CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
September 8, 2025

The Council and Officers of the City of Windy Hills met at Sojourn Community Church East, 2501 Rudy Lane, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Roberts called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: The following were present:

MAYOR	COUNCIL MEMBERS	OTHER CITY OFFICIALS
Dr. John Roberts	Helen Davis	Christine Haner, Clerk/Treasurer
	Kate Greer	Timothy Mayer, Attorney
	Paul Morris	
	Steve Teaford	
	Julie Theiler	

MINUTES:

Councilwoman Davis moved to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2025, council meeting; seconded by **Councilwoman Greer**. Having no need for discussion, the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS, APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Councilwoman Greer moved to approve the August 2025 Financial Reports which included the Profit & Loss Statement as well as the Balance Sheet: seconded by **Councilwoman Davis**. With no discussion necessary, the motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Davis moved to approve the August bills, totaling $218,907.99; seconded by **Councilwoman Greer.** Having no questions or concerns, the motion passed unanimously. **Mayor Roberts** mentioned the August bills were high in total as they included $50K from the Road Fund for paving, another portion of the paving bill from the General Fund of $111,410, as well as our usual $28,493.43 monthly payment to Rumpke. Those were the three largest expenditures for August.

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS/CONCERNS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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Budget, Finance, ARPA Committee, Mayor Protem – **Councilwoman Davis**:
Mayor Roberts, Councilwoman Greer, and Councilwoman Davis attended Metro Councilwoman, Dr. Paula McCraney's, "Muffins with McCraney" event on Saturday, August 16th. This meeting was an important one as it focused on area construction and traffic concerns. Mr. Matt Bullock, Chief District Engineer for KYTC District 5, and Mr. William Bell, Director of Louisville Metro Department of Transportation were in attendance to hear concerns and answer questions from the attendees. One topic related to Windy Hills was the concern of entering and exiting Brownsboro Center, which has seen a decline in business due to traffic congestion. The syncing of the traffic lights near the Watterson on Brownsboro is an ongoing concern as well as folks still blocking Brownsboro Road in front of the Wexford Place neighborhood at Antrim Lane and blocking Brownsboro Road in front of Indian Ridge Road. Because folks are impatient, many are trying to use those side streets as a cut through. Windy Hills will purchase NO OUTLET signs where appropriate or investigate moving current signs for better visibility.

Windy Hills Green/City Maintenance/Tree Board liaison - **Councilwoman Greer**:
GREEN: There is a new sign to prevent climbing on Rudy the Bear. This sign will not only prevent potential injuries to humans but protect Rudy as well!

CITY MAINTENANCE: New fall plants will be planted at the entrances of Wexford Place and Clerkenwell. There is a bad spot by the parking lot on the Green that needs soil and grass seeds due to holes/depressions where the earth has settled. This will be fixed to prevent a trip hazard even though some of the Green will eventually be taken up for the additional driving lane on Rudy.

TREE BOARD: The Tree Board will meet on Wednesday, September 17th at 7PM in the boardroom of Suite 110. The Arbor Day celebration will be Sunday, September 28, 2025, from 3PM-5PM. There will be an ice cream truck, kids activities including a scavenger hunt and leaf rubbing, a tour informing folks about the new GPS coordinates for each tree, and discussions about diseases affecting trees in our area.

GLOW ON THE GREEN: Save the Date of Sunday, November 30th for Glow On The Green. The accordion player has already been secured. More information to come.

Public Works – **Councilman Teaford** reported:

- A No Parking sign has been installed at 4318 Foeburn Lane and the street sign on Victoria has been repaired.
- A sign has been installed at Rudy the Bear to prohibit climbing. The photocells and plugs on Rudy need to be checked to make sure they are working properly.

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- I have continued work on our LG&E billings to resolve discrepancies in the location of each light.
- Initial repairs on our city sidewalks have been completed. 8 panels need to be repaired and we are seeking costs for that. 14 additional spots need grinding at certain driveways. Those residents will be contacted.
- A No Outlet sign for Antrim was ordered today. There is an existing No Outlet sign on Indian Ridge Road at the Brownsboro entrance.
- I contacted an electrician to check the photocells and plugs on the Green prior to our upcoming events.
- A security company has been contacted to review the need for cameras on the Green and at Ambridge Drive. This will be reported to the council after the review and recommendations by the security company.

City Clerk/Treasurer – **Christine Haner** reported:
Our audit is underway. The audit manager visited City Hall for about 5 hours last Thursday. They were quite complimentary. Be sure to attend the November 10th Council meeting for a summary reading of the audit findings by Jones, Nale & Mattingly.

Mayor Roberts asked the Clerk to discuss property tax season. The tax bills will be mailed out on September 30th. There will be a 50% discount if payment is received or postmarked before November 1st. After that, the face amount will be due before January 1. The September print newsletter will contain more information.

Code Enforcement Officer – **Paul Eitel**:
In Mr. Eitel's absence **Mayor Roberts** spoke. The mayor was complimentary of Mr. Eitel's efforts as Code Enforcement Office in Windy Hills. His last report showed 47 miles driven in Windy Hills over a time frame of 36 hours of time in the role. There were 2 parking warnings issued.

At Bentwood Place and Rudy Lane parents often sit in their vehicles waiting on their child's bus. Parents are pulling up too far by the stop sign, blocking visibility for other drivers. There is no parking within 30 feet of an intersection, and that includes driver's sitting in their vehicles.

It was mentioned that maybe a sign to that effect be purchased for that location. However, **Councilman Teaford** shared that just as importantly in our City, is the consistency of signage. For that reason, it is likely the best course of action to refrain from installing a sign at Bentwood Place and Rudy if those same signs are not installed all over Windy Hills by the stop signs. Mentioning the infraction to a couple of offenders is likely all that needs be done to change risky behaviours.

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ATTORNEY COMMENTS – Tim Mayer, Strobo Barkley, PLLC: None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Windy Hills Properties – There are currently 15 homes, condominiums and apartments for sale in Windy Hills according to information found at Realtor.com. Five have contracts pending, including the home next to the Green. In addition, the property at the end of Chelsea Road sold to an individual who intends to build a single-family home on the 3.6 acres. Also, the two properties located at 4490 and 4492 Brownsboro Road will begin development in October. There are now 10 homes planned for the site, down from the original 14. The development will have a setback from Brownsboro Road similar to that at the Turnbridge Wells and Killiney Place developments. Finally, the property at 4305 Westport Road has been listed for sale. This property is near several Westport Road properties in St. Matthews that have been granted conditional use permits, one for a surgical center and another as a daycare site.
- Traffic Monitoring on Indian Ridge and Ambridge Drive continues. The data shows that the signs have slowed the traffic on both roads to a modest degree. Eighty-five percent of the traffic travels less than 5 miles per hour over the posted 25 miles per hour speed limit on both roads. There are occasional drivers that exceed 40 mph. We will conduct surveys of the residents who live along these roads to determine if the current improvement is sufficient or whether we need to explore other measures to further slow the traffic. One additional, and important, note: the volume of traffic traveling northbound on Ambridge has increased from 4400 vehicles per week in February to over 6000 vehicles per week in August. This is presumably due to motorists trying to find alternative routes around the Watterson Expressway and Brownsboro Road construction projects. A new finding is that the volume of traffic on Indian Ridge Road has also increased in the month of August from 2300 per week to 2500 per week. This is presumably due to Brownsboro Road motorists seeking a cut through to avoid the Brownsboro Road – Rudy intersection. A No Outlet sign will be placed at the entrance of Indian Ridge Road.
- The Brownsboro Road – Watterson Expressway reconstruction project continues and continues to cause significant traffic issues, including traffic backups and accidents. The situation is further complicated by the closure of River Road related to the Waterline project and Dunn School operations. The Kentucky Department of Transportation (KDOT)

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continues to make adjustments to the traffic signals to facilitate traffic flow. We continue to hear suggestions from Windy Hills residents and pass them on to Louisville Metro and KDOT as they come in. We will continue to closely monitor the situation.

- Policing Report – Lyndon Police provided 71 hours of patrol during the month of August. There was one episode radar monitoring on Ambridge at Taxam. No speeding noted. There were two warnings issued for illegal overnight parking.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE:

There being no further business to address nor questions to answer of the Council, **Councilwoman Davis** made a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Councilwoman Greer**. The motion passed and the meeting was officially adjourned at 7:33PM.

Dr. John Roberts, Mayor

Christine Haner, Clerk/Treasurer