

December 16, 2025

A Regular Work Session of the Danville City Council convened on December 16, 2025, at 8:24 p.m. in the City Council Conference Room located on the Fourth Floor of the Municipal Building, 427 Patton Street, Danville, Virginia. The following Council Members were present: Vice Mayor James B. Buckner, L.G. "Larry" Campbell Jr., Bryant Hood, Barry Mayo, Dr. Gary P. Miller, Sherman M. Saunders, J. Lee Vogler, Jr., and Madison J.R. Whittle (8). Mayor Alonzo L. Jones was absent (1).

Staff Members present were: City Manager Ken F. Larking, City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., and City Clerk Susan M. DeMasi. Deputy City Manager Earl B. Reynolds Jr., was absent.

Vice Mayor Buckner presided.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

Meeting Minutes

Upon **Motion** by Council Member Whittle and **second** by Council Member Vogler, Minutes of the Regular Work Session held on November 18, 2025, were approved as presented. Draft copies were distributed to Council Members prior to the Meeting.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Vice Mayor Buckner noted the Committee on Appointment met earlier this evening and made the following recommendations:

Industrial Development Authority:	Reappoint: Kristen Barker
Employee Retirement System Board:	Reappoint: Helm Dobbins and Edgar Love
Fair Housing Board:	Reappoint: Hampton Wilkins
Planning Commission:	Reappoint: Steve Petrick Appoint: James Bolton

Council had no objections to the recommendations and agreed to put them on the next business agenda.

CLOSED MEETING

At 8:26 p.m., Council Member Miller **moved** that this meeting of the City Council of the City of Danville, Virginia be recessed and that Council immediately reconvene in a Closed Meeting for the following purposes: discussion or consideration of the acquisition or disposition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in an open meeting would adversely impact the bargaining position of the City as permitted by Subsection (A)(3) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended and more specifically to consider discussion regarding the sale and/or potential purchase of a specific parcel of property for use by the City of Danville and/or specific parcels of property for prospective industrial, commercial, and mixed use projects looking to locate to the City, and an Economic Development discussion and update concerning prospective businesses or industries where no previous announcement has been made and/or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made as permitted by Subsection (A)(5) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as

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amended and more specifically to consider an update on multiple prospective commercial, mixed use, hospitality, and industrial projects considering locating within the City and/or locating within the region in cooperation with the City's regional partners.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Vogler and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Mayo, Miller,
Saunders, Vogler, and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSENT: Jones (1)

Upon unanimous vote at 9:05 p.m., Council reconvened in open session and Council Member Miller **moved** for adoption of the following Resolution:

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Council convened in Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a Certification by the Council that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each Member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of Virginia Law under Section 2.2-3711 were heard, discussed or considered, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Committee.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Campbell and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Mayo, Miller,
Saunders, Vogler, and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSENT: Jones (1)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:05 P.M.

APPROVED:

s/Alonzo L. Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

s/Susan M. DeMasi, CMC
CITY CLERK