

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS MEETING MINUTES
ST. AVOLD CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
AUGUST 25, 2025
5:30 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin;

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1) (arrived at 5:38 p.m.); Malik Davis (District 2); Mario Benavente (District 3); Lynne Greene (District 5); Derrick Thompson (District 6); Brenda McNair (District 7); Courtney Banks-McLaughlin (District 8) (arrived at 5:51 p.m.); Deno Hondros (District 9)

Absent: D.J. Haire (District 4)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager
Lachelle Pulliam, City Attorney
Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager
Jodi Phelps, Assistant City Manager
Jeffery Yates, Assistant City Manager
Kelly Strickland, Assistant City Manager
Lisa Harper, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Roberto Bryan, Jr., Police Chief
Todd Joyce, Assistant Police Chief
Kevin Dove, Fire Chief
Gerald Newton, Development Services Director
Jerry Clipp, Human Resources Director
Dereke Planter, Code Enforcement Supervisor
Loren Bymer, Marketing & Communications Director
Sheila Thomas- Ambat, Public Services Director
Craig Harmon, Senior Planner
Albert Baker, Economic & Community Development
Assistant Director
Joshua Hall, Police Attorney
Brook Redding, Senior Assistant to the City Manager
John Jones, Office of Community Safety Director
Jennifer Ayre, City Clerk

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Benavente moved to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(3)(5) for attorney-client privilege and land acquisition
SECOND: Council Member Greene
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

The regular meeting recessed at 5:31 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Benavente moved to come out of closed session
SECOND: Council Member Davis
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

The meeting reconvened at 5:57 p.m.

Mayor Colvin asked the Council to review the regular agenda for the August 25, 2025, meeting.

Council Member Benavente stated last Thursday he made a request for a comparison of the Juvenile records and how it is trending be presented in Item 8.01 - Receive the Fayetteville Police Department 2025 Second Quarter Review. Mr. Roberto Bryan, Police Chief, stated last quarter, there was a question regarding petitions, and a request to have the same information. The Department of Juvenile Justice referred them back to the County and was told that the information could not be provided, as all the data for the County is combined.

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Hondros asked if all the public hearings are still on for tonight. Ms. Jennifer Ayre, City Clerk, stated that the Clerk's Office received an email from the applicant of Item 9.01 - Approve P25-30: A request to rezone 2211 Rosehill Road (0438470005000), consisting of 21.27 acres and owned by Cross Creek Refuse LLC, from Single Family Residential 6 (SF-6) to Mixed Residential 5 (MR-5) to table the hearing due to a medical emergency. Council Member Davis asked if there can be a time requirement that applicants are allowed to table.

Council Member Hondros requested an explanation on how the land use map is reviewed for rezonings and how the land use map is developed. Dr. Gerald Newton, Development Services Director, explained the process of adopting a land use plan that generally takes up to a year, includes community meetings, public hearings, and review by the Planning Commission and City Council. Dr. Newton stated that the current land use map, along with its associated text, is available online.

Council Member Benavente asked if applicants automatically get to speak or not. Dr. Newton stated they are required to sign up to speak.

Discussion ensued regarding tabling public hearings.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIFER L. AYRE
City Clerk
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Mayor