

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS  
AUGUST 14, 2025  
Meeting held at East St. Louis City Hall  
301 River Park Drive  
Council Chambers  
East St. Louis, Illinois 62201**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Councilmen was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Charles Powell III.

**2. PRAYER-Former Mayor Alvin Parks**

**3. ROLL CALL:**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Present</b>		

**4. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2025.**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilman Hoffman II to approve.  
Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

**5. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilman Hoffman II to approve.  
Upon the question of the motion Mayor Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Cason, Powell III,</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Robert Eastern III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

6. **REPORTS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-LAVONDO PULLEY, CHAIRMAN**
  - A. **PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE ORDER TO MYERS & MYERS DEVELOPMENT FOR SEWER REPAIR AT 2701 SAINT LOUIS AVENUE**
  - B. **PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH THOMPSON CIVIL LLC FOR THE DESIGN OF UPGRADES TO THE 63<sup>RD</sup> STREET SANITARY PUMP STATION**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilman Hoffman II to approve.  
Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>

Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye

**PASSED:**

7. **REPORTS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE-JO ANNE PARKS-CHAIRMAN**
  - A. **PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE 2025 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT #1**
  - B. **PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE 2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENMENT #2**
  - C. **PRESENTATION ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE 2025 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT #2**
  - D. **PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE 2025 STATE FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT #2**
  - E. **PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE 2025 STATE FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT #3**
  - F. **PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE A MUNICIPAL FROCERY RETAILERS' OCCUPATION TAX AND MUNICIPAL GROCERY SERVICE OCCUPATION TAX**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Woodhouse and seconded by Councilman Pulley to approve.  
Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>

**Absent:**  
**Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye**

**Councilwoman: Parks**

**PASSED:**

**8. PRESENTATION OF BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS-LISA WOODHOUSE, CHAIRWOMAN**

**8A. PRESENTATION OF BUSINESS LICENSES**

**Well Taco Bout Diz**  
**1 Ruby Street**  
**Cahokia Heights, IL**  
**No Zoning**

**Alencia Jackson**  
**Food Trunk**  
**Peddlers**

**Broadview Bistro**  
**411 E Broadway**  
**East St. Louis, IL**  
**Central Business District**

**Kevin, Marion Green**  
**Restaurant**  
**Business Activity 1**

**Stranded No More**  
**2940 Renshaw Ave**  
**East St. Louis, IL**  
**No Zoning**

**Courtland Wilson**  
**Roadside Assistance**  
**Peddlers**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Woodhouse and seconded by Councilman Hoffman II to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

**Ayes:**

**Councilmen: Hoffman II, Pulley**

**Councilwoman: Woodhouse**

**Nays:**

**Councilmen: None**

**Absent:**

**Councilwoman: Parks**

**Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye**

**PASSED:**

**9. REPORTS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE-COURTNEY HOFFMAN II, CHAIRMAN**

**A. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING PERMISSION TO TERMINATE THE OPTION TO THE REAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EAST ST LOUIS, ILLINOIS AND BRIGHTFIELDS ILLINOIS I LLC, A MASSACHUSETTS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AS IT PERTAINS TO ALCOA PROPERTY**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilwoman Woodhouse to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

**Ayes:**

**Councilmen: Hoffman II, Pulley**

**Councilwoman: Woodhouse**

Nays:  
Absent:  
Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye

Councilmen: None  
Councilwoman: Parks

**PASSED:**

**B. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO VACANT THE RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOWN AS McCASLAND AVENUE FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD EAST TO THE BEGINNING OF THE INTERSECTION OF McCASLAND AVENUE AND 24<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilwoman Woodhouse to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

Ayes:  
Nays:  
Absent:  
Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye

Councilmen: Hoffman II, Pulley  
Councilwoman: Woodhouse  
Councilmen: None  
Councilwoman: Parks

**PASSED:**

**C. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE TRANSFERTO WSM INC. S.I.**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Woodhouse and seconded by Councilman Hoffman II to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

Ayes:  
Nays:  
Absent:  
Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye

Councilmen: Hoffman II, Pulley  
Councilwoman: Woodhouse  
Councilmen: None  
Councilwoman: Parks

**PASSED:**

**D. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOT AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #2 TO THE AGREEMENT (CONTRACT #OWR-43) WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (IDNR) FOR THE EAST SAINT LOUIS FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECT, CONTRACT #OWR-441**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Woodhouse and seconded by Councilman Pulley to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

**E. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST SAINT LOUIS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SAINT CLAIR COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANTS DEPARTMENT FOR RECEIPT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT FOR PY 2025**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Woodhouse and seconded by Councilman Pulley to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

**F. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE DIRECT PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED ON PARCEL NUMBERS 01-12.0-303-011; 01-11.0-408-008; AND 01-11.0-408-009 KNOWN AS FRONT STREET**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Mayor Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Pulley</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilman:</b>	<b>Hoffman II</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**FAILED:**

**G. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE DIRECT PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 439 COLLISVILLE AVENUE**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Mayor Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Pulley</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilman:</b>	<b>Hoffman II</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**FAILED:**

- H. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE POLICE BENEVOLENT LABOR COMMITTEE("UNION") AND THE CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS ("CITY")-NO ACTION TAKEN**
- I. PRESENTATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RELEASE THE LIEN FOR THE COST OF A BUSINESS RETENTION LOAN/GRANT AT 809 SAINT LOUIS AVENUE, EAST ST. LOUIS, ILLINOIS**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilwoman Woodhouse to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

**10. OLD BUSINESS-NONE**

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO FILL THE VACANCY OF AN EXPIRED TERM ON THE EAST ST. LOUIS HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Mayor Powell III to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

**12.. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS-He introduced Mr. O'Hara to do a presentation of solar system**

**13. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS-NONE**

**14. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

- A. CSO PUBLIC REMARKS-NONE**
- B. MS. JULIA FAULKNER-asked when the project on Illinois Avenue would be complete, City Manager advised that it should be completed shortly. Pro Tem advised City Manager to get her address and number and keep her in informed on the progress on the project**
- C. REV. JOE DAVIS-ABSENT**
- D. MS. DOROTHY JOSHWAY-ABSENT**

**WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION-6:40 P.M.**

A motion was made by Mayor Powell III to go in Executive Session Pulley and seconded by Councilwoman Woodhouse to approve. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

Lawyer advised on settlement with Union and Mayor and Council advised to reconvene before making any decisions until the information has been reviewed.

**RE-ESTABLISH QUORAM @ 6:52 P.M.**

A motion was made by Councilman Powell III and seconded by Council Cason to adjourn. Upon the question of the motion by Mayor Robert Eastern III called for a vote

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilman:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED:**

A motion was made by Councilman Pulley and seconded by Councilwoman Woodhouse to adjourn. Upon the question of the motion Mayor Charles Powell III called for the roll call.

<b>Ayes:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>Hoffman II, Pulley</b>
	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Woodhouse</b>
<b>Nays:</b>	<b>Councilmen:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Councilwoman:</b>	<b>Parks</b>
<b>Mayor Charles Powell III/Aye</b>		

**PASSED TO ADJOURN @ 6:27 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Debra Hamilton Tidwell, City Clerk**