

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CITY OF PROSPECT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Monday, July 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

- Chair: Mayor Doug Farnsley

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of Minutes of June 16, 2025 regular council meeting and June 23, 2025 special council meeting.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO MS. ABIGAIL POTTER AND PROCLAMATION DECLARING July 21, 2025 TO BE ABBY POTTER DAY IN PROSPECT

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor's update on City matters.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- Monthly financial update

COMMISSION & BOARD REPORTS

- Architectural Review Committee
- Investment Committee

OTHER REPORTS

- Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
- Jefferson County League of Cities

POLICE REPORT

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Second reading of **Ordinance 655, Series 2025**, AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING THE 2024 SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROSPECT.
This ordinance adopts and incorporates American Legal Publishing's codification of city ordinances in the Prospect, KY Code of Ordinances.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Resolution 5, Series 2025**, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED DETAILED DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND BINDING ELEMENTS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF PROSPECT POINT LOCATED AT 9505 US HIGHWAY 42.

This resolution approves the re-development plans for the Prospect Point Shopping Center.

- **Municipal Order 2, Series 2025**, AN ORDER CONSENTING TO THE NOMINATION BY THE MAYOR OF MANDY PAUL TO SERVE ON THE CITY OF PROSPECT FORESTATION BOARD AND AFFIXING TERMS OF OFFICE THERETO.

ADJOURNMENT

Supporting documents for this meeting's agenda are archived on the city's website calendar:

<https://www.prospectky.gov>

Some meeting participants may meet virtually by WebEx.

Members of the public may attend in person and see and hear all participating members at Prospect City Hall, 9200 US Hwy 42, Prospect, Kentucky.

CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2025

Attending In-Person: Mayor Doug Farnsley; Council Members John Clark, John Evans, Don Gibson, David Holmes, and Sandra Leonard; Police Chief Tony Denham, Asst. Police Chief Michael McKeehan, C.A.O. and City Clerk John S. Carter

Participating Remotely: Council Member Christian Furman; Director of Public Works Ron Cundiff

Absent: City Attorney F. Chris Gorman

Call to Order

Mayor Farnsley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Evans moved to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025 special council meeting, seconded by Council Member Clark, and the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments

- None.

Mayor's Report

- The mayor noted that the budget ordinance on the agenda this evening has been revised from the initial ordinance presented at the June 2, 2025 council meeting and thus will require a first reading. Changes to the version of the proposed budget presented on June 2, 2025, include:
 - The budget projects an \$80K increase in ad valorem tax based on new construction in the Breakers and Hunting Green neighborhoods.
 - The state's compensating rate is 17.4¢ per \$100 of valuation. The rate proposed in Ordinance 653, Series 2025 is 18.3¢ per \$100 of valuation.
 - The additional revenue raised will be appropriated to fund additional U.S. Hwy 42 safety improvements, repaving of several city road, development of the boardwalk from City Hall to Putney Pond, a 3% employee cost of living adjustment, and replacement of several computer workstations.
 - The new budget also raises the salary of the police chief, the assistant police chief, and part-time officers to remain competitive with nearby police departments of similar size.

- The mayor welcomed the University of North Carolina's Morehead-Cain scholars, Misha Logisa, Sriya Amineni, Mariel Ottinger and Elise Chang, to the council meeting. The scholars are assisting the city with sustainability efforts, including increasing resident participation with recycling and exploring the feasibility of the city moving to solar powered streetlamps and electric vehicles.
- Today Prospect's attorneys advised that the Kentucky Supreme Court has decided not to review the zoning change approved by Louisville Metro Council that permits LDG to move forward with its proposed apartment building along Timber Ridge Drive.
- LDG's separate lawsuit against the city has had its July trial date postponed. A new trial date is expected to be set soon.
- Over 100 people attended the concert by the Ron Jones Quartet at the John Evans Pavilion on June 8th. Additional concerts are scheduled throughout the summer.
- The current 'Pop-Up' Art Exhibition at City Hall will continue through August 22nd. The mayor thanked Becky Culbreth and all the Art Committee members for their work preparing art exhibits.
- Due to poor weather conditions on June 14th, Prospect's 2nd annual Kids Fest has been re-scheduled to October 19th.

Financial Reports

The City Administrator presented a synopsis of the city's finances for May, 2025.

- Cash on hand totaled approximately \$3.9 million, of which approximately \$2.47 million is unrestricted funds.
- The city's income has now exceeded budgeted revenue by 3%. The city has spent approximately 90% of its budgeted expenses.
- The capital project fund balance is approximately \$98K.
- The restricted Road Aid Fund balance is approximately \$140K.

Commission and Board Reports

On behalf of the Forestation Board, Board Member Connie Kuhn, presented an oral report:

- The board has had recent discussions on ideas for promoting the Canopy Tree program.
- The board continues to take and answer questions from the public regarding tree planting and hazardous tree mitigation.
- The board will have a table at the city's July 4th celebration promoting the planting of trees in Prospect.
- The board is seeking the appointment of a new board member after a recent board member's resignation.

Other Reports

Council Member Leonard reported that the Jefferson County League of Cities [JCLC] has not met since June 2, 2025. There will be no board meeting or member meeting during July. The next

board meeting is set for August; however the next members' meeting will not take place until September.

Police Report:

Police Chief Denham reported:

- The details of the written report on arrests and call responses were presented.
- Several warrants have recently been issued for the arrest of several Kroger shoplifters.
- There have been no more reports of vehicle thefts or break-ins since the incidents early in June.
- The department has recently replaced all its flak vests with funds from a recent grant through the Kentucky Attorney General.
- The department has deployed new speed carts in city neighborhoods.

Old Business

- Council Member Holmes moved for the second reading and passage of **Ordinance 653, Series 2025**, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF PROSPECT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026, seconded by Council Member Clark. A roll call vote was held: **Yea:** Clark, Evans and Holmes. **Nay:** Furman, Gibson and Leonard. Mayor Farnsley voted **Aye** to break the tie, and the motion passed 4–3.
This ordinance set the 2025 ad valorem tax rate to be levied on real property at \$0.183 per \$100 of valuation.

New Business

- Council Member Evans moved for the first reading of **Ordinance 654, Series 2025**, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, MUNICIPAL ROAD AID AND CAPITAL PROJECT FUND OF THE CITY OF PROSPECT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026, seconded by Council Member Clark. A roll call vote was held: **Yea:** Clark, Evans, Furman, Holmes, and Leonard **Nay:** Gibson. The motion passed 5 – 1.

Adjournment: Council Member Evans moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Leonard, and the motion passed unanimously. Mayor Farnsley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Prepared by:

Approved:

John S. Carter, City Clerk

Douglass Farnsley, Mayor

This meeting was live-streamed on YouTube.

CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

June 23, 2025

Attending In-Person: Mayor Doug Farnsley; Council Members John Clark, John Evans, Christian Furman, Don Gibson, David Holmes, and Sandra Leonard; City Attorney F. Chris Gorman, Police Chief Tony Denham, C.A.O. and City Clerk John S. Carter

Participating Remotely: Director of Public Works Ron Cundiff

Call to Order

Mayor Farnsley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Citizen Comments

- None.

Mayor's Report

- The city has published former Mayor John Evan's memoir, Fifty Years in Prospect. Mayor Evans's book is well written, informative and at times humous. The mayor invited Prospect residents to acquire a free copy of the book at Prospect City Hall.
- In approximately six months Prospect's Post Office will move from its current location to a new location across the street from Prospect City Hall.
- The Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has ordered that the speed limit along U.S. 42 from Harrods Creek Bridge to River Road be reduced to 35 mph effective July 1, 2025.
- The Art in City Hall 'Pop-Up' Exhibition continues during city hall business hours through August 22nd.
- On Friday, July 4th, the city will hold its annual July 4th Celebration and Firework Show at Cowley Park.
- The mayor read a letter from resident Robert Nesmith to Police Chief Denham commending Sergeant Jim Cirillo's recent performance securing his relative's home at 3 am.
- The mayor read a letter to the city from The Russian School of Mathematics thanking the city for the use of the John Evans Pavilion for their recent graduation ceremony.
- The mayor provided a history of ad valorem tax rates adopted by the city council over the past five years to demonstrate that the city's tax rates have dropped since 2021.

Old Business

- Council Member Evans moved for a second reading and passage of **Ordinance 654, Series 2025**, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, MUNICIPAL ROAD AID AND CAPITAL PROJECT FUND OF THE CITY OF PROSPECT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026, seconded by Council Member Holmes.
 - Council Member Gibson moved to amend **Ordinance 654, Series 2025**, to eliminate the purchase of a new police cruiser, to make pay raises 3% for all employees, and to reappropriate these funds to the Capital Projects Fund budget, second by Council Member Leonard. A roll call vote was held: **Yea:** Gibson and Leonard. **Nay:** Clark, Evans, Furman and Holmes. The motion failed 2–4.

A roll call vote was held on **Ordinance 654, Series 2025**: **Yea:** Clark, Evans, Furman and Holmes. **Nay:** Gibson and Leonard. The motion passed 4–2.

New Business

- Council Member Furman moved for a first reading of **Ordinance 655, Series 2025**, AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING THE 2024 SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROSPECT, second by Council Member Leonard. A roll call vote was held: **Yea:** Clark, Evans, Furman, Gibson, Holmes and Leonard. **Nay:** None. The motion passed 6–0.

This ordinance adopts and incorporates American Legal Publishing's codification of city ordinances in the Prospect, KY Code of Ordinances.

Adjournment: Council Member Clark moved to adjourn, second by Council Member Leonard, and the motion passed unanimously. Mayor Farnsley declared the meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

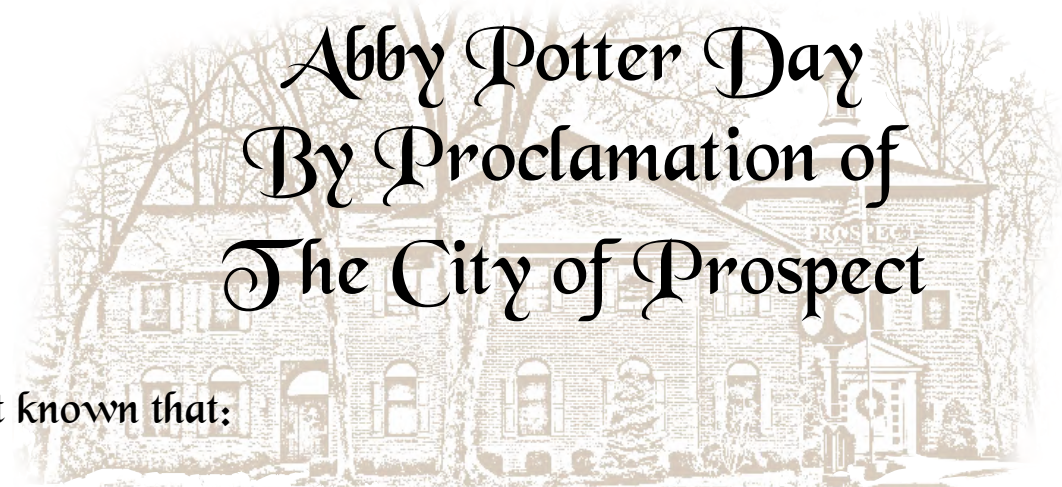

Prepared by:

Approved:

John S. Carter, City Clerk

Douglass Farnsley, Mayor

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Abby Potter Day By Proclamation of The City of Prospect

Be it known that:

Whereas: the City of Prospect, Kentucky expresses its appreciation to Abby Potter, volunteer student member of the Prospect Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, and

Whereas: through organization and participation in volunteer activities for the betterment of the Prospect Parks, Abby Potter demonstrates a sense of community engagement, civic service, and stewardship of nature, and

Whereas: the volunteer actions inspire the City of Prospect residents to value the impact of community involvement, and to embrace the park systems environmental, aesthetic and recreational benefits.

Now Therefore, let it be known this 21st day of July, 2025 shall be proclaimed as Abby Potter Day and I call on the citizens of the City of Prospect, Kentucky to join in this day of celebration.



Douglass Farnsley
Mayor, City of Prospect, Kentucky





Prospect Police Department

Report Summary for June 2025

❖ *Arrests*

- ◆ June 22: Warrant
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❖ *Call Response Reports*

- ◆ June 3: (106) Welfare Check
- ◆ June 17: (115) ID Theft
- ◆ June 17: (116) Lost Jewelry
- ◆ June 18: (118) Lost Amazon delivery
- ◆ June 25: (119) Found disabled person
- ◆ June 26: (120) Suspicious Activity
- ◆ June 26: (121) Suspicious Activity
- ◆ June 27: (123) Theft
- ◆ June 26: (125) Panhandler

❖ *Code Enforcement Reports*

25 permits were issued in June. Other June issues included:

- ◆ Unpermitted signs removed
- ◆ Unpermitted dumpster

❖ *Felony Reports*

- ◆ June 3: (105) Shoplifting

❖ *JC3 Reports*

- ◆ June 5: (108) Duties only

❖ *KYIBRS Non-Criminal Reports*

- ◆ June 4: (no #) Field Contact
- ◆ June 6: (110) Death Investigation
- ◆ June 11: (no #) Field Contact
- ◆ June 22: (no #) Field Contact

❖ *Misdemeanor Reports*

- ◆ June 2: (102) TBUT
- ◆ June 3: (104) Shoplifting
- ◆ June 6: (109) Shoplifting
- ◆ June 6: (111) TBUT from Auto

❖ *Total Assists Outside of Prospect – 2*

❖ *Total Citations / Warnings other than Arrests – 50*

❖ *Total Collisions – 7 non-injury and 1 injury*

❖ *Total People Fingerprinted – 0 resident and 0 non-resident = \$20*



Prospect Police Department

Monthly Report of Police Activities JUNE 2025

ACTIVITY	2025	2024
House Checks:	2161	1854
Traffic Activity		
Citations/ Warnings Issued	50	12
Non- Injury Accidents	7	12
Injury Accidents	1	0
Citizen Assists	7	6
Reports		
Misdemeanor Reports	4	0
Felony Reports	1	2
Call Responses	9	2
Miscellaneous Reports	4	0
Arrests	2	1
Calls For Service		
Dispatched Runs	178	140
Officer Initiated Runs	206	62
Burglary/ Robbery, Fire Alarms Included False Alarms	18	23
Code Enforcement Citations	0	0

**CITY OF PROSPECT
ORDINANCE NO. 655, SERIES 2025**

**AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING THE 2024 SUPPLEMENT
TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROSPECT**

WHEREAS, American Legal Publishing Corporation of Cincinnati, Ohio has completed the 2024 Supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Prospect, which supplement contains all ordinances of a general nature enacted since the prior supplement to the Code of Ordinances of this municipality; and

WHEREAS, American Legal Publishing Corporation has recommended the revision or addition of certain sections of the Code of Ordinances which are based on or make references to sections of the Kentucky Revised Statutes; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Prospect to accept these updated sections in accordance with the changes of the law of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PROSPECT, KENTUCKY:

SECTION 1: That the 2024 Supplement of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Prospect, Kentucky, as submitted by American Legal Publishing Corporation of Cincinnati, Ohio, be and the same is hereby adopted by reference as if set out in its entirety.

SECTION 2: That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage, signing, and publication as required by law.

First Reading this 23rd day of June 2025.

Second Reading this _____ day of July 2025.

By a vote of _____ aye and _____ nay of the City Council.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Douglass Farnsley
Mayor

John S. Carter
City Clerk

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CITY OF PROSPECT
RESOLUTION 5, SERIES 2025**

**APPROVAL OF A REVISED DETAILED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PLAN AND
BINDING ELEMENTS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF SHOPPING CENTER
LOCATED AT 9505 U.S. HIGHWAY 42**

WHEREAS, an Application for a Revised Detailed District Development Plan (RDDDP) for Prospect Point Redevelopment at 9505 U.S. Highway 42 and related site improvements was filed with the Louisville Metro Planning & Design Services on December 5, 2024, under Case No. 24-DDP-0082, and was recommended for approval by the agency on June 18, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY the Prospect City Council of the City of Prospect, Kentucky, that the Application for a Revised Detailed District Development Plan being more particularly described in the minutes and records of the Metro Planning and Design Services and Case No. 24-DDP-0082 is hereby approved; provided, however, said development shall be subject to the Binding Elements as set forth in the report, minutes and records of the Metro Planning & Design Services in Case No. 24-DDP-0082.

Adopted on: July 21, 2025, by a vote of ____ aye to ____ nay.

Douglass Farnsley, City of Prospect Mayor

Attested by: _____
John S. Carter, Prospect City Clerk

Date: July 21, 2025

**CITY OF PROSPECT, KENTUCKY
MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 2, SERIES 2025**

**AN ORDER CONSENTING TO THE NOMINATIONS BY THE MAYOR OF CITIZENS OF THE CITY TO SERVE
ON THE CITY OF PROSPECT FORESTATION BOARD AND AFFIXING TERM OF OFFICE THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prospect has established a Forestation Board to oversee the selection, planning, protection, care, maintenance, removal, and management of trees and forestation within the City of Prospect; and

WHEREAS, Chapter §97.02 and §97.03 of the City of Prospect Code of Ordinances establish the procedure for appointing citizens and residents of the city to the Forestation Board; and

WHEREAS, the recent resignation of a Forestation Board member has left an office vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Farnsley nominates the following to serve terms as set forth herein, beginning July 21, 2025:

- Mandy Paul is to serve a term of 3 years, ending on July 21, 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROSPECT, KENTUCKY:

The City Council of the City of Prospect, Kentucky consents to the mayor's nomination to fill the above-stated position on the City of Prospect Forestation Board for the term as stated.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 21st day of July 2025.

Attest:

Douglass Farnsley
Mayor, City of Prospect, Kentucky

John S. Carter
City Clerk

MANDY PAUL'S BIO

My name is Mandy Paul. I have lived in The Landings for 21 years and my husband and I have raised our three children here in Prospect. I was born and raised in Conway, South Carolina where the Live Oaks are protected so fiercely we have to drive around them in the streets. When we found our home here in Prospect it was the two enormous Maples, one Scarlet and one Sugar, that sold us on the property. We have been enthusiastic patrons of the Tree Sales and have added three trees with this program since 2022, replacing the damaged Bradford Pears with keystone trees that will give food and shelter to birds and wildlife for decades to come.

I love living here and want Prospect to continue to be a green breath of fresh air for all our neighbors. I hope to be a helping hand on this board. Thank you for your consideration.