



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 7:00 PM
City Hall, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, AR 71701

AGENDA

- A. **CALL TO ORDER**
- B. **INVOCATION** - Minister Johnnie Hobbie, Pastor - Maul Road Church of Christ, 1425 Maul Road, Camden, AR 71701
- C. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. **ROLL CALL**
- E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- F. **ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**
- G. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
- H. **MAYOR'S REPORT**
- I. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - 1. **Ordinance No. 1-25**, an ordinance amending Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protections, Article I, and amending chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article I, of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Camden, Arkansas.
- J. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. **Resolution No. 8-25**, a resolution declaring the structure located at 379 Madison Street a public nuisance and to order the removal of same.
 - 2. **Resolution No. 9-25**, a resolution declaring the structure located at 1026 Highland Street a public nuisance and to order the removal of same.
 - 3. **Resolution No. 10-25**, a resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA); and for other purposes.
 - 4. **Resolution No. 11-25**, a resolution appointing Willie Cooper and Ed Winters to the Advertising and Promotion Commission.
 - 5. **Resolution No. 12-25**, a resolution confirming the appointment of Mack Skelton to the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee.
 - 6. **Resolution No. 13-25**, a resolution approving the appointment of an interim City Treasurer; amending the 2025 Annual Operating Budget; repealing Resolution 43-24; repealing Resolution 14-24; and for other purposes.
 - 7. **Resolution No. 14-25**, a resolution confirming the re-appointment of Cathy Cash to the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee.
 - 8. **Resolution No. 15-25**, a resolution confirming the re-appointment of Katie Reavis to the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee.
- K. **OTHER BUSINESS**
- L. **ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 8-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, TO DECLARE THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 379 MADISON STREET A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDER THE REMOVAL OF THE SAME PURSUANT TO PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN ORDINANCE NO. 14-84

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1: The building is located at 379 Madison Street, owned by Cleveland Broadnax. Camden, AR 71701 Parcel No 777-00136-000R, property is delinquent and has been certified to the State of Arkansas Land Commissioner, is hereby declared to be a nuisance by the City Council of The City of Camden, Arkansas pursuant to the provisions of Section 1 and Section 2 of the Ordinance No. 14-84, and the same is hereby condemned and shall be demolished and removed as provided in Ordinance No.14-84.

SECTION 2: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 9-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, TO DECLARE THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 1026 Highland STREET A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDER THE REMOVAL OF THE SAME PURSUANT TO PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN ORDINANCE NO. 14-84

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1: The building is located at 1026 Highland Street, owned by Doris Gulley. Camden, AR 71701 Parcel No 825-00030-000R, property is delinquent and has been certified to the State of Arkansas Land Commissioner, is hereby declared to be a nuisance by the City Council of The City of Camden, Arkansas pursuant to the provisions of Section 1 and Section 2 of the Ordinance No. 14-84, and the same is hereby condemned and shall be demolished and removed as provided in Ordinance No.14-84.

SECTION 2: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 10-25

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES
(CASA); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, in 1997, the Arkansas Supreme Court identified representation of children as one of the key needs for children in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) was created to fulfill this need; and

WHEREAS, the role of CASA was written into law by the Arkansas Legislature in A.C.A. § 9-27316; and

WHEREAS, CASA volunteers speak up and advocate for abused and neglected children in the courtroom and other settings; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden desires to support CASA and contract with CASA to provide services to children in the court system; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 annual operating budget appropriated Three-Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) in funding for CASA under special projects in line item 01-150-57560.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Mayor, on behalf of the City of Camden, is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Thirteenth Judicial District CASA North to provide advocate services for the sum of \$3,000.00, to be funded as a special project from line item 01-150-57560.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 11-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, APPOINTING WILLIE COOPER AND ED WINTERS TO THE ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 9-00, adopted on May 9, 2000, created the City of Camden Advertising and Promotion Commission; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinance provides that the Advertising and Promotion Commission shall be composed of seven members, of which two members shall be members of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinance further provides that the council positions on the Commission shall be selected by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has selected council members Willie Cooper and Ed Winters to serve on the Commission as representatives of the Council; and

WHEREAS, Willie Cooper and Ed Winters have expressed their willingness to serve the City of Camden in this capacity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council, the official governing body of the City of Camden, Arkansas, hereby appoints Willie Cooper and Ed Winters to serve as a council representatives on the Advertising and Promotion Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 12-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MACK SKELTON TO THE KEEP CAMDEN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee was created by ordinance 27-15 and replaced the Community Appearance Committee; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists on the Committee due to the resignation of Ed Rice; and

WHEREAS, the City to desires appoint Mack Skelton to fulfill the remaining term on the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council, the official governing body of the City of Camden, Arkansas, does hereby confirm the appointment of Mack Skelton to serve on the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee, for a term to expire on February 14, 2026.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 13-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM CITY TREASURER; AMENDING THE 2025 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET; REPEALING RESOLUTION 43-24; REPEALING RESOLUTION 14-24; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City Council in Ordinance 12-10 established the appointed office of City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 6-19 provides that the City Treasurer shall be recommended by the Mayor and approved by the City Council and shall be subject to the adopted Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 43-24 authorized a monthly contract for outside accounting services with the firm of Turner, Rodgers, Manning & Plyler of Arkadelphia; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Turner, Rodgers, Manning & Plyler of Arkadelphia has terminated the monthly contract effective February 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council temporarily assigned the duties of Treasurer to the City Clerk in Resolution 14-24; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended that the current bookkeeper Kayla McKelvey be appointed as the Interim City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to approve the appointment of Kayla McKelvey as the Interim City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to repeal Resolution 43-24 regarding the contract for outside accounting services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to repeal Resolution 14-24 and have the Treasurer duties assumed by the newly appointed Interim City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend Resolution 63-24 approving the 2025 annual operating budget to appropriate funds for the position of Interim City Treasurer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby approves the appointment of Kayla McKelvey as Interim City Treasurer.

SECTION 2. The appointment shall take effect on March 12, 2025.

SECTION 3. The Interim City Treasurer shall have the duties and authority of the City Treasurer until the position of City Treasurer is filled by a separate resolution of the City Council.

SECTION 4. Resolution 14-24 is hereby repealed. The Treasurer duties temporarily assigned to the City Clerk in Resolution 14-24 shall be assumed by the Interim City Treasurer on March 12, 2025. The additional pay to the City Clerk provided in Resolution 14-24 shall cease on March 11, 2025.

SECTION 5. Resolution 43-24 is hereby repealed. The contract with Turner, Rodgers, Manning & Plyler for monthly accounting services is terminated as of February 28, 2025.

SECTION 6. Resolution 63-24 adopting the 2025 annual operating budget is amended. Line 01-030-52500 for “Outside Accounting” is amended from \$65,000.00 to \$15,000.00. The personnel schedule for the finance administration department in line 01130-51110 is amended to add the position of Interim Treasurer with an annual budget request for 2025 of \$41,701.20.

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Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 14-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF CATHY CASH TO THE KEEP CAMDEN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee was created by ordinance 27-15 and replaced the Community Appearance Committee; and

WHEREAS, Cathy Cash was previously appointed in Resolution 10-24 to finish a partial term on the Committee that expires in February 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City to desires re-appoint Cathy Cash to serve a full term on the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee; and

WHEREAS, Cathy Cash has expressed her willingness to continue serving the City of Camden in this capacity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council, the official governing body of the City of Camden, Arkansas, does hereby confirm the re-appointment of Cathy Cash to serve on the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee, for a full term to expire on February 14, 2030.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 15-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KATIE REAVIS TO THE KEEP CAMDEN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee was created by ordinance 27-15 and replaced the Community Appearance Committee; and

WHEREAS, Katie Reavis was previously appointed in Resolution 16-23 to serve a partial term on the Committee that expires in February 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City to desires re-appoint Katie Reavis to serve a full term on the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee; and

WHEREAS, Katie Reavis has expressed her willingness to continue serving the City of Camden in this capacity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council, the official governing body of the City of Camden, Arkansas, does hereby confirm the re-appointment of Katie Reavis to serve on the Keep Camden Beautiful Committee, for a full term to expire on February 14, 2030.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Mayor

City Clerk