



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers

Monday, April 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM

AGENDA

Call to Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

Adjustment and Approval of the Agenda — *Items will only be added or removed with the approval of the Mayor and City Council.*

Special Presentations

1. **Students of the Month:** Mayor & City Council will recognize the students of the month for April 2025 from Bessemer City area schools: Bessemer City Primary School, Bessemer City Central Elementary School, Tryon Elementary, Bessemer City Middle School, and Bessemer City High School.
2. **Bessemer City Athletic Presentation:** Mayor & City Council will recognize Tionna Pettus, Bessemer City High School basketball player for scoring over 1,000 points in her athletic career.
3. **City Employee Recognition:** Mayor & City Council will recognize the family of late Brad Kelly.

Request to Speak/Opportunity for Public Comment — *This is an opportunity for members of the public to express items of interest to the Mayor and City Council. This is not a time to respond or take action. Any necessary action will be taken under advisement. Speakers are asked to use proper decorum and to limit comments to no more than three minutes.*

4. **Public Comment Acknowledgment:** City Manager, Josh Ross will provide clarity on items mentioned during public comment, if needed.

Consent Agenda — *The items of the Consent Agenda are adopted on a single motion and vote, unless the Mayor and City Council wish to withdraw an item for separate vote and/or discussion.*

5. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Meeting minutes of the March 10, 2025 Regular Session.
6. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting Meeting minutes of the March 25, 2025 Work Session.
7. **Interlocal Agreement for Collection of Taxes:** City Staff is seeking approval of an agreement with Gaston County to collect Bessemer City property taxes.

8. **Local Water Supply Plan:** City Council will consider approving a resolution adopting the local water supply plan. The Local Water Supply Plan provides a comprehensive assessment of water supply needs, water use, and water availability.
9. **Ratify Proclamation - Osage Mill Redevelopment Project:** On Wednesday, April 9th Mayor Smith recognized the Osage Mill Redevelopment Project during a ribbon cutting at the site.

Business Items

10. **Establish Public Hearing for 2025-2026 Proposed Budget:** City Council will consider establishing a public hearing on Monday, May 12th at 7:00 PM to hear public comment regarding the proposed 2025-2026 City budget.
11. **Resolution- Technology Use Policy:** City Council will consider adopting a resolution that governs the use of the City's network and devices owned, leased, maintained by City employees, Mayor and City Council, and appointed boards.
12. **Resolution of Intent - Single Water Rate Structure:** City Council will consider adopting a resolution of intent to transition to a single water rate for residents and non-residents after the Tryon Waterline Project finishes.
13. **Ordinance Amending Zoning Map-** City Council will consider approving an ordinance regarding a zoning map amendment and consistency and reasonableness statement for property located at tax parcels #120283 and #120286 from Neighborhood Residential (NR) to Urban Residential- Conditional District (UR-CD). A public hearing was previously held on Monday, March 10, 2025.
14. **Offer to Sell Property-** City Council will consider accepting an offer to purchase property at 112 W. Virginia Avenue Parcel ID#120802 for \$405,000.00 and allow the City Manager to consummate the sale.
15. **ABC Board Chairman Appointment:** City Council will consider appointing a chairman of the ABC Board, as the position is vacant.
16. **Appointment of Council Member- Ward 1:** City Council will consider making an Board appointment for Ward 1.

City Manager's Report

Council General Discussion — *This is an opportunity for the Mayor and City Council to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back, or place a matter on a future agenda.*

Adjourn