

**Bloomington Common Council-Regular Session Memorandum**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, 401 North Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana**  
**Wednesday, August 05, 2026, at 6:30pm**

Council President Asare called the meeting to order. [6:32pm]

**1. Roll Call (\*indicates participation via Zoom) [6:32pm]**

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

| City staff, officials, and guests present: |                                                   |
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| Nicole Bolden                              | City Clerk                                        |
| Larry Allen                                | Common Council, Attorney (temporary)              |
| Michael Wagenaar                           | Common Council, O'Neill Leadership Program Fellow |
| Geoff McKim                                | City Controller                                   |
| Sharr Pechac                               | Human Resources, Director                         |
| Desiree DeMolina                           | Office of the Mayor, Communications Director      |
| Jane Kupersmith                            | Economic & Sustainable Development, Director      |
| Michael Diekhoff                           | Police Department, Chief                          |

**2. Agenda Summation [6:33pm]**

Council President Asare summarized the agenda.

Piedmont-Smith moved and Daily seconded to amend the agenda to move any reports about hiring, which was under item #5, to council committee reports under #4. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

**3. Minutes for Approval [6:33pm]**

There were no minutes for approval.

**4. Reports [6:37pm]**

- 4.1. Councilmembers**
- 4.2. The Mayor, City Clerk, City Offices, and City Boards and Commissions**

Piedmont-Smith moved and Daily seconded to amend the rules to allow members of the public to comment on the Parking Study report and the community survey report during the first period of open public comment. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Desiree DeMolina, Communications Director, Office of the Mayor, introduced Jeff Andreasen from aQity Research & Insights, who presented the Community Survey results.

Michelle Wahl, Parking Services Director, introduced Lauren Sturdivant and John Martens from the Walker Consulting Group, who presented the Parking Rate Study and Comprehensive Review. Clerk Nicole Bolden provided a response to the Parking Study.

**4.3. Council Committees**

**4.4. Public**

**5. Appointments to Boards and Commissions [8:42pm]**

There were no appointments to boards or commissions.

**6. Legislation for First Readings [8:42pm]**

**6.1. Ordinance 2026-18**

**Adopting Guidelines and Requiring Formal Written Commitments as a Condition of Eligibility for On-Premises Alcoholic Beverage Permits within Eligible Statutory Districts  
Council Sponsor - CM Asare**

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-18 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Asare passed the gavel to Zulich.

Daily moved and Piedmont-Smith seconded to discuss Ordinance 2026-18. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Daily moved and Asare seconded to send Ordinance 2026-18 to second reading on September 2nd, 2026. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Zulich passed the gavel to Asare.

**7. Legislation for Second Readings and Resolutions [9:07pm]**

**7.1. 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. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-16 be adopted.

Piedmont-Smith moved and Zulich seconded to introduce Amendment 01 to Ordinance 2026-16.

Amendment 01 Synopsis: This amendment updates proposed Ordinance 2026-16 to correct typos and inadvertently transposed numbers.

The motion to adopt Amendment 01 to Ordinance 2026-16 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

The motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-16 as amended received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

## **7.2. 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. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-17 be adopted.

Piedmont-Smith moved and Zulich seconded to introduce Amendment 01 to Ordinance 2026-16.

Amendment 01 Synopsis: This amendment updates proposed Ordinance 2026-17 to correct typos and misplaced job positions and titles.

The motion to adopt Amendment 01 to Ordinance 2026-17 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

The motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-17 as amended received a roll call vote of Ayes: 7, Nays: 1 (Rosenbarger), Abstain: 0

## **7.3. Resolution 2026-14**

**Approval of Amended Legal Representation Agreement for Common Council**

Daily moved and Piedmont-Smith seconded that Resolution 2026-14 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Asare passed the gavel to Zulich.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Resolution 2026-14 be adopted.

The motion to adopt Resolution 2026-14 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Zulich passed the gavel to Asare.

## **8. Additional Public Comment [9:50pm]**

## **9. Council Schedule [9:50pm]**

## **10. Adjournment [9:52pm]**

Asare adjourned the meeting.

Memorandum prepared by:  
Deputy Clerk Colleen Williamson

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<sup>3</sup> <https://bloomington.in.gov/council>