

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY MEETING ROOM
MAY 19, 2026
6 PM

Present: Mayor Sowder, Commissioners Garland, Hesse & McDowell, City Attorney Brammell, City Administrator Eden, City Clerk Miller.

Absent: Commissioner Dupré.

Mayor Sowder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

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Mayor Sowder presented, for approval, the minutes from May 5, 2026, public hearing and city meeting. After review, **Commissioner Garland made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) – No Report

Commissioner Dupré (Sewer) – Absent

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) – No Report

Commissioner Hesse (Finance) –

Commissioner Hesse inquired about the following: Todds Point Sidewalk update; SRO for the 2026/2027 school year; Model ordinance addressing data centers.

Commissioner Hesse presented the April Expenditure Reports. No discussion. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the April expenditure reports as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Hesse presented the April Financial Reports. No discussion. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept April financial reports as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor's Report: No Report

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Attorney's Report: No Report

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Clerk's Report: No Report

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the request from Sludge Press Project Engineer, Phillips Meador with Kenvirons, to approve RFC #6 for \$9,252.00 for Electric Service Changes,

RFC #14 for \$4,954.00 for Gravel Path and Concrete Steps, and for RFC #16 for \$10,646.00 for Light Switch and Mag Meter. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve RFC #6, #14, and #16 for \$24,852.00 as presented. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the Contract Extension with Republic Services of Kentucky, LLC effective May 1, 2026. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve the Republic Services Contract Extension as presented and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, an Event Agreement with the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass for July 4, 2026, celebration, with a rain date of July 5, 2026. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the Event Agreement with the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass and to authorize the Mayor to sign document. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, an annual Building Services Agreement with HMC Service Company for \$3,620.00 for three (3) years for the Police Department HVAC. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to approve the annual agreement with HMC Service for \$3,620.00 for three years and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden shared with the Commission a VIP invitation from the Outlet Mall for July 4, 2026 event, requesting an RSVP.

Mayor Sowder called for a closed session to discuss potential business opportunities in Simpsonville. Based on KRS61.810(1)(g), discussions between a public agency and a representative of a business entity and discussions concerning a specific proposal, if open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business, is required to be in closed session. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to enter into closed session at 6:33 pm. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Hesse made the motion to return from closed session at 6:52 pm. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

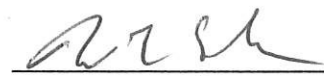
Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve a letter of support for state incentives for a potential business in Simpsonville and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 6:53 pm.

ATTEST:


Steve Eden/City Administrator

APPROVED:


Ronnie Sowder/Mayor