

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TABLE OF MOTIONS
August 11, 2026

Mayor Gorton called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Vice Mayor Wu and Council Members Brown, Ellinger II, Morton, Lynch, Eblen, Curtis, Sheehan, Higgins-Hord, Hale, Beasley, Baxter, Sevigny, Reynolds, and Boone were present.

I. Public Comment – Issues on Agenda

II. Requested Rezoning/Docket Approval

Motion by Ellinger II to approve the August 13, 2026 Council Meeting Docket, as amended. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Sevigny to place on the docket for the August 13, 2026 Council Meeting, without a public hearing, Item #0650-26, an ordinance changing the zone from a Professional Office (P 1) Zone to a Neighborhood Business (B 1) Zone for the property located at 500 Southland Drive. Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

III. Approval of Summary

Motion by Reynolds to approve the July 1, 2026, Table of Motions. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

IV. Budget Amendments

Motion by Wu to approve Budget Amendments. Seconded by Baxter. Motion passed without dissent.

V. Budget Adjustments – For Information Only

VI. New Business

Motion by Curtis to approve New Business. Seconded by Reynolds. Motion passed without dissent.

VII. Communications from the Mayor- Appointments

Motion by Wu to approve Communications from the Mayor- Appointments, as amended. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Lynch to remove the Greenspace Trust appointment. Seconded by Morton. Motion passed without dissent.

VIII. Communications from the Mayor- Donations

Motion by Curtis to approve Communications from the Mayor- Donations. Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

IX. Communications from the Mayor- Procurements

Motion by Curtis to approve Communications from the Mayor- Procurements. Seconded by Sevigny. Motion passed without dissent.

X. Continuing Business/Presentations

Motion by Reynolds to approve Council Capital Projects. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Councilmember Reynolds provided a summary of the Social Services and Public Safety (SSPS) Committee.

Motion by Reynolds to place on the docket for the August 13, 2026 Council Meeting, an ordinance amending Section 18-119 of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Code of Ordinances to prohibit stopping, standing or parking in designated bike lanes except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, within a bicycle lane, as amended. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Sevigny to amend Section 18-119(a), contained in Section 1 of the Ordinance beginning on page 88 of the packet, to include peace officers, safety officers, or employees of the Division of Fire and Emergency Services, acting in their official capacities, to those who may provide direction to persons requiring stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle in ways that would not conflict with the provisions of Section 18-119. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Sevigny to amend Section 18-119(a)(15)(b)(1)(c) contained in Section 1 of Ordinance beginning on page 88 of the packet, to exempt a driver of a vehicle otherwise in compliance with sections 18-132 through 18-138 of the Code, to provide better explanation to the public regarding which sections apply instead of merely referring to a division of an article within a chapter. Seconded by Eblen. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Sevigny to amend Section 18-119(a)(15)(b)(1) contained in Section 1 of the Ordinance beginning on page 88 of the packet to end the paragraph with the following: "Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the limitations and requirements set forth in this subsection shall control in the event of any conflict." Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Sevigny to amend Section 18-119(a)(15)(b)(5) contained in Section 1 of Ordinance beginning on page 88 of the packet to remove the phrase "otherwise in compliance with Section 18-10" to ensure public safety can park in bike lanes to prevent emergencies instead of only in response to them. Seconded by Eblen. Motion passed without dissent.

Director Lueker of the Division of Budgeting provided a presentation on the FY2027 Ad Valorem.

Motion by Brown to set the General Services Fund ad valorem real property tax rate at Option 2. Seconded by Baxter. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the General Services Fund ad valorem personal property tax rate including public service companies, noncommercial aircraft and noncommercial watercraft at Option 2. Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the General Services Fund ad valorem tax rates for motor vehicles, tobacco in storage, agricultural products in storage, insurance companies' capital, and abandoned urban property at the same rates as the prior fiscal year (the current rates)(.088, .015, .045, .15, and 1.00). Seconded by Hale. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the Urban Services Fund – Refuse Collection ad valorem real property tax rate at Option 2. Seconded by Baxter. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the Urban Services Fund – Street Lights ad valorem real property tax rate at Option 2. Seconded by Sevigny. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the Urban Services Fund – Street Cleaning ad valorem real property tax rate at Option 2. Seconded by Sevigny. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the Urban Services Fund – Public Service Companies ad valorem tax rate at Option 2 (the combined amount of the 3 urban service rates) and Insurance Co. Capital at .092, the same rate as the prior fiscal year. Seconded by Baxer. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to place on the docket for the Thursday, August 13, 2026 Council Meeting an ordinance pertaining to all of the tax rates for general services and urban services as provided in the respective amounts from the above motions and levying them at these rates on each \$100 of assessed valuation. Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the public health ad valorem real property tax rate at 0.0243 and the public health ad valorem personal property tax rate at 0.0243 and to place an ordinance on the docket for the Thursday, August 13, 2026 Council Meeting levying the taxes at these rates on each \$100 of assessed valuation. Seconded by Reynolds. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to set the soil and water conservation district ad valorem real property tax rate at 0.001, and to place an ordinance on the docket for the Thursday, August 13, 2026 Council Meeting levying the tax at this rate on each \$100 of assessed valuation. Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Brown to schedule a public hearing on all of the ad valorem tax rates for the August 27, 2026 Council Meeting at 6 p.m. Seconded by Baxter. Motion passed without dissent.

Council Reports

Motion by Beasley to refer the issue of mental health support, resources, and well-being for our first responders to the Social Services and Public Safety (SSPS) Committee for review and recommendations. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Reynolds, SSPS Chair, placed the Signalized Crosswalk Study in the SSPS Committee.

XI. Public Comment – Issues Not on Agenda

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Wu to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 p.m. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.