

April 08, 2025

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF MEMPHIS

April 08, 2025

4:00 P.M. SCHEDULED SESSION

4:03 P.M. MEETING COMMENCED

ROLL CALL: Chase Carlisle, Yolanda Cooper-Sutton, Michalyn Easter-Thomas, Edmund Ford, Sr., Rhonda Logan, JB Smiley, Jr., Philip Spinosa, Jana Swearingen-Washington, Pearl Eva Walker, Jeff Warren, Janika White, and Chairman J. Ford Canale.
Jerri Green was absent.

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER
BY SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**

INVOCATION

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Reverend Tracy L. Jackson, Presiding Elder from Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Northeast District.

Chairman Canale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Swearingen-Washington thanked Reverend Tracy L. Jackson, Presiding Elder from Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Northeast District.

These minutes record the agenda items and the action taken by the Council on such items. The full text of the original ordinances, resolutions, and supporting documents, including an audio recording of Council's deliberations, is filed and maintained in the Office of Council Records/Records Management, Room 2B-08. The original ordinances and/or resolutions adopted by the Council shall control in the event of any conflict between the description in these minutes and the original documents, ordinances, and/or resolutions.

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Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting on March 25, 2025, with the following motion:

MOTION: Swearengen-Washington
 SECOND: Walker
 AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Logan, Smiley, Swearengen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
 Ford and Spinosa did not cast a vote.
 Green was absent.

APPROVED

17. **ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 9- CHAPTER 16 – HEALTH AND SANITATION OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE ASSESSMENT OF FEES TO PROPERTY OWNERS WITH AN ABANDONED OR VACANT PROPERTY OR PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY OF MEMPHIS LIMITS, UP FOR T H I R D AND F I N A L READING. ORDINANCE NO. 5936 IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILWOMAN GREEN.**

Held until April 22, 2025

PRESENTATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET BY MAYOR PAUL YOUNG.

18. **ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 5, CHAPTER 5-20 OF THE MEMPHIS MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE EXISTING HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX TO 4.0%, UP FOR T H I R D AND F I N A L READING. ORDINANCE NO. 5937 IS SPONSORED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.**

Councilwoman White made a statement of recusal due to her employment.

MOTION: Swearengen-Washington
 SECOND: Warren
 AYES: Carlisle, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Smiley, Spinosa, Swearengen-Washington, Walker, Warren, and Chairman Canale.
 RECUSED: White
 Cooper-Sutton did not cast a vote.
 Green was absent.

APPROVED, on Third and Final Reading, as amended

19. **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ELECTIVE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM, UP FOR T H I R D AND F I N A L READING. ORDINANCE NO. 5933 IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN SMILEY. (HELD FROM 3/25)**

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Councilman Smiley motioned for the Homeowners in the Uptown Area to briefly speak on issues they are facing.

Chairman Canale recognized the following person(s) who spoke from the audience:

Amber Sherman, 6070 N. Belle Grove Cv., Memphis, Tennessee 38115

MOTION: Swearngen-Washington

SECOND: Carlisle

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Smiley, Spinosa, Swearngen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Green was absent.

APPROVED, on Third and Final Reading, as amended

1. **ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5367 OF CODE OF ORDINANCE, CITY OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ADOPTED ON AUGUST 10, 2010, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO AUTHORIZE THE DESIGNATION OF A NEW HISTORIC (H) OVERLAY DISTRICT TO INCLUDE 43 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES WITHIN THE 2000 TO 2100 BLOCK OF CARR AVENUE BETWEEN DIANA STREET AND COOPER STREET, UP FOR T H I R D AND F I N A L READING. THIS ORDINANCE IS SPONSORED BY THE DIVISION OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.**

**CASE NO. HDD 24-01
ORDINANCE NO. 5940**

MOTION: Swearngen-Washington

SECOND: Spinosa

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Swearngen-Washington, Walker, and Chairman Canale.
Smiley, Warren, and White did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED, on Third and Final Reading

MLGW FISCAL CONSENT AGENDA - ITEMS #6 - #15 may be acted upon by one motion:

6. **RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 4 TO CONTRACT NO. 12238, ELECTRIC SUBSTATION CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES WITH RMS ENERGY COMPANY, LLC TO RENEW THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$12,000,000.00.**

APPROVED

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7. RESOLUTION APPROVING EMERGENCY CHANGE NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 12236, METER SUPPORT MAINTENANCE WITH HONEYWELL TO RATIFY AND CHANGE THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$280,031.00.

APPROVED

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 12581 (FORMERLY CONTRACT NO. C2730), ORACLE TALENT ACQUISITION CLOUD SERVICE WITH MYTHICS, LLC TO RENEW THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$159,957.31.

APPROVED

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. 12257, SYNERGY WITH LOGICALIS, INC. TO EXPAND THE SCOPE AND INCREASE THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,915.24.

APPROVED

10. RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 4 TO CONTRACT NO. 12295, ORACLE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT WITH MYTHICS, INCORPORATED TO RENEW AND CHANGE THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$31,027,393.62.

APPROVED

11. RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 12253, ON-CALL CONSULTING SERVICES WITH ALLEN & HOSHALL, INCORPORATED, TO RATIFY AND RENEW THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$300,000.00.

APPROVED

12. RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 12410 (SOLICITED UNDER CONTRACT NO. 12253), ON-CALL CONSULTING SERVICES WITH SMITH SECKMAN REID, INCORPORATED TO RATIFY AND RENEW THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00.

APPROVED

13. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RATIFICATION OF PURCHASE ORDER NUMBERS 7053045, 7055862, 7057778, 7059712, AND 7060685 TO ED YOUNG SALES COMPANY, INC. FOR GAS METERS AND SMART METER COMPONENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,367,558.22.

APPROVED

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14. **RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ANNUAL SALARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$160,014.40 FOR A NEW HIRE TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION OF HPPD MANAGER. (SAME NIGHT MINUTES REQUESTED)**

APPROVED

15. **RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. 12583 (FORMERLY CONTRACT NO. C2572), COMMERCIAL AUTO INSURANCE FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL WITH PETE MITCHELL AND ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED TO RATIFY AND RENEW THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$181,321.00.**

APPROVED

ROLL CALL MLGW FISCAL CONSENT ITEMS:

MOTION: Spinosa

SECOND: Swearingen-Washington

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Smiley, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Green was absent.

APPROVED

16. **JOINT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS AND COUNTY OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE ENACTED PURSUANT TO THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1998 AND THE UNIFORMITY IN TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ACT OF 2012; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CLEVELAND STREET CORRIDOR REDEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND, UP FOR T H I R D AND F I N A L READING. ORDINANCE NO. 5935 IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILWOMAN EASTER-THOMAS.**

Councilwoman White made a statement of recusal due to her employment.

Chairman Canale recognized the following person(s) who spoke from the audience:

Rev J Lawrence Tuner, 70 N. Bellevue Blvd., Memphis, Tennessee 38104

Scott Morris, 1692 Lawrence Ave., Memphis, Tennessee 38112

Billy Thompson, 1319 Tutwiler Ave., Memphis, Tennessee 38107

MOTION: Easter-Thomas

SECOND: Spinosa

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Smiley, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, and Chairman Canale.

RECUSED: White

Green was absent.

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CONSENT AGENDA – Items #2 - #5 and Notations were acted upon by one motion. See page 7802 Roll Call Consent Items.

2. **JOINT ORDINANCE OF SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE CITY OF MEMPHIS TO CONTINUE A PROGRAM FOR A HIGH-QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD PRE-KINDERGARTEN ("PRE-K") FOR ALL PROGRAM THROUGH THE APPOINTMENT OF A FISCAL AGENT TO PROVIDE STRATEGY AND OVERSIGHT OF DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY AND CITY. THIS ITEM REQUIRES THE SELECTION OF A FISCAL AGENT WHO WILL ASCERTAIN THE SOURCE OF PRIVATE, STATE, AND/OR FEDERAL FUNDING, UP FOR SECOND READING. ORDINANCE NO. 5941 IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILWOMAN SWEARENGEN-WASHINGTON.**

Councilwoman White made a statement of recusal due to her employment.

APPROVED, On Second Reading

3. **ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5367 OF CODE OF ORDINANCE, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ADOPTED ON AUGUST 10, 2010, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO AUTHORIZE A ZONING USE DISTRICT RECLASSIFICATION FOR LAND LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF EAST SHELBY DRIVE APPROXIMATE 300 FEET WEST OF LAMAR AVENUE. BY TAKING THE LAND OUT OF THE COMMERCIAL MIXED USE – 3 (CMU-3) USE DISTRICT AND INCLUDING IT IN EMPLOYMENT (EMP) USE DISTRICT, KNOWN AS CASE NUMBER Z 25-002 UP FOR F I R S T READING. THIS ORDINANCE IS SPONSORED BY THE DIVISION OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.**

**CASE NO. Z 25-02
ORDINANCE NO. 5942**

APPROVED, On First Reading

4. **ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5367 OF CODE OF ORDINANCE, CITY OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ADOPTED ON AUGUST 10, 2010, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO AUTHORIZE A ZONING USE DISTRICT RECLASSIFICATION FOR LAND LOCATED ON 0 MT. MORIAH EXT, NORTH OF KIRBY TERRACE DRIVE BY TAKING THE LAND OUT OF THE RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY – 8 (R-8), RESIDENTIAL URBAN – 2 (RU-2), CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE (CA) AND RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY – 15 (R-15) USE DISTRICTS AND INCLUDING IT IN THE COMMERCIAL MIXED-USE – 3 (CMU-3) USE DISTRICT, UP FOR S E C O N D READING. THIS ORDINANCE IS SPONSORED BY THE DIVISION OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. (HELD FROM 3/25)**

**CASE NO. Z 24-09
ORDINANCE NO. 5938**

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5. **ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5367 OF CODE OF ORDINANCE, CITY OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ADOPTED ON AUGUST 10, 2010, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO AUTHORIZE A ZONING USE DISTRICT RECLASSIFICATION FOR LAND LOCATED AT 7073, 7093, 7105, AND 7117 STAGE ROAD BY TAKING THE LAND OUT OF THE CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE (CA) USE DISTRICT AND INCLUDING IT IN THE COMMERCIAL MIXED-USE – 2 (CMU-2) USE DISTRICT, UP FOR S E C O N D READING. THIS ORDINANCE IS SPONSORED BY THE DIVISION OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. (HELD FROM 3/25)**

**CASE NO. Z 25-01
ORDINANCE NO. 5939**

APPROVED, on Second Reading

NOTATIONS FROM THE LAND USE CONTROL BOARD THAT THE FOLLOWING CASES WERE HEARD AND RECOMMENDATION MADE REQUESTING A DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

- A. Case No. MJR 2025-004 (Correspondence to SUP 2018-013)
Seeking to overturn the action of the Memphis and Shelby County Land Use Control Board denying a modification to allow a time extension for a surface parking lot.

Located at: 180 South Main Street

SUGGESTED DATE: APRIL 22, 2025

- B. Case No. S 2024-041 (Correspondence)
Seeking to overturn the action of the Memphis and Shelby County Land Use Control Board approving a two-lot residential major subdivision.

Located at: 4014 Grandview Avenue

SUGGESTED DATE: APRIL 22, 2025

Councilman Carlisle has recused himself in writing from all deliberations, discussions, and consideration of this Item by the Council.

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ROLL CALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

MOTION: Swearengen-Washington
 SECOND: Easter-Thomas
 AYES: Easter-Thomas, Ford, Spinosa, Walker, Warren, and Chairman Canale.
 RECUSED: Carlisle and White
 Cooper-Sutton, Logan, Smiley, and Swearengen-Washington did not cast a vote.
 Green was absent.

APPROVED

- 20. ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING THE 2021 MEMPHIS MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES NOT INCLUDED HEREIN; AND PROVIDING WHEN SUCH AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE AND THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE, UP FOR T H I R D AND F I N A L READING. ORDINANCE NO. 5934 IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN SPINOSA. (HELD FROM 3/25)**

Chairman Canale recognized the following person(s) who spoke from the audience:

James McLaren, 6075 Poplar Ave., Memphis, Tennessee 38119

(Special Item #1 – Motion to hold this Item #20.)

MOTION: Smiley
 SECOND: Warren
 AYES: Cooper-Sutton, Smiley, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
 NAYS: Carlisle, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Spinosa, Swearengen-Washington
 Logan did not cast a vote.
 Green was absent.

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- 21. RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY25 COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT ALLOCATIONS. ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILWOMAN WALKER.**

MOTION: Carlisle
 SECOND: Warren
 AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Smiley, Spinosa, Swearengen-Washington, Walker, Warren, and Chairman Canale.
 White did not cast a vote.
 Green was absent.

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22. **RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET HEARINGS. ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN CARLISLE. (HELD FROM 3/25)**

MOTION: Carlisle

SECOND: Warren

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Smiley did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED, as amended

23. **RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT'S FEDERAL BUDGET BY ACCEPTING THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF OVER COLLECTED HOME PROGRAM INCOME IN THE CITY OF MEMPHIS ORACLE FINANCIAL SYSTEM GRANTS MODULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BASED ON THE ACTUAL COLLECTED RECEIPTS, AND RECONCILED FUNDING PER THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) IDIS FINANCIAL SYSTEM. ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.**

MOTION: Logan

SECOND: Warren

AYES: Carlisle, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Cooper-Sutton and Smiley did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED

24. **RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,000,000.00 FUNDED BY G.O. BONDS CHARGEABLE TO THE FY2025 CIP BUDGET FOR THE RALEIGH SPRINGS DEVELOPMENT, PROJECT #CD01105. DISTRICT 1, SUPER DISTRICT 9. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.**

MOTION: Logan

SECOND: Swearingen-Washington

AYES: Carlisle, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Cooper-Sutton and Smiley did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED

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25. **RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$550,000.00 TO STORM WATER CIPP 2025, PROJECT NUMBER ST03239 TO REPAIR AND REHAB EXISTING DAMAGED STORM DRAINPIPES USING CIPP PROCESS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS. ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.**

MOTION: Carlisle

SECOND: Warren

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Smiley did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED

26. **RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 1050. ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL. (REQUEST FOR SAME NIGHT MINUTES)**

MOTION: Easter-Thomas

SECOND: Spinosa

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Swearingen-Washington, Walker, Warren, White, and Chairman Canale.
Smiley did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED

(Special Item #2 – Approval of Same Night Minutes for Items #14, #18, and #26 from tonight’s meeting.)

Councilwoman White made a statement of recusal due to her employment.

MOTION: Swearingen-Washington

SECOND: Easter-Thomas

AYES: Carlisle, Cooper-Sutton, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Logan, Spinosa, Walker, and Chairman Canale.

RECUSED: White

Smiley, Swearingen-Washington, and Warren did not cast a vote.
Green was absent.

APPROVED

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Chairman Canale recognized the following person(s) who spoke from the audience:

Bob Nardo, 3777 Edenburg Dr., Memphis, Tennessee 38127

Chief Andre Mathews, 2115 Stovall Ave., Memphis, Tennessee 38108

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:26 P.M.

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Upon the statement of the Chairman, without objection, the meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman.

CHAIRMAN

Deputy Comptroller/Council Records