Bloomington Common Council-Regular Session Memorandum
Council Chambers, City Hall, 401 North Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana
Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 6:30pm

Council President Asare called the meeting to order. [6:30pm]

1. Roll Call (*indicates participation via Zoom) [6:30pm]

Council Members:	
Isak Nti Asare	At-Large, Council President
Courtney Daily	District 5, Council Parliamentarian
Matt Flaherty	At-Large
Isabel Piedmont-Smith	District 1
Dave Rollo*	District 4
Kate Rosenbarger* (joined at 6:33pm)	District 2
Andy Ruff (absent)	At-Large
Hopi Stosberg	District 3
Sydney Zulich	District 6, Council Vice President

City staff, officials, and guests present:	
Jennifer Crossley	Deputy Clerk
Larry Allen	Common Council, Attorney (temporary)
Michael Wagenaar	O'Neill Leadership Program Fellow
Geoff McKim	City Controller
Sharr Pechac	Human Resources, Director

2. Agenda Summation [6:31pm]

Council President Asare summarized the agenda.

3. Minutes for Approval [6:32pm]

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to approve the amended minutes of January 7, 2026, January 14, 2026, February 4, 2026, February 25, 2026, and March 31, 2026. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

4. Reports [6:32pm]

4.1. Councilmembers

4.2. The Mayor, City Clerk, City Offices, and City Boards and Commissions [6:37pm]

There were no reports.

4.3. Council Committees

Piedmont-Smith presented an informal report on the Committee on Council Processes.

4.4. Public

5. Appointments to Boards and Commissions [6:45pm]

There were no appointments to boards or commissions.

6. Legislation for First Readings [6:45pm]

6.1. Ordinance 2026-16

To Amend an Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Officers and Employees of the Police and Fire Departments for the City of Bloomington, Indiana for the Year 2026 *Council Sponsor - N/A*

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-16 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. Crossley read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to discuss Ordinance 2026-16. The motion to discuss Ordinance 2026-16 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to present Ordinance 2026-16 for second reading at the next Regular Session to be held on August 5, 2026 at 6:30pm. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

6.2. Ordinance 2026-17

To Amend the 2026 Salary Ordinance of Appointed Officers, Non-Union, and A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees for All Departments of the City of Bloomington, Indiana *Council Sponsor - N/A*

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-17 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. Crossley read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to discuss Ordinance 2026-17. The motion to discuss Ordinance 2026-17 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to present Ordinance 2026-17 for second reading at the next Regular Session to be held on August 5, 2026 at 6:30pm. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

7. Legislation for Second Readings and Resolutions [7:45pm]

7.1. Ordinance 2026-15

Amending Title 2 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Regarding Establishment of the Fire Merit Commission *Council Sponsor - CM Zulich*

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-15 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. Crossley read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-15 be adopted. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

8. Additional Public Comment [7:50pm]

9. Council Schedule [7:51pm]

10. Adjournment [7:51pm]

Asare adjourned the meeting.

Memorandum prepared by:
Deputy Clerk Jennifer Crossley

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