

City of Lafayette
Budget Committee Minutes
Monday, April 28, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Committee Secretary Joseph Carswell called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** City Recorder Kennedee Richardson called the Roll:
Present: Mayor Hilary Malcomson, Lee Gilgan, Joseph Carswell, Kayla Paulsen, Russell Burrows, Jessica Kitt, Craig Maki, Christine Brungardt (via Zoom), Chair Scott Adamson, Leah Harper, Micheal Schindele
Not Present: Suzanne Harpell, Shelly Wisdom, Shirley Burkett
City Staff Present: Branden Dross, City Administrator; Kennedee Richardson, City Recorder; Jamie Rhodes, Administrative Services Manager
3. **APPROVE FY 2026 BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES:**
 - a. *April 14, 2025*
Councilor Burrows notes a clerical error just above section 7. Mayor Malcomson moves to approve April 14, 2025 Budget Committee Minutes with the noted correction. Council President Paulsen seconds. Motion passes 11-0 (Aye - Mayor Hilary Malcomson, Joseph Carswell, Kayla Paulsen, Jessica Kitt, Craig Maki, Christine Brungardt (via Zoom), Chair Scott Adamson, Leah Harper, Micheal Schindele, Lee Gilgan, Russell Burrows. Absent - Suzanne Harpell, Shelly Wisdom, Shirley Burkett).
4. **PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2026 BUDGET:**
 - a. *Possible Use of State Revenue Sharing*
The public meeting is open at 6:42pm, no public comment, and the public hearing is closed at 6:42pm.
 - b. *Public Comment*
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5. **COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS:**
City Administrator Dross shares the community outreach grant application received and notes the potential concerns with the McMinnville Library services for the bookmobile. City Administrator Dross provides information regarding the fire department labor costs. The committee discusses whether to fund the community grants.
6. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET OR SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:**
Council President Paulsen moves that the Budget Committee of the City of Lafayette approve the fiscal year 2025-26 budget, in the amount of \$19,286,769.00, approve property taxes for the 2025-2026 fiscal year at the rate of \$3.4857 per \$1,000 of assessed value for the permanent rate tax levy, and in the amount of \$236,750.00 for the general

obligation bond levy with revision that the \$300.00 be reduced to zero on page 25 line item 31, Councilor Kitt-Hill seconds. Motion passes 9-2 (Aye - Mayor Hilary Malcomson, Joseph Carswell, Kayla Paulsen, Jessica Kitt, Craig Maki, Christine Brungardt (via Zoom), Chair Scott Adamson, Leah Harper, Micheal Schindele. Nay – Lee Gilgan, Russell Burrows. Absent - Suzanne Harpell, Shelly Wisdom, Shirley Burkett).

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Council President Paulsen moved to adjourn; Councilor Kitt-Hill seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously. No further discussion.


Minutes approved on the 20th day of April 2026.

CERTIFIED:

ATTESTED:



Scott Adamson, Chair



Kennedee Harrison, City Recorder