



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 7:00 PM
City Hall, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, AR 71701

AGENDA

- A. **CALL TO ORDER**
- B. **INVOCATION** - Reverend Randy Seale, Pastor - Fairview United Methodist Church, 2603 Mt. Holly Road, Camden, Arkansas
- 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. 2-26**, an ordinance abandoning Lena Street located near Fairview.
- J. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. **Resolution No. 5-26**, A resolution confirming the re-appointment of Beverly Golden to the Camden Housing Authority.
 - 2. **Resolution No. 6-26**, a resolution confirming the appointment of Darryl Moore to the Camden Port Authority.
 - 3. **Resolution No. 7-26**, a resolution confirming the appointment of members to the Historic District Commission; and for other purposes.
 - 4. **Resolution No. 8-26**, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Ouachita Partnership for Economic Development (OPED) to provide certain Economic Development Services for the City of Camden.
 - 5. **Resolution No. 9-26**, a resolution confirming the re-appointment of David Reynolds and Steven Word to the Camden Port Authority.
- K. **OTHER BUSINESS**
- L. **ADJOURNMENT**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN,
ARKANSAS, ABANDONING LENA STREET LOCATED NEAR
FAIRVIEW ROAD.**

WHEREAS, a petition was duly filed with the City Council of the City of Camden, Arkansas, on November 1, 2025, asking the City Council to abandon Lena Street located near Fairview Road, in the City of Camden, Arkansas, as shown on the recorded plat thereof; and

WHEREAS, after due notice as required by law, the City Council has at the time and place mentioned in said notice heard all persons desiring to be heard on the question and has ascertained that said street, as hereinafter described, has heretofore been dedicated to the public for use as a street, has not actually been used by the public generally for a period exceeding (5) years subsequent to the filing of the plat, and that the public interest and welfare would not be adversely affected by the abandonment of the street.

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

SECTION 1: The City of Camden, Arkansas hereby releases, vacated and abandons all its rights, together with the rights of public generally, to Lena Street near Fairview Road as shown on the attached plat. Reserving, however, the same as an easement for the construction, installation, maintenance, operation, repair and replacement of any utility.

SECTION 2: A copy of this Ordinance duly certified by the City Clerk shall be filed with the Office of the Circuit Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Ouachita County, Arkansas and recorded in the Deed Records thereof.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2026

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 05-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF BEVERLY GOLDEN TO THE CAMDEN HOUSING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated §14-169-208 provides for the appointment of members to a local housing authority; and

WHEREAS, said statute further provides that when a vacancy occurs on the commission, the commission shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy, subject to the approval of the city council; and

WHEREAS, Beverly Golden was previously appointed to serve on the Camden Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Camden Housing Authority has requested that Beverly Golden be re-appointed to serve a full term that will expire on January 9, 2031; and

WHEREAS, Beverly Golden has expressed her willingness to continue serving on the Camden Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to confirm the re-appointment of Beverly Golden to serve a full term that will expire on January 9, 2031.

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 Beverly Golden to serve a full term on the Camden Housing Authority, ending on January 9, 2031.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 6-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DARRYL MOORE TO THE CAMDEN PORT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Camden Code of Ordinances Section 2-221 codified the creation of the Camden Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Section authorizes the Mayor to appoint members to the Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists on the Camden Port Authority due to the passing of Edwin Horton; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-125 provides that in the event of a vacancy, the successor shall be appointed by the mayor for the unexpired term resulting from the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires to appoint Darryl Moore to serve on the Camden Port Authority for the remainder of the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, Darryl Moore has expressed his willingness to serve 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 appointment of Darryl Moore to serve on the Camden Port Authority, for a term to expire on December 17, 2028.

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Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 07-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11-21 created the Historic District Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11-21 provides that the Commission shall be composed of seven (7) members; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 11-21 further provides that members shall be appointed to staggered terms; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 11-21 provides that the Commission members shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the governing body of the City.

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, does hereby confirm the Mayor's appointment of the following members to the Historic District Commission, with the terms to end as designated:

- V. Ann Guthrie: 2/10/27
- Allen D. Dawson: 2/10/27
- Jonathan Weems: 2/10/28
- Paul A. Long, Sr.: 2/10/28
- Nancy Jones: 2/10/29
- George Betts: 2/10/29
- Bishop Chester Thompson: 2/10/29

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Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 08-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE OUACHITA PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (OPED) TO PROVIDE CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CAMDEN

WHEREAS, the future of the City of Camden is dependent upon economic development in order to sustain the progress and success of the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Ouachita Partnership for Economic Development, Inc., (OPED) is to work with existing industry, attract new industry, capital investment and jobs to the City of Camden, Ouachita County and its environs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden desires for OPED to exercise its leadership role in providing a comprehensive and aggressive marketing strategy to insure economic prosperity in the City of Camden, Ouachita County and its environs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden wishes to enter into a new Contract with OPED to replace previous contracts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden specifically desires to contract with OPED to pay to it the sum of \$100,000.00 to be used by OPED for administration of the economic development program, including the continued employment of an Executive Director, maintenance of the Small Business Development Center, and marketing for the calendar year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Operating Budget for 2026 included the sum of One-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for economic development in line item 54045 of the Economic Development Fund 08.

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 a contract, similar to the one previously presented to the city council, of which has been presented to the City Council, for the purpose of providing economic development services for the City of Camden in full replacement of all previous contracts for the calendar year 2026.

SECTION 2. In the event OPED ceases to exist all its assets shall be conveyed to the City of Camden without any compensation.

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Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 09-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DAVID REYNOLDS AND STEVEN WORD TO THE CAMDEN PORT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Camden Code of Ordinances Section 2-221 codified the creation of the Camden Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Section authorizes the Mayor to appoint members to the Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, David Reynolds and Steven Word are currently serving on the Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires to re-appoint David Reynolds and Steven Word to serve on the Camden Port Authority; and

WHEREAS, David Reynolds and Steven Word have expressed their willingness to serve 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 David Reynolds and Steven Word to serve on the Camden Port Authority, for terms to expire on December 17, 2029.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Mayor

City Clerk