

**JUNE 17, 2025  
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MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING/5:30 P.M.**

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

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

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 27, 2025 SPECIAL WORK SESSION.**

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

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 3, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.**

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

**Public Comment**

**Dani Bradley, President of The Woodford County Foundation, addressed the council to provide an update of the local non-profit organization and how it has provided assistance to citizens of Woodford County. Ms. Bradley stated that the foundation works with Victim Advocate Ellie Castle, as well as the Family Resource Center for each public school. She noted that some things the foundation was able to provide have included:**

- Food, utility payments, and gas for a family traveling back and forth to Cincinnati Children's Hospital for a child battling cancer**
- Dental care for a child that school employees had noticed was unable to eat**
- Hotel stays during the extreme cold for homeless, prior to the opening of The Warming Station**
- Partnered with the Salvation Army during two recent floods**
- Transportation to homeless shelters and addiction treatment facilities**
- Backpacks for students**
- Utility assistance due to job loss, illnesses, etc.**
- Work with other non-profits including Bluegrass Community Action, Salvation Army, Versailles Fraternal Order of Firefighters, and the Red Cross**

**Ms. Bradley stated that the foundation has almost no overhead costs and she expressed their appreciation for the current year funding and asked that the council continue to fund them at \$25,000 per year. She noted that the mission of the foundation is to meet essential needs of Woodford County families. She did note that they currently do not have the funding to provide rental assistance, but they provide assistance with food, gas, utilities, transportation, medical needs, and more. She distributed a letter from Woodford County Public Schools regarding the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 school year which states 20 students were directly impacted, and 80 individuals indirectly impacted, by the assistance provided by The Woodford County Foundation.**

**Police Chief Rob Young spoke in support of The Woodford County Foundation, stating that they are a valued partner of the police department providing immediate needs in crisis situations.**

**Deann Watts, Family Resource Coordinator for Huntertown and Southside Elementary Schools, also addressed the council in support of The Woodford County Foundation. Ms. Watts noted that emergencies and unexpected hardships often result in crises for families. She stated that use the foundation as a last resort when other non-profits are unable to provide assistance. Ms. Watts referenced two recent situations where the foundation helped two separate families – one to keep the electric on after a parent was unable to work their outside job because of the weather and one where a medically disabled child living in kinship care needed diapers immediately. She praised the foundation and the work they do to support those needing assistance.**

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Mayor Dake presented an amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Versailles and the City of Midway for police services which would reduce the amount paid by the City of Midway for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 from the original contract amount of 6.5% of the police operating budget to a flat dollar amount of \$401,566.

**MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF VERSAILLES AND THE CITY OF MIDWAY.**

Council member Siegelman expressed his opposition to the amendment stating that it is not beneficial to the taxpayers of the City of Versailles.

City Clerk Elizabeth Reynolds clarified that the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Versailles and the Woodford County Fiscal Court states that the Fiscal Court will pay 38% of the police operating budget, after any reimbursement revenues are deducted. She noted that the Agreement does not reference a specific amount for Midway or any other agency that has reimbursed for police services in prior years such as Woodford County Public Schools.

Council member Johnson stated that the cost to the City of approving this amendment is approximately \$32,000 which is .0013% of the City's combined general and enterprise budgets.

Council member Miller noted that while the police operating budget has increased significantly since Fiscal Year 2018, it has been budgeted in good faith.

Mayor Dake noted that, per the Agreement, the City of Midway does not have any negotiation power or "seat at the table" regarding the police department budget. They are simply given a copy of it at the end of the budgeting process and then told what their portion will be. She stated that in conversation with Mayor Vandegrift, they met in the middle at \$401,566 which is approximately 6%.

Mayor Vandegrift addressed the council and stated that no matter what happens tonight, the two cities will continue to be friends and neighbors. He noted that this is not about policing and praised Chief Young and the department. He stated that this is purely about budgeting, noting that they have a total general fund budget of \$2.1 million and that the continuing increases in police costs are taking away from other general fund expenses including sidewalk and road improvements. Mayor Vandegrift stated that he had met with Former Police Chief Murray and Former Mayor Traugott last year and they had assured him that the Fiscal Year 2026 portion would be less than \$404,000. He also noted that in 2019 the City of Midway agreed to pay more than the contract stated at the time because their revenues had increased significantly.

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

At the request of Council member Bradley, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2025-6 An Ordinance Amending the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of City Government Services, as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-6**

**TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY  
ANNUAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES  
AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION  
OF CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has approved and adopted the proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 General Fund budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be amended as provided by said Versailles City Council; and NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

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SECTION 1: That the proposed General Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 hereby be amended as follows:

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>		
Property Taxes	\$ 855,000	
License and Permits	<del>8,214,500</del>	<u>\$ 8,215,150</u>
Intergovernmental Revenues	<del>8,717,361</del>	<u>4,618,120</u>
Charges for Services	135,000	
Other Income	3,090,350	<u>7,881,313</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	<del>\$21,012,211</del>	<u>21,704,583</u>
<u>ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</u>		
<u>General Government</u>		
City Council	<del>\$3,107,552</del>	<u>\$ 5,141,817</u>
City Clerk	<del>477,809</del>	<u>482,309</u>
Mayor	83,265	
Events	257,505	
<u>General Public Service</u>		
Police	<del>\$6,663,316</del>	<u>\$ 6,615,316</u>
Asset Forfeiture	60,000	
Fire	<del>2,185,409</del>	<u>2,193,409</u>
Street	<del>1,159,514</del>	<u>1,220,614</u>
Cemetery	<del>352,880</del>	<u>372,381</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES	<del>\$14,089,745</del>	<u>\$16,426,616</u>
<u>ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES</u>		
Council	<del>\$ 7,439,000</del>	<u>\$8,559,624</u>
Clerk	<del>10,000</del>	<u>12,500</u>
Police	<del>637,420</del>	<u>719,242</u>
Fire	1,623,500	
Street	<del>758,000</del>	<u>651,165</u>
Cemetery	<del>136,500</del>	<u>175,850</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES	<del>\$10,604,420</del>	<u>\$11,741,881</u>
<u>ESTIMATED EXPENSES (OPERATING/CAPITAL)</u>		
(OVER)/UNDER REVENUES	<del>\$(3,651,954)</del>	<u>\$( 6,463,914)</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2024	<del>\$ 7,296,881</del>	<u>\$ 9,555,516</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2025	<del>\$ 3,614,927</del>	<u>\$ 3,091,602</u>

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 3rd day of June, 2025 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of June, 2025.

APPROVED:

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LAURA DAKE, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-6 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

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

At the request of Council member Miller, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2025-7 An Ordinance Amending the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual Enterprise Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of the Enterprise Fund, as follows:

CITY OF VERSAILLES  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-7

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF  
VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has approved and adopted the proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be amended by said Versailles City Council; and NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

SECTION 1: That the proposed Enterprise Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 hereby be amended as follows:

	<u>WATER, SEWER, GARBAGE</u>	
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>		
Water Service	\$ 3,700,000	
Meter Sales of Water	2,000	
Sewer Service	3,800,000	
Turn-On Fees	24,000	
Tap-On Fees	150,000	
Penalties	-120,000	\$ <u>150,000</u>
Check Fees	3,000	
Sewer Service – Stonegate	-335,000	<u>375,000</u>
Sewer-Septic Tank Waste	-150,000	<u>200,000</u>
Interest Income	-100,000	<u>200,000</u>
Refuse Collection Revenue	725,000	
Wastewater Impact Fees	100,000	
Water Impact Fees	50,000	
2018-2019 Bond Revenue	470,000	
Sale of Surplus Equipment	20,000	
Grant Income	-46,000	<u>1,664,890</u>
Interest on Loan	24,000	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$ <del>9,819,000</del>	\$ <u>11,657,890</u>
<u>ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</u>		
Water Department	\$ <del>3,848,382</del>	<u>\$3,999,882</u>
Sewer Department	<del>3,883,051</del>	<u>3,859,551</u>
Garbage Department	725,000	
TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ <del>8,456,434</del>	\$ <u>8,584,434</u>

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ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES

Water Department	\$ <del>618,743</del>	\$ <u>2,020,491</u>
Sewer Department	<del>808,200</del>	<u>1,181,332</u>
Garbage Department	-	
TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES	\$ <del>1,426,943</del>	\$ <u>3,201,823</u>
ESTIMATED EXPENSES (OPERATING/CAPITAL) (OVER)/UNDER REVENUES	\$ <del>(64,377)</del>	\$ <u>(128,367)</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2024	\$ 12,797,018	
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2025	\$ <del>12,732,641</del>	\$ <u>12,668,651</u>

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 3rd day of June, 2025 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of June, 2025.

APPROVED:

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LAURA DAKE, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MILLER TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-7 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND.

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

At the request of Council member Bingham, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2025-8 An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of City Government Services, as follows:

CITY OF VERSAILLES  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-8

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY  
ANNUAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES  
AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION  
OF CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be approved and adopted by said Versailles City Council; and NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

SECTION 1: That the proposed General Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 hereby be approved and adopted as follows:

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	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>	
Property Taxes	\$ 875,000
License and Permits	8,465,150
Intergovernmental Revenues	8,460,742
Charges for Services	80,000
Other Income	477,957
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$18,358,849
<u>ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	
<u>General Government</u>	
City Council	\$3,077,685
City Clerk	475,215
Mayor	88,192
Events	275,044
<u>General Public Service</u>	
Police	7,182,328
Asset Forfeiture	20,000
Fire	2,398,465
Street	1,238,328
Cemetery	363,165
TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES	\$15,118,422
<u>ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES</u>	
Council	\$ 2,607,566
Clerk	18,500
Police	475,960
Fire	357,250
Street	1,395,268
Cemetery	27,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES	\$ 4,882,044
ESTIMATED EXPENSES (OPERATING/CAPITAL) (OVER)/UNDER REVENUES	(\$1,641,617)
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2025	\$ 3,091,602
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2026	\$ 1,524,985

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 3rd day of June, 2025 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of June, 2025.

APPROVED:

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LAURA DAKE, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-8 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2025-8 TO INCLUDE A 5% RAISE FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES INSTEAD OF THE 3% RAISE AS PRESENTED.

Mayor Dake stated listed the employee raises from Fiscal Year 2020 through Fiscal Year 2025 in comparison to the COLA for each year. She noted that budget discussions began in January and February and nobody contacted her regarding the amount of the pay raise for Fiscal Year 2026.

Council member Johnson noted that the City has lost some major employers and she supports keeping the raise at the original budgeted amount of 3%.

Mayor Dake also noted that police and fire employees received significant raises in 2024 in addition to the annual raise.

The vote was as follows (on the Motion to amend Ordinance 2025-8): Siegelman and Bradley voting aye. Council members Bingham, Johnson, Jones, and Miller voting nay.

Council member Miller stated that she appreciates the transparency of the budget but she is uncomfortable with the charitable contributions.

Council member Bingham stated that the amounts budgeted between non-profits is disproportionate and looks discriminatory.

The vote was as follows (on the Motion approving Ordinance 2025-8): Bingham, Bradley, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

At the request of Council member Bingham, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2025-9 An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual Enterprise Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of the Enterprise Fund, as follows:

CITY OF VERSAILLES  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-9

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF  
VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
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APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be approved and adopted by said Versailles City Council; and NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

SECTION 1: That the proposed Enterprise Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 hereby be approved and adopted as follows:

<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>	<u>WATER, SEWER, GARBAGE</u>
Water Service	\$ 3,800,000
Meter Sales of Water	2,000
Sewer Service	3,900,000
Turn-On Fees	35,000
Tap-On Fees	150,000
Penalties	135,000
Check Fees	3,000
Sewer Service – Stonegate	350,000
Sewer-Septic Tank Waste	180,000
Interest Income	100,000
Refuse Collection Revenue	860,000

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Wastewater Impact Fees	100,000
Water Impact Fees	50,000
2018-2019 Bond Revenue	495,000
Sale of Surplus Equipment	90,000
Grant Income	46,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$10,296,000
<b><u>ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES</u></b>	
Water Department	\$ 4,018,093
Sewer Department	3,775,676
Garbage Department	860,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 8,653,769
<b><u>ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES</u></b>	
Water Department	\$ 786,000
Sewer Department	752,000
Garbage Department	-
TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES	\$ 1,538,000
ESTIMATED EXPENSES (OPERATING/CAPITAL) (OVER)/UNDER REVENUES	\$ 104,231
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2025	\$ 12,668,651
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2026	\$ 12,772,882

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 3rd day of June, 2025 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of June, 2025.

APPROVED:

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LAURA DAKE, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-9 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 206 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND.

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

At the request of Council member Bradley, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2025-10 An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the City of Versailles, Kentucky Municipal Aid Road Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations, as follows:

CITY OF VERSAILLES  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-10  
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY  
OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY  
ANNUAL MUNICIPAL AID ROAD FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 BY ESTIMATING  
REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Municipal Aid Road Fund budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be approved and adopted by said Versailles City Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

SECTION 1: That the proposed Municipal Aid Road Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 hereby be approved and adopted as follows:

	<u>ROAD FUND</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2025	\$ 66,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED 2025-2026 REVENUES	\$244,389
TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES	\$275,000
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2026	\$ 35,389

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 3rd day of June, 2025 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of June, 2025.

APPROVED:

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LAURA DAKE, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-10 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY MUNICIPAL AID ROAD FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS.

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

At the request of Council member Bingham, City Attorney Moore provided second reading of Ordinance 2025-11 An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual 911 Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of City 911 Dispatch Services, as follows:

CITY OF VERSAILLES  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-11

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY  
ANNUAL 911 FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES  
AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION  
OF CITY 911 DISPATCH SERVICES

WHEREAS, the 911 Board has approved and recommended, and the Versailles City Council has reviewed, the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 911 Fund budget and recommends that the proposed revenues and appropriations be approved and adopted by said Versailles City Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Versailles,

SECTION 1: That the proposed 911 Fund budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 hereby be approved and adopted as follows:

	<u>911 FUND</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2025	\$ 400,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED 2025-2026 REVENUES	\$1,315,059
TOTAL ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES	\$1,542,056
TOTAL ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENSES	\$ 59,121
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2026	\$ 113,882

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and given first reading at a meeting of the Versailles City Council on the 3rd day of June, 2025 and fully adopted after the second reading at a meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of June, 2025.

APPROVED:

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LAURA DAKE, MAYOR  
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-11 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY ANNUAL 911 FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY 911 DISPATCH SERVICES.

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

At the request of Council member Bradley, City Attorney Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2025-12 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 31 of the Versailles Code of Ordinances to Remove the Responsibility for Managing the Water and Sewer Department from the Public Works Director and Create the Position of Utilities Director to Perform Those Duties.

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At the request of Council member Siegelman, City Attorney Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2025-13 An Ordinance Amending Section 51.32 and 51.33 of the Versailles Code of Ordinances to Substitute the New Position of Utilities Director for the Public Works Director.

At the request of Council member Bingham, City Attorney Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2025-14 An Ordinance Amending Section 52.02 of the Versailles Code of Ordinances to Substitute the New Position of Utilities Director for the Public Works Director.

Mayor Dake presented Municipal Order 2025-12 which adjusts the salary ranges for each position within the City of Versailles by the cost of living increase of 2.9%.

**MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ADOPT MUNICIPAL ORDER 2025-12 ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 PAY CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.**

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

Mayor Dake presented Municipal Order 2025-13 which creates the position description for the new Utilities Director position. She noted that this is the department director position that Mitzi Delius will fill.

**MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT MUNICIPAL ORDER 2025-13 CREATING THE POSITION DESCRIPTION FOR UTILITIES DIRECTOR WITHIN THE CITY OF VERSAILLES.**

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

Mayor Dake presented Municipal Order 2025-14 which amends the Public Works Director position description to remove any water and sewer related duties and adds additional duties.

**MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT MUNICIPAL ORDER 2025-14 ADOPTING AN UPDATED POSITION DESCRIPTION FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR WITHIN THE CITY OF VERSAILLES.**

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

Mayor Dake presented Municipal Order 2025-15 which outlines the guidelines for the Neighborhood Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2026. She noted that the main difference from years past is that this Order states that neighborhoods that have received two or more grants since the inception of the program are not eligible to apply for any additional grants.

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ADOPT MUNCIPAL ORDER 2025-15 RENEWING THE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT PROGRAM.**

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

Public Works Director Bart Miller presented the following quotes for pump replacement at the Merewood Sewer Lift Station:

Straeffer Pump & Supply	\$ 9,835.00
Clark Electric	\$11,975.00

**MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY STRAEFFER PUMP & SUPPLY FOR A PUMP REPLACEMENT AT THE MEREWOOD SEWER LIFT STATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,835.00.**

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

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**Police Chief Rob Young presented the following quotes for ten HP laptops for the Versailles Police Department:**

<b>Connection</b>	<b>\$17,275.10 (includes five year warranty)</b>
<b>ProVantage</b>	<b>\$17,216.90 (includes five year warranty)</b>
<b>B&amp;H Photo</b>	<b>\$17,425.90 (includes five year warranty)</b>
<b>Amazon</b>	<b>\$11,275.00 (warranty not available)</b>
<b>CDW</b>	<b>\$11,869.90 (warranty not available)</b>

**Chief Young recommended Connection because we have an existing relationship with them, the price includes the five year warranty, and they do not charge shipping.**

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY CONNECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,275.10 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEN HP LAPTOPS WITH FIVE YEAR WARRANTY FOR THE VERSAILLES POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

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

**Chief Young presented the following quotes to replace the firearms and equipment that they received from the military:**

<b>Vance’s Law Enforcement</b>	<b>\$12,907.50</b>
<b>Kiesler Police Supply</b>	<b>\$14,088.50</b>
<b>Lawmen Supply Company</b>	<b>\$14,918.00</b>

**He noted that the current firearms and equipment will be returned to the military.**

**MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY VANCE’S LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,907.50 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF MILITARY FIREARMS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE VERSAILLES POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

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

**City Clerk Elizabeth Reynolds presented a Service Agreement with Revize Web Services for website redesign. She stated that the City has used Kentucky League of Cities for their website for the last few years and they have been very happy with the service provided. She noted that KLC provides an “out of the box” website that is very easy to use and requires little work on the part of the City. She stated that the current cost of the KLC website and payment platform is \$8,000 annually. This includes almost immediate support with website changes, payment issues, etc. Mrs. Reynolds stated that Amanda Wainscott, Communications and Events Coordinator, has much more experience with website design and build and that the City is wanting to transition to something more customized, that Ms. Wainscott can design and edit. The plans for the new website include banners, alerts, videos, etc. Mrs. Reynolds stated that the cost for Revize is \$11,250 which includes the first year of maintenance and support which will be \$2,000 annually. She noted that the new website build will take about ten months, so they wanted to get that approved and started. They are still working to determine the best payment platform to use in conjunction with Revize and the current software, Springbrook.**

**MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR DAKE TO ENTER INTO A WEB SERVICES SALES AGREEMENT WITH REVIZE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS FOR A NEW REDESIGNED WEBSITE AT A TOTAL COST OF \$11,250.00.**

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

**Mayor Miscellaneous**

**Mayor Dake asked everyone to continue to keep Magistrate Kelly Carl and her family in their thoughts and prayers in the death of her husband, well known Woodford Countian, Loren “Squirrel” Carl.**

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She also expressed her prayers for the lawmakers in Minnesota that were involved in a senseless act of violence.

She distributed a calendar of events for June and July.

Mayor Dake noted that the Juneteenth celebration is this Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.

She stated that the City is looking for 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade participants for the downtown parade which will take place between 12:00pm and 2:00pm on Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Dake noted that the visitation for Squirrel Carl will be Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 6:00pm at the Versailles Methodist Church with the funeral following.

**Council Miscellaneous/Committee Reports**

Council member Bingham invited everyone to attend the Juneteenth Festival on June 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm – 10:00pm at the Versailles Downtown Market and Entertainment District. She stated that Honeychild will take the stage at 8:00pm.

Mrs. Bingham noted that a Street/Stormwater/Cemetery Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

Council member Siegelman reiterated what Mayor Dake said about Squirrel and expressed his sympathy for his family.

**Department Directors**

Fire Chief T.A. Rankin provided information on a recent swift water rescue that the Versailles Fire Department provided as part of a mutual aid agreement with Franklin County Fire. He stated that there had been a drowning in the Elkhorn Creek on Saturday and a kayaker and four firefighters became trapped in the creek on Sunday during search operations. Versailles Fire Department was able to safely rescue those who were trapped.

Chief Rankin presented the following quotes for a boat motor and equipment. He noted that the items are budgeted for the current year.

Inmar Marine Group	\$7,335.85
All Hands Fire Equipment	\$8,539.96

**MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY INMAR MARINE GROUP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,335.85 FOR A BOAT MOTOR AND EQUIPMENT.**

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

Chief Rankin shared the impact that Squirrel Carl had on his life, including as a DARE instructor.

He also announced that the VFD was recently awarded a \$25,000 training facility grant from the State Fire Commission.

Chief Young stated that there had been a lot of discussion over the last few weeks regarding the police department and the significant increases in operating costs. He noted that a lot of the increase has to do with hazardous duty retirement, salaries, and other employee related costs. Chief Young said that the additional pay increase that was given last year was to stay competitive with surrounding departments – he noted that Lexington and UK police departments gave \$20,000 pay raises to all officers and Kentucky State Police gave \$15,000 pay raises to all officers. Chief Young noted that the Versailles Police Department is an accredited department with an SRT team, a trained hostage negotiator, a collision reconstruction team, and they recently created a traffic control team. He also referenced the necessary expense of body cameras and the software that goes with them. Chief Young stated that they are good stewards of taxpayer money and he thanked everyone for their support.

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**Council member Bingham stated that tonight was a tough meeting and thanked Mayor Dake for being diligent and working hard on the budget.**

**Deputy Johnny Mills, Emergency Management, gave kudos to the Mayor and Council for having difficult conversations and being transparent.**

**Mr. Mills reminded everyone that it is going to get hot and to be prepared for the possibility of storms tomorrow evening.**

**Mayor Dake adjourned the meeting without objections.**

**APPROVED:**

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**LAURA DAKE, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK**