

Commonwealth of Kentucky
City of Oak Grove



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Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2026 – 6:00 p.m. CST / 7:00 p.m. EST
Oak Grove Council Chambers – 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Rd, Oak Grove, KY

CALL TO ORDER

- Mayor Jacqueline Oliver called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

- Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance: Pastor Nicholson led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

- No participation

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

- Council Members Present: Jean Leavell, Richard Baker, John Campbell, Isaiah Spencer, Edward Cook and Janet Edwards.
Quorum: Present.
- Also present for the meeting were City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher, Police Chief Victor Lynch, Public Works Director Brian Ahart, Finance Director Matt Egbert, City Attorney Lee Wilson and approximately thirteen individuals in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-APRIL 30, 2026

Motion: Council Member Isaiah Spencer moved to approve the minutes

Second: Council Member John Campbell

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES

Director Hauser:

- Upcoming Events:
 - May 9 (4–6 PM): Christian album release (free of charge)
 - May 19 (6 AM–6 PM): Election polls open
 - May 22 (4–6 PM): Adult game night
 - May 23: Cornhole event
 - May 30: Gun Violence Awareness Day
- Mayor Oliver recognized Director Hauser and staff for Spring Break activities. Approximately 140 parents and children attended the movie nights.

Chief Lynch:

- Event at Wade's Way Park experienced heavy traffic; the host was organized, but uninvited individuals attended. The host requested the event be shut down.
- During departure, an accident occurred; a young woman was injured but is okay.
- Encouraged residents to contact the police department if something seems unusual.
- April statistics:
 - 485 calls for service
 - 25 accidents without injuries
 - 9 accidents with injuries
 - 9 hours and 40 minutes of alcohol-related incidents

Director Egbert:

- Budget meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 9:30 AM
- UFIR report submitted on time
- Audit still in progress
- Provided update on Tyler Technologies

Director Ahart:

- Applied for LARP funding; submitted 8 roads, received funding for 7
- \$946,000 awarded for resurfacing/repaving; city cost: \$162,000
- Roads included: Good Hope Cemetery, Carneal, Cooper, Arrow, Linda, Bumpus Mill, and Hugh Hunter

Budget Committee Chairperson Edwards:

- Budget update:
 - Water: \$12 million
 - General Fund: \$7 million
 - Budget is balanced

Mayor Oliver:

- Ribbon cuttings held at:
 - Cannabis store
 - Bish Camper Sales
 - The Grove Grill and Sports Bar
- Presented Jack Elliott with recognition for his service to Oak Grove

Council Member Isaiah Spencer:

- Nominated for Vice President of the Black Caucus

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Solid Waste Franchise-Council addressed bidders with questions, comments, and clarifications:

Impact Waste Services:

- Kentucky-based company focused on community cleanliness and local customer service
- Offers scheduled bulk pickup, billed directly to the customer
- Can provide two roll-off recycling containers at city-designated locations
- Accommodates disabled customers
- Holiday service operates one day behind schedule
- Fleet includes approximately 1.5 ASL trucks and 1 front-load truck, with additional spare ASL and front-load trucks available

- Hours of operation: Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Utilizes tablets to document service issues, including missed pickups or carts not placed at the curb
- If service is not provided, the company will issue a credit to the customer
- If awarded the contract, will be fully operational by June 30 with a 30-day transition period
- Long-term succession plan in place, with future leadership transition anticipated
- Pricing Structure:
 - Residential CPI:
 - Years 1–2: No increase
 - Years 3–5: 3% annual increase (negotiable if CPI index is lower)
 - Commercial CPI: Not to exceed 3.75% annually
- Fuel Surcharge:
 - 2% if diesel exceeds \$6 per gallon
 - 4% if diesel exceeds \$7 per gallon
- Offers a senior citizen discount and 10% off second cart for senior if requested

Waste Connections:

- Holiday service operates one day later than scheduled
- Offers discounted backdoor service for senior citizens
- Customer service hours: 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Response time: same day or within 24 hours
- Bulk pickup costs are higher due to specialized equipment
- Mobile app available for service requests and billing
- Will provide statistical reports to the city
- Estimated transition period: approximately 30 days
- Local office located in Clarksville
- Does not offer a 2-yard container option
- Bulk pickup billed directly to the homeowner

Waste Pro:

- No anticipated ownership changes
- Fleet includes primary and supplemental trucks equipped with cameras and tablets
- Customer service hours: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Response time: within 24 hours or sooner
- Bulk items billed directly to the customer
- Handles bulk item issues on a case-by-case basis
- Accepts penalties for service failures depending on frequency and severity
- Will provide reports to the city
- Estimated 30-day transition period if awarded contract
- Average annual increase of approximately 4%
- Offers backdoor service for senior and disabled residents
- Holiday service operates the following day

GFL Environmental:

- Highlighted strong relationship with the city and continued commitment to service

- Equipment includes 15 local trucks serving Oak Grove and Clarksville, along with 10 additional trucks in Princeton; this includes 2 ASL trucks and 1 bulk pickup truck currently operating in Oak Grove
- Nationwide resources available for major emergencies
- Customer service hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
- Response time: within 24 hours
- Bulk pickup billed directly to the customer
- Competitive roll-off container rates to assist with eviction cleanups
- Accepts penalties for service failures
- Early route start time (4:00 AM), with drivers assisting if carts are obstructed
- Provides backdoor service for disabled residents
- Offers lower rates for the entire community, not limited to senior citizens
- Will provide reports to the city
- Prepared for July 1 start with minimal disruption to current services
- Noted as one of the top five largest waste management companies in the United States

Motion: Council Member Janet Edwards moved take a five minute break

Second: Council Member John Campbell

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Motion: Council Member John Campbell moved to return to open session

Second: Council Member Richard Baker

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Motion: Council Member Janet Edwards moved to award the Exclusive Solid Waste Franchise to Impact Waste Service

Second: Council Member John Campbell

Roll Call Vote: John Campbell-Yes, Richard Baker-Yes, Jean Leavell-Yes, Isaiah Spencer-Yes, Janet Edwards-Yes, Edward Cook-Yes

Results: Passed

2. Resolution 2026-03-Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Program Agreement-Participation includes entering into an agreement with Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for the expenditure of the allotted share of MRA funds. This participation allows the city to receive emergency funding assistance for unforeseen municipal emergencies: Council Member Janet Edwards asked Attorney Lee Wilson to read a summary of the Resolution. Wilson complied.

Motion: Council Member Isaiah Spencer moved to accept the resolution

Second: Council Member John Campbell

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

3. Request for Proposal-1 Ton Dump Truck-KIA grant funding will be utilized for the purchase of this equipment. This acquisition will provide additional operational benefits to the city and support a variety of municipal functions:

Motion: Council Member Janet Edward moved to approve the soliciting of this RFP for a ton and a half dump truck

Second: Council Member Isaiah Spencer

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

4. Request for Proposal-Mini Excavator -KIA grant funding will be utilized for the purchase of this equipment. This acquisition will provide additional operational benefits to the city and support a variety of municipal functions:

Motion: Council Member Isaiah Spencer moved to approve the soliciting of this RFP

Second: Council Member Edward Cook

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

5. KIA Grant Information-Public Works will discuss potential additional equipment purchases utilizing available grant funding:

Tractor and Equipment – State Funding Contract (No Bid Required)

Motion: Council Member John Campbell moved to allow the purchase from John Deere

Second: Council Member Isaiah Spencer

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Valve Exerciser

Motion: Council Member John Campbell moved to allow the purchase from Lewis Municipal Sales

Second: Council Member Isaiah Spencer

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Shed for Building

Motion: Council Member John Campbell moved to allow the purchase from Western Kentucky Framing

Second: Council Member Edward Cook

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Buc-ee's Water Tank

Motion: Council Member Isaiah Spencer moved to accept Phoenix Fabricator's proposal based on the recommendation of McGhee Engineering

Second: Council Member Edward Cook

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Mayor Oliver:

- Transportation Department considering four roundabouts at Exit 89; preliminary discussions are underway

Discussion regarding the addition of residents to committees-Sponsored by Council Member Edwards:

- A municipal order regulating committee meetings was passed several weeks ago. Council Member Edwards requested discussion on adding residents to the Steering committee. Council Member Cook recommended opening all committees to residents. Mayor Oliver agreed, citing transparency. Council Member Spencer also agreed, noting that residents play a vital role. The Council as a whole expressed agreement in allowing residents on the boards. This topic was requested to be included on the C.O.W. agenda for May 7, 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION KRS 61.810

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Council Member John Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting

Second: Council Member Isaiah Spencer

Vote: Voice

Results: Passed

Approximate Adjournment Time: 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

_____/s/_____
Jacqueline Oliver
Mayor
City of Oak Grove

_____**05.20.26**_____
DATE

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Lorelynn Fisher
City Clerk
City of Oak Grove

_____**05.20.26**_____
DATE

***The minutes were approved during a Regular City Council Meeting on May 19, 2026. The original signed document is available at City Hall.**