO ORDINANCE NO.8-SERIES 2026-

Motion to add Financial Assistant for \$50,000 to proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget made by:

Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to change current proposed raises under salaries for Administration, Public Works Department and Parks Department 5% raise and 6% raise for Police Department: Council Member Laura Taylor

Seconded by: Council Member Trey Kamer

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to remove Archway \$300,000 expense under Special Appropriations: Council Member Jason Taylor

Second by: Council Member Latoshia Booker-Bishop

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to remove New Park addition \$150,000 expense under Special Appropriations: Council Member

Latoshia Booker-Bishop

Motion dies due to no second

Motion to add \$160,000 for one additional police officer to the currently proposed police budget-Council Member
Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

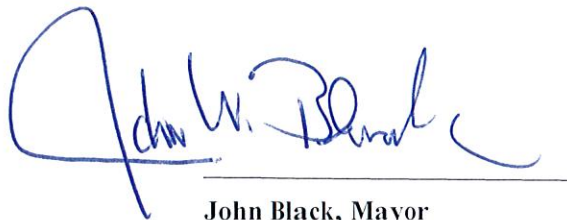
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

ADJOURNMENT-9:36PM

Motion to Adjourn: Council Member Jason Taylor

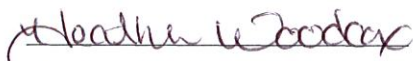
Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

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John Black, Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Heather Woodcox", is written above the printed name.
Heather Woodcox, City Clerk