



MARTINSVILLE CITY COUNCIL & MARTINSVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, September 16, 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: Chief Robert Fincher, Interim City Manager
Peyton Nibblett, Deputy City Clerk
Law Offices of Sands Anderson, City Attorney



Closed Session - 5pm, Rm 226; Municipal Building

- a. Call Open Session to Order and Discuss and Consider Motion to go into Closed Session - 5pm, Council Chambers; Martinsville Municipal Building
- b. 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. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. 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. In regards to Retiree's Litigation.
- c. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected. In relation to Martinsville YMCA.
- d. Return to Open Session and Motion for City Council Certification of Closed Session - 6pm, Council Chambers; Municipal Building

Work Session - 6pm, Council Chambers; Municipal Building

1. Briefings and Presentations

- a. Public Works and Water Resources Departmental Update

2. Discuss Consent Agenda Items

- a. Discuss and Consider August 26, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Regular Session - 7pm, Council Chambers

3. Call to Order

4. Pledge to the American Flag

5. Invocation

- a. Led by Pastor Avery Preston of Greater Love Ministries

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

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Discuss and Consider August 26, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes



8. Presentations and Proclamations

- a. Proclamation Honoring Week of September 17th - September 23rd as Constitution Week
- b. Proclamation Honoring Week of September 18 through 22 as Adult Education and Family Literacy Week
- c. Proclamation Honoring September as National Recovery Month
- d. Update from Martinsville Blue Ridge Library
- e. Davenport Presentation

9. Regular Agenda or New Business

- a. Hold a Public Hearing concerning the intent of Martinsville City Council to authorize the issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Electric Utility Revenue Bonds for the purpose of financing improvements to the City's Electric Utility Facilities and Discuss and Consider Adoption of Resolution Approving Electric Utility System General Obligation and Revenue Bond to be Sold to the Virginia Resources Authority (VRA)
- b. Hold a Public Hearing for Citizen Input of City and United Way Community Block Development Grant (CDBG) Application and Subsequently Discuss and Consider Approval of Request to Apply
- c. Discuss and Consider Setting a Date for Interviews of Potential Board Appointments for Economic Development Authority
- d. Discuss and Consider Setting a Date for Precinct 5 Community Meeting
- e. Discuss and Consider Extending Charter Review Committee Terms to 12/31/2025
- f. Discuss and Consider a request from West Piedmont Planning District Commission for the Martinsville Redevelopment & Housing Authority to transfer ownership of the property located at 922 Boden Street to WPPDC for the purpose of developing the property into a single-family three bedroom home
- g. Discuss and Consider A Resolution Adopting PPEA Guidelines and Standards

10. City Hall Reporting & Announcements

- a. ARPA Presentation
- b. Events and Announcements

11. Communications from Visitors / Business from the Floor

Description: The purpose of City Council Meetings is to conduct the City's Business. City Council allows for public comment, limited to matters on which the Council has the power and authority to act and are not listed on the printed agenda. Participation: Citizens who wish to participate in a meeting's public comment period may do so by signing up at the podium at the entrance prior to the beginning of



the meeting, emailing their comments to Peyton Nibblett, Deputy City Clerk, at pnibblett@martinsvilleva.gov, calling in their comments to 276-403-5196, or mailing comments to the City of Martinsville, attn.: Peyton Nibblett, Martinsville, VA 24114 (a.) Comments, or a request to speak, must be received by noon the day before a Council meeting for consideration by the Council at the meeting. (b.) Any person submitting comments or requesting to speak must identify themselves by name and address, including zip code. (c.) Remarks are to be limited to 3 minutes or less (as read aloud), address a topic of City business, and refrain from making any personal references or accusations of a factually false and/or malicious nature. (d.) Priority for comments is given to City residents, taxpayers, and business owners. (e.) Speakers may not yield time. f. Groups of speakers on the same topic must designate a single representative. Comments violating these rules may not be presented at the Council meeting. (g.) Any speaker violating these rules may be removed from the podium or from the Council Chamber. (h.) This policy does not apply to public hearings, at which any citizen of Martinsville may appear and speak on the subject of the public hearing.

12. Comments by Members of City Council

13. Comments by City Manager

14. Adjournment