

July 21, 2026

Council of the City of Wheeling met, on the above date, at 5:30 pm, at 1500 Chapline Street Wheeling, WV with Vice Mayor Sklavounakis presiding.

On roll call, the following were present:

Present: Assaro, Cain, Palmer, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate

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Absent: Magruder

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Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate that the minutes of July 7, 2026 meeting be accepted as received.
All in favor. Motion Carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Vice Mayor Sklavounakis invited all to attend the Grecian and Italian Festivals this weekend.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Holloway presented an application to WVABCA for Mr. Good Vape & Tobacco INC located at 47- B Washington Avenue and was forwarded to ABCA without comment. Clerk Holloway noticed of the 2025 Bond Reports for Police and Fire Pension Bond Obligation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Walter H. Drane Co- 2025 Codified Ordinances Replacement Pages

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING AND ADOPTING
THE 2025 REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Assaro seconded by Ms. Cain, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Miller Pipeline- Water Service Retirements-Water

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147,659.20 WITH MILLER PIPELINE LLC, OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN FOR RETIRING 208 SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE CITY TO BE CHARGED TO WATER DEPARTMENT

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer seconded by Mr. Seidler, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Top Notch Landscaping & Supply LLC- Streetscape Maintenance- Reg. RCIP

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT AND EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,000.00 WITH TOP NOTCH LANDSCAPING AND SUPPLY LLC OF WHEELING WV FOR STREETSCAPE MANTENANCE TO BE CHARGED TO REGULAR RCIP

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Ms. Cain seconded by Mr. Thorngate moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

USI Insurance-AMTrust-Excess Worker's Compensation Coverage

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$139,234.00 WITH USI INSURANCE SERVICES, LLC, OF WHEELING, WV FOR EXCESS LIABILITY WORKERS' COMPENSATION POLICY TO BE CHARGED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer seconded by Mr. Seidler, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Zone Change- North Park Parcel 10-W30A-335

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF PARCELS 10-W30A-335 IDENTIFIED AS 6.962 ACRE PARCEL OF NORTH PARK FROM R2 RESIDENTIAL TO R4 RESIDENTIAL

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Assaro seconded by Ms. Cain, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Glessner Wharton & Andrews Insurance- Cybersecurity Insurance

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,499.54 WITH GLESSNER WHARTON & ANDREWS INSURANCE LLC OF WHEELING, WV, FOR CYBERSECURITY INSURANCE TO BE CHARGED AS FOLLOWS \$11,004.67 TO GENERAL FUND, \$2,479.93 TO WATER AND \$2,014.94 TO WPCD

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Thorngate seconded by Mr. Assaro, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Seidler moved to accept the GWSEA from May 26, 2026 that were held over as received. All in favor. Motion Carried.

REMARKS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Mr. Assaro requested sounds readings in various areas of Warwood to gather baseline levels before Data Center development.

Mr. Seidler reminded of OVRTA's 50th Anniversary Celebration happening on Saturday July 25th, there will be free transportation provided all day.

Mr. Palmer reminded of the 5:30pm Crime Watch at Elm Grove Civics tomorrow evening. Mr. Palmer also reminded that regarding the data center proposal council is actively listening to residents to find solutions.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Ms. Cain moved to accept the Development Committee meeting minutes from July 7, 2026 as received. All in favor. Motion Carried.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

City Manager noted Clay School demo is about 90% completed and thanked M&G architects along with Raze International on their exceptional, quick work. Mr. Herron noted the WVDLAP funding for demo contract has been received. The city also received a TAP grant through DOH for Hempfield Tunnel restoration.

REPORT OF OTHER OFFICERS

Mr. Assaro seconded by Mr. Palmer moved to HOLD over the Hall of Fame Board Minutes from June 9, 2026 and Traffic Commission Minutes from May 14, 2026. All in favor. Motion Carried.

ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS

Samsara- Vehicle Monitoring-General Fund-Water-WPCD

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,216.00 WITH SAMSARA OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA FOR VEHICLE ALERTS AND MONITORING TO BE CHARGED AS FOLLOWS \$1,224.00 TO BUILDING AND PLANNING, \$8,160.00 TO OPERATIONS, \$816.00 TO VEHICLE MAINTENANCE \$2,244.00 TO SANITATION, \$1,020.00 TO PARKING AUTHORITY, \$3672.00 TO WPCD AND \$4,080.00 TO WATER

Arnold- Fire Department Turn Out Gear-CSF

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,551.22 WITH ARNOLD FIRE EQUIPMENT LLC, OF HONEY BROOK, PA, FOR TURN OUT GEAR FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE CHARGED TO CITY SERVICE FEE

Traffic Rule-Woodlawn Lane-No Parking

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING TO EXTEND THE NO PARKING ZONE ON THE EAST SIDE OF WOODLAWN LANE TO PINE AVENUE

Traffic Rule- No Parking Zones ABC Streets- Valley View Avenue

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING TO EXTEND THE TIME OF DESIGNATED NO PARKING ZONES LOCATED ALONG THE INTERSECTIONS OF VALLEY VIEW AVENUE AND THE ABC STREETS TO BE 24 HOURS A DAY SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

Cast & Baker-2026 Street Resurfacing-Regular RCIP-CSF

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$791,761.10 WITH CAST & BAKER OF CANNONBURG PA FOR 2026 STREET RESURFACING TO BE CHARGED AS FOLLOWS \$391,761.10 TO REGULAR RCIP AND \$400,000.00 TO CITY SERVICE FEE

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thorngate moved for a second reading of the ordinance to expediate contract work. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Sklavounakis seconded by Mr. Assaro moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Seidler, Palmer, Sklavounakis, Thorngate

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Reclaim-Abatement and Demolition-TCI Building-WVDLAP

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000.00 WITH RECLAIM COMPANY LLC OF FAIRMONT, WV FOR ABATEMENT AND DEMOLITION OF THE TCI BUILDING LOCATED AT 2184 NATIONAL ROAD TO BE CHARGED TO WVDLAP

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Resolution-Meeting Date Change August 11th 2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING THE DATE CHANGE OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON TUESDAY AUGUST 4th, 2026 TO TUESDAY AUGUST 11th, 2026
Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Palmer moved to adopt the resolution. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Magruder, Palmer, Sklavounakis, Thorngate -6

NOES: -0

A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the resolution adopted.

Resolution- Public Nuisance Recommendation-11 Florida Street

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER THAT CONDITIONS REGARDING THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11 FLORIDA STREET, PRESENT A PUBLIC NUISANCE, FINDING THAT JUST CAUSE EXISTS TO ABATE SUCH NUISANCE AND THAT A HEARING SHALL BE HELD IN ACCORD WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 549 - NUISANCES - OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING

Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Palmer moved to adopt the resolution. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Magruder, Palmer, Sklavounakis, Thorngate -6

NOES: -0

A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the resolution adopted.

Resolution- General Fund Budget Revision #1 FY 26-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING BUDGET REVISION #1 TO THE FY 2026-2027 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Palmer moved to adopt the resolution. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Magruder, Palmer, Sklavounakis, Thorngate -6

NOES: -0

A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the resolution adopted.

Resolution-Coal Severance Budget Revision #1 FY26-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING BUDGET REVISION #1 TO THE FY 2026-2027 COAL SEVERANCE BUDGET

Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Palmer moved to adopt the resolution. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Assaro, Cain, Magruder, Palmer, Sklavounakis, Thorngate -6

NOES: -0

A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the resolution adopted.

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Those Wishing to be Heard

Andrew Mull of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Lindsay Edgington of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Polly Barks of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Liz Stephens of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Aidan Kosol of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Owen Hines of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Kate Schwertfeger of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Andrew Bellevage of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Heather Hines of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Ian Hostolttle of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Joshua Deshong of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Kara Baum of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Joe Roxby of Wheeling, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.
Katelin Shriver of Valley Grove, WV spoke in opposition to data center development.

There being no further business to discuss Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, moved to adjourn.
Time: 6:26 pm