



MARTINSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, August 7, 2025

Martinsville's Vision

Martinsville is a thriving, full-service city centrally located in southern Virginia, offering excellent education and superior quality of life in a picturesque setting while embracing inclusivity and opportunities to ensure a sustainable and fulfilling lifestyle to live, visit, and grow.

Martinsville's Mission

Martinsville City proudly promotes a safe, healthy, thriving community dedicated to delivering excellent services and meaningful public participation.

PRESIDING: LC Jones, Mayor

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS: Kathy Lawson, Vice Mayor
Julian Mei
Rayshaun Gravely
Aaron Rawls

STAFF: Aretha R. Ferrell-Benavides, City Manager & City Clerk
Peyton Nibblett, Deputy City Clerk
Law Offices of Sands Anderson, City Attorney



Call Open Session to Order - 5pm, Council Chambers; Martinsville Municipal Building

- a. Discuss and Consider Motion to go into Closed Session.

1. Closed Session - 5pm, Rm 208; Municipal Building

- a. 2.2-3711 A(1) Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; In regards to City Attorney and City Manager positions, contracts, and performances.
- b. 2.2-3711 A(7) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body. In regards to current, ongoing, and threatened litigation matters and employment law investigation.
- c. 2.2-3711 A(8) Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter. Regarding the City Manager Contract.

2. Return to Open Session and Certification of Closed Session - 6PM, Council Chambers; Martinsville Municipal Building

Please note that 6:00 p.m. is the estimated time of return to Open Session. The Open Session of the Special Called meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as Council is able to convene following the Closed Session.

3. Take Any Action Necessary as a Result of Closed Session

4. Adjournment