



Summary

Public Works Committee

Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke, Chair
Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen, Vice Chair
Council Member Robert Clark
Council Member James Taylor, Jr.

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

2:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Additional Attendees:
Council Member A. Scippio

Chair Burke called the Public Works Committee meeting to order at 2 p.m. and stated all Committee Members were present.

Present: 4 - Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke, Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen, Council Member James Taylor Jr., and Council Member Robert C. Clark

C CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Burke stated the Committee would first consider the Consent Agenda and asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for discussion. Item C-5 was removed.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Council Member Burke, Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Taylor, and Council Member Clark

C-1.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution for the Voluntary Annexation of Approximately 13.6 Acres Located at the Confluence of Union Cross Road and Thomasville Road; Project Known as Union Cross Subdivision – Petition of Clay Pigeon Properties, LLC
(Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)

Committee Recommends Approval by the Consent Vote. Forwarded to the City Council on 08/18/2025.

- C-2.** Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution for the Voluntary Annexation of Approximately 14.734 Acres Located East of Maple Chase Lane at the Eastern Stub of Chanterelle Court; Project Known as Brookberry Farm, Phase 12 – Petition of Brookberry Farm, LLC (Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)
- Committee Recommends Approval by the Consent Vote. Forwarded to the City Council on 08/18/2025.**
- C-3.** Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Federal Transit Administration Fiscal year 2025 Section 5307 Formula Funding Sub-Allocation or Split Letter for Davidson County Transportation (Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)
- Committee Recommends Approval by the Consent Vote. Forwarded to the City Council on 09/02/2025.**
- C-4.** Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Federal Transit Administration Fiscal Year 2025 Section 5307 Formula Funding Sub-Allocation or Split Letter for the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)
- Committee Recommends Approval by the Consent Vote. Forwarded to the City Council on 09/02/2025.**
- C-6.** Consideration of Items Related to a Contract Change Order with Smith-Rowe, LLC for the Construction of Meadowlark Drive Widening Project (West Ward) (Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)
- Resolution Approving a Contract Change Order with Smith-Rowe, LLC for the Construction of Meadowlark Drive Widening Project
- Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026
- Committee Recommends Approval by the Consent Vote. Forwarded to the City Council on 09/02/2025.**

G GENERAL AGENDA

- C-5.** Resolution Authorizing the Closure and Termination of Doris Street at Old Walkertown Road for the Improvements Related to the At-Grade Rail Crossing Project RC-2009A (Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)
- Jeff Fansler, Director of Transportation made a briefing on item C-5.
- A motion was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. Committee Recommends Approval. Forwarded to the City Council on 09/02/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:**

G-1. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement Between the City of Winston-Salem, the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation, the City of High Point, the City of Greensboro and the City of Burlington for Regional Fare (Public Works Committee Recommends Approval)

Kelly Garvin, Assistant Director of Transportation presented item G-1.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. Committee Recommends Approval. Forwarded to the City Council on 09/02/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Council Member Burke, Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Taylor, and Council Member Clark

G-2. Information on Request by the Village of Clemmons to Reinstate the Expired Annexation Agreement with the City of Winston-Salem

Karen Kessler, who leads GIS team in Planning and Development Services stated that the Village of Clemmons has requested to renew or update a previously expired annexation agreement with the City of Winston-Salem. Such agreements, which were common prior to 2011, define areas where municipalities agree not to annex, in order to avoid overlap and provide clear guidance for property owners.

Since the 2011 changes to North Carolina annexation laws, which ended involuntary annexations, most annexation agreements have lapsed. The only current active agreement is with the Town of Midway, which does not affect Forsyth County. Council was informed that a renewed agreement would be legally binding and limit annexation options based on agreed boundaries.

Staff requested general direction from the committee regarding interest in renewing the agreement.

G-3. Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Gillig 29-Foot Clean Diesel Buses for the Winston-Salem Transit Authority (Public Works Committee Forwarded without Recommendation)

Council received a presentation from Jeff Fansler on a proposal to purchase diesel buses to replace aging models in the WSTA fleet. Council Members expressed concerns about stepping away from clean energy initiatives but acknowledged the critical need to improve service reliability due to frequent breakdowns of current vehicles. Staff emphasized this as a one-time "catch up" effort to stabilize the system, noting the purchase would be funded through \$7.6 million in federal grants with a 20% local match. Questions were raised about potential revenue from decommissioned buses and future funding availability. The committee voted to move the item forward to the full council without recommendation

A motion was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. Forwarded to the City Council without recommendation on 09/02/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Council Member Burke, Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Taylor,
and Council Member Clark

COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further information to come before the Public Works Committee, the
meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m