

AGENDA
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M.

1. Prayer
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of August 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes
5. Approval of August 26, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes
6. Public Comment
7. 2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-15 An Ordinance Amending Section 97.03 Of The Versailles Code Of Ordinances To Specifically Include The Responsibility For Managing Trees, Shrubs And Other Vegetation With The Responsibilities Of The Owner Or Occupant Of Property Next To Any Street Or Alley.
8. 2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-16 A General Taxation Ordinance
9. Public Works Department – Request to Surplus and Advertise on Govdeals.com
10. Versailles Housing Authority – Appointment of Katheleen Most (term 08/11/2025 – 12/31/2026)
11. Mayor Miscellaneous
12. Council Miscellaneous/Committee Reports
13. Department Directors
14. Adjournment

SUBJECT TO REVISION

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ROLL CALL: MAYOR LAURA DAKE PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS CHANTEL BINGHAM, LISA JOHNSON, GARY JONES, ANN MILLER, AND FRED SIEGELMAN. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT. COUNCIL MEMBER MARY BRADLEY WAS ABSENT.

DEPT. HEADS: MAX DAVIS, MITZI DELIUS, DAN KNIGHT, ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, AND ROB YOUNG WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 5, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Public Comment

David Kratt, resident of Stourbridge, addressed the council to ask when the connection will be made from Edmonds Cross to Huntertown Road. He stated that the connection was part of the approved plat and the subdivision is nearly complete. Mr. Kratt expressed his support for the connection and asked that it be kept.

Mayor Dake stated that there is Resolution 2025-9 on tonight's agenda to address connecting streets, however, they will be moving it to the agenda for a special council meeting scheduled for August 26th at 5:30pm.

Attorney Cassie Barnes, representing Legends and The Springs developments, asked to be formally placed on the agenda for the August 26th special meeting.

Drew Costa, resident of Stourbridge, asked if the special meeting would be open to the public. Mayor Dake responded that public attendance is invited and welcome to the special meeting and the public will be given an opportunity to speak.

Rich Pictor, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation, and Logan Hart, Bluegrass ADD, were present to ask the City to be the local government agency on a grant application through the Land & Water Conservation Fund for an "iconic" bridge to be installed near the center of the wooded area of Big Spring Park. Mr. Hart stated that the grant requires a local agency to be the administrator of the grant funds and since the park is inside the city limits, they are asking the City of Versailles. He noted that the grant is a 50/50 grant so they will also be applying for the state G.R.A.N.T. grant which allows cities and counties to apply for state funding to cover the majority of the local match. Mr. Hart stated that in the past, local governments were awarded both grants and typically not awarded one without the other because there is currently a lot of money available.

Council member Bingham asked when the basketball goals would be installed. Mr. Pictor stated that it is on the schedule for the end of September. He noted that the goals have come in and are in storage until the company is able to do the installation.

Council member Siegelman asked about clearing of downed trees in the back of the park, on the left and right sides of the trail coming from Spring Run Road. Mr. Pictor stated that the downed trees will be cleared this winter when there are less people using the trails because they have to bring in heavy equipment.

At the request of Council member Miller, City Attorney Bill Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2025-15 An Ordinance Amending Section 97.03 of the Versailles Code of Ordinances to Specifically Include the Responsibility for Managing Trees, Shrubs and Other Vegetation with the Responsibilities of the Owner or Occupant of Property Next to Any Street or Alley.

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Mayor Dake announced, as previously stated, that Resolution 2025-9 regarding a moratorium on the issuance of building permits, water taps, and sewer taps, will be on the agenda for a special council meeting on August 26th at 5:30pm.

Police Chief Rob Young presented the following bid for police gear storage lockers to be installed at the Versailles Police Department:

Elite Storage Products	\$50,400.00
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MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE BID AS PRESENTED BY ELITE STORAGE PRODUCTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,400 FOR POLICE GEAR STORAGE LOCKERS FOR THE VERSAILLES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Assistant Public Works Director Dan Knight presented the following bids for Fiscal Year 2026 Road Projects:

Lexington Quarry Company	\$451,242.85
H.G. Mays Corporation	\$452,821.66
Mago Construction Company	\$481,413.26

MOTON BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE ACCEPT THE BID AS PRESENTED BY LEXINGTON QUARRY COMPANY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 ROAD PROJECTS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$451,242.85.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented the following quotes for a regular cab, half ton pick-up truck. He noted that Bachman Chevrolet is a state price contract vendor.

Bachman Chevrolet (2026 Chevy 1500)	\$38,041.00
Kain Ford (2025 Ford F-150)	\$43,822.00

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY BACHMAN CHEVROLET FOR A REGULAR CAB 2026 CHEVROLET 1500 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$38,041.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented the following quotes for a crew cab, half ton pick truck for the public works department:

Bachman Chevrolet (2026 Chevy 1500)	\$42,572.00
Kain Ford (2025 Ford F-150)	\$45,613.00

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY BACHMAN CHEVROLET FOR A CREW CAB 2026 CHEVROLET 1500 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$42,572.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented the following quotes for a regular cab, one ton dump truck for the public works department:

Bachman Chevrolet (2026 Chevy 3500)	\$60,264.00
Kain Ford (2025 Ford F-350)	\$68,722.00

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MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ACCPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY BACHMAN CHEVROLET FOR A REGULAR CAB 2026 CHEVROLET 3500 DUMP TRUCK IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$60,264.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake presented the following quotes for the purchase of trees using the KU “Plant for the Planet” grant funds. The grant is \$2,500 to match \$2,500 in city funds for the planting of trees. She noted that Estep’s, a gas station and convenience store that recently opened here in Versailles, heard about the project and donated an additional \$5,000.00.

MacDougals	\$7,170.90 for 35 trees
Wilson Nurseries	\$8,351.10 for 35 trees

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY MACDOUGALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 35 TREES AT A TOTAL COST OF \$7,170.90.

Mayor Dake stated that each vendor’s quote included the option to purchase additional trees at the quoted price per tree so they would likely be purchasing additional trees since they received the additional funding from Estep’s.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO AMEND THE MOTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY MACDOUGALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 35 OR MORE TREES AT A TOTAL COST UP TO \$10,000.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented Change Order No. 2 for the Kroger Way Extension Project which increases the total project price by \$74,770.00 and adds fourteen calendar days to substantial completion. He stated that the change order includes adding barricades once construction is completed, lowering sanitary sewer depth, installation of a French drain, and revising the electrical conduit for future street light locations.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE KROGER WAY EXTENSION PROJECT WHICH AMOUNTS TO A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$74,770.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Utilities Director Mitzi Delius presented Change Order No. 2 for the Water Treatment Plant and Raw Water Pump Station Generator Project which increases the total project by \$323,837.00. Ms. Delius stated that the change order is to add the site work for the water plant generator back in to the project. She noted that the water plant site work and generator were removed from the project when the generator pricing significantly increased over time. Adding the site work back in to the project will bring the total project cost close to the total FEMA grant award amount. They are working with Emergency Management to pursue additional funding for the generator at the water plant.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND RAW WATER PUMP STATION GENERATOR PROJECT WHICH AMOUNTS TO A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$323,837.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented a request from a resident of the apartment complex at 100 Gormley Drive. He stated that the resident is disabled and is requesting a designated handicap parking space in front of his apartment. Mr. Knight noted that the space is partially private property of the apartment complex owner and partially right-of-way. He stated that the owner of the property is in agreement with designating it as handicap.

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MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO DESIGNATE A PARKING SPACE IN FRONT OF THE APARTMENT COMPLEX AT 100 GORMLEY DRIVE AS HANDICAP PARKING ONLY.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake presented a Sidewalk Connectivity RFQ which would provide a pedestrian crosswalk from the walking path on Falling Springs Blvd across Tyrone Pike to the Woodford County Park. She stated that this RFQ was put together by City Engineer Mary Beth Robson and will be done in conjunction with the Fiscal Court. She noted that they would also be working with the state to improve the safety of the intersection for pedestrians. Mayor Dake stated that there would also be a multi-use path going from the corner of Tyrone Pike and Beasley Drive up to the Agricultural Extension Office.

Council member Miller asked if a pedestrian bridge was considered because it could be a dangerous intersection for pedestrians. Mayor Dake stated that it would most likely be cost prohibitive.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE SIDEWALK CONNECTIVITY RFQ AS PRESENTED.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake presented the Safe Streets and Roads for All Demonstration Project Fee Proposal from Prime AE totaling \$93,500.00. Mayor Dake noted that this project has been in discussion for a long time and we finally got the signed Grant Agreement last week from the federal government.

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MILLER TO APPROVE THE SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FEE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED BY PRIME AE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$93,500.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Dake stated that there will be Market Days this Saturday, 8:30am – noon at The District. She noted that \$10 vouchers will again be given out to any children middle school age and younger to use at any of the Market Days vendors, except the one selling hard cider.

She stated that she would be out of the office Wednesday and Thursday to attend a Manufactured Housing Conference in Covington.

Mayor Dake announced a Public Hearing will be held at the beginning of the special council meeting on August 26th at 5:30pm because they are lowering the property tax rate this year to 4.9 cents per \$100 of assessed property.

She noted the upcoming Twilight Festival will be held on Saturday, September 6th, 12:00pm – 9:00pm.

Council Miscellaneous/Committee Reports

Council member Jones stated that the Water and Sewer Committee met prior to tonight's council meeting and they are recommending a sewer adjustment of \$346.07 for 157 High Street. The resident left the outside hose on while they were on vacation which resulted in a high utility bill. The water did not go into the City's sewer system.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE A SEWER ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$346.07 FOR 157 HIGH STREET.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

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Council member Johnson noted the Mentors and Meals Annual Team Trivia Night is coming up on August 28th and the City needs three more people for their table. She stated that anyone interested in participating should contact Mayor Dake.

Ms. Johnson announced a butterfly release being held August 31st, Overdose Awareness Day, at Big Spring Park at 2:00pm in memory of those that have lost their lives to overdose.

Council member Miller expressed her concern with pedestrian traffic on Tyrone Pike, near the County Park. She stated that it is a difficult road and she is concerned about putting a crosswalk at a non-light.

Department Directors

Police Chief Rob Young distributed a copy of the Versailles Police and 911 Departments Annual Report. He noted that the report includes statistics regarding their calls for service and includes information about different aspects of the departments.

Chief Young introduced 911 Executive Director Diana Leininger to the council and praised the hard work she has done since her appointment as Executive Director on May 28th.

Chief Young also noted that he has been working with school partners during the first few days of school traffic to ensure safety throughout Woodford County. He stated that the exit coming out of the high school property onto Tyrone Pike is right turn only and beginning this week they will ticket anyone that is seen turning left.

Battalion Fire Chief Max Davis stated that the Fire Science Program, a joint effort of the Versailles Fire Department and Woodford County Schools, has gotten started with seventy students signing up for the program. He noted that they limited it to thirty – two classes of fifteen students each – and that he is excited to get going. He said that students will receive the same training that is given at fire departments throughout Kentucky and they can receive credit hours through BCTC toward an associate degree.

City Clerk Elizabeth Reynolds stated that the Police and 911 Annual Report, as well as Annual Reports for the Fire Department and Water and Sewer, will be available on the City website by the end of the month.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(b) TO DELIBERATE ON THE FUTURE ACQUISITION OR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY JONES TO GIVE THE MAYOR AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AND/OR SIGN A LETTER OF INTENT AND PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH OR WITHOUT OTHER ENTITIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF 105 INDUSTRY DRIVE, VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

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Mayor Dake adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

LAURA DAKE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

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ROLL CALL: MAYOR LAURA DAKE PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS MARY BRADLEY, LISA JOHNSON, GARY JONES, ANN MILLER, AND FRED SIEGELMAN. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT. COUNCIL MEMBER CHANTEL BINGHAM WAS ABSENT.

DEPT. HEADS: BART MILLER, ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, AND ROB YOUNG WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

Public Hearing – 2025 Property Tax

Mayor Dake opened the Public Hearing stating that the tax rate levied last year was 5.0 cents on every \$100.00 of real property and produced revenues in the amount of \$564,962. This year's compensating rate is 4.6 cents on every \$100.00 of real property and is estimated to produce revenues in the amount of \$624,798. The City of Versailles proposes to lower the tax rate to 4.9 cents on every \$100.00 of real property which is estimated to produce \$665,545 in revenues. He also stated that revenue expected from Personal Property is \$83,292; revenue expected from Motor Vehicle and Watercraft is \$119,700. Mayor Dake noted that a public hearing is required any time the revenue from the proposed tax rate is expected to produce a 4% increase in revenue.

Mayor Dake opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received. She noted that the notice for the Public Hearing asked for written comments to be submitted by 4:00pm today. City Clerk Reynolds stated that no written comments were received.

Mayor Dake stated that the proposed tax rate would result in increased revenue due to the recently increased assessments of properties across the City.

Mayor Dake closed the Public Hearing.

At the request of Council member Siegelman, City Attorney Bill Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2025-16 General Taxation Ordinance.

Mayor Dake stated that there is a large crowd in attendance here tonight regarding agenda item Resolution 2025-9 which establishes a moratorium on the issuance of building permits where approved preliminary development plans show connectivity within existing streets and such connections have not yet occurred. She stated that after receiving many comments from the public and council, the Resolution has been revised. She noted that the revisions include removing the language regarding the committee to study affordable housing, removing the language regarding the completion of the housing study, and removing the language with references to specific subdivisions. Mayor Dake distributed copies of the revised Resolution.

Mayor Dake noted that due to the large crowd and the several people interested in speaking regarding the proposed Resolution, they would first have the attorneys for each side speak, then they would allow each speaker that signed in 2-3 minutes to speak.

Mayor Dake stated that on July 24, 2025, the City was first notified, by Legends Development Attorney Cassie Barnes, of the developer's concerns with putting the connection road through on Edmonds Crossing. She stated that a week and a half ago a proposed Resolution was sent to Ms. Barnes and then today an email was sent to the Mayor and Council from the President of the Legends Community Association. Mayor Dake stated that she feels their anger is misplaced as the connecting road has been in the development plan since 2018, there has been a sign at the end of Edmonds Crossing, in Legends, stating that a connecting road will go through, and the developers and realtors knew that the connecting road was planned. Mayor Dake stated that she, and the City Council, simply want the developer to follow through.

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Attorney Cassie Barnes, Legends Development, addressed the Council regarding the Edmonds Cross connection. She noted that the purpose of the July 24th meeting was to express safety concerns regarding the planned connection, and to note their position to not move forward until a mobility study has been completed. Ms. Barnes stated that the developer is offering to pay the total cost of the mobility study if the City will agree to be a collaborating partner.

She noted that the Edmonds Crossing connection was never intended to be the sole connection for that end of Woodford County and referenced the three failed connections. Ms. Barnes reiterated that if the connection goes through, then it will become a bypass for all of southern Woodford County. She went on to provide information on the potential traffic impact, stating that they expect 8,000-12,000 vehicles daily if the connection goes through.

City Attorney Bill Moore responded to Ms. Barnes comments, noting that when the development plan was submitted it included the Edmonds Cross connection. He stated that the three failed connections were not required to be completed by the government agencies. He further noted that the proposed Resolution gives the City and the Planning Commission authority and mechanism to force proposed connections to happen.

Public Comment – Resolution 2025-9

The following residents addressed the Mayor and Council regarding proposed Resolution 2025-9:

- Kris Williams, 3021 Rose Bud Road
 - submitted letter that was read, attached as Exhibit “A”
- Toni Curtis, Montgomery Avenue
- Drew Costa, Stourbridge
 - submitted letter that was read, attached as Exhibit “B”
- Vernon Azevedo, 150B Rumsey Circle
 - submitted letter that was read, attached as Exhibit “C”
- Brad Keeton (President of Legends Community Association), 830 Edmonds Crossing
- Dave Melanson, 211 Prospect Place
- Tom Stumph, 128 Shermans Crescent
- David Haydon, 110 Shermans Crescent
- Victoria Partridge, 121 Montgomery Avenue
- Fred Powers, 7004 Arbor Meadow Way
 - submitted letter was that read, attached as Exhibit “D”
- David Kratt, 204 Stourbridge

Attorney Cassie Barnes addressed some of the public comments including that the 8,000-12,000 vehicles per day data was compiled using camera data from state approved software. Ms. Barnes stated that several people referenced connectivity in the Comprehensive Plan and she noted that it discusses both connectivity and traffic/pedestrian safety. She stated that she is asking the council to be proactive by collaborating on a traffic study. Ms. Barnes also noted that one of the stakeholders of the Legends development is also a stakeholder of The Springs and that they will be putting a connection in during Phase 1 of The Springs.

City Attorney Moore referenced the connection road from the March 8, 2018 minutes of the Planning Commission.

Claudia Green, resident of Legends, asked if the City would look into putting in the failed connections so that Legends isn't the only one getting all of the traffic.

**MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT
RESOLUTION 2025-9 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE
OF BUILDING PERMITS, WATER TAPS AND SEWER TAPS FOR ANY SUBDIVISION
CONSISTING OF MORE THAN FOUR LOTS LOCATED ON A STREET IN A SUBDIVISION
WHERE THE APPROVED PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN SHOWS CONNECTIVITY
WITH EXISTING STREETS IN ADJOINING NEIGHBORHOODS AND SUCH CONNECTIONS
HAVE NOT YET OCCURRED OR BEEN BONDED.**

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Council member Jones noted that, as a resident of Legends, he would be abstaining from the vote. He stated that is does agree with a traffic study if the developer is paying for it.

Council member Johnson asked if we agree to a traffic study, can we can enter into a moratorium on all building permits until the completion of the study, which could be a year. City Attorney Moore stated that a moratorium may not be upheld by the court for that long, but that there is no precedence on the matter.

Council member Siegelman stated that this is not an easy answer and it isn’t possible to please everyone. He noted that it is their role, as elected officials, to try and do what is best for the majority of the constituents.

Council member Miller noted her appreciation for everyone’s patience and stated that the original plan for the connection road was proposed as naturally calming for traffic issues.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Johnson, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye. Council member Jones abstained.

Mayor Dake stated that she had received a variance request for a digital display billboard to go on a billboard owned by Lamar that is on city owned property. She stated that it is the billboard on U.S. 60 near Advance Auto Parts, which Lamar was given an easement for in the deed when the City purchased the property.

Skye Spann, Real Estate Manager with Lamar, stated that the proposed billboard would have eight static images with each image rotating every eight seconds. She noted that there would be a ninth space that is left empty to be used for emergency notifications such as amber alerts, etc. She stated that there are similar billboards in Nicholasville and Georgetown.

Council member Miller asked if there were any complaints or safety issues with the digital billboards.

Ms. Spann stated that no safety issues have been reported and billboards in general have been determined to not be a distraction or threat to safety. She noted that the digital billboards automatically dim at sunset and that they do not have light spill from the sides, they can only be seen when looking at them directly.

Planning Director Steve Hunter stated that the ordinances need to be updated regarding wall signs and that the current ordinance is very confusing.

Attorney Moore stated that the Variance Application for the Board of Adjustments requires the city to sign off as the property owner.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY MILLER TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR DAKE TO SIGN THE VARIANCE APPLICATION BEING FILED BY LAMAR FOR A DIGITAL BILLBOARD.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

LAURA DAKE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

CITY OF VERSAILLES
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-15

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 97.03 OF THE VERSAILLES CODE OF ORDINANCES TO SPECIFICALLY INCLUDE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MANAGING TREES, SHRUBS AND OTHER VEGETATION WITH THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE OWNER OF PROPERTY NEXT TO ANY STREET OR ALLEY AND TO SPECIFY THAT THE PROPERTY OWNER, RATHER THAN THE OCCUPANT, HAS SUCH RESPONSIBILITIES, AND TO REMOVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CITY STREETS, ALLEYS AND THEIR GUTTERS.

Whereas, the City desires to amend Section 97.03 of the City's Code of Ordinances to clarify that it is the responsibility of all persons owning property adjoining any street or alley within the City to manage and maintain all trees, shrubs and other vegetation between the owner's property and the street or alley and to remove such responsibility from the occupant of the property, and to further remove any responsibility for a property owner to maintain the City streets and alleys or their gutters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED IN THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY as follows:

Section 1. Section 97.03 of the Versailles Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

§ 97.03 DUTIES OF ADJACENT OWNERS.

The ~~occupant, or if none, the~~ owner of every lot or building adjoining any street or alley shall keep ~~the half of his street or alley~~ their property, including the sidewalks and ~~gutters~~ adjoining such property, well cleaned and free from obstructions, and the owner shall keep the adjoining sidewalk and ~~gutter~~ in good repair. This responsibility includes the duty to

maintain all trees, shrubs and other vegetation to the gutter or street in a manner that does not obstruct the vision of persons using the street or alley and that does not otherwise present a danger to the public. This duty specifically includes the duty to remove any tree, shrub or vegetation that presents a danger to persons using the street or alley. The City Council may by municipal order create a program for sidewalk construction and maintenance as funding in the General Fund budget allows.

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective after passage and publication as required by law.

Introduced and given first reading at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Versailles, Kentucky, held on the ____day of _____, 2025, and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said council held on the ____day of _____, 2025.

CITY OF VERSAILLES

LAURA DAKE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

**CITY OF VERSAILLES
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-16
GENERAL TAXATION ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, the total assessment value of all real property subject to general taxation within the City as of January 1, 2025 is \$1,274,964,073; and

WHEREAS, the total assessment value of all personal property subject to general taxation within the City as of January 1, 2025 is \$83,291,618; and

WHEREAS, the total assessment value of motor vehicle and watercraft property subject to general taxation within the City as of January 1, 2025 is \$99,750,063; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized under KRS 132 to levy a tax rate on all real property within the City, as well as having the authority to levy other taxes.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY, TO-WIT:

Section 1. REAL PROPERTY TAX RATE

There is hereby levied and imposed an ad valorem tax of 4.9 cents on every \$100.00 of real property assessment subject to being taxed by said City for general government purposes.

Section 2. PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RATE

There is hereby levied and imposed a personal property tax rate of 10.0 cents on every \$100.00 of personal property assessment subject to being taxed by said City for general government purposes.

Section 3. MOTOR VEHICLE AND WATERCRAFT TAX RATE

There is hereby levied and imposed a motor vehicle and watercraft tax rate of 12.0 cents on every \$100.00 of motor vehicle and watercraft assessment subject to being taxed by said City for general government purposes.

The taxes herein levied by said City of Versailles, Kentucky, together with other revenue, license fees, services and other sources of income shall be and same are hereby appropriated from the General Fund for general government operating purposes.

This Ordinance shall become effective after passage and publication as required by law.

All Ordinances in conflict herewith to the extent of such conflict are hereby expressly repealed.

Introduced and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council, held on the 26th day of August, 2025 and fully adopted after a second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of _____, 2025.

APPROVED:

LAURA DAKE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

September 2, 2025 Council Meeting

Public Works Requests to Surplus:

Year	Brand	Description	Last 4 #’s of VIN	Mileage on 8/29/2025
2008	Chevrolet	6500, Cab and Chassis Flatbed	6421	75,428
2010	Ford	Explorer 4WD	M919	137,041
2013	Ford	F150 4WD Pickup	4437	122,646

Also,
One 35 ft. Aluminum Flagpole