

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Zack Thompson, Barbara Brooks, Juli Hayes, Abigail Guzman, Danny Dunagan
STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Alisa Grayson

Mayor Couvillon called the meeting to order and served as the presiding officer.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Axon Contract for Body Worn Cameras, Fleet Cameras, and Tasers

Police Chief Jay Parrish presented the proposed resolution information noting the contract amount was \$2.3 million over a five-year period. He noted the digital data is the largest cost incurred going forward and automatic upgrades are built-in to the system at no additional cost.

Placed on the June 17, 2025 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Authorization to Apply for and Accept an Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Area Development Grant

Neighborhood Development Manager Jessica Tullar stated an opportunity to apply for the grant was presented for some infrastructure improvements. The proposed resolution authorizes staff to apply for and accept the funds if awarded. Requirements include a 50/50 match. City Manager Bryan Lackey commented on this being a fast-track process to receive the federal funds.

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CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Resolution: Acquisition of Land and Easement Rights to Construct the Airport Connector Segment of the Highlands to Islands Trail (HTI)

City Manager Angela Sheppard commented on the HTI project noting this resolution authorizes staff to proceed with the necessary processes to effectuate the project. She commended Airport Manager Lisa Poole on the actions taken to assist with the project.

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FY2026 Proposed Budget

City Manager Bryan Lackey reminded Council of the upcoming budget hearing and requested permission to change the meeting time to 6:00 PM. There was consensus from Council to change the time to 6:00 PM.

City Manager Bryan Lackey also stated no action will be needed at the budget hearing on June 17, 2025. A budget resolution to authorize the monetary amount will be presented for action at the July 1, 2025 Mayor/Council Meeting. Adoption of the millage rates is scheduled for August 19, 2025.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Council Member Dunagan

1. Reported a Main Street Advisory Board Meeting scheduled for next week.
2. Reported having lunch with Richard Higgins.

Council Member Guzman

Reported the Parks & Recreation Foundation's annual Butterfly Release has experienced significant growth and are planning to transition into a full-day festival of activities.

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

GMA 2025 Annual Convention

City Clerk Alisa Grayson reminded Council of the upcoming convention noting the electronic packet of information will be distributed by close of business day on this Friday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Attorney Hayes requested an Executive Session to discuss real estate matters.

Motion to close the meeting to enter an Executive Session to discuss Real Estate matters at 9:16 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Hayes

Motion seconded by Council Member Guzman

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Brooks, Hayes, Guzman, Dunagan

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Motion to close the Executive Session at 10:23 AM.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Dunagan

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ADJOURNMENT: 10:23 AM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Alisa Grayson, City Clerk