

City of Winston-Salem

101 North Main Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Summary

City Council

Mayor Allen Joines
Mayor Pro Tempore Denise D. Adams
Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen
Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke
Council Member Robert C. Clark
Council Member Regina Hall
Council Member Vivián V. Joiner
Council Member Annette Scippio
Council Member James Taylor, Jr.

Monday, August 4, 2025

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joines called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked the City Clerk to call the roll.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Allen Joines, Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen, Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke, Council Member Robert C. Clark, Council Member Regina Hall, Council Member Vivián V. Joiner, Council Member Annette Scippio, Council Member James Taylor Jr., and Mayor Pro Tempore Denise D. Adams

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Sergeant-at-Arms: Lieutenant Barry Martin

Fire Marshall: Peter Gyke

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

During the meeting, the City Manager provided the following departmental updates and announcements:

Dr. Kina Koffield Jones is no longer interim; she is serving full-time as the Human Resources Director.

Mr. Jelani Biggs is the new Human Relations Director; he was previously employed with the City in the Human Relations Department. Police Chief William Penn Jr. gave an update on several homicides, violence and social issues plaguing local communities. Fire Chief William Mayo addressed staffing issues/shortages within the Fire Department. Jeff Fansler, Director of Transportation, gave an update about the public parking program and its progress. City Manager Pat Pate spoke briefly about the new tax rate increase. Nascar Cookout Clash will return to the Bowman Gray stadium for the 2026 season. Winston-Salem Police Department will host the annual National Night Out event on August 5, 2025 at 6pm at Calvary Baptist Church. The Accommodations Awards Ceremony hosted by the Winston-Salem Police Department will be on August 6, 2025 at 3pm in the auditorium at the Public Safety Center located at 725 N. Cherry Street. Congratulations to the W/S Police Department recent Basic Training Class 80 graduation (twenty new officers). The Fire Department scored a Class 1 Public Protection Classification from the Insurance Services Office; which is the best rating available. This puts the W/S Fire Department as one of the top Fire Departments in the country. Congratulations to Jayme Waldeck, the City Clerk; she earned the Certified Municipal Clerk designation. The Mayor congratulated all the award winners and thanked them for the good work they do.

H HONORARIUMS

H-1. Proclamation Declaring August 6, 2025 as Hanes Mall Day

Brad Gaither, Marketing Director and Jerry Jones, Local Leading and Advertising Manager received the proclamation

H-2. Resolution Honoring the Life and Community Service of Mrs. Dorothy Baker Jordan

Honorary Resolution was received by the family members of Dorothy Baker.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that this Honorary Resolution be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

C CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda have been unanimously recommended by a Committee of the City Council or are submitted in accordance with established procedure. There will be no discussion of the items unless a Council Member so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered individually. Items not removed from the Consent Agenda will be enacted with one motion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

C-1. Request to Set a Public Hearing for September 2, 2025 on the Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of an Unnamed Right-of-Way North of Carnation Drive (Northeast Ward) – Petition of Michael and LeAnne Rothrock

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-2. Resolution Directing Filing of Preliminary Assessment Roll, Fixing Time of Meeting to Hear Objections, and Directing Publication of Notice of Meeting, Relating to the Demolition of Housing Unfit For Human Habitation

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-3. Ordinance Rescinding an Ordinance Adopted on February 18, 2008, Ordering the Demolition of Housing Located at 1509 E. 22nd Street

 Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-4. Ordinance Rescinding an Ordinance Adopted on April 17, 2017,
 Ordering the Demolition of Housing Located at 1900 Longview Drive
 Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-5. Ordinance Rescinding an Ordinance Adopted on September 21, 1998, Ordering the Demolition of Housing Located at 3919 Old Vineyard Road

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-6.	Ordinance Rescinding an Ordinance Adopted on April 20, 2009, Ordering the Demolition of Housing Located at 5207 Old Rural Hall Road
	Approved by the Consent Vote.
C-7.	Mayor Joines' Recommendations for Re-Appointment to the Citizens' Police Review Board:
	Tembila Covington - Term Expires April, 2027 Warren Napper - Term Expires April, 2027
	Approved by the Consent Vote.
C-8.	Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Appointment to the Human Relations Commission:
	Dallis Dale Shew - Term Expires December, 2026
	Approved by the Consent Vote.
C-9.	Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Appointment to the Urban Food Policy Council:
	Shelley Crowe - Term Expires September, 2026
	Approved by the Consent Vote.
C-10.	Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Appointment to the Recreation and Parks Commission:
	Natalie Lunsford - Term Expires May, 2026
	Approved by the Consent Vote.
C-11.	Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Appointment to the Public Art Commission:
	Everette V. Funches - Term Expires December, 2025
	Approved by the Consent Vote.
C-12.	Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Appointment to the City-County Planning Board:
	Haley Gingles - Term Expires February, 2029
	Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-13. Mayor Joines' Recommendations for Appointments to the Citizens'

Police Review Board:

Josh Miller - Term Expires April, 2027 Melvin Scales - Term Expires April, 2027 Cynthia Collins - Term Expires April, 2026

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-14. Approval of the Committee of the Whole of the City Council Budget

Workshop Summary of Minutes

The Minutes Document was Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-15. Approval of the City Council Summary of Minutes

The Minutes Document was Approved by the Consent Vote.

G GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. Resolution Amending the City of Winston-Salem Personnel Resolution to ensure accrual rates for all City employees are relatively consistent based on the percentage of annual hours worked (Article III, Section 44)

A motion to approve agenda item G-1, the Resolution to amend Article III, Section 44, the Personnel Resolution as presented, including the City's commitment to Section III, with adjustments to accrual rates becoming effective January 1, 2026 pending completion of the classification and compensation study of certified Fire Department personnel was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Clark, Council Member Hall, Council Member Joiner, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

Nay: 3 - Council Member Burke, Council Member Scippio, and Council Member Taylor

G-2. Resolution Appointing the Chair of the Civil Service Board by City Council Pursuant to Session Law 2023-112 (Senate Bill 9)

A motion to appoint Dr. Miller as a chairman of the committee was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Scippio. The motion carried by the following vote:

G-3. Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure Located at 1405 E. 22nd Street (Northeast Ward)

Mayor Joines asked if anyone opposed the rezoning. seeing none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Motion to approve Item G-3 was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Joiner. The motion carried by the unanimous vote.

G-4. Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure Located at 1515 E. 21st Street (Northeast Ward)

Mayor Joines asked if anyone opposed the rezoning. seeing none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Motion to approve Item G-4 was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Joiner. The motion carried by the unanimous vote.

G-5. Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure Located at 1526 E. 25th Street (Northeast Ward)

Mayor Joines asked if anyone opposed the rezoning. seeing none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Motion to approve Item G-5 was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Joiner. The motion carried by the unanimous vote.

G-6. Resolution Authorizing the Conveyance of 3882 Draper Street Home in Support of the City's Affordable Housing Objectives

Samuel Hunter, Assistant Director of Neighborhood Services presented the item.

A motion to approve item G-6 was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

G-7. Resolution Adopting Extreme Weather and Special Events Fare Policy Changes

Jeff Fansler, Director of the Transportation Department presented the item.

A motion to approve item G-7 was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. The motion carried by the following vote:

CLOSED SESSION

This amendment to the Closed Session Motion will be formally made and approved at the upcoming meeting, August 18, 2025:

Shirley Ann Thompson, as Executor of the Estate of Thomas Michael Thompson v. Brycen Gray Burcham, Jarett Lee Terry, Brian Keith Parker, Jr., and the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Case No. 23 CVS 2810.

A motion that the Winston-Salem City Council go into closed session pursuant to G.S.§143-318.11(a)(1) and (3) to discuss matters related to the lawsuit National Prescription Opioid Litigation Case No. 17-md-2804 aka MDL 2804 and to preserve the Attorney Client Privilege was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark,
Council Member Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council
Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

A motion to end Closed Session was made by Council Member Joiner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark,
Council Member Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council
Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further information to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Joiner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, that this be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote: