



**JOURNAL of the PROCEEDINGS
of the
CITY COUNCIL**

CITY OF CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

Regular Meeting – Monday, October 20, 2025

at 7:00 P.M.

Council Chambers – City Hall – Charleston, West Virginia

OFFICIAL RECORD

Amy Shuler Goodwin
Mayor

Miles C. Cary II
City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER*

The Council met at 7:00 P.M., for the second meeting in the month of October on the 20th day, in the year 2025, and was called to order by the Honorable Mayor, Amy Shuler Goodwin. The invocation was delivered by Councilmember Pepper, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Moore. City Clerk, Miles C. Cary II, called the roll of members and it was found that there were present at the time:

ANNIE	BURKA	
CEPERLEY	COOK	FAEGRE
FERRELL	GARDNER	
HAAS	HOOVER	JENKINS
JONES	KERNS	KING
MOORE	OVERSTREET	PEPPER
PHARR	ROBINSON	RUBIO
SALANGO		SOLOMON
STEELHAMMER	TAYLOR	MAYOR GOODWIN

With twenty-four members being present, the Mayor declared a quorum present.

All absences were excused by the City Clerk per Resolution No. 582-21.

Pending the reading of the Journal of the previous meeting, the reading thereof was dispensed with and the same duly approved.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

1. Jennifer Bauman – Spoke about the length of public comments.
2. Tara Raymo – Read a passage from the Bible.

CLAIMS

None

PROCLAMATIONS

1.

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF CHARLESTON
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: Breast cancer remains one of the most common cancers diagnosed in women, with more than 380,000 individuals expected to be diagnosed in the United States in 2025, making early detection and continued research a vital public health priority; and

WHEREAS: Education and awareness about breast cancer—especially regarding risk factors, screening, and early detection—empower individuals to take charge of their health through regular mammograms, clinical exams, and self-checks; and

WHEREAS: When detected at an early, localized stage, the five-year survival rate for breast cancer is nearly 100%, underscoring the life-saving importance of preventive care and access to screening services; and

WHEREAS: The West Virginia Breast Health Initiative and local healthcare providers work together to expand access to screenings, raise awareness, and provide care and support for those affected by breast cancer; and

WHEREAS: We recognize the courage of breast cancer survivors, honor the memory of those we have lost, and stand in solidarity with the families, friends, advocates, and caregivers who provide strength and support throughout the journey; and

WHEREAS: Throughout October, pink serves as a visible reminder of the ongoing fight against breast cancer and the importance of supporting awareness, research, and access to care; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Amy Shuler Goodwin, Mayor of the City of Charleston, do hereby recognize October 2025 as

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

In Charleston, West Virginia, and encourage all citizens to join in supporting education, prevention, and hope for a future free from breast cancer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 18th day of October 2025.




Amy Shuler Goodwin, Mayor

COMMUNICATIONS

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**TO: MILES CARY
CITY CLERK**

**FROM: AMY SHULER GOODWIN
MAYOR**

RE: PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION

DATE: OCTOBER 20, 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "ASG", is written over the "FROM" line of the memo.

I recommend Maria Belcher and Sam Nygaard be appointed to the Public Arts Commission. Ms. Belcher's term will expire February 7, 2029 and Ms. Nygaard's term will expire February 7, 2028.

I respectfully request City Council's approval of this recommendation.

ASG/mls

Councilmember Ceperley motioned to approved the appointment. Councilmember Hoover seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, the Mayor declared the appointment as confirmed.

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**TO: MILES CARY
CITY CLERK**

**FROM: AMY SHULER GOODWIN
MAYOR**

RE: SPRING HILL CEMETERY PARK COMMISSION

DATE: OCTOBER 20, 2025



I recommend Julia Moran be appointed to the Spring Hill Cemetery Park Commission. Her term will expire April 6, 2029.

I respectfully request City Council's approval of this recommendation.

ASG/mls

Councilmember Ceperley motioned to approved the appointment. Councilmember Hoover seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, the Mayor declared the appointment as confirmed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Councilmember Jenkins, Chair of the Council Committee on Finance, submitted the following reports:

1. Your committee on Finance has had under consideration the following resolution, and reports the same to Council with the recommendation that Resolution No. 25-100 be adopted.

Resolution No. 25-100 - Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to purchase two Power Pro ambulance cots with accessories, one Lucas 3 v 3.1 chest compression system with accessories, two LifePak 35 monitors/defibrillators with accessories, and five Stair Pro stair chairs with accessories for the Charleston Fire Department from Stryker Medical in the amount of \$202,424.53 pursuant to a competitively sourced contract.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager is authorized to purchase two Power Pro ambulance cots with accessories, one Lucas 3 v 3.1 chest compression system with accessories, two LifePak 35 monitors/defibrillators with accessories, and five Stair Pro stair chairs with accessories for the Charleston Fire Department from Stryker Medical in the amount of \$202,424.53 pursuant to a competitively sourced contract.

Councilmember Jenkins added that the purchases are formal standard replacements that have been accounted for in the budget.

Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ceperley seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, the Mayor declared Resolution No. 25-100.

2. Your committee on Finance has had under consideration the following resolution, and reports the same to Council with the recommendation that Resolution No. 25-101 be adopted.

Resolution No. 25-101 - Authorizing approval of Amendment No. 4 of the FY 2025-2026 General Fund Budget as indicated on the attached list of accounts.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That Amendment No. 4 of the FY 2025-2026 General Fund Budget as indicated on the attached list of accounts is approved.

Councilmember Jenkins added that the amendment will move funds for the repair of a fire truck. It includes reimbursement from the City's insurance as well as the deductible.

Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ceperley seconded the motion.

A roll call was taken:

YEAS: Annie, Burka, Ceperley, Cook, Faegre, Ferrell, Gardner, Haas, Hoover, Jenkins, Jones, Kerns, King, Moore, Overstreet, Pepper, Pharr, Robinson, Rubio, Salango, Solomon, Steelhammer, Taylor, Mayor Goodwin

NAYS:

ABSENT: Burton, Gianola, Snodgrass

With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, Mayor Goodwin declared Resolution No. 25-101 as adopted.

3. Your committee on Finance has had under consideration the following resolution, and reports the same to Council with the recommendation that Resolution No. 25-102 be adopted.

Resolution No. 25-102 - Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into an agreement with Atlantic Emergency Solutions for repairs to Charleston Fire Department Fire Engine 455 in the estimated amount of \$142,961.08.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Atlantic Emergency Solutions for repairs to Charleston Fire Department Fire Engine 455 in the estimated amount of \$142,961.08.

Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ceperley seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting in the majority in the affirmative, Mayor Goodwin declared Resolution No. 25-102 as adopted.

4. Your committee on Finance has had under consideration the following resolution, and reports the same to Council with the recommendation that Resolution No. 25-103 be adopted.

Resolution No. 25-103 - Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into a contract with Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC. for the purchase of road salt at a rate of \$85.00 per ton pursuant to a competitive bidding process, where the contract quantity will be “as needed” with no minimum amount required and where the price will remain fixed for one year.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC. for the purchase of road salt at a rate of \$85.00 per ton pursuant to a competitive bidding process, where the contract quantity will be “as needed” with no minimum amount required and where the price will remain fixed for one year.

Councilmember Jenkins added that the resolution is for the annual purchase of road salt.

Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ceperley seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting in the majority in the affirmative, Mayor Goodwin declared Resolution No. 25-103 as adopted.

5. Your committee on Finance has had under consideration the following resolution, and reports the same to Council with the recommendation that Resolution No. 25-104 be adopted.

Resolution No. 25-104 - Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into an agreement with Zones, LLC for VMWare software subscription services for Information Systems in the amount of \$56,130.99 pursuant to a competitively sourced contract.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Zones, LLC for VMWare software subscription services for Information Systems in the amount of \$56,130.99 pursuant to a competitively sourced contract.

Councilmember Jenkins added that the resolution is to approve an annual subscription that is needed for the servers used by the City.

Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ceperley seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting in the majority in the affirmative, Mayor Goodwin declared Resolution No. 25-104 as adopted.

6. Your committee on Finance has had under consideration the following resolution, and reports the same to Council with the recommendation that Resolution No. 25-105 be adopted.

Resolution No. 25-105 - Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into all necessary documents, upon final approval by the City Solicitor, to facilitate the transfer of the property commonly referred to as City Park from Vista View Apartments, LP, to RP Vista View LLC or an affiliate thereof, and approving a payoff to the City of Charleston of \$395,000 as part of the closing, in exchange for the release of two Deeds of Trust entered into by Vista View Apartments, LP with the City of Charleston in 2005.

Now Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager are hereby authorized to enter into all necessary documents, upon final approval by the City Solicitor, to facilitate the transfer of the property commonly referred to as City Park from Vista View Apartments, LP, to RP Vista View LLC or an affiliate thereof, namely the Assignment and Assumption of Tax Regulatory Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and such other agreements, certificates and instruments, requiring the City's acknowledgement and agreement as Issuer of the original bonds; and

That the Mayor or City Manager are hereby authorized to enter into all necessary documents, upon final approval by the City Solicitor, authorizing and approving a final payoff to the City of Charleston of \$395,000 as part of the closing on the above referenced transaction in exchange for the release of two Deeds of Trust entered into by Vista View Apartments LP with the City of Charleston in 2005. This represents a 7.7% discount rate on the original \$1,000,000 HOME Investment Partnership Program Loan and \$200,000 Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Funding Agreement, which would both mature in 2040. This would remove debt from the property at the closing and allow Radiant Property Management and RP Vista View LLC to purchase the property, invest in improvements to the property, and commit to keeping it affordable property at least through 2045.

Councilmember Jenkins added that the City had loaned Vista View Apartments \$1.2 million with 0% interest through MOECD and then secured two deeds of trust on the property for that payment. The payment was due in 2040. Due to the property being sold to a new party, the agreement states that the loan will be paid off under the stated terms. Any money the City receives from this will go to the MOECD to fund their programs.

Councilmember Jenkins moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ceperley seconded the motion. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, Mayor Goodwin declared Resolution No. 25-105 as adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. City Treasurer’s Report to City Council Month Ending September 2025.
2. Municipal Court Report to City Council Month Ending September 2025.

NEW BILLS

None

MISCELLANEOUS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REMARKS BY MEMBERS

1. Mayor Goodwin thanked the City's first responders.
2. Councilmember Faegre stated that there will be a crosswalk from Park Avenue to West Side Middle School. They are also working on getting an additional crosswalk at the intersection of Central Avenue and Park Avenue.
3. Councilmember Moore thanked the CARE Team and CPD for helping with an incident on Friday.
4. Councilmember Taylor stated that there is a current crisis in male, adolescent mental health.

ADJOURNMENT

City Clerk, Miles C. Cary II, called the closing roll call:

YEAS: Annie, Burka, Ceperley, Cook, Faegre, Ferrell, Gardner, Haas, Hoover, Jenkins, Jones, Kerns, King, Moore, Overstreet, Pepper, Pharr, Robinson, Rubio, Salango, Solomon, Steelhammer, Taylor, Mayor Goodwin

NAYS:

ABSENT: Burton, Gianola, Snodgrass

At 7:33 p.m., by a motion from Councilmember Ceperley, Council adjourned until Monday, November 3, 2025, 7:00 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Amy Shuler Goodwin, Honorable Mayor

Miles C. Cary II, City Clerk