

CITY OF WILMORE MINUTES
June 1, 2026

The Wilmore City Council convened a regular session on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., with Mayor Harold Rainwater presiding. Present were Councilmembers Leonard Fitch, Jim Brumfield, David Riel, Andy Bathje, Wes Metcalfe and City Attorney Robert Gullette, Jr.

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Brumfield moved, seconded by Councilmember Metcalfe, to approve the minutes of May 18, 2026. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

Old Business

ORDINANCE 2026-2 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY2026 BUDGET 2nd Reading – Lori Vahle requested this vote be tabled while final expenses were recorded. Councilmember Brumfield moved, seconded by Councilmember Metcalfe, to table the 2nd reading of the amended budget until the June 13, 2026, meeting. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2026-3 AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING THE FY2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET ORDINANCE 2nd Reading – Lori Vahle presented the FY2027 budget. Councilmember Brumfield moved, seconded by Councilmember Metcalfe, to approve the 2nd reading of the FY2027 budget. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2026-4 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FIRE CODE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY IN THE CITY OF WILMORE 2nd^t Reading-Mike Ledford Assistant Wilmore Fire Chief stated the ordinance was needed to improve Wilmore’s Fire Safety and ISO rating. Councilmember Riel moved, seconded by Councilmember Brumfield, to approve the 2nd reading of the ordinance. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2026-5 AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE SILENCING, RESETTING, OR OTHER TAMPERING WITH AN ACTIVE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM BEFORE THE ARRIVAL AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR OTHER AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION 2nd Reading - Mike Ledford Assistant Wilmore Fire Chief stated the ordinance was needed to improve Wilmore’s Fire Safety and ISO rating. Councilmember Riel moved, seconded by Councilmember Brumfield, to approve the 2nd reading of the ordinance. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

New Business

Request to appropriate RR&E funds to purchase a Utility Task Vehicle for the Wilmore Fire Department- Chief Josh Day requested approval of the council to use \$12397.00 of RRE funds to purchase the UTV before the price changed to \$15,000. The funds would be deducted from his

2027 equipment budget. Councilmember Metcalfe moved, seconded by Councilmember Riel, to approve the use of the RRE funds. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

Council member Brumfield made the motion to surplus the UTV being replaced, seconded by Councilmember Bathje. There was no discussion. All members voted aye.

Revision to Section 7.1 of the City of Wilmore Zoning Ordinance relating to amending the Fee Schedule – Christopher Montgomery, Director of the Jessamine County–City of Wilmore Joint Planning and Zoning Commission, requested Council approval to increase fees associated with development and building activities. Mayor Rainwater requested that the proposed fee schedule be reviewed and adjusted to help reduce the quarterly deficit shared by the City of Wilmore and the Jessamine Fiscal Court. He also requested a review of the percentage of costs for which Wilmore is responsible. Mr. Montgomery stated that he would present additional information and recommendations at the next meeting. No action was taken.

Councilmember Brumfield Moved to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Presiding Officer: 
Harold Rainwater, Mayor

Attest: 
Donna Back, City Clerk