

## **Alexandria City Council**

### **Call to Order:**

This meeting of the Alexandria City Council was called to order by Mayor Naselroad. Council Members - Roger Cuneo, present; John Burdsall, present; Wendi Goens, present; Amy McCurry, present; Dave Luck, present; Donna Key-Kerr, present; and Jeremy VanErman, present. Also, in attendance were City Attorney, Chou-il Lee and Clerk-Treasurer Darcy VanErman.

### **Public Comment:**

Lisa Summers, 114 S. Black St., addressed the Council to her concerns about the wages and benefits of the city's employees with her concerns to the financial state of the city.

James Peters, 805 S. Black St., began questioning the Council regarding his understandings of the 2023 and 2024 audit of the city. Attorney Lee reminded everyone present that the Public Comment time was for such and not for question and answer time.

James Levi, 606 S. Wayne St., addressed the Council that he is tired of the discolored water as well as his concerns to the speeding along W. Washington St. He requested more police presence for the area before a child is injured due to the recklessness.

Jennifer Ward, owner of Curve Street Metals, LLC, 206 S. Curve St., thanked the Council for their hard work and for each of them that reached out to her as a business owner during the construction of the multiple phases of Washington Street. She advised the Council that there was no truck route established for their business's traffic needs and had to ask for land permission of an adjoining property owner to assist with getting trucks in and out from their business during construction.

Brad Mullins, 217 W. Church St., questioned the Council to how they can control theft of city property without inventory lists.

### **Approval of Minutes/Claims/Payroll:**

John Burdsall motioned to approve the meeting Minutes from February 2, 2026. Roger Cuneo second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

John Burdsall motioned to approve Warrants 20081 through 20171 in the amount of \$245,126.63. Upon no further motion to support, the action dies and the Claims docket is not paid during this meeting.

***\*\*A Warning was issued to Ms. Lisa Summers for her on-going interruptive behavior to the meeting in progress. This is her first warning of the evening. However she did receive a warning during the previous meeting of the Council.***

Roger Cuneo motioned to approve the Payroll from February 1, 2026 in the amount of \$152,533.24. John Burdsall second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

### **Communication:**

### **Ordinances/Resolutions:**

\*\* see below Old and New Business for the Ordinance actions of this meeting\*\*

### **Old Business:**

Mayor Naselroad opens the meeting to the Public Hearing so those in attendance can comment to the utility ordinances being considered by the Council.

Jessica Lynch, from Baker Tilly, presented the utility rate study findings and recommendations for the Council to consider for their Ordinance needs.

***\*\*A second Warning was issued to Ms. Lisa Summers for her on-going interruptive behavior to the meeting in progress.***

Ordinance 2026-001-C to amend solid waste collection and disposal –

Marisol Martinez, 933 W. Washington St., shouted regarding her submission of complaints to the Public Hearing. Mayor Naselroad advised he was in receipt of her submission.

Jennifer Ward, owner of Curve Street Metals, LLC, 206 S. Curve St., spoke to her understanding of the trash funds being underfunded since 2019 and did not refute the need for increases but asked for the Amended Ordinance be tabled for the evening.

Amy McCurry motioned to table the Amended Ordinance for tonight. Donna Key Kerr second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-002-C to amend sewage works –

Jennifer Ward, owner of Curve Street Metals, LLC, 206 S. Curve St., spoke to her understanding of the main drivers to the need for increased rates to the wages and benefits of the city's employees. She asked for analysis to be done reviewing the city's practices that have been in place long before this administration. She spoke to her understanding of how previous rate studies were not utilized and not put on the meeting Agendas for the Council to consider. She asked for the Amended Ordinance to be tabled for tonight.

Wendi Goens motioned to table the Amended Ordinance for tonight. Amy McCurry second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-003-C to amend storm water –

An unidentified attender advised the Council that they contacted the utility office regarding their questions to storm water liens being placed against the trailer court and that whomever they spoke with only spoke to waste water and not storm water.

Jennifer Ward, owner of Curve Street Metals, LLC, 206 S. Curve St., presented her request for the Council to revisit how parcels are considered for ERU assessment. At this time the city only bills for parcels with impervious conditions and is requesting every parcel be considered for

billing and collections. She also asked for the Council to consider modifying the ERU cap for bigger sized businesses.

Amy McCurry motioned to table the Amended Ordinance for tonight. Wendi Goens second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

Ordinance 2026-004-C to amend water and hydrant fees –

Jennifer Ward, owner of Curve Street Metals, LLC, 206 S. Curve St., stated her understanding is there are many of the same drivers present within this need as sewage is facing. She asked that plans to rectify the water discoloration issues and other projects are approached with common sense and better transparency so concerns are not had again by the community. She requested the Council consider outside of the box approaches and not just consider raising rates for the needs within the utilities.

Jeremy VanErman motioned to table the Amended Ordinance for tonight. Donna Key Kerr second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

### **New Business:**

The Council was presented Ordinance 2026-005-C. This Ordinance will begin the process for the city to begin building Internal Controls as identified and required by the State Board of Accounts. Attorney Lee spoke to the standards laid out. Donna Key Kerr inquired to who starts building the procedures and controls laid out within the Ordinance. Attorney Lee advised that this Ordinance is the first step. Once adopted, the Boards and Departments will begin building forward with trainings and more. Jeremy VanErman inquired if there will be a handbook. Attorney Lee stated that policies will come next. After hearing nothing further, Jeremy VanErman motioned to approve the first reading by Title Only. Wendi Goens second to motion. All in favor; motion carries. Mayor Naselroad recited the Title and Number for the record.

Alan Moore presented the request for a façade grant to be considered for 110 W. Berry St. which is known as Alexandria Martial Arts. Alan Moore stated the request is for \$3,650.00. Amy McCurry recused herself from the vote. Wendi Goens motioned to approve the request. Donna Key Kerr second the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

### **Other Business:**

Mayor Naselroad thanked those who came to attend the meeting. He also thanked the Park Superintendent for his work.

Donna Key Kerr thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Wendi Goens shared her gratitude for the positivity of our community and that the matters being considered hit close to home for her as she is helping her father navigate these times as well.

**Adjournment:**

Upon hearing nothing further, a motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Roger Cuneo and second by John Burdsall. All in favor; motion carries.

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Todd Naselroad, Mayor

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John Burdsall, Council President

***Attest:*** \_\_\_\_\_  
Darcy VanErman, Clerk Treasurer

*\*\*These Minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Alexandria Common Council Meeting. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at [www.youtube.com/@CityofAlexandriaIndiana](http://www.youtube.com/@CityofAlexandriaIndiana) for as long as this media is supported.*