

March 2, 2026

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

A regular session of Troy City Council was held on Monday, March 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall.

Members Attending: Hickman, Marshall, Phillips, Schilling, Severt, Snee, Twiss, Westfall and Whidden.

Presiding Officer: William G. Rozell President of Council

Others Present: Robin I. Oda Mayor
Patrick E. J. Titterington Director of Public Service and Safety
John E. Frigge Auditor
Grant D. Kerber Director of Law

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: An invocation was given by Council Member Schilling, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT - On the application to expand the Temporary Activation Only Boundary of the DORA.

At 7:03 p.m. Mr. Rozell asked for public comment. There being no comment in this regard, at 7:04 p.m. Mr. Rozell closed this public comment period.

MINUTES: The Clerk gave a summary of the minutes of February 17, 2026, meeting of Troy City Council. There were no corrections or additions to these minutes. Upon motion of Mr. Whidden, seconded by Mr. Schilling, these minutes were approved by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Buildings & Utilities Committee: Mrs. Marshall, Chairman, reported that Committee recommends legislation be prepared authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the renovation of the Cemetery residence/office area at a cost not to exceed \$310,000.
Report submitted by Phillips, Snee and Marshall.

Community Partnerships Committee: Mrs. Westfall, Chairman, reported that Committee recommends legislation be prepared authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety to execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with Burness & Niple, Inc. for additional remedial environmental services at 206 S. Market Street at a cost not to exceed \$350,000 for a total agreement cost of \$532,948. It was noted that the \$350,000 will be paid by a grant.
Report submitted by Schilling, Whidden and Westfall.

Recreation & Parks Committee: Mr. Whidden, Chairman, reported that Committee recommends legislation be prepared authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the Artificial Turf portion of the installation of new playground equipment at Troy Community Park at a cost not to exceed \$220,000.
Report submitted by Hickman, Westfall and Whidden.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Phillips, Chairman, reported as follows:

1. Committee recommends that legislation be prepared authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety to execute and file grant applications with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the Clean Ohio Trail Fund and Recreational Trails Program funding for the W. Market Street Shared Multi-use Trail Project from Nashville Road to the ODOT garage (bridge deck). So that funding applications can be submitted prior to the March 16 deadline, Committee supports emergency legislation.
2. Committee recommends that the ODOT consent legislation for the paving of W. Main Street from Weston Road to Experiment Farm Road be approved. The City will be responsible for 20% of the cost. Based on the ODOT format, Committee supports emergency legislation.
3. Committee met February 23, 2026, regarding recommending the Resolution of Necessity for the sidewalk portion of the Downtown Safety and Streetscape Replacement Project. City staff provided information, including that the recommended estimated assessments represent a 64% discount when compared to the standard past practice applied to the 19 previous sidewalk assessment phases, and the waiving of assessments related to replacement of aluminum lower-level access door and the cost of upsizing utility service lines. The Committee discussed concerns about the impact this project is likely to have on downtown businesses during the long construction period, even with discounted assessments and costs being waived.

Committee recommends that there not be any assessments levied for the 2026-2027 Downtown Safety and Streetscape Replacement Project and that all project costs will be paid by City taxpayers. With this recommendation, there is no need for a Resolution of Necessity to be prepared. It is noted that this recommendation was supported on the record by all members of Council present at the meeting, which were Committee Members Schilling, Marshall and Phillips, and Council Members Severt, Snee, Westfall and Whidden.

(Copy of entire report attached to original minutes.)

Reports submitted by Schilling, Marshall and Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. R-15-2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE RIVERSIDE CEMETERY RESIDENCE/OFFICE AREA

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Whidden moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Twiss.

Yes: Snee, Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt and Whidden.

No: None.

Mr. Whidden moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Twiss.

Yes: Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden and Snee.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-16-2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BURGESS & NIPLE, INC. OF COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR THE ABANDONED GAS STATION PROJECT AT 206 S. MARKET STREET

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Twiss moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Severt.

Yes: Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden, Snee and Twiss.

No: None.

Mr. Twiss moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Yes: Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden, Snee, Twiss and Marshall.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-17-2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE ARTIFICIAL TURF PROJECT AT TROY COMMUNITY PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Whidden moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mrs. Snee.

Yes: Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden, Snee, Twiss, Marshall and Westfall.

No: None.

Mr. Twiss moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Yes: Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden, Snee, Twiss, Marshall, Westfall and Schilling.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-18-2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRELIMINARY PARTICIPATORY CONSENT AND COOPERATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR RESURFACING OF STATE ROUTE 41 (WEST MAIN STREET) FROM WESTON ROAD TO EXPERIMENT FARM ROAD WITHIN THE CORPORATION LIMIT OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Phillips moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Schilling.

Yes: Phillips, Severt, Whidden, Snee, Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling and Hickman.

No: None.

Mr. Twiss moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Severt.

Yes: Severt, Whidden, Snee, Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman and Phillips.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-19-2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES REGARDING THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) AND THE CLEAN OHIO TRAILS FUND (COTF) PROGRAM FOR THE WEST MARKET STREET SHARED MULTI-USE TRAIL PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mrs. Westfall moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mrs. Snee.

Yes: Whidden, Snee, Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips and Severt.

No: None.

Mrs. Westfall moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Twiss.

Yes: Snee, Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt and Whidden.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

ORDINANCE NO. O-7-2026

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-33-2025 APPROPRIATING FUNDS NECESSARY FOR THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2026

This Ordinance was given first title reading.

Mr. Phillips moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mrs. Snee.

Yes: Twiss, Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden and Snee.

No: None.

Mrs. Westfall moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Twiss.

Yes: Marshall, Westfall, Schilling, Hickman, Phillips, Severt, Whidden, Snee and Twiss.

No: Twiss.

ORDINANCE ADOPTED

COMMENTS OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY: Mr. Titterington commented:

-The Dye Mill Road Facility opens for the season on March 3.

-The Unified Development Code, which includes the Zoning Code, Subdivision Regulations, Sign Code, is a 400+ page document now being reviewed by the Director of Law. This document will go through a review of the Planning Commission prior to being submitted to Council for approval.

-At the last meeting, there was a citizen request regarding first responder emblem flag holders being permitted in the cemeteries and which would not be subject to possible removal during the twice a year Cemetery cleanup. This request is being worked on, with some regulations to be established including some consistency, the holder attached to the grave site, and pre-approval of the emblem as there are a variety of first responder emblems. Staff have been in contact with the citizen who made the request.

-Regarding the proposed temporary boundary expansion of the DORA, it is noted that temporary expansion requires the property owner's permission/request and approval of Council for each event. This subject will be on the March 9 Council Committee agenda for legislation to be presented at the March 16 Council meeting.

-Congratulations are offered to Josh Deal on his promotion to Police Sergeant.

COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW: Mr. Kerber advised that the review of the UDC is a process that will take some time before the document can be presented to the Planning Commission and to Council.

COMMENTS OF THE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL: Mr. Rozell stated his appreciation for the administration considering the first responder emblem flag holders.

COMMENTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

-Mr. Severt congratulated Council Member Hickman on her first public open meeting on February 28; stated he was glad to welcome the Travelers Market to downtown; and congratulated Troy Main Street on receiving accreditation certification by Heritage Ohio. Mr. Titterington commented that Troy Main Street achieved re-accreditation, which is an intense annual process.

-Mrs. Snee commented that the At-Large Council Members will host an "Ask A Council Member" discussion group on Saturday, March 7, 2026, 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the Miami County Safety Building, Commissioners' Meeting Room. That meeting will be followed by a tour of the Miami County Jail Facility for those interested. Mrs. Snee also thanked staff that work on clearing the roads after each snow event.

-Mrs. Westfall congratulated Ms. Hickman on the public open meeting she held.

-Mrs. Marshall congratulated newly promoted Sgt. Deal and thanked the administration for working on the first responder emblem flag holder.

-Ms. Hickman thanked those that attended and supported her first 3rd Ward open meeting. She commented that she has met with the Director of Public Service and Safety regarding some of the concerns from that meeting, noting that she encouraged residents to complete a current neighborhood survey based on the five-year impact that survey could have. She also commented that residents stated a lack of support for a proposed Crawford Street recreational trail and there is still concern about McKaig & Race Park, particularly that too many trees were planted too close together that took up the play area and that the path needs repaving.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Brad Boehringer, 105 Crestwood Drive, commended the At-Large Council Members and Ms. Hickman for their engagement meetings with the public, and suggested the other members of Council make an effort to engage with ward members/public. Mr. Rozell suggested that just because a Council Member does not hold an open forum, it should not be assumed they are otherwise not engaging with the public. In response, Mrs. Marshall commented that she believes it would be redundant for her to hold an open forum as At-Large members Mr. Severt and Mrs. Westfall live in the ward she serves.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Clerk of Council

President of Council