

CITY OF LAGRANGE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

CITY HALL / COMMUNITY CENTER @ 6:30 P.M.

Monday, February 2, 2026

WELCOME- Meeting called to order at 6:34pm.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT-

Mayor John Black
Finance Director, Cindy Alvano
Attorney, Beach Craigmyle
City Clerk, Heather Woodcox

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' PRESENT-

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| Latosha Booker-Bishop-absent | Jason Taylor | Kenneth Powell |
| Lucy Ricketts | Laura Taylor | Jason Kinser |
| Joe Davenport | Trey Kamer | |

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2, 2025, AGENDA

****Addition-Item #7(B): Opioid Funding Presentation**

Motion to approve with addition: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 5, 2025, CITY COUNCIL MEETING

****Correction to January 2026 Minutes-Remove announcements section.**

Motion to approve with correction: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

CITY ADMINISTRATION- CINDY ALVANO

➤ PAYABLES

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

➤ FINANCIAL REPORT-2025-2026 F/Y TRIAL BALANCES

Motion to approve: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

➤ BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENT REPORT

Motion to approve both reports: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

***Cindy Alvano-Audit update: Planning to present 2023 Audit at the March 2026 City Council meeting.**

PUBLIC COMMENT-

➤ CITY RETIREMENT RECOGNITION FOR K-9 OFFICER MIA AND OFFICER RICHINS

➤ CITY RECOGNITION AND AWARD PRESENTATION TO OLDHAM COUNTY AERIAL

RESPONSE TEAM (OCART)-Presented award in regard to finding 61-year-old male who had been missing for over 24 hours. Whitney Meadows, field representative for Senator Rand Paul, presented team

with award.

PUBLIC COMMENT-continued-

Kevin Jeffries-Updated Council on upcoming plans around Oldham County.

Barry Laws- Recognition of the City for its efforts in offering pickleball at the gym.

LIZ BURROWS, OLDHAM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT-

PRESENTATION (ATTACHED), YOUTH PREVENTION EVENT-BE KIND TO YOUR MIND EVENT

Motion to approve: Council Member Joe Davenport

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

LAGRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT-

OPIOID SETTLEMENT EXPENSE REQUEST-

Motion to approve: Council Member Kenneth Powell

Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

MAIN STREET PROGRAM REPORT- SARAH GARRETT

- ❖ Appreciation to city crews for snow and road clearing efforts.
- ❖ Over 60 volunteer hours recorded in January.
- ❖ Distribution of 2026 event calendar to merchants, including Main Street events, Oldham County Day, and RailFest.
- ❖ Merchant Master Class training sessions initiated based on merchant feedback.
- ❖ Upcoming Chocolate Crawl event with 500 tickets planned.
- ❖ Submission of accreditation paperwork for National Main Street Program renewal.
- ❖ Announcement of a new restaurant, Devilish Wings, opening at the Old Bourbon Nail House location.

TOURISM COMMISSION REPORT-DONNA SABO

- ❖ Completion of the community coat drive with over 700 coats donated.
- ❖ Tourism bank balance reported at \$39,648.
- ❖ RailFest scheduled for May 8–9, 2026, including concerts, vendors, and model train displays in partnership with Main Street.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO.2-SERIES 2026 FOR FIRST READING-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE, KENTUCKY FOR 1000 BLOCK OF COMMERCE PARKWAY.

Anna Barge-Senior Planner for Oldham County Planning and Zoning- Presentation of Ordinance No.2- Amending Zoning Map for 1000 Block of Commerce Parkway.

Second reading and public hearing scheduled for March 2026.

DAVID BIZIANES-OLDHAM COUNTY CHAMBER AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- -

David Bazanis provided a presentation regarding: (See attached)

- ❖ Chamber of Commerce programs and business engagement.
- ❖ Economic development activities including business recruitment, infrastructure investments, and development in Oldham Reserve and Commerce Parkway.
- ❖ Discussion of future economic development opportunities and ongoing projects.

****Break-7:58pm-8:12pm****

LAGRANGE UTILITIES REPORT-Josh Rahm

Utilities Director Scot Treece provided a departmental report, including:

- ❖ Updates on water and sewer infrastructure projects.
- ❖ Progress on Oldham Reserve sewer extension and other utility improvements.
- ❖ Recent water main break response and repairs.
- ❖ Recognition of utility staff efforts during winter weather.

Motion to approve Utility Report: Council Member Joe Davenport

Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

REAPPOINTMENT OF GREG TEAGUE TO THE LAGRANGE UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM FROM 02/01/2026 TO 01/31/2030.

Motion to approve: Council Member Joe Davenport
Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

REAPPOINTMENT OF ROY HORTON TO THE LAGRANGE UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR ONE-YEAR TERM FROM 02/01/2026 TO 01/31/2027.

Motion to approve: Council Member Trey Kamer
Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO.1-SERIES 2026-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE OFFICE OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

Attorney Craigmyle-Summarized Ordinance No.1-Amending duties and Responsibilities of the Office of the Code Enforcement Officer.

Motion to approve ordinance: Council Member Laura Taylor
Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

Motion to go into Public Hearing: Council Member Lucy Ricketts
Second by: Council Member Trey Kamer
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

Public Hearing: No comment

Motion to go out of Public Hearing: Council Member Trey Kamer
Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

Discussion between Council Members: No comment

Roll Call Vote:

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| Lucy Ricketts | Yes | Jason Kinser | Yes |
| Joe Davenport | Yes | Jason Taylor | Yes |
| Trey Kamer | Yes | Kenneth Powell | Yes |
| Laura Taylor | Yes | | |

Motion in favor passed: 7-YES / 0-NO

APPOINTMENT OF NATHAN MERRELL TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM FROM 02/01/2026 TO 02/01/28.

*Regarding items that pertain to Mr. Merrell’s personal properties will abstain from all discussions/approvals.

Motion to approve: Council Member Lucy Ricketts
Second by: Council Member Joe Davenport
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

DIRECTORS REPORT-

The following departmental reports were presented:

- Corey Rusnak, Public Works Department
- ❖ Snow removal operations and staff recognition
- ❖ Streetlight audit and coordination with Kentucky Utilities
- ❖ Planned asphalt paving projects
- ❖ Equipment acquisitions and surplus equipment sales

-WRITTEN DETERMINATION FOR DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY-JOHN DEERE SKID LOADER

Motion to approve: Council Member Jason Kinser

Second by: Council Member Joe Davenport

Roll Call Vote:

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| Lucy Ricketts | Yes | Jason Kinser | Yes |
| Joe Davenport | Yes | Jason Taylor | Yes |
| Trey Kamer | Yes | Kenneth Powell | Yes |
| Laura Taylor | Yes | | |

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

- WRITTEN DETERMINATION FOR DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY-ISUZU TYMCO SWEEPER

Motion to approve: Council Member Jason Kinser

Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Roll Call Vote:

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| Lucy Ricketts | Yes | Jason Kinser | Yes |
| Joe Davenport | Yes | Jason Taylor | Yes |
| Trey Kamer | Yes | Kenneth Powell | Yes |
| Laura Taylor | Yes | | |

Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0

DIRECTORS REPORT-Continued-

➤ Steve Mahoney, Parks Department

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS-

PARKS & RECREATION- TREY KAMER

Committee met January 21st- Discussed policies and procedures, buildings, etc. Next meeting on 2-11-26 at 5:00pm.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE- LAURA TAYLOR

Committee met on January 20th. Discussed Sign Ordinance and hoping to have it ready for first reading at the March Council meeting. The next meeting is on 2-10-26 at 5:00pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comments made

OPEN DISCUSSION RELATED TO ANY OLD BUSINESS- No Comment

OPEN DISCUSSION RELATED TO ANY NEW BUSINESS-

➤ Councilmember Kenneth Powell- Introduced for First Reading Ordinance No.3-Amending LaGrange Code of Ordinance 31.20

➤ Mayor Black-Introduced Executive Order No.1-2026- Order Regarding Temporary Signs. Mayor Black read the Executive Order in its entirety and announced he will be signing this Executive Order on the morning of February 3rd, 2026.

Motion to approve Executive Order: Council Member Trey Kamer

Second by: Council Member Lucy Ricketts

Roll Call Vote:

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| Lucy Ricketts | YES | Jason Kinser | NO |
| Joe Davenport | YES | Jason Taylor | NO |
| Trey Kamer | YES | Kenneth Powell | YES |
| Laura Taylor | NO | | |

➤ Council Member Trey Kamer introduced Ordinance No.5-Amending the Sign Regulation for First Reading.

*Minor changes made:

Change “six square feet” to “twelve square feet.”

Remove “and with height of two feet or less”

Change “April 1” to “March 1”, change “September 15” to “August 1”, and change “November 14” to “November 30”

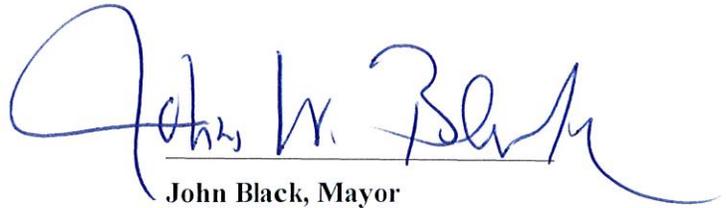
Second reading and public hearing scheduled for March 2026.

ADJOURNMENT-10:00pm

Motion to Adjourn: Council Member Joe Davenport

Second by: Council Member Jason Kinser

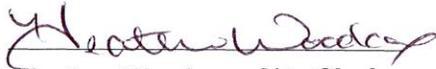
Motion in favor passed unanimously: 7-0



John W. Black

John Black, Mayor

Attest:



Heather Woodcox, City Clerk