



**Oak Grove Annexation Committee
Special Session Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 17, 2025
Oak Grove Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Session of the Oak Grove Annexation Committee was called to order by City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher at 9:44 a.m. on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, in the Oak Grove Council Chambers located at 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Road, Oak Grove, Kentucky.

Committee Member Jean Leavell moved to select Janet Edwards as the Chairperson with Council Member John Campbell seconding the motion. A voice vote was conducted with Committee Members Leavell and Campbell voting in favor and Committee Member Edwards opposing. The motion passed.

Committee Member Janet Edwards moved to select Jean Leavell as the Vice Chairperson with Council Member John Campbell seconding the motion. A voice vote was conducted with all committee members voting in favor. The motion passed.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

- Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards
 - Vice Chairperson/Committee Member Jean Leavell
 - Committee Member John Campbell
 - Public Works Director Brian Ahart
 - City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher
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AGENDA

- The committee discussed several topics, including the committee's goals and objectives, which involve identifying potential areas for annexation and establishing a timeline for the process. They also deliberated on annexation considerations such as

property boundaries, geographical factors, and the target area, specifically focusing on properties near Bumpus Mill Rd to 41-A/117 and the area between Hopkinsville and Exit 73.

Additionally, the committee explored the potential benefits of annexation into city limits, which include enhanced emergency services, closer community amenities, increased property values, higher investment value for large properties, and economic development opportunities. They also considered potential drawbacks, such as additional city property taxes and compliance with more city regulations.

The committee tasked City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher with contacting City Attorney Lee Wilson regarding several inquiries: whether properties can be grandfathered until new ownership occurs, whether the city should send out letters listing both the benefits and drawbacks of annexation, whether separate territories can be annexed simultaneously if they touch the city but are not contiguous, and Mr. Wilson's legal opinion on whether a town hall meeting should be conducted regarding annexation or if letters suffice. The committee agreed to await Mr. Wilson's response and will schedule a future meeting accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT

Committee Member John Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards. A voice vote was conducted with all committee members voting in favor. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:54am.

APPROVED:

_____/s/_____
Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards

_____07.31.25_____
DATE

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Lorelynn Fisher, MMC, CKMC, City Clerk

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DATE