

Minutes of September 8, 2025 Hampton City Council Workshop

The Hampton City Council Workshop was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Steve Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. The workshop was also offered electronically through Zoom and YouTube. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Jerre Greffe, Bill Holmstrom, Barry Lamos, and Patrick Palmer. Kristin Roode was absent. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt, Police Chief Mark Morrison and Public Works Director Doug Tarr.

Mayor Birdsall offered time for public comment. There was none.

Public Works Director Tarr and Police Chief Morrison updated the council on nuisances and answered questions from the council.

Steve Huling presented an updated proposal for the frisbee golf course at East Park. The intent is to add 9 additional holes. Steve Huling and Jeff Winters are volunteering to make it an 18-hole course using the 9 baskets that are currently there and adding 9 different tee off points. Huling and Winters would donate their time to work on moving a few baskets and setting the tee points. They will also work with Rotary Club to help with funding the expenses. The consensus of the council was to allow Huling and Winters to proceed immediately.

Madison Alert and Emily Rush from Franklin REC presented the council with plans for the annual Light Up the Night Event on Saturday, November 29, 2025. They plan to put up the arches back up in the park with guy wires for the event but then take them down again until spring. The parade route will be the same as last year and Santa and trolley rides will be at Peace Plaza again weather permitting. In too cold or inclement weather, Santa and the trolley pick up and drop will be moved to Ron's Roofing. Greffe expressed concern with the trolley pick up and drop off location at Ron's Roofing. The council discussed options. Alert and Rush will look into alternative Santa locations and report back at a future workshop.

Council Member Jerre Greffe reported the 3rd Saturday in September is Responsible Dog Ownership Day and asked the Mayor to make a proclamation. The council discussed various event ideas to promote responsible dog ownership and the registration of dogs. The proclamation will be on Thursday regular session agenda.

The workshop concluded at 6:54 p.m.