



City of Hampton

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Notice of Action City Council Legislative Session

Mayor Jimmy Gray
Vice Mayor Steven L. Brown
Councilmember Randy C. Bowman, Sr.
Councilmember Carolyn S. Campbell
Councilmember Michelle Taylor Ferebee
Councilmember Hope L. Harper
Councilmember Martha M. Mugler

STAFF: Mary Bunting, City Manager
Courtney R. Sydnor, City Attorney
Katherine K. Glass, MMC, Clerk of Council

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

First Public Hearing on FY26 Manager's Recommended Budget

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members of Council were present.

Present: 7 - Councilmember Randy C. Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Steven L. Brown, Councilmember Carolyn S. Campbell, Councilmember Michelle T. Ferebee, Councilmember Hope L. Harper, Councilmember Martha Mugler and Mayor Jimmy Gray

INVOCATION: Councilman Randy C. Bowman, Sr.

Councilman Bowman gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Gray read a proclamation concerning April as being Volunteer Month. He also reminded those in attendance that the sign up time for public comment will change beginning in May.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Mugler, to approve the Consent Agenda. The

motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

1. [25-0112](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Council Approved Budget to Appropriate \$350,000 from the General Fund's Restricted Fund Balance to the Sheriff-Jail's General Fund Operating Budget

Item approved.

Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

2. [25-0114](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Council Approved Budget to Accept and Appropriate the 2025 Marcus Alert/ Co-Response Team Grant made by Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services.

Item approved.

Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

3. [25-0117](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 City Council Approved Budget by Authorizing an Advance of \$500,000 from the Steam Plant Unrestricted Net Position to be Appropriated to the Steam Plant Operating Budget to Fund the Refuse Crane Runway Rail Replacement

Item approved.

Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

4. [25-0105](#) Resolution to Appropriate the Increased Allocation from the Virginia Department of Transportation for the Fiscal Year 2025 Urban Maintenance Program
Item approved.
Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray
5. [25-0123](#) Resolution to Amend the Hampton City Council Public Hearing and Public Comment Protocol
Item approved.
Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray
6. [25-0104](#) Appointment to the Virginia Municipal League Policy Committees
Item approved.
Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray
7. [25-0041](#) Approval of the minutes from the legislative session of March 26, 2025.
Item approved.
Aye: 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS

8. [25-0115](#) Finance Committee Recommendation Based on the Revenue Guideline for Real Estate Tax Rate Adjustment
Presented by Linda Curtis, member of the Finance Committee.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. [25-0040](#) Public Hearing to Receive Citizens' Comments relative to the Proposed Effective Real Property Tax Increase; Proposed Tax Rate Decrease from \$1.15 to \$1.14 Per \$100 of Assessed Value
The following individuals spoke at the public hearing: Aaron Weaver and Brenda Marks.

10. [25-0044](#) Public Hearing to Receive Citizens' Comments Regarding the City Manager's Recommended Budget for Fiscal Year 2026
The following individuals spoke at the public hearing: Aaron Weaver and Brenda Marks.

11. [25-0036](#) Public Hearing and Vote on FY 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan
The following individuals spoke at the public hearing: Aaron Weaver and Brenda Marks. The City Manager clarified some misinformation concerning a potential parking garage in Buckroe. There is no such item in the CIP.

Following the public hearing, a motion was made by Councilmember Martha Mugler and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that the FY 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

Nay: 1 - Councilmember Campbell

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals spoke during the public comment period: Joan Weaver, Aaron Weaver, Jeannie Belgrave, Jontue Cooper, Earl Miller, and Joyce Beggs. The City Manager provided brief responsive comments.

GENERAL ITEMS

There were no general items on the agenda.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER, CITY COUNCIL, STAFF, COMMITTEES

There were no reports.

MISCELLANEOUS NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of new business.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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