



**MINUTES
CAUCUS MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF COVINGTON, KENTUCKY
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026, 6:00 PM
20 WEST PIKE STREET, COVINGTON, KY 41011**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Covington, Kentucky met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of City Hall, 20 West Pike Street, Covington, KY 41011 at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026. Mayor Ronald L. Washington called the meeting to order and called the roll. The following members were present: Mayor Ronald L. Washington, Commissioner Tim Acri, Commissioner Tim Downing, and Commissioner Shannon Smith. Absent: Commissioner James Toebbe. Quorum was met for the Board of Commissioners.

The following staff members attended in person: City Manager Sharmili Reddy, Strategic Infrastructure Initiatives Director Keith Bales, Communications Manager Dan Wohler, Human Resources Director Cindy Lewis, City Solicitor Frank Schultz, City Clerk Susan Ellis, Controller Jiv Johnson, Economic Development Director Tom West, Assistant Economic Development Director John Sadosky, Police Chief Justin Wietholter, Fire Chief Corey Deye, Assistant Public Works Director Brad Schwenke, Neighborhood Services Director Brandon Holmes, Assistant Neighborhood Services Director Walt Mace, Director of Special Projects and Intergovernmental Affairs Elizabeth Wetzel, Director of External Affairs & Senior Counsel Sebastian Torres, and Code Enforcement Officer Alejandro Medina.

Following roll call, without objection, the agenda was amended to add the second reading of a proposed Ordinance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Downing and seconded by Commissioner Acri to suspend the rules so as to take legislative action for the second reading of a proposed Ordinance. Mayor Washington asked for additional discussion, and with none, a voice vote was taken

Voting Yea: Acri, Downing, Smith, and Washington

Voting Nay: None

Motion to suspend the rules so as to take legislative action for the second reading of a proposed Ordinance was approved by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS: SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-02-2026

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY LOCATED ON THE FORMER 13TH STREET AND FORMER 14TH STREET, AND LOCATED ON LAND ADJACENT TO NEAVE STREET WITHIN THE FORMER DURO BAG PROPERTY SITE.

Title of Commissioners' Ordinance No. O-02-2026 was read by the City Clerk. Motion was made by Commissioner Acri and seconded by Commissioner Downing to approve the

Ordinance. Mayor Washington asked for additional discussion, and with none, a roll call vote was taken.

Voting Yea: Acri, Downing, Smith, and Washington

Voting Nay: None

Commissioners' Ordinance No. O-02-2026 was approved by unanimous vote.

Following the second reading of the ordinance, without objection, the Commission entered back into Caucus session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Washington adjourned the regular meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Ronald L. Washington

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

Susan Ellis

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED: March 10, 2026