



City of Fort Wright

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City of Fort Wright Special Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 15th, 2026 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Dave Hatter called the Fort Wright City Special meeting to order in the City of Fort Wright Council Chambers at 6:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/PRAYER:

Members of the City Council and citizens pledged allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Finance Clerk, Nyoka Johnson, called the role. The following members of City Council were present:

Mr. Jay Weber
Mr. Bernie Wessels
Ms. Margie Witt
Ms. Donna Ross
Mr. Jason Collins

The following members of City Council were not present:

Mr. Scott Wall

The Mayor announced that a quorum was present, allowing the council to proceed with the agenda.

Also present were CAO Jill Cain Bailey, City Attorney John S. Brooking, Chief of Police Jonathan Colwell, Fire Chief Steve Schewe, and Public Works Director Jeff Bethell.

ITEMS TO DISCUSS:

Imposition of a moratorium on the use of unmanned aircraft (drones) except under limited circumstances for a period of six (6) months; adoption.

No additional discussion.

Ordinance 01-2026 regarding the use and operation of unmanned aircrafts (drones):

An ordinance of the City of Fort Wright, in Kenton County, Kentucky, imposing a moratorium barring the use and operation of unmanned aircrafts (drones) within and above the city boundaries, and the acceptance, processing and approval of applications related to the use of operation of unmanned aircrafts (drones), for a period of six (6) months.

City Attorney Brooking read the second reading of Ordinance 01-2026.

No additional discussion.

Mayor Hatter asks for a motion to approve the second reading. Councilman Wessels made a motion to approve the second reading. A second was made by Councilman Collins. Ms. Johnson called the role.

Ms. Donna Ross	YES
Mr. Jason Collins	YES
Mr. Jay Weber	YES
Mr. Bernie Wessels	YES
Ms. Margie Witt	YES
Mr. Scott Wall	NOT PRESENT

All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Ordinance 02-2026 regarding the amendment of the zoning code for qualified manufactured homes:

An ordinance of the City of Fort Wright, in Kenton County, Kentucky, amending various sections of the zoning code of the City of Fort Wright, known as the Fort Wright Zoning Ordinance, to amend text regarding qualified manufactured homes to comply with KRS 100.348, pursuant to the recommendation of the Kenton County Planning Commission.

City Attorney Brooking read the first reading of Ordinance 02-2026.

No additional discussion.

Mayor Hatter asks for a motion to approve the first reading. Councilman Weber made a motion to approve the first reading. A second was made by Councilwoman Witt. Ms. Johnson called the role.

Ms. Donna Ross	YES
Mr. Jason Collins	YES
Mr. Jay Weber	YES
Mr. Bernie Wessels	YES
Ms. Margie Witt	YES
Mr. Scott Wall	NOT PRESENT

All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Interlocal Agreement for Northern Kentucky Special Weapons and Tactics (S.W.A.T.), INC

An agreement under the Interlocal Cooperation Act set forth in KRS 65.210 to 65.300 (the "Act"), any powers, privileges, or authority capable of being exercised by a local government may be exercised jointly with one or more local government entities under a Cooperation Agreement allowing joint and cooperative action.

Mayor Hatter agrees that this agreement is good to have between the Northern Kentucky cities.

Chief Colwell gave an overview of the S.W.A.T. team and how they can call each other to help the cities in Northern Kentucky.

CAO Jill Bailey added that the S.W.A.T team were able to do training at the old Fort Wright Days Inn before demolition began.

Councilman Wessels made a motion to approve the interlocal agreement. A second was made by

Councilwoman Ross. Ms. Johnson called the role.

Ms. Donna Ross	YES
Mr. Jason Collins	YES
Mr. Jay Weber	YES
Mr. Bernie Wessels	YES
Ms. Margie Witt	YES
Mr. Scott Wall	NOT PRESENT

All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

AJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss; Mayor Hatter asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Witt made a motion, and Councilman Collins made the second. Ms. Johnson called the role.

Ms. Donna Ross	YES
Mr. Jason Collins	YES
Mr. Jay Weber	YES
Mr. Bernie Wessels	YES
Ms. Margie Witt	YES
Mr. Scott Wall	NOT PRESENT

All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

The meeting was officially adjourned at 6:07 P.M.

Attest:



Nyoka Johnson, Finance Clerk

Respectfully Submitted,



Dave Hatter, Mayor