

City of La Grange City Council Meeting

June 2nd, 2025

6:30 pm

City Hall-307 W. Jefferson Street

- 1. WELCOME
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL TO ALLOW CINDY ALVANO TO RECORD MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve: Council Member Joe Davenport

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

4. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS- 8 PRESENT / 0- ABSENT

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP

JASON TAYLOR JASON KINSER

JOE DAVENPORT LUCY RICKETTS LAURA TAYLOR TREY KAMER KENNETH TAYLOR

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:37PM

5. APPROVAL OF JUNE 2ND, 2025 AGENDA

Request to add approval of May 29th Special Meeting minutes to Agenda.

Motion to approve: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 5, 2025, CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Request to add verbiage under Public Comment-Barbara Calloway- add "her opinion" of...

Correct spelling of last name for Nathan "OBERG"

Motion to approve with changes: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Latosha Booker-Bishop

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 29, 2025, SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Correction under Open Discussion-remove sentence "No changes identified at this time"

Motion to approve with changes: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Motion in favor passed: 7-Yes / 0-No / 1-Abstain (Davenport was absent for meeting)

8. CITY ADMINISTRATION- CINDY ALVANO

PAYABLES

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

FINANCIAL REPORT-2024-2025 F/Y TRIAL BALANCES

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Joe Davenport Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENT REPORT

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

TOM SPRINGER-COMMERCE PARKWAY TRAFFIC STUDY PRESENTATION

10. MAIN STREET DIRECTOR'S REPORT-SARAH GARRETT

Track Side Tunes begin Friday June 6th 6pm-9pm Art's Festival – Saturday June 7th – Main Street closed 6am-6pm

11. TOURISM COMMISSION REPORT- Rhonda Richins

Presented financial report

Tourism social media activity

Recap of a successful RailFest-Estimated 8,000 people in attendance

12. LAGRANGE UTILITIES REPORT-SCOT TREECE

4th Street Sewer Project (\$750k) material being delivered

Oldham Reserve construction progress - estimated completion - October 2025

1st Street Water rehab design - working with CSX

Motion to approve Utility Report: Council Member Joe Davenport

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

13. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.10-SERIES 2025-

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A 150 DAY MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE, PROCESSING, AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OR EXPANSION OF DATA CENTERS OF ANY SIZE, ALL PRIVATE UTILITIES, ALL PRIVATE UTILITY BUILDINGS AND ALL DATA STORAGE FACILITIES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE, KENTUCKY.

Motion to approve: Council Member Jason Taylor

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

Several City, County & area residents spoke in support of Ordinance No 10-Series 2025.

No one spoke in opposition of the Ordinance.

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Joe Davenport

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

*Break-8:39pm-8:50pm

Continuing-SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO.10-SERIES 2025

		Vote:	

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCYRICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	YES
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

14. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.8-SERIES

2025-

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ENTERTAINMENT DESTINATION CENTER.

Motion to approve: Council Member Laura Taylor

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

Question: Related to section 4(D)(7) - how cups will be associated with a specified/particular business?

And how will it be enforced?

Question: Can x-walks be added on Jefferson St, and/or have posted speed reduced?

No one spoke in opposition of the Ordinance

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Councilman Trey Kamer had concerns about Section 4(B)(1)

Councilwoman Laura Taylor suggested language change to SECTION 4(B)(1)

ROLL CALL VOTE to approve ordinance with changes: to Sections 4(B)(1) & 4(D)(7): IN FAVOR (YES)/(N0)

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCY RICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	YES
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

MAYOR ASKED FOR A MOTION TO MOVE THE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO.11-2025 BEFORE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 9-

Motion to move agenda item by: Council Member Jason Taylor

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

15. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO.11-SERIES 2025 FOR FIRST READING-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE

Ryan Fischer -- Oldham County Planning Director introduced ordinance to rezone the old health department building & to rebuild one building that will be consolidated into the existing Bishop Place Apartments, (adding 8 additional apartment units)

16. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.9-SERIES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES §110.02 AND §111.10 EXEMPTING ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES FROM LICENSE OR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Motion to approve: Council Member Jason Kinser

Second by: Council Member Laura Taylor Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Jason Taylor

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

SARAH G. FROM MAIN STREET GAVE COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE ORDINANCE NO ONE GAVE COMMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THE ORDINANCE

Public Hearing continued-

STEPHANIE WENTHER GAVE COMMENTS THAT LAGRANGE IS NOT THE ONLY CITY REQUIRING BUSINESS LICENSES FOR ENTERTAINERS: JEFFERSONTOWN, LEXINGTON & LOUISVILLE REQUIRE FOR ANYONE.

LAURA TAYLOR REITERATED WHY THIS AMENDMENT WAS BROUGHT FORWARD. WHICH IS AN INCENTIVE TO BRING ENTERTAINERS TO LOCAL BUSINESSES.

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Jason Taylor Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

JASON KINSER INDICATED HE WOULD NOT BE VOTING ON THIS ORDINANCE SO AS TO AVOID ANY CONFLICT SINCE HE IS A LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER. THEREFORE, WITHDRAWING HIS MOTION TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE.

NEW MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 9 MADE BY LAURA TAYLOR; SECOND BY JASON TAYLOR; MOTION PASSES 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

NOT DISCUSSION FOR OR AGAINST.

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Roll Call Vote:

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCY RICKETTS	NO
JASON KINSER	ABSTAINED	JASON TAYLOR	YES
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed: 6-YES/1-NO/1-ABSTAINED

17. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.3-SERIES 2025-

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, KENTUCKY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, BY ESTIMATING FUNDS FOR OPERATIONS OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Joe Davenport Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Latosha Booker-Bishop

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

No one spoke in support of or in opposition of the Ordinance.

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Roll Call Vote:

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	NO	LUCY RICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	NO
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	NO

Motion in favor passed: 5-YES/3-NO

18. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.4-SERIES 2025-

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, KENTUCKY ALCOHOL REGULATORY FEES BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Latosha Booker-Bishop Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

No discussion in support of, or in opposition – Blaine Anderson asked a question to reduce the tax or clarify the enforcement and how the tax is being used.

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

City Council discussion – Jason Kinser's question/statement on the wording of the regulatory language.

Roll Call Vote:

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCY RICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	NO
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed: 7-YES/1-NO

19. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.5-SERIES 2025-

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, KENTUCKY ANNUAL CITY BUS BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Joe Davenport Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0 Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

No discussion in support of, or in opposition

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Roll Call Vote:

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCY RICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	YES
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

20. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.6-SERIES 2025-

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, KENTUCKY ANNUAL STORM WATER MS4 BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Jason Kinser

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

No discussion in support of, or in opposition

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Roll Call Vote:

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCY RICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	YES
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

21. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.7-SERIES 2025-

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAGRANGE, KENTUCKY ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ROAD AID BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Public Hearing-

No discussion in support of, or in opposition

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Second by: Council Member Laura Taylor Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Roll Call Vote:

LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP	YES	LUCY RICKETTS	YES
JASON KINSER	YES	JASON TAYLOR	YES
JOE DAVENPORT	YES	KENNETH POWELL	YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

22. AMENDING RESOLUTION NO.3-SERIES 2025-

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR GRANTS UNDER THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT.

Motion to approve: Council Member Jason Kinser Second by: Council Member Latosha Booker-Bishop Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

Roll Call Vote: LATOSHA BOOKER-BISHOP JASON KINSER JOE DAVENPORT	YES YES YES	LUCY RICKETTS JASON TAYLOR KENNETH POWELL	YES YES YES
TREY KAMER	YES	LAURA TAYLOR	YES

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

23. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS-

PARKS & RECREATION-TREY KAMER

- Walk-through of 400 Kentucky Ave.
- Temporary plan for Parks Director position
- Interim Director Christian Diehl
- Kenneth Powell asked if the position will be a posted and what the job requirements are for the Director position

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT- JASON KINSER

Committee discussed ways to increase tourism

ORDINANCE & CODE ENFORCEMENT-LAURA TAYLOR

- Met May13th did not see any ordinance repealing Ordinance 8-2012
- · Parking ordinance will continue to be discussed
- Continuing discussions on signs ordinance

PERSONNEL COMMETTEE-LUCY RICKETTS

Finalizing employee handbook is priority. Next Meeting June 23rd 6:00pm

24. PUBLIC COMMENT-NO COMMENT

25. OPEN DISCUSSION RELATED TO ANY OLD OR NEW BUSINESS

- Comment regarding presentation of ordinances question withdrawn
- Lucy commented on the observation of distraction with cell phone use during council meetings
- Trey gave kudos to Corey & public works to get 4th street ready for rail fest & Walsh Park
- Mayor thanked Stephanie Wenther for her cleanup efforts at The Glen Park

26. ANNOUNCEMENTS-

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE MONDAY JULY 7, 2025

27. ADJOURNMENT-

Motion to Adjourn: Council Member Lucy Ricketts Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 8-0

JOHN BLACK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OR DESIGNEE