

Bloomington Common Council-Regular Session Memorandum
Council Chambers, City Hall, 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana
Wednesday, April 01, 2026, 6:30pm

Council President Isak Nti 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	District 2
Andy Ruff	At-Large
Hopi Stosberg	District 3
Sydney Zulich	District 6, Council Vice President

City staff, officials, and guests present:	
Nicole Bolden	City Clerk
Michael Wagenaar	O'Neill Leadership Program Fellow
Kelly Murphy	Information Technology Services, Technology Support Manager
James Sander	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Birthday Celebration Commission, Chair
Kerry Thomson	Mayor
Clark Kirkman	Clark Quinn Law Firm, Attorney
Kelly Shaw	Clark Quinn Law Firm, Attorney
Allison Thurmond Quinlan	Flintlock LAB, Principal Architect + Landscape Architect
Nathan Ferreira	Summit Hill Community Development Corporation, and Bloomington Housing Authority, Executive Director

2. Agenda Summation [6:30pm]

Asare summarized the agenda.

3. Minutes for Approval [6:32pm]

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to approve the minutes of December 17, 2025. The motion was approved by voice vote.

4. Reports [6:33pm]

4.1. Councilmembers

Rollo moved and Zulich seconded to submit the budget priorities letter from the council to Mayor Thomson. The motion was approved by voice vote.

4.2. The Mayor, City Clerk, City Offices, and City Boards and Commissions

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration Commission

4.3. Council Committees

For the Committee on Council Processes, Stosberg moved and Zulich seconded that the Committee on Council Processes proceed with legislation to require councilmember sponsorship of all items of legislation. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 1 (Rollo), Abstain: 0.

For the Hiring Committee, Daily moved and Zulich seconded to approve the job description for the Council Administrator/Attorney as amended. Daily withdrew the motion.

Stosberg moved and Rollo seconded to empower the Hiring Committee to make changes to the position description as presented in the redline and as are reflected in the Human Resources recommendations in the memo. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded to authorize the Hiring Committee to identify and contract, in coordination with appropriate city processes, with external vendors, professional service providers, or temporary legal counsel as necessary, to ensure uninterrupted functioning of the Council Office and to support recruitment efforts. The results shall not exceed \$50,000 and will have a maximum hourly rate of \$400. The motion was approved by voice vote.

4.4. Public

5. Appointments to Boards and Commissions [7:33pm]

Zulich moved and Piedmont-Smith seconded to remove Drew Herron and Carey Champion from the Historic Preservation Commission. Zulich withdrew the motion.

Zulich moved and Piedmont-Smith seconded to remove Drew Herron from the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion was approved by voice vote.

6. Legislation for First Readings [7:35pm]

There was no legislation for first readings.

7. Legislation for Second (and Subsequent) Readings and Resolutions [7:36pm]

7.1. Ordinance 2026-06

To Amend the City of Bloomington Zoning Maps by Rezoning a 6.3 Acre Property from Residential Urban Lot (R4) and Residential Multifamily (RM) within the Transform Redevelopment Overlay (TRO) to Planned Unit Development (PUD) and to Approve a District Ordinance and Preliminary Plan

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-06 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Clerk Nicole Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Daily moved and Zulich seconded that Ordinance 2026-06 be adopted.

Zulich moved and Daily second to suspend the rules to allow Allison Thurmond Quinlan to present the slideshow. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 5, Nays: 4 (Flaherty, Rosenbarger, Ruff, Stosberg), Abstain: 0. FAILED. *Clerk's note: Motions to suspend the rules must receive a 2/3 majority vote to pass.*

Stosberg moved and Piedmont-Smith seconded to introduce Reasonable Condition #4. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Stosberg moved and Zulich seconded to close discussion on Reasonable Condition #4.

Zulich moved and Daily seconded to postpone Ordinance 2026-06 to the May 06, 2026 regular session council meeting. Zulich withdrew the motion.

Zulich moved and Daily seconded to postpone Ordinance 2026-06 to the May 6th regular session council meeting. Zulich withdrew the motion.

Zulich moved and Daily seconded to postpone Ordinance 2026-06 to the next regular session meeting on April 22, 2026. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Flaherty moved and Zulich seconded to conclude the portion of the meeting on second readings and move to the next portion of the agenda. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Clerk’s Note: Resolution 2026-05 and Resolution 2026-06 were not introduced.

7.2. Resolution 2026-05

A Resolution to Initiate a Proposal to Amend Title 20 (Unified Development Ordinance) of the Bloomington Municipal Code in order to Improve Sustainability and Housing Affordability

7.3. Resolution 2026-06

A Resolution Directing the Housing and Neighborhood Development Department to Develop a Framework for Long-Term Housing Affordability

8. Additional Public Comment [11:24pm]

9. Council Schedule [11:24pm]

10. Adjournment [11:27pm]

Asare adjourned the meeting.

Memorandum prepared by:
Deputy Clerk Colleen Williamson
City of Bloomington

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Clerk’s Note: The above memorandum summarizes the motions passed and issues discussed at the meeting. It is not a verbatim copy of every word spoken. Bloomington City Council meetings are available for watching on the following websites:

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