



AGENDA
ATHENS CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024 AT 7:00 PM

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1. Establish Quorum

2. Disposition of Minutes:

- Regular Session held November 18, 2024

3. Communications

- Athens Poet Laureat Stephanie Kendrick (Love Poem to Athens)

4. Reports and Communications from Other Elected Officials

5. Ordinances for Third Reading:

0-113-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 130-23.
Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-115-24

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-116-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING 2025 NON-UNION COMPENSATION; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-117-24

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FRINGE BENEFITS PACKAGE FOR NON-UNION PERSONNEL WITHIN THE CITY OF ATHENS AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-118-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO, OR TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING THE SERVICES OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025.

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-119-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 1, GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 1.03, CODE FEES ESTABLISHED, TO INCLUDE SECTIONS 23.03.11(D), ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND ACCESSORY ENERGY SYSTEMS, AND 23.03.12(B), PRINCIPAL RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS.

Introduced by Council Member Swank

6. Ordinances for Second Reading:

0-112-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE CITY'S TRANSIENT GUEST TAX FOR THE OPERATION OF THE OUTDOOR RECREATION COUNCIL OF APPALACHIA (ORCA).

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-120-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT EXTENSION TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ATHENS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-121-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING 2025 STAFFING LEVELS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-122-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SERVICE CENTER TO SERVE AS THE CITY'S THIRD-PARTY HEALTH INSURANCE ADMINISTRATOR (TPA); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-123-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A GROUP EXCESS LOSS MEDICAL INSURANCE CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-124-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH SUNDAY CREEK HORIZONS, A CONSULTING FIRM.

Introduced by Council Member Swank

0-125-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OF VEHICLES NO LONGER NEEDED FOR A MUNICIPAL PURPOSE.

Introduced by Council Member Spjeldnes

0-126-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 5, PUBLIC UTILITIES, CHAPTER 5.03, WATER REGULATIONS, SECTION 5.03.03, WASTED WATER CHARGED FOR; AND TITLE 1, GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 1.03, CODE FEES ESTABLISHED.

Introduced by Council Member McCarey

0-127-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO LEASE OR OTHERWISE MONETIZE THE CITY'S SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS (SRECs).

Introduced by Council Member Risner

7. Ordinances for First Reading:

0-128-24

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN THE GENERAL CITY INCOME TAX OF THIRTY HUNDREDTHS OF A PERCENT (.30%) PER ANNUM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026; AUTHORIZING THE QUESTION OF THE INCREASE TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 6, 2025.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-129-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO REDUCE 2024 YEAR-END APPROPRIATIONS.

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-130-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A WATERLINE REPLACEMENT ON FACTORY STREET.

Introduced by Council Member McCarey

0-131-24

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A REAL AND PRESENT EMERGENCY, THUS OBVIATING THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCEDURE, TO PROCEED WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ADA RAMPS AT ALL FOUR CORNERS OF THE COURT AND UNION STREET

INTERSECTION AS WELL AS REPLACEMENT OF THE CROSSWALKS.
Introduced by Council Member Spjeldnes

0-132-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 3, ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 3.07, ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, SECTION 3.07.01, CITY PLANNING COMMISSION.
Introduced by Council Member Swank

0-133-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 23, ZONING CODE, CHAPTER 23.07, BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS, SECTION 23.07.01, APPOINTMENT.
Introduced by Council Member Swank

0-134-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 33, SHADE TREE COMMISSION, SECTION 33.01.01 (A)(2), COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP.
Introduced by Council Member Swank

0-135-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME) LOCAL 2403 (2) CONCERNING WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS.
Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

8. Resolution for First Reading:

- **R-10-24**

A RESOLUTION TO PLACE THE ISSUE OF INCREASING THE CITY INCOME TAX BY THIRTY-HUNDREDTHS OF A PERCENT (.30%) PER ANNUM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026, ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT PRIMARY ELECTION ON MAY 6, 2025; AND DIRECTING THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF ATHENS COUNTY TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION.
Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

9. Announcements & Other Business:

10. Opportunity for Citizens to Speak on Legislative Items and City Services Not Covered on the Agenda

11. Adjournment

Sam Crowl
President of Council

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