



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, May 14, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Second Reading and Final Approval of FY26 Manager's Recommended Budget

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all members of the City Council 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 - Councilwoman Carolyn Campbell

Councilwoman Carolyn Campbell gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

The Mayor's Comments were preempted by a band of pirates who shared information on the upcoming Blackbeard's Pirate Festival.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion made 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. [25-0137](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Council Approved Budget to Accept and Appropriate the National Fish and Wildlife Federation's (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund (NCRF) Award for the Project Titled Developing Nature-Based Solutions to Build Resilience in the Back River Estuary [Grant ID No. 0318.25.084439]

Item approved.

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

2. [25-0140](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Council Approved Budget and Accept and Appropriate a Stormwater Local Assistance Fund Program Grant Awarded by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality for the Mill Point Living Shoreline Project

Item approved.

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

3. [25-0141](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025 Council Approved Budget and Accept and Appropriate the 2024 Stormwater Local Assistance Fund Grant Awarded by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality for the City's Pembroke Pond Retrofit Project

Item approved.

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

4. [25-0132](#) Approval of the minutes from the work sessions of February 26, 2025, and 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

Clint Ross, Federal Facilities and Community Affairs Liaison, gave background on Michele Vinner, Mathematics Curriculum Leader, Hampton City Schools and Detective Scott A. Quesenberry, Hampton Police Division – Special Investigations Unit, who were recently recognized by Joint Base Langley-Eustis as Hometown Heroes. The members of Council congratulated them and presented them with City coins.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Rezoning

5. [25-0101](#) Rezoning Application No. 25-0101 by OBT Virginia Investors LLC to Rezone +/- 0.96 Acres at 1263 W Queen Street [LRSN: 2000422] from One Family Residential (R-11) and Light Manufacturing (M-2) Districts to One Family Residential (R-11) District with Conditions to Allow One-Family Dwellings on Three (3) Proposed Individual Lots

Donald Whipple, Chief Planner presented the item. There were no speakers so Mayor Gray opened and closed the public hearing. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Steven Brown and seconded by Councilmember Randy Bowman, Sr., that this Zoning Ordinance - Map be approved with 12 proffered conditions. 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

6. [25-0010](#) Rezoning Application No. 25-0010 by Franklin Johnston Group Management & Development, LLC to Rezone +/-16.9 Acres at 1616, 1616B, and 1612 N Armistead Avenue [LRSN: 7000335, 7000336, and 7000337] from One Family Residential (R-11) District to Multifamily Residential (MD-4) District with Conditions for a Multifamily Development
- Donald Whipple, Chief Planner presented both item 25-0010 and 25-0011. Timothy O. Trantt, II, the applicant's attorney, also gave a few remarks. There was a joint public hearing on the items and there were no speakers so Mayor Gray opened and closed the public hearing.
- A motion was made by Councilmember Martha Mugler and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that this Zoning Ordinance - Map be approved with 13 proffered conditions. 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

Use Permits

7. [25-0011](#) Use Permit Application No. 25-0011 by Franklin Johnston Group Management & Development, LLC to Permit Multifamily Dwellings at 1616, 1616B, and 1612 N Armistead Avenue [LRSN: 7000335, 7000336, and 7000337]
- Donald Whipple, Chief Planner presented both item 25-0010 and 25-0011. Timothy O. Trantt, II, the applicant's attorney, also gave a few remarks. There was a joint public hearing on the items and there were no speakers so Mayor Gray opened and closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Councilmember Martha Mugler and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that this Use Permit be approved with eight conditions. 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

8. [25-0103](#) Use Permit Application No. 25-0103 by Copeland Investment Properties, LLC to Permit a Funeral Home/Mortuary at 611 Rotary St [portion of LRSN: 1000315]
- Han Vu, City Planner, presented the item. There was a public hearing on the item and there were no speakers so Mayor Gray opened and closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Vice Mayor Steven Brown, that this Use Permits be approved with seven conditions 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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brenda Marks, Aaron Weaver, Ray Miles, and Joshua Eley spoke during the public comment period. The City Manager, Mary Bunting, provided some brief responsive remarks.

GENERAL ITEMS

9. [25-0134](#) Invitation for Bids to Qualified Electric Services Providers for a Non-Exclusive Easement for the Purpose of Transmitting and Distributing Electric Power Over, Under, Through, Upon and Across Certain City-owned Property to Provide Electric Services to Property Located at 187 Hall Road, Hampton, Virginia
- The Clerk of Council read one bid from Dominion Energy dated

May 6, 2025 and received on May 6, 2025. This was the only bid received. Mayor Gray asked if there were others and there were no others presented. Mayor Gray indicated that a public hearing on this matter will take place on May 28, 2025.

Tax and Fee Ordinances

Ms. Bunting, the City Manager, gave introductory comments on the proposed budget.

10. [25-0042](#) Ordinance to Adopt the Tax Rate Applicable to Real Estate and Improvements Thereon in the City of Hampton, Virginia for Fiscal Year 2026 Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that this Ordinance 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

11. [25-0038](#) Ordinance to Adopt and Continue the Imposition of Certain Service District Taxes Within the Coliseum Central Business Improvement District, the Downtown Hampton Business Improvement District, and the Elizabeth Lake Estates Service District for Fiscal Year 2026 (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026)

A motion was made by Councilmember Carolyn Campbell and seconded by Councilmember Martha Mugler, that agenda items 11 25-0038 through 15 25-0127 be approved. 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

12. [25-0043](#) Ordinance to Adopt Tax Rates Applicable to All Classifications of Tangible Personal Property Liable for Such Levy in the City of Hampton, Virginia for the Calendar Year Beginning January 1, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Carolyn Campbell and seconded by Councilmember Martha Mugler, that agenda items 11 25-0038 through 15 25-0127 be approved. 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

13. [25-0125](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Amending Chapter 30, Titled "Sewers and Sewage Disposal," Article III, Titled "Sewer Use Charges," Section 30-48, Titled "Amount"

A motion was made by Councilmember Carolyn Campbell and seconded by Councilmember Martha Mugler, that agenda items 11 25-0038 through 15 25-0127 be approved. 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

14. [25-0126](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Amending Chapter 33.3, Titled "Stormwater Management and Erosion Control," Article II, Titled "Stormwater Management," Division 4, Titled "Service Charges and Revenues," Section 33.3-35, Titled "Same-Billing, Payment, Interest, Fee and Lien"

A motion was made by Councilmember Carolyn Campbell and seconded by Councilmember Martha Mugler, that agenda items 11 25-0038 through 15 25-0127 be approved. 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

15. [25-0127](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of

Hampton, Virginia by Amending Chapter 1, Titled "General Provisions", Section 1-14, Titled "Assessment of Additional Court Costs in Criminal and Traffic Cases for Courthouse and Courtroom Security"

A motion was made by Councilmember Carolyn Campbell and seconded by Councilmember Martha Mugler, that agenda items 11 25-0038 through 15 25-0127 be approved. 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

Budget Ordinances

16. [25-0045](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the General Fund (City and Schools) of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Martha Mugler and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that this Ordinance be approved on second and final reading, as amended.

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

17. [25-0046](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Capital Budget (Projects) Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Steven Brown and seconded by Councilmember Randy Bowman, Sr., that this Ordinance 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

18. [25-0047](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Hampton Coliseum - Arts Commission - Hampton VA Aquaplex Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

19. [25-0048](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Hampton Roads Convention Center Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

20. [25-0049](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for The Hamptons Golf Course Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

- 21 [25-0051](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the
Woodlands Golf Course Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal
Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and
seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this
Ordinance be approved. 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

22. [25-0052](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the
Fleet Services Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026
beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and
seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this
Ordinance be approved. 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

23. [25-0053](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the
Fleet Services - Equipment Replacement Fund of the City of
Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and
ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and
seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this
Ordinance be approved. 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

24. [25-0054](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Information Technology Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

25. [25-0055](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Risk Management Fund (City and Schools) of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

26. [25-0056](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Solid Waste Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

27. [25-0057](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Steam Plant Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

28. [25-0059](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Wastewater Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

- 43 [25-0058](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Stormwater Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

30. [25-0060](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Fund of the City of Hampton for the Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

31. [25-0061](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Economic Development Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Hope Harper and seconded by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee, that this Ordinance be approved. 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

32. [25-0062](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Grant Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2026 beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Michelle Ferebee and seconded by Vice Mayor Steven Brown, that this Ordinance be approved on second and final reading, as amended. 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

Appointments

The City Manager, Mary Bunting, thanked the entire budget team who has been working on this budget since the November/December time frame.

- 33.** [25-0129](#) Consideration of Appointments to the Virginia Peninsula Public Service Authority (VPPSA)
- A motion was made by Vice Mayor Steven Brown and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that Jason Mitchell be reappointed and that Michael Bowery be appointed as his alternate until May 31, 2028. 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
- 34.** [25-0130](#) Consideration of Appointments to the Hampton Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- A motion was made by Vice Mayor Steven Brown and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that Remi Travis Wright and Cassandra Townsley be reappointed to terms expiring on May 30, 2029. 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
- 35.** [25-0135](#) Consideration of an Appointment to the Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT)
- A motion was made by Vice Mayor Steven Brown and seconded

by Councilmember Hope Harper, that Marcy Wright be appointed as the representative for Transitions Family Violence Services.

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

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 7:54 p.m.

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