



BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN WORK SESSION AGENDA

Monday, March 31, 2025 at 4:30 PM

City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Montgomery - Watterson Boardroom

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Paul W. Montgomery, Presiding
Vice Mayor Darrell Duncan
Alderman Morris Baker
Alderman Betsy Cooper

Alderman Colette George
Alderman Gary Mayes
Alderman James Phillips

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Chris McCartt, City Manager
Michael Borders, Assistant City Manager
Bart Rowlett, City Attorney
Travis Bishop, City Recorder
John Morris, Budget Director
Scott Boyd, Fire Chief

Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager
Jessica Harmon, Assistant City Manager
Tyra Copas, Human Resources Director
Dale Phipps, Police Chief
Adrienne Batara, Public Relations Director
Floyd Bailey, Chief Information Officer

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. BMP Controlled Burn
2. Power Franchise Equalization - Ryan McReynolds
3. Roads and Bridges - Ryan McReynolds

IV. REVIEW OF BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

V. ITEMS OF INTEREST

- [1.](#) Projects Status Report

VI. ADJOURN

Next Work Session, April 14, 2025, 4:30 PM

Projects in Pictures

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City of Kingsport

1 Justice Center Expansion

Structural steel and floor joist work is complete. Metal decking placement for concrete floors is next.

3 Main Street Rebuild Project

Paving is occurring in the parking bays and side roads between Sullivan St and Unicoi St.

2 Main Street Rebuild Project

The traffic signal at the Broad St intersection has been energized and is flashing.



Status Updates on Active Projects sorted by Cost

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\$424,600.00	Michael Borders	Meadowview Chiller Replacement	Replacement of the chiller for Meadowview Conference Center.	5/1/2025	Bid has been awarded to Comfort Systems USA.
\$202,000.00	Niki Ensor	South Fork Sewer Basin Study	Modeling and study of the South Fork Sewer Basin to determine system capacity and concerns for long term development of the basin.	3/1/2025	Waiting on final report
\$187,430.00	Megan Krager	Bays Mountain Park - Observation Tower Improvements	Aesthetic Improvements to the observation tower.		Pre-Con held 03-04-2025. Anticipated start date 04-01-2025
\$167,500.00	Chad Austin	Stormwater Master Plan	Develop overall Stormwater Program Master Plan to determine where we should be focusing our stormwater efforts to make the most impact	9/1/2025	City staff reviewing draft report. Will return comments to consultant by end of March.
\$149,000.00	Floyd Bailey	Smart Cities Initiatives- Broadband Study	Exploring Smart Cities Initiatives and applications with a view toward modernization of technology infrastructure for the City of Kingsport.		Working with design team for Smart Cities cost estimates and phasing.
\$60,000.00	Shirley Buchanan	Senior Center - Admisitrative Area/Teaching Kitchen Renovation	Building out current kitchenette into a full kitchen for teaching and catering.		Progress Print Received on 1/16
	Floyd Bailey	Financial and HR Information Systems	Software modules that will replace the Central Square Naviline ERP.		RFP's will be opened February 20, 2025. Next step will be the review of RFP's by staff to short-list interviewees.
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	Megan Krager	Bays Mountain Park Nature Center Renovations- Phase 2	Renovate the lower level of the Nature Center with a new kids cave and cave exhibits.		Waiting on grant contract execution.
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