



**ROCKY MOUNT TOWN COUNCIL
FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 PROPOSED BUDGET
AND
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
PUBLIC HEARING
May 6, 2024
6:00 p.m.**

The following members
of Council were present:

Mayor C. Holland Perdue III
Vice Mayor Billie W. Stockton
Council Member A. Ralph Casey
Council Member David K. Clements
Council Member J. Tyler Lee
Council Member Benjamin K. Mullins
Council Member Mark H. Newbill

The following staff
members were also
present:

John T. Boitnott, Town Attorney
Robert J. Wood, Town Manager
Rebecca H. Dillon, Town Clerk/Executive Admin. Assistant
Mark W. Moore, Assistant Town Manager
Amy D. Gordon, Assistant Finance Director/Human Resource Director
Steven Burgoyne, Sergeant of Patrol, RMPD
Jason Divers, Lieutenant of Patrol, RMPD
Daniel Pinard, Economic & Cultural Development Director

The Rocky Mount Town Council (hereafter referred to as “Council”) Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Proposed Budget and Capital Improvement Plan Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers of the Rocky Mount Municipal Building located at 345 Donald Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia, with Mayor C. Holland Perdue III presiding.

1. Roll Call

The Town Clerk called each member of the Rocky Mount Town Council by name to account for all members present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Prior to the meeting, Council received the amended agenda for review and consideration of approval.

Motion: To approve the amended agenda as presented

Motion By: Council Member Lee

Seconded By: Vice Mayor Stockton

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill.

Approved (6 to 0)

3. Public Hearing

3.1. A. Public Hearing on Proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Budget and Fiscal Year 25-29 CIP (*Note: No consideration of motion needed until May 13, 2024 Regular Council meeting.*)

3.2. B. Public Hearing on Proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Tax Rates and Fees (*Note: No consideration of motion needed until May 13, 2024 Regular Council meeting.*)

A draft budget was submitted to Town Council at Council's April 8, 2024 meeting. Two work sessions were held to discuss the proposed budget and bring the budget to final form. Work sessions were held on April 11, 2024 and on April 15, 2024 after which the final budget was advertised for public input at the public hearing held on May 6, 2024. The budget was advertised for public input in the local newspaper on April 26, 2024.

No comments were received from the public during the hearing or prior to the public hearing.

4. Closed Meeting and Action

Motion: To go into closed session under the Virginia Code Section cited below.

Time: 6:02 p.m.

Virginia Code Section:

4.1 Section 2.2-3711(A).3 Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

Motion By: Council Member Mullins

Seconded By: Council Member Casey

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill

Approved (6-0)

Going Into Closed Session

Returning from Closed Session

Town Clerk Dillon Stated the Recording had Resumed

Time: 6:15 p.m.

Motion: To come out of closed session

Motion By: Vice Mayor Stockton

Seconded By: Council Member Casey

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill

Approved (6 – 0)

Mayor Perdue Called for a Roll Call Vote for each Council Member to Certify Discussion During the Closed Meeting.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS REQUIRED:

MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE	VOTE
Vice Mayor Stockton	Present	Certify
A. Ralph Casey	Present	Certify
David K. Clements	Present	Certify
J. Tyler Lee	Present	Certify
Benjamin K. Mullins	Present	Certify
Mark H. Newbill	Present	Certify
Mayor, C. Holland Perdue III	Present	Certify

Certified: (7): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, Council Member Newbill, and Mayor C. Holland Perdue III

Certificate of Closed Meeting Discussion:

Council certified unanimously that nothing was discussed in the closed meeting other than what was stated in the motion to enter the closed meeting. No action was taken during the closed meeting.

Whereas, the Rocky Mount Town Council has convened a closed meeting on Monday, May 6, 2024, pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, requires certification by this Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

Now, therefore, Be It Resolved that the Rocky Mount Town Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each members' knowledge: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the public body.

C. Holland Perdue III, Mayor

Recess Called by Mayor Perdue

Motion: To recess

Time: 6:18 p.m.

Motion By: Council Member Lee

Seconded By: Vice Mayor Stockton

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill

Approved (6 – 0)

Action: Meeting was recessed

Meeting Called to Resume by Mayor Perdue

Motion to Resume Meeting

Time: 6:33 p.m.

Motion By: Council Member Lee

Seconded By: Council Member Mullins

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill

Approved (6-0)

Action: Meeting was resumed

Authorization was requested from Mayor Perdue to allow him to sign a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) regarding the purchase by the Economic Development Authority (EDA) of the property located at 369 Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, VA, from Atlantic Union Bank to the EDA.

Motion: Authorization for Mayor Perdue to Sign the MOU regarding the purchase by the EDA of the property located at 369 Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, VA from Atlantic Union Bank.

Motion By: Council Member Lee

Seconded By: Vice Mayor Stockton

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill
Approved (6 – 0)

Mayor Perdue asked for a roll call vote:

MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE	VOTE
Vice Mayor Stockton	Present	Yes
A. Ralph Casey	Present	Yes
David K. Clements	Present	Yes
J. Tyler Lee	Present	Yes
Benjamin K. Mullins	Present	Yes
Mark H. Newbill	Present	Yes
Mayor, C. Holland Perdue III	Present	Yes

Ayes: (7): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, Council Member Newbill, and Mayor C. Holland Perdue III
Approved (7 – 0)

Recess Called by Mayor Perdue

Motion: To recess

Time: 6:34 p.m.

Motion By: Council Member Mullins

Seconded By: Council Member Lee

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements, Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member Newbill

Approved (6 – 0)

Action: Meeting was recessed

Meeting Called to Resume by Mayor Perdue

Motion to Resume Meeting

Time: 6:43 p.m.

Motion By: Council Member Lee

Seconded By: Council Member Mullins

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements,
Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member
Newbill

Approved (6-0)

Action: Meeting was resumed

5. **Adjournment**

Motion: To adjourn

Time: 6:44 p.m.

Motion By: Council Member Lee

Seconded By: Vice Mayor Stockton

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: (6): Vice Mayor Stockton, Council Member Casey, Council Member Clements,
Council Member Lee, Council Member Mullins, and Council Member
Newbill

Approved (6 – 0)

Action: Meeting was adjourned

C. Holland Perdue III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rebecca H. Dillon, Town Clerk