



Minutes
City of Coatesville
Regular Meeting – 1 City Hall Place, Coatesville, PA
Council Chambers
Monday August 25, 2025

Council Present: President Lavender-Norris; Vice President Carmen Green, Councilwoman Khadijah Al Amin, Councilwoman Tiniera Turner-Green and Councilwoman Fran Scamuffa

Council Absent: Councilwoman Charrisse Allen, Councilwoman Villa Hunt

Staff Present: Roberta Cosentino, Assistant City Manager; Chief Jack Laufer, Police Department; Chief Peter Huf, Fire Department; Robert Jefferson, Solicitor; and Ruthann Mowday, Recording Secretary

President Lavender Norris announced an Executive Session was held earlier this evening to discuss personnel, real estate and legal matters. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm.

President Lavender Norris announced Councilwoman Charrisse Allen and Councilwoman Villa Hunt would not be in attendance.

Approved Minutes

Ms. Al Amin motioned to approve the August 11, 2025 meeting minutes; Ms. Scamuffa seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Accounts Payables

Ms. Scamuffa motioned to approve the accounts payables; Vice President Green seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Presentations

There were no presentations at this time.

Discussion Items

1. Brandywine View – LERTA

Good evening, everyone. I'm David Badden. I am a planner appointed by the applicant to prepare the fiscal impact analysis and the learning schedule for the proposed Brandywine View Project. As you know, the LERTA is a state program allowing a type of abatement of property taxes for a limited period of time as a way to support development. And in this instance, we believe that it is a necessary precondition for development at this site. We make it clear that without the LERTA, no development would be possible because of the difficulty in developing this particular site. It is, largely speaking, the last undeveloped property in the City of Coatesville. And there is no surprise, no question as to why it is the last undeveloped property in the City, and that is because of the challenges to develop it, mostly having to do with the slope. So the slope will cause significant expenditures for stormwater management, for grading, for retaining walls, for access to utilities. And without the LERTA, the project would not be able to move forward. With that in mind, there were two documents that I forwarded to the City. They're actually the same document. One's the fiscal impact analysis. This is the executive summary. It's about four pages of text with the four-page spreadsheets.

And this is the full report for people who are detail-oriented. It's on the 12 or 15 pages of text and the same for spreadsheets. So either one will get you to the same place.

I'm calling attention to the first of the big spreadsheets at the end. It's the one that's landscape horizontal. It's called the analysis of the annual fiscal impact to the city of Coatesville. And I promise not to go through every number here but just to get you the gist. The top panel shows us the number of units in the proposed development. That number has changed. It is now down to 562 units, including 262 apartments, one or two bedrooms, and 300 townhouses of three different flavors of townhouse we're calling the stacked townhouses, a two-bedroom, and three-bedroom variety, and the standard townhouse. Column C gives us the average market value sale price of the units. The assessed value is in the next column, which is the market value times the column level ratio. The total assessed value is Column E. The assessed value comes to about \$53.2 million of assessed value. That's more than 17% of the value of all properties in the city. Currently, I don't think I need to tell anyone this is a very big development, one of the largest in recent history in the city. The persons per unit are numbers that are derived from the census, specifically with Pennsylvania differentiated by 12, 13 sides. We are projecting a total of approximately 1,035 total residents on that property at build-out and full occupancy.

For the city expenditures, we take the number of persons and we multiply it times down at the bottom under the notes section. So I-33, a city per capita expenditure of \$444.90, which is based on your general fund expenditures. We subtract some pass-through items. We determine the percentage of that attributable to existing non-residential development and whatever is left is divided by the current city population of 13,323, which gives us this per capita multiplier of \$444 and change. So the annual City expenditures in Column H at the top will total approximately \$461,000. So I think the first thing we need to get clear is that we're not assuming that there will be zero expenditures for this development.

There will be significant expenditures, but the revenue is coming next. That's in the middle panel. We have the real estate tax at your current millage rate, 13.759 mills. This would be after the end of the LERTA period that will yield approximately \$732-- \$732,000, excuse me, of annual revenue, which itself alone is almost twice the annual city expenditures. So that one revenue source alone will cover all the expenditures and then some after the LERTA period. The earned income taxes based on the value of the units, both the apartments and the townhomes, on some formulas that limit the percentage of household income that can be used for housing costs. And we end up with almost \$1.3 million per year in revenue to the city under the earned income tax category. That's a significant figure, and it is not affected by the LERTA schedule. Real estate transfer tax is based on a 10% annual turnover rate for the townhomes only. That gives us about 173,000. We have some franchise fee and a rental fee revenue of about 51,000. And finally, some interest earnings. So the total annual revenue is projected to be approximately \$2,246,000. The net revenue is the third panel towards the bottom. So that's the total revenue minus the expenditures. And we end up with a surplus of \$1,785,183 per year. That averages out to a surplus of \$3,176 per unit across all [home?] types. Again, this would be after the LERTA period. Revenue is projected to exceed expenditures by nearly 390%. It's not even close here. I would also call your attention to the fact that the numbers in this spreadsheet are annual figures after build-out and full occupancy, but there is an additional revenue source during the build-out period. That is to say, the initial sales of the townhomes from the builder, whoever that might be, to whoever

buys them first. This is not an annual recurring revenue. It's a one-time revenue upfront, and that will total \$1,731,623 to the city over the build-out period.

And as we've discussed, my recommendation has always been for municipalities to look at that capital revenue to be used for capital expenditures, not ongoing operating expenditures. The school district has a similar positive outcome, not as favorable as the cities. That's on the next spreadsheet. I don't think we need to spend very much time on that, just to note that the bottom line for the [sports?] group after the LERTA period ends is a surplus every year of \$1,368,980, or about \$2,436 per unit. Similar situation for the county in the third spreadsheet. The surplus extra LERTA period is just shy of \$130,000 per year or about \$230 per unit.

The table I think we're going to spend most of our time on is on the very final page. And I apologize if it's hard to read because there's a lot of numbers on a single page. But what we're showing here is for the city, the school district, and the county, the impact of the LERTA program itself on the city's revenue and expenditures. So on the left side, we see the LERTA year 1 through 10, and then-11 plus simply means the period after the LERTA is over. The LERTA increment starts at 0% in year one and goes up by 10% increments every year until it reaches 100% in the 11th year when the LERTA period ends. So for each of those years, and for each of these three government entities, it shows the real estate tax revenue, which you'll see in each column, goes up by a certain increment every year, 10%, technically. The other revenue is a constant because it's not affected by LERTA. The total revenue does change because it includes the real estate tax. And then the expenditure column, again, for the city, \$460,592, does not change. It's not affected by the LERTA. And you have the net impact. Again, revenue minus expenditures. The first year of the LERTA program, the city is anticipated to receive a surplus of slightly more than \$1 million. And that goes up from there. I have done a number of these types of LERTA studies, and honestly, I've never seen anything like this before. Usually, there is a period at which a municipality or school district or county shows a net deficit while the early years of a LERTA period. And then at some point, it changes from a net deficit to a net surplus. We're going to see that same situation for the school district and the county. But the city of Coatesville is different. And that is that for each of the years, every year during the LERTA period, there is going to be anticipated a surplus to the city of well over a million dollars. And that's a rather exciting thing. But cumulative impact over the 11 years of this spreadsheet, at least, is a surplus of almost \$15.6 million. The school district impact, as I mentioned, the net impact, starts as a negative number, as a deficit, but it switches to a positive number, a surplus in year five. And the cumulative impact over the 11 years of this table is a surplus of \$2,700,000 or so.

The county impact is similar, much smaller numbers, because the county receives less in the way of real estate tax revenue than the school district and the city, starts as a negative, turns to a positive number in year seven. Cumulatively over 11 years, it's a net deficit of \$113,000. So there's really no two ways of looking at it. This is good news for the city of Coatesville. I believe it's also good news for the county and good news for the school district, but not as favorable as it is for the city. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

President Lavender Norris said I just want to say, Mr. Badden, thank you very much for providing this fiscal analysis. I think that it's extremely thorough and-- Mr. Badden replied I've been accused of thoroughness before, yes. [laughter] And we've had a chance to meet with-- all of us with the county and the school district as well, and they've had a chance to

look at this as well and provide comments and questions. And really, I have to commend you for the analysis that you were able to do and the backup of the numbers. So thank you for that.

Mr. John Joffe introduced himself. You guys all know me because I've been here before. Thank you for your presentation. I just wanted to note, too, just a couple of things because we were in here prior for preliminary plan approval. This is done off of 300 units for the section that we haven't gotten titled yet. So we're going to be coming back to you later for that when we've done some refinement of that on our own to try and get some of those calls down. So we're here tonight. Got David to look at everything that actually kind of quantifies-- when we were here before we were talking about the benefit of the project and everything else. And this is actual numbers that you guys can look at and say, "Okay, well, what kind of impact is this project really going to have for the city of Coatesville?" And you have some actual numbers here like that. So we've refined some of it ourselves. We just need a little help from the city to get things started here. So that's the nature of coming in here for the work. President Lavender Norris thanked Mr. Joffe and Mr. Badden. I just want to say thank you for your diligence-- --and for your willingness to commit to the city renewal project. I too want to thank Dave for his deep, deep, deep dive into these numbers. It kind of painted the picture. So thank you. I appreciate your willingness, to you all.

Mr. Joffe said thank you, all of you, for your help, also, and staff for getting into this. This project or this property is not easy to develop. And I so appreciate it. And like you said, it's the last undeveloped property, and there's a reason why. So I think that the city working with you guys to get this accomplished, I'm hopeful [inaudible]. President Lavender Norris said I'd just like to clarify, I believe it's the last large undeveloped property in the city. We have several small undeveloped properties in the city. Mr. Joffe said it's nice having David do this. You can actually see the impact that it's 17% population increase and the fiscal impact of a couple million dollars on top of your budgeting surplus, which is obviously really, really, really impactful [inaudible]. President Lavender Norris said we've had a lot of big projects come through and developers have come in through. The financing of this project, how's that coming like-- this is monies that are not-- you're not dependent on any grant that you're applying for or anything like that. This is all private money, private development. [crosstalk]. Mr. Joffe replied yeah. This is me and my family's commitment to the city of Coatesville. So we've been here-- like I said, I didn't think I need an introduction. I've been coming here for a couple of years, working with everybody here to get this off the ground. This is really the final step just to give this the push to get this to the finish line, so. We appreciate all of you guys. We've owned the property for a while. We're excited to actually get started here, get this thing moving. Ms. Scamuffa asked I do have one quick question. I just want to make sure I didn't misunderstand it. I have nine pages here. Did you say there's another document as well that has 14 pages? Mr. Badden provided Ms. Scamuffa and Ms. Al Amin with the additional pages. We can also email it as well to Council.

2. Cedarville Engineering

Ms. Cosentino stated before we move on to the next action item, I'd love for Evelyn Tyson and Mike Gregorek from Cedarville to come up and introduce themselves. As you know, Kyle Turner with Cedarville is no longer with Cedarville. We've been working with Kyle for many, many years. And our new team of engineers include Evelyn Tyson and Mike Gregorek.

Ms. Tyson wished everyone a good evening. Thank you very much, council members, for allowing me and Mike to come before you today. I just wanted to introduce myself. I did see many of you at the ribbon-cutting ceremony at Ash Park. I'm Evelyn Tyson. I will be the city engineer for Coatesville moving forward. Mike Gregorek, I'm sure you may have seen him around. He is pretty much the resident inspector for the city of Coatesville. So just wanted to let you know that we have a new team that we will be here to represent the city the best way possible for reviewing plans, answering questions. I've been in communication with Roberta. I do want to apologize. I was supposed to be here a couple of weeks ago, but I had a death in the family, so I was unable to make those meetings. But we'll be restarting some engineers' reports so that you'll be able to get a summary on what's happening within the city. Those engineering reports will include inspections. And we've been working with DEP to close out the Millview Basin. The Millview Basin grant. That's currently in the review with DEP. And that's pretty much the little bit of summary that I have. And Mike Gregorek is here to kind of give you an update on some of the things that's happening on his end.

Good evening, my name is Mike Gregorek, I've been with Cedarville seven years now. The owner, April Barkasi, she and I worked together maybe over 20, 25 years ago with a consulting firm. My area of expertise, or whatever have you, has been on the construction end of things. When we've gone through the plant review and it comes to building the subdivision or the water system or road system or anything, that's where I get involved. This June marks 30 years for me in the consulting field. My background is in family construction and whatnot. And I've been involved with the city beyond seven years, like I said, with a prior firm. So currently, we're involved with Ash Park, as you know. We've done some punch list work at Cambridge Village, Cambridge Terrace, and we also work with the PA American projects in improving the infrastructure of the city with sanitarium water and also with PICO with new gas lines throughout the city. We're involved with-- I was involved with Millview Basin construction. We're in the process of closing that out right now. And yeah, I look forward to any other projects that are coming down the pike. I work hand-in-hand with Jules. Whenever he has any situations or questions in the city, we try to help all the public works out as much as we can. And on several occasions, I've had to give Chief a call when I needed a little backup out there and cars were moving or things were blocking the road or we just didn't have a safe situation. But I've been with the team with Cedarville, like I said, for seven years now, and I'll continue to be here and assist the engineers and on the review process of the project. Again, with the follow-up when they eventually come to construction.

Ms. Tyson said it's definitely a learning curve, just gathering all of the knowledge and ensuring that we have a streamlined process to meet our needs. It's been a pleasure working with Roberta and the rest of the team, so I'm looking forward to continuing that. Yes. So if you need anything, please feel free to reach out, to me, Mike. If there's any issues, we're more than happy to assist.

Citizens Hearings – Regular Action Items Only (3 Minutes)

There were no citizens hearings on regular action items at this time.

Ms. Al Amin motioned to close citizens hearings on regular action items; Ms. Turner-Green seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Regular Action Items

1. Receive and consider a motion to appoint Charles Leather to the Board of Housing Appeals for the term 2025-2027
Vice President Green motioned to table the appointment of Charles Leather to the Board of Housing Appeals for the term 2025-2027; Ms. Al Amin seconded the motion. Motion tabled 5-0.
2. Receive and consider a motion to approve the 2026 Budget Timeline
Ms. Al Amin motioned to table approving the 2026 Budget Timeline; Ms. Scamuffa seconded the motion. Motion tabled 5-0.

President Lavender Norris stated for me, my comment will be Wednesdays are not a good day for me. Ms. Cosentino said this is the same schedule as last year [crosstalk]. President Lavender Norris said okay. Let me share. Wednesday night is my choir rehearsal night. And my hope and expectation is in God, not the city. So I'm going to rehearse on Wednesday night. Ms. Scamuffa stated Wednesday's are not good for her either. President Lavender Norris suggested why don't we table the approval of the timeline and see if we can move the days off. Is there another day that does not work? Absolutely does not work for everybody? Vice President Green suggested to do them on a Monday, well. Ms. Cosentino said we'll take the budget work sessions off of Wednesdays

Ms. Al Amin motioned to close action items; Ms. Scamuffa seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Reports

1. Solicitor
Mr. Jefferson thanked Madam President. I provided a more detailed attorney-client privilege to report to council. Since council's last meeting, I attended two meetings regarding the Brandywine View Project; attended a meeting regarding the Millview Basin Project; revised a draft zoning ordinance amendment that has been reviewed by the city's planning commission; provided an opinion regarding a known dilapidated property; drafted a proposed ordinance regarding the real estate transfer tax; provided an opinion regarding 600 Manor Road and communicated that to the city's zoning officer; provided sample financial security agreements for 773 Coates Street to Adam Brower, the engineer assigned to the project; and finally, I continue to communicate with outside attorneys regarding various land development matters.
2. City Manager
Ms. Cosentino announced Mr. Logan cannot be here tonight, but I do have his report with me. So first, I just wanted to share some information that we received from our grant consultant, Coleen Terry, who is with ECON Partners. She shares some updates just to inform us about the budget impacts of the state right now. She wanted to share that the budget does, of course, continue to be unresolved, as we all know. The issues appear to remain the same as they have been for a little bit, including agreeing to an overall spend number at the state level, an agreement on the investment in public transit, and the regulation of skill gains. All things that, of course, are very important to us here in the city. So we will be keeping a close eye on those updates. We are in close communication with our representatives and senators as well. So we just wanted to share that with you. And also,

because we recently met with the school district, I wanted to share that one of the updates that came along with this budget update is, of course, that the school districts are also not receiving their state funding right now. And since school started today, I thought it was just important to share that as well. There's a lot of groups and a lot of organizations that are not receiving funding from schools, to healthcare, to human services, aging organizations, really runs the gamut. So if you want to-- if you know anyone that would like to contact their state reps and senators, please encourage that.

On better news, I wanted to share the Sounds of Summer and Unity Day updates. The pictures that you see on the screen right now are pictures from Ivan with Club King Unlimited. He was out on Unity Day and took some incredible pictures. It was a fabulous day. And thank you especially to City Council for helping to plan the day, our planning committee, and a special thank you to Councilwoman Hunt for chairing this year, chairing the committee this year. And a huge thank you to Shannon Thomas, owner of the Social Station for her event planning and coordination with our volunteers and vendors. She is truly invaluable, especially in the planning of this. We had the police department out, the fire department, and it was really a beautiful day to see the community. Just having fun, playing games, eating ice cream, dancing. [laughter] She led a dance competition with the kids. She did a fabulous job. So it was a lot of fun. And the Sounds of Summer will be continuing on, but our last summer concert will be on Friday, September 9th. Best kept sold will be-- the music and food will be provided by the London Family Foundation. So we're looking forward to topping off this great series of events with that show.

President Lavender Norris said it was awesome to see all the kids just having a ball back there. I didn't see not one child sitting with a phone in their hand. Everybody was just running around playing. That was an awesome sight. It was wonderful. And I know Lieutenant Ollis and Sergeant Boyle, those are the two that I saw for sure playing some flag football and having fun with the kids and-- It was just awesome. The public works guys, the quarterbacks? Everybody was involved. All the departments were involved. So thank you.

3. Assistant City Manager

Ms. Cosentino said to start off, I just want to share an update from the train station project. We did receive another update. Let me share some pictures and information about where they are with their construction, which is looking very positive. So you can see that there's activity now on the south side and the north side of the platform. Tower coming up. So the elevator tower is actually being craned in, which is incredible. Moving on to the next page, they've poured the south elevator tower on the second floor. They have framed the south platform canopy. They've done some welding as well. They're working on the retaining wall, still touching up, and all of that. And then on the north side, you can see that they're working on the foundation. Again, the retaining wall, pouring concrete. There's been a lot of night activity, and recently they did have to close Coates Street overnight for some of this work, but that has been going fairly smoothly as well. So they are expecting to be doing some street paving. Mike is hopefully going to keep an eye out for that for us. And they are still looking at fourth quarter 2026 for completion, hopefully. As you know, this project has seen many, many delays and some of the complications around funding this year, I'm sure, are extending it, but progress has been great so far.

I also wanted to share that September 20th is World Cleanup Day. And the City of Coatesville is participating. We do have a cleanup scheduled for Saturday, September 20th, with our friends at Litter Lifters of West Vincent and also Second Century Alliance who are helping to coordinate volunteers, supplies to keep Pennsylvania beautiful, and actually give them a cleanup, which is very exciting. So far since September 2024, this group has actually coordinated six cleanups here in Coatesville. They've removed over 600 bags of litter and over 40 tires collected by 100 volunteers. So, they've had a great impact, and we really appreciate the work that they're doing.

Also, PA American Water has restarted their canvassing. You may or may not have heard that they took a short pause for about two weeks, but they have restarted. The information is on our website, and you can actually make an appointment with them to come and look at your water pipes and have them determine, are they lead? Are they galvanized? And if they are, they have funding to actually replace those pipes. So I would encourage homeowners around the city to really take advantage of this program that they have. So if residents see them, they should have badges. The city is aware. The police department is aware also that they should be identified as PA American Water Canvassers. And if people have any questions or concerns, they can always contact the city as well, okay? Also, I'd like to publicly thank PA American Water for some work that they've been doing to assist with the Ash Park project. Mike Gregorek has been inspecting the Ash Park project. We came across a challenging situation that actually required getting a camera into a pipe. And PA American kind of jumped in and helped out. And they really didn't have to, but they did. And we have a great relationship with them. And they do this kind of thing for us once in a while. So we really appreciate them helping us kind of come to a solution. So that's been wonderful.

4. Fire Report

Chief Huf thanked Madam President. I have provided a copy of the month's run report for all the council members. There's a detailed breakdown. Again, if anyone has any questions, please let me know. Total runs for the fire department for the month were 103. You'll see in the report that we assisted count township a few times, and we were on a major fire in the borough down in town on the 4th of July. And you'll see more and more of those multi-agency responses. This ties in, as I mentioned, where we're kind of working more as a regional team with regards to fire suppression. One of the major standards that was put in place about 20 years ago is the NFPA 1710, which dictates the amount of firefighters that are supposed to respond on all calls. A typical single-family dwelling would require the response of 15 on-duty firefighters with the first team arriving in four minutes or less, and the other units within eight minutes. And to meet this standard, you have to do this 90% of the time. So collectively, with our personnel on duty here in the city, which would be three or four, Thorndale with two right now, the Veterans Hospital with three. And you can see we're slowly climbing towards that standard.

We'll be moving to four personnel around the clock starting January 1st. Thorndale will be adding somebody. So again, we're slowly meeting that, closer to that requirement, that standard. Our slogan has been, "None of us will be extinguishing a fire again by ourselves." So the teamwork is vital to us. Also, you'll see in the report the EMS, the response with EMS. I did pull a report from the Washington Hose Company. So there are two types of EMS: advanced life support and basic life support. Westwood provides the advanced life support,

Washington Hose Company, basic life support. In the month of July, Washington Hose Company EMS responded to 269 calls here in the city.

My personnel from the fire department respond on ALS calls in the city when the Washington Hose Company or BLS is tied up. Having been here six months, we're realigning some things, and the changes will be to assist the units in a more favorable way. So our fire department will be responding on all BLS calls when the city ambulances are on other calls. So what happens then is that call goes to one of the surrounding communities, and there's obviously a delay in that response. So our personnel are all medically trained. We're registered with the county as a quick response unit or QRS. So we're going to backfill into that to give our residents a quicker response for help for the medical calls. And we'll also be assisting on more of the advanced life support calls. I'm also removing the ambulance from certain fire calls to lessen their call volume and increase the availability for needed calls. The paperwork for a run at an emergency call is unbelievable. So for some of these very simple fire calls, the EMS teams are doing paperwork for 15, 20 minutes after they're returned for nothing. So we're going to align-- just change that around a little bit, and that should really help.

And to make a point with how all this works, I received a memo from Battalion Chief Jim Lentz from an incident that occurred on July 20th that I'd like to read. The Coatesville Fire Department units were dispatched to the above location which was 761 East Lincoln Highway for a cardiac arrest, a 77-year-old male who was believed to be unconscious and not breathing. Both our fire units responded, and Firefighter Marks and Firefighter Bailey found the patient lying on the floor in the living room with no pulse and not breathing. The firefighters began high-performance CPR and also placed an AD on the patient. The crews worked together and worked until the ambulance arrived, both BLS and ALS, and they successfully were able to resuscitate the patient, and they got a pulse back and the patient was breathing. The ALS unit from Westwood and crew stabilized and assisted with extracting the patient from the home and getting the patient to the hospital. And with that note, she said that, "Please see the attached memo. As a result of the strong work of these gentlemen, the patient arrived alive at the hospital and reportedly was improving." So this is where all this comes into play. And I would also like to add when these events take place like this, it is fire, police, and EMS. So it's teamwork that accomplishes this. So it's all three of your emergency teams, if you will, or units that kind of work in conjunction and hand-in-hand. And these are the nice end results that we do get, so. And that's my report time.

President Lavender Norris stated I think someone else said before it's just really good to now get a fire report when we didn't before. So thank you for that.

Citizens Hearings Non-Agenda Items Only (3 Minutes) – Residents/Tax Payer/Property Owner
There were no citizens hearings on non-agenda items at this time.

Vice President Green motioned to close citizens hearings on regular action items; Ms. Al Amin seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Special Events

There were no special events at this time.

Council Comments

Ms. Turner-Green stated as always, I'm grateful for all of you being here tonight, to my colleagues and to our city staff who does our wonderful-- do an amazing job and get home safely. God bless.

Ms. Al Amin thanked everybody for coming out. And I want to thank all of our staff members for all of your hard work on a day-to-day basis and thank my colleagues for all of their hard work and their efforts that they put into help making the city move forward. And I hope everybody has a good night and safe travels home.

Ms. Scamuffa thanked everybody for coming out and staying with us. I have to thank Miss Cosentino for making arrangements and doing whatever needs to be done to help the residents on Church Street. So I really appreciate that, combining all of that up and figuring out the logistics of it. So I really appreciate that. Thank you so much. Appreciate all of you. Stay safe, everyone, and have a great day.

Vice President Green thanked Just thank everyone for coming out. I'm just happy to be on this show so much. My husband said, you're not there. [laughter] Stop interfering with stuff. [inaudible]. But yeah, I missed it. And just thank everyone for coming out to the meeting and have a safe trip home.

President Lavender Norris said I know God is good because it's 8:35, but we're at the last council comment. That means we're ready to go home. Hallelujah. I too just want to say thank you to you all, to our residents, for everybody that has set out this evening in this cold. Thank you. Thanks to our staff for all your diligence, your hard work. You're wonderful. You're much appreciated. We had a wonderful weekend with the Sounds of Summer, with the Gospel Fest. That was amazing. Oh my God. The youth from Passtown Church were amazing. And then Unity Day was exhausting. So you know that was good. Our community enjoyed it. And there were several events going on that day. And a lot of the people were saying, "I was at this when I left to come here, and I'm leaving here to go there. But then I'll be back after--" they were just running all around the city, just getting involved. And that's what it's all about. So thank you to my colleagues, to the staff, for your hard work and ensuring that that weekend went over well, because it did. So thanks again. God bless you all. Y'all keep our government, not just local, state, federal, the government in prayer. Because our country is on a tilt. We just have to lift it up. So with that being said, God bless you all. Continue to be safe. Enjoy one another's company.

Adjournment

Ms. Al Amin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm; Vice President Green seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.