



CITY OF DAYTON

Regular Council Meeting Minutes - DRAFT
July 8, 2025

Dayton City Council held a Regular Council meeting on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Dayton Community Center, 625 Second Avenue.

City Clerk Tristan Klein delivered the roll call. Members present were Member Horton, Member Neary, Member Nyman, Member Kelly, Member Judd, Member Lovins, Assistant City Administrator Barks, City Attorney Alex Edmondson, and Mayor Baker. City Administrator Fossett was absent.

Mayor Baker opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Baker reported that the City would be receiving a Red Bike station, which the City was able to obtain at a significant price reduction. Mayor Baker emphasized the opportunities for tourists to more easily visit Dayton from other River Cities and for Dayton residents to be able utilize Red Bike to attend sporting events and other attractions in Cincinnati with more convenience.

Mayor Baker reported on the ongoing improvements at Gil Lynn Park, including the pickleball courts construction and repaving of the basketball courts. He also reported that the gaga pit would be receiving a rubberized base after a Dayton youth approached him about the need.

Mayor Baker then shared that Sargeant Park would be reopening on July 20th at 11am, an event that will include refreshments and prizes.

Mayor Baker reported that Riverfront Commons Phases II and III have been approved by the State of Kentucky.

Lastly, Mayor Baker reported that the paving contract for the current fiscal year came in nearly \$300,000 under budget due to the diligence of administration in combining projects with the City of Bellevue.

Approval of Minutes:

Member Horton made a motion to approve the minutes from June 10th as presented.
Member Judd seconded the motion.

All members present voted aye.

Presentations

John Chamberlin of Chamberlin Owen & Co., Inc. Certified Public Accountants presented the financial statement audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 to the City Council.

City Engineer Mike Yeager presented regarding ongoing and upcoming public capital improvement infrastructure projects in the City of Dayton.

Citizens to address the City regarding legislative items on the agenda:

None

Ordinances:

Second Reading: Ordinance 2025-3: An Ordinance amending Chapter 50 of the City of Dayton Code of Ordinances, titled "Garbage," to reflect changes to the City's solid-waste removal and recycling policies as a result of the City's new solid-waste and recycling contract with Rumpke of Kentucky, Inc.

Ordinance 2025-3 was read for second reading. Motion was made by Member Nyman to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2025-3. Motion was seconded by Member Horton.

Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye
Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	aye
Member Kelly	aye
Member Judd	aye

Orders/Resolutions:

Order Resolution 2025-14R: An Order-Resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into agreements with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to construct Phase II and Phase III of the Riverfront Commons River’s-Edge Hiking and Biking Trail in an amount not to exceed \$2,013,904, 80 percent of which is payable from a Federal SNK grant and 20 percent of which is payable from City of Dayton’s FY2025-26 Capital Improvement Fund.

Motion was made by Member Kelly to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2025-13R. Motion seconded by Member Nyman.

Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	aye
Member Kelly	aye
Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye

Order Resolution 2025-15R: An Order-Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Miracle of KY & TN Playgrounds in the total amount of \$200,000 to supply and install playground equipment at Gil Lynn Park, \$100,000 of which is payable from City Park Tax and Capital Improvement Funds and \$100,000 of which is payable from a contribution from the City from Dayton Independent Schools.

Motion was made by Member Horton to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2025-15R. Motion seconded by Member Lovins.

Member Kelly	aye
Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye
Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	aye

Order Resolution 2025-16R: An Order-Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into contracts with Eaton Asphalt in the amount of \$341,303.40 for street repaving work and with Hendy Construction in the amount of \$91,674.00 for construction of ADA ramps in the City of Dayton, payable from Municipal Road Aid Funds and Capital Spending Fund.

Motion was made by Member Neary to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2025-16R. Motion seconded by Member Kelly.

Member Nyman	aye
Member Kelly	aye
Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye
Member Neary	aye

Order Resolution 2025-17R: An Order/Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dayton, Kentucky, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an interlocal agreement with the Campbell County Fiscal Court regarding the sheltering of animals at the Campbell County Animal Shelter.

Motion was made by Member Kelly to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2025-17R.
Motion seconded by Member Nyman.

Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	aye
Member Kelly	aye
Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye

Department Directors’ Monthly Reports:

Code Enforcement Officer Cassie Patterson was absent.

Police Department: Lieutenant Tony Baldwin delivered the report for the police department in Chief Dave Halfhill’s absence, including inviting the City Council to the Dayton Summer Bash on July 19th from 12-4 pm.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Brent Schafer delivered the monthly report for the Fire Department, including that the department had two new hires and responded to 205 calls last month.

Public Works: Public Works Director Rick Lucas delivered the monthly report for public works, including reporting that the public works crew planted over 40 trees in the City for the last month.

City Administrator’s Report:

Assistant City Administrator Jerrod Barks gave an update on ongoing projects in the City of Dayton, including updates at Gil Lynn Park, a recap of the pop up bike shop Dayton held in conjunction with Tristate Trails. He also reported that the City has begun street sweeping along Route 8.

Audience Comments:

Dave Culp of 320 6th Avenue addressed City Council requesting signs designating the Dayton Historic District and with complaints regarding his neighbors.

Don Bieger of 638 5th Avenue addressed City Council with concerns regarding the property assessment process in Campbell County.

New Business:

Member Horton requested that Council move forward with forming Council Committees, specifically a Recreation Committee.

Member Judd gave a recap of the O’Fallon Stallion and asked for input from the City Council regarding community involvement in the new Housing Opportunities of Northern Kentucky (HONK) remodel project at 814 5th Avenue.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Member Kelly to adjourn. Motion seconded by Member Neary. All Members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm.

Ben Baker

Mayor

Attest:

Tristan Klein

City Clerk/ Treasurer

