

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Jeanne Fay, Jerre Grefe, Bill Holmstrom, Barry Lamos and Kristin Roode. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt, Police Chief Mark Morrison, and Public Works Director Doug Tarr. Mayor Birdsall invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Mayor Birdsall called for a motion to **approve the agenda**. Motion by Fay, second by Grefe to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

Mayor Birdsall read the **Mayors Leadership Statement**.

**Council Workshop Report:** August 24, 2026 workshop minutes.

**Public Comment:** Patrick O'Donnell of 12 3<sup>rd</sup> St SE shared his concerns regarding a nuisance property at 13 4<sup>th</sup> St SE.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Kalob Hays, ISG, presented **change requests #2, #3, #4, #8 and #14R for 4 & 6 1<sup>st</sup> St NW**. Motion by Lamos, second Roode to approve change requests #2, #3, #4, #8 and #14R. Motion approved unanimously.

Council considered **request from Norseman Lobster to park food truck** on the west side of Federal Street across from the Library on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. Motion by Lamos, second by Davies to approve request to park food truck on west side of Federal Street across from the Library on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. Ayes: Holmstrom, Lamos, Roode and Davies; Nays: Grefe and Fay. Motion approved.

Council considered request from Matthew Meyer, 1208 Central Ave East, requesting permission to keep sheep on property. Motion by Davies, second by Roode to approve **request to keep sheep on the property with the stipulation that the council permission will expire at such time when owner, Matthew Meyer, sells the property**. Motion approved unanimously.

The council considered the street closure **request from Franklin REC for street closures for the Light Up the Night Event** on Saturday, November 28. Motion by Holmstrom, second by Lamos to approve request from Franklin REC for street closures for the Light Up the Night Event on Saturday, November 28. Motion approved unanimously.

City Manager Dunt provided details on a **quote from NIACOG for general assistance with Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zoning Ordinance Amendment regarding Data Centers**. Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve quote from NIACOG for general assistance with Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zoning Ordinance Amendment regarding Data Centers. Motion approved unanimously.

Jim Davies presented a request to the City for partnering with the **Windsor Theatre for an Emergency Community Catalyst Grant** application due to a recent ceiling collapse in the Theatre. Motion by Holmstrom, second by Fay to approve the City partnering with the Windsor Theatre for an Emergency Community Catalyst Grant application including **\$20,000 financial assistance**. Ayes: Roode, Lamos, Fay, Holmstrom and Grefe; Abstain: Davies. Motion approved.

**Public Hearing:** Mayor Birdsall opened the public meeting regarding a **dog owned by Jodi Valles of 302 1<sup>st</sup> St NW**. Chief Morrison shared details of the investigation. The daughter of the owner of the dog who was attacked addressed the council along with Mrs. Valles, her son and husband. The council asked various questions regarding the situation. Motion by Lamos, second by Grefe to **declare the dog in question as non-vicious**, with the incident documented as a first report of an unprovoked attack on record. **Valles agreed to have a fence put up within 30 days and the dog must remain outside city limits until the fence is completed**. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Fay, Lamos, Holmstrom, Grefe, Davies and Roode.

**Approval of claims.** Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve the **claims as submitted by staff** in the amount of \$227,960.13. Motion approved unanimously.

**Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions: Ordinance 413:** “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55.05 LIVESTOCK, MUNICIPAL CODE OF HAMPTON, BY DELETING EXISTING SECTION OF 55.05 AND REPLACING WITH NEW SECTION 55.05 MUNICIPAL CODE OF HAMPTON.” Motion by Holmstrom, second by Grefe, that the rule that an Ordinance must be considered and voted on at two meetings prior to the meeting of final action, or if published in summary, be considered and voted on at one meeting prior to the meeting of final action, be dispensed with. Roll call vote: Ayes: Fay, Lamos, Holmstrom, Grefe, Davies, and Roode. Nays: None.

Motion by Lamos, second by Fay to **approve Ordinance 413 (third and final)**. Roll call vote: Ayes: Holmstrom, Davies, Fay, Grefe, Lamos and Roode. Nays: None. Third and final reading of Ordinance 413 passed.

**Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda.** Motion by Lamos, second by Davies to approve the Consent Agenda and the following items: approve previous minutes as drafted from Thursday, August 13, 2026 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers. Motion approved unanimously.

**Staff Report** given by Police Chief Morrison, Public Works Director Tarr and City Manager Dunt.

**Council Reports** given by Lamos, Davies, Fay, Holmstrom and Grefe.

**Mayor’s Report** given by Mayor Birdsall.

**Motion to adjourn** by Grefe, second by Holmstrom at 7:15 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

Attest:

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Ron Dunt, City Manager

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Mayor Steve Birdsall