



City of Harrisonburg

409 S. Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Meeting Agenda - Final-revised City Council

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Roll Call

2. Moment of Silence

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Special Recognition

4.a. Proclamation recognizing June 20, 2025 as World Refugee Day

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)
 [Executed Proclamation](#)

5. Consent Agenda (any item placed on the consent agenda shall be removed and taken up as a separate matter, if so requested by any member of Council, otherwise all items will be voted on with one (1) motion)

5.a. Minutes from June 10, 2025 City Council meeting

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

5.b. Consider approving an ordinance amendment to Section 7-4-1(a)(b) of the Harrisonburg City Code increasing water, sewer/authority, and 7-1-16 Same-Amount - Deposit pre-requisite to utility service

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
 [Current ordinance reflecting requested amendments](#)
 [Public Hearing Notice](#)
 [Executed Ordinance](#)

5.c. Consider a request from Paul C. Riner to rezone 302 West Bruce Street

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Extract from Planning Commission](#)
[Site maps](#)
[Application and Supporting Documents](#)
[PC Memorandum](#)
[Notice of Public Hearing](#)
[Surrounding Property Owners Notice \(alley closing\)](#)
[PowerPoint presentation](#)

5.d. Consider approving a request from 865 East LLC to rezone (proffer amendment) 865 Port Republic Road

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Extract from Planning Commission](#)
[Site Maps](#)
[Application and supporting documents](#)
[PC Memorandum](#)
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5.e. Consider approving an ordinance amendment to Section 6-5-4 - Stormwater Utility Fee, of the City Code of Harrisonburg, Virginia

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Current ordinance reflecting recommended amendments](#)
[Public Hearing Notice](#)
[Executed Ordinance](#)

5.f. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the Harrisonburg City School Board (HCPS)

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Supplemental Appropriation](#)
[Memorandum \(HCPS Finance Director\)](#)

5.g. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the General Capital Projects Fund

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Supplemental Appropriation](#)

5.h. Consider a supplemental appropriation for lease agreements

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
 [Supplemental Appropriation](#)

5.i. Consider the special event application request for the African American Festival on Saturday, September 13, 2025.

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
 [Special Event Application](#)

5.j. Consider the special event application request for the Shenandoah Valley Pride Celebration on Sunday, September 21, 2025.

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
 [Special Event Application](#)

5.k. Consider the special event application request for the Block Party in the Burg on Saturday, August 23, 2025.

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
 [Special Event Application](#)

6. Public Hearings

6.a. Consider approving a request from Newtown Cemetery to close an undeveloped public alley located between the Newtown Cemetery and parcels fronting along Hill Street and Gay Street

Attachments: [Memorandum Alley Closing \(Newtown Cemetery\)](#)
 [Site Maps](#)
 [Application and supporting documents](#)
 [Newtown Plat](#)
 [Picture Tour of the Alley](#)
 [Extract from Planning Commission alley closing](#)
 [Ground Penetrating Radar Report Dated April 2025](#)
 [Public Comment](#)
 [PC Memorandum](#)
 [Notice of Public Hearing](#)
 [Surrounding Property Owners Notice](#)
 [Powerpoint presentation](#)

- 6.b.** Consider approving real estate tax exemption and personal property tax exemption status for Strength in Peers, Inc.; personal property tax exemption status for Virginia Clean Cities; and personal property tax exemption status for Village to Village Inc and Hope4Villages LLC

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Committee Letter](#)
[2025 Strength in Peers Application](#)
[2025 Virginia Clean Cities Application](#)
[2025 Village to Village Inc Hope4Villages LLC Application](#)
[Public Hearing Notice](#)
[Powerpoint Presentation](#)

7. Regular Items

- 7.a.** Consider approving amendments to Title 4 Chapter 2, Article 5, Sections 4-2-76.1 through 4-2-80, related Transient Occupancy Tax, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Harrisonburg

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[Current ordinance reflecting recommended amendments](#)
[Powerpoint presentation](#)

- 7.b.** Consider a request to grant Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance (HDR) permission to use the Turner Pavilion and adjacent lawn to host the Levitt AMP Harrisonburg concert series from June to September in 2026, 2027, 2028

Attachments: [Memorandum](#)
[PowerPoint presentation](#)

8. Other Matters

8.a. Comments from the public, limited to five minutes, on matters not on the regular agenda. (Name and address are required)

8.b. City Council and Staff

9. Boards and Commissions

- 9.a.** Shenandoah Valley Partnership
- 9.b.** Blue Ridge Community College Board of Trustees

Attachments: [Sandra Hernandez - reappointment](#)
[Phillip Ryman](#)

10. Closed Session

11. Adjournment

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