



City of Green

Central Administration
Building
1755 Town Park Blvd.
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Green, OH 44232

Meeting Minutes

City Council

Chris Humphrey - Ward 1
Christopher J. Meager "CJ" - Ward 2
Richard Brandenburg- Ward 3
Jeff Noble - Ward 4
Justin Speight - At-Large, President
Clark A. DeVitis - At-Large
Gerard Neugebauer- At-Large, Vice President
Nichole Messner, MMC- Clerk of Council

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

Council President Speight called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Speight led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call of Council Members

Present: 7 - Richard Brandenburg, Clark A. DeVitis, CJ Meager, Jeff Noble, Gerard Neugebauer, Justin Speight and Chris Humphrey

Also Present:

Mayor Yeargin

Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council

Shelley Goodrich, Finance Director

Paul Pickett, City Engineer

Wayne Wiethe, Planning Director

Valerie Carr, Service Director

IV. Council Study Session

[TMP-5248](#) Approval of the February 10, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [2-10-26 Draft Council Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member Noble, to approve the Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Brandenburg, DeVitis, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Humphrey

Abstain: 1 - Meager

[TMP-5254](#) Approval of the January 2026 Electronic Financial Report, Subject to Audit

Attachments: [January 2026 Electronic Financial Statements](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member Meager, to approve subject to audit the Financial Statement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brandenburg, DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Humphrey

V. Public Report

Joyce McMillen, Meadow Wood, Green OH-
Ms. McMillen concerned about the Sheriffs directing traffic at the school in the mornings. Issue with the fiber installation in Meadow Wood, concerned they will dig up her sprinkler system.

Byron Cullom, Massillon Road, Green OH-
Concerned with truck traffic, truck speed, and directional sign. Crack in pavement.

Karen Martin, 3055 Wise Road, Green, OH-
Question about the fiber, would it be coming to her neighborhood.

Nancy Hagen, 3071 Wise Road, Green, OH-
Would like a 4-way stop at Wise Rd and Mayfair Rd. Dangerous intersection.

VI. Public Hearings

[2026-04](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO JOIN NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL'S ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 2/10/2026) ** A PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026, AT 3:00 P.M. & 7:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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[2026-04 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Brandenburg opened the public hearing at 7:33 p.m.

Councilman Brandenburg read in both pieces of legislation. He gave a brief background. City has been a NOPEC community for gas since 2020.

Service Director Carr briefly explained that the city was previously 5c a kilowatt, the market rate has now gone up to 9-10cents per kilowatt so they decided to shop with our broker.

Brenda Fargo, Broker, explained they sent out 5 RFP's- IGS, Constellation and AEG

Energy declined, so they only received 2 proposals from Dynegy and NOPEC. NOPEC provided the best rate.

Ross McDonald, Director of Expansion for NOPEC explained if the city decides to go with NOPEC, the rate will go down to 9.486 cents per kilowatt hour. Being a dual NOPEC member has certain benefits, so by having both gas and electric aggregation the city will benefit in a number of ways.

Director Carr advised NOPEC has been very nice to work with and they have had very few issues.

Discussion took place regarding the process for residents to be enrolled into the NOPEC program.

Ms. Fargo explained that in June when the rates change, First Energy's price to compare will be 10.35 cents per kilowatt.

Councilman Meager commented about the benefits of the aggregation program- its consistent.

Councilman Neugebauer asked what happens if a resident is in a contract and it ends, what happens. Ms. Fargo explained they go back to the utility, which is typically the high rate. They would then be eligible to opt-in to NOPEC.

Councilman Noble clarified that this will be a year to year contract. Will there ever be an opportunity to get into a more than a year contract any time soon.

Ms. Fargo stated that locking in long-term was currently not a good idea, the market is very volatile with price fluctuations, and no one is doing that at this time.

Councilman Humphrey asked where the green residents can find the current aggregation rate. Director Carr advised it is posted on the city's website.

Mr. McDonald advised that NOPEC will also do public meetings with the senior population called bill review to help the senior population understand what to look out for.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Karen Martin, 3055 Wise Road, Green, OH-
Would the city help use the NOPEC grant they receive to pay for solar to be put in at resident homes or businesses.

Director Carr explained that the grant monies had certain stipulations and needed to be used to benefit the whole community.

After discussion ended, Councilman Brandenburg closed the public hearing at 8:01 pm.

[2026-05](#) **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE FOR THE NOPEC ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM, FOR THE PURPOSE OF JOINTLY ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING AN ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 2/10/2026) **A PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026, AT 3:00 P.M. & 7:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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[2026-05 Exhibit A](#)
[2026-05 Request for Legislation](#)

VII. Reading of Correspondence

Clerk of Council Messner read in the correspondence.

[TMP-5249](#) February 18, 2026 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Agenda

Attachments: [2-18-26 PZC Agendawith attachments](#)

[TMP-5250](#) February 9, 2026 Charter Review Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [2 9 2026 draft minutes](#)

[TMP-5252](#) February 23, 2026 Charter Review Commission Meeting Agenda

Attachments: [2-23-26 Charter Review Commission Meeting Agenda](#)

[TMP-5255](#) Summit County Sheriffs Department January 2026 Activity Report

Attachments: [January 2026](#)

[TMP-5256](#) Resident opposition Letters regarding the proposed SELU Commercial Development at 3929 S Main St.

Attachments: [Email from Carl Christie RE South Main Plaza- Storage Units proposal Opposition](#)
[Email from Maria Tustin RE Against 232 storage units being built next to South Main Plaza](#)
[Email from Mark Blazeff RE storage units](#)
[Email from Nicholas DiDonato RE Strong Opposition to the Proposed Self-Storage Facility](#)
[Email from Paula Prentice RE Storage Units](#)
[Email from Rick Keller RE Subject SELU Commercial Development](#)
[Email from Jennifer DiDonato RE Proposed Storage Units](#)

VIII. New Legislation - Items on First Reading

Clerk of Council, Nichole Messner, read in the new legislation and Council President Speight referred each piece to the appropriate committee.

[2026-R06](#) **A RESOLUTION MODIFYING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN CERTAIN FUNDS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -Referred to the Finance Committee

Attachments: [2026-R06 1st Qtr Appropriation Legislation](#)
[2026-R06 Exhibit A](#)
[2026-R06 Request for Legislation](#)

[2026-R08](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL 2026 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -Referred to the Intergovernmental and Utilities Committee

Attachments: [2026-R08 NOPEC Grant Legislation](#)
[2026-R08 Exhibit A](#)
[2026-R08 Request for Legislation](#)

IX. Report of Council Committees

A. Finance (Humphrey*, Neugebauer**, Speight)

Councilman Humphrey gave his committee report.

THIRD READING ITEMS

[2026-R01](#) **A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 AND #3 FOR THE INCREASE IN THE BARBICAS CONSTRUCTION CO. INC CONTRACT FOR THE GRAYBILL ROAD TURN LANE PROJECT AT GREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 1/13/2026)

Attachments: [2026-R01 Graybill Rd Turn Lane Project Change Orders and Appropriation.pdf](#)
[2026-R01 Exhibit A](#)
[2026-R01 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Humphrey read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Committee in support of passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Humphrey, seconded by Council Member Neugebauer, to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brandenburg, DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Humphrey

[2026-02A](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GREEN TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF CREDIT AND DEBIT CARD PROCESSING COSTS, AND BANK FEES ASSOCIATED WITH CERTAIN PAYMENTS TO THE CITY. -(Introduced on 1/13/2026)(Amended February 24, 2026)**

Attachments: [2026-02 Amend Chap 30 Credit Card Fee Legislation 2-10-26](#)
[2026-02 Amended Exhibit A](#)
[2026-02 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Humphrey read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Committee in support of passage. A motion was made to adopt.

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member Meager, to adopt the Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brandenburg, DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Humphrey

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2026-R03](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, AND TESTING COMPANIES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2026 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2028, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 2/10/2026)**

Attachments: [2026-R03 Various Eng Firm Contracts Prof Services](#)
[2026-R03 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Humphrey read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

B. Environment & Parks (Neugebauer*, Speight**, DeVitis)

Did not meet.

C. Public Safety (DeVitis*, Humphrey**, Neugebauer)

Councilman DeVitis reported that they met to receive an update on the new emergency alerting program from Valerie Wolford.

D. Planning, Community & Economic Development (Noble*, DeVitis**, Humphrey)

Councilman Noble gave his committee report.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2026-03](#) AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF APPROXIMATELY 2.76 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT 988 E. TURKEYFOOT LAKE ROAD FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO B-1 (GENERAL BUSINESS). -(Introduced on 2/10/2026) **A PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2026 AT 7:00 PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Attachments: [2026-03 988 E. Turkeyfoot Rezoning Legislation](#)
[2026-03 Exhibit A](#)
[2026-03 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Noble read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

He advised there would a public hearing on this at the next meeting on 3/10. Time was requested and granted.

E. Rules and Personnel (Speight*, Meager**, Brandenburg)

Did not meet.

F. Transportation, Connectivity & Storm Water (Meager*, Brandenburg**, Noble)

Councilman Meager reported that they met to hear a brief construction update from City Engineer Pickett.

G. Intergovernmental & Utilities (Brandenburg*, Noble**, Meager)

Councilman Brandenburg gave his committee report.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2026-R04](#) **A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREEN AND THE LEGAL DEFENDERS OFFICE OF SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO, INC. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 2/10/2026)

Attachments: [2026-R04 COG Legal Defenders Summit Cty](#)
[2026-R04 Exhibit A](#)
[2026-R04 Request for Legislation](#)

Councilman Brandenburg read in the legislation and gave a brief summary of the discussion that took place during committees.

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

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Councilman Brandenburg read in the next 2 pieces of legislation 2026-04 and 2026-05 and gave a brief summary of the public hearing that was just held earlier in the evening.

No additional comments or questions. Time was requested and granted.

[2026-05](#) **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE FOR THE NOPEC ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM, FOR THE PURPOSE OF JOINTLY ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING AN ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 2/10/2026) **A PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026, AT 3:00 P.M. & 7:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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See notes above.

X. Mayor’s Report

Mayor Yeargin gave his report.

XI. Unfinished Business

None.

XII. New Business

None.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Neugebauer, seconded by Council Member Noble, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brandenburg, DeVitis, Meager, Noble, Neugebauer, Speight and Humphrey

APPROVED: _____ DATE: _____
 Justin Speight, President

ATTEST: _____ DATE: _____
 Nichole Messner, MMC, Clerk of Council

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