

Tuesday, May 13, 2025
Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025

City Council Chambers, Room 108
200 South Illinois Avenue
Carbondale, Illinois 62901
6:00 p.m.

A Reception for Incoming and Outgoing City Council Members Will Precede the Regular City Council Meeting

1. Oaths Of Office

Subject :	1.1 Administration of Oaths of Office for Elected City Councilmembers
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Procedural

Public Content

The newly-elected City Council members will take the oath of office and immediately assume their seats.

2. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	2.1 Roll Call
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Procedural

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2. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	2.2 Citizens' Comments and Questions
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Procedural

Public Content

Citizens may address the City Council for up to four minutes on any agenda item. Public comments will be accepted for a maximum of 30 minutes per item. Those wishing to address the City Council should raise their hand to be recognized by the Mayor prior to approaching the podium. Speakers should provide their names for the minutes and end their comments when the four-minute time limit is announced. The Council may suspend or waive the speaker time limit with the consent of a majority of Council members present and are not required to respond to public remarks during the meeting.

2. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	2.3 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Procedural

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General Comments from the City Council and City Manager. Proclamations, Special Recognition, and Oaths of Office will periodically be administered at this time.

2. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	2.4 Proclamation for ALS Awareness Month
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Procedural

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Originating Department: Mayor's Office

Background: A Proclamation declaring the month of May 2025 as ALS Awareness Month

File Attachments

[Proclamation for ALS Awareness Month, 2025-05-13.pdf \(50 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.1 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes from April 22, 2025
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting of April 22, 2025

Public Content

Originating Department:

City Clerk's Office

File Attachments

[Regular City Council Meeting Minutes 22 April 2025.pdf \(311 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 04/25 /2025 for the FY 2025 Warrant 1510 in the Total Amount of \$2,307,609.96
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 04/25/2025 totaling \$2,307,609.96
Goals :	Goal #3: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and transparency while providing high-quality City services

Public Content

Originating Department: Finance

Background:

File Attachments

[Warrant 1510 2025-05-13.pdf \(332 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.3 Approval of Wells Fargo Warrant for the Period Ending 03/31/2025 FY 2025 Warrant # WF 03/2025 in the amount of \$177,579.22
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 03/31/2025 totaling \$177,579.22
Goals :	Goal #3: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and transparency while providing high-quality City services

Public Content

Originating Department: Finance

Background:

File Attachments

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.4 A Resolution Commending Jeffrey W. Doherty for Service to the City of Carbondale
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Adopt a Resolution commending City Councilmember Jeffrey W. Doherty for Service to the City of Carbondale

Public Content

Originating Department:

City Clerk's Office

Background:

Jeffrey W. Doherty was elected on April 4, 2017, and sworn into office on May 2, 2017. He will retire from his position as City Councilmember on May 13, 2025, after eight years of service. This follows more than thirty-two years of service to the City as an employee, beginning as an intern in the Community Development Department in 1976 and ending on June 30, 2008, as City Manager.

File Attachments

[Resolution 2025-R-28 Commending Jeffrey W. Doherty for Service to the City of Carbondale 13 May 2025.pdf \(55 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.5 A Resolution Commending LaCaje Hill for Service to the City of Carbondale
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Adopt a Resolution commending City Councilmember LaCaje Hill for Service to the City of Carbondale

Public Content

Originating Department:

City Clerk's Office

Background:

LaCaje Hill was appointed to fill a vacancy on the City Council on July 11, 2023. He will retire from his position as City Councilmember on May 13, 2025, after one year and ten months of service.

File Attachments

[Resolution 2025-R-29 Commending LaCaje Hill for Service to the City of Carbondale 13 May 2025.pdf \(55 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.6 A Resolution Commending Ginger Rye-Sanders for Service to the City of Carbondale
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Adopt a Resolution commending City Councilmember Ginger Rye-Sanders for Service to the City of Carbondale

Public Content

Originating Department:

City Clerk's Office

Background:

Ginger Rye-Sanders was elected on April 6, 2021, and sworn into office on May 11, 2021. She will retire from her position as City Councilmember on May 13, 2025, after four years of service.

File Attachments

[Resolution 2025-R-30 Commending Ginger Rye-Sanders for Service to the City of Carbondale 13 May 2025.pdf \(55 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.7 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engagement Letter with Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel for the City's FY 2025 Audit
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Adopt the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Engagement Letters with Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel for FY 2025 audit services
Goals :	Goal #3: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and transparency while providing high-quality City services

Public Content

Originating Department: Finance

Background:

The Certified Public Accounting firm of Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel has submitted their proposal for audit services for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2025. This firm is staffed by personnel who have performed the annual City audit services in previous years. This is an exception under the formal contracting procedures 1-6-13 (E)(2), professional services pursuant to a written contract.

The proposed fixed audit fees for the FY 2025 audit are \$70,450; \$55,650 for the primary government accounts, with Police and Fire Pension Fund audit fees not exceeding \$7,400 each. The engagement includes a variable fee of \$160/hour for Federal Single Audit Act compliance. The City will require a single audit again this year due to the receipt of federal monies related to the American Rescue Plan Act (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) and the Southern Illinois Multi-Modal Project (BUILD Grant). The proposed fixed fees include a 4% increase from FY 2024 amounts and are detailed as follows:

Governmental Funds:

General Fund, General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts, General
Long-Term Debt Group of Accounts, Special Revenue Funds,

Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Group Health Insurance Fund, and
thePublic \$ 25,400

Library Component Unit

Public Service Enterprise Funds:

Waterworks and Sewerage Fund 15,800

Parking System Operating Fund 1,350

Solid Waste Management Fund 1,350

Rental Properties Fund 1,350

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report 4,160

State Annual Financial Report, CYEFR, Data Collection Formreporting packages 4,160

Compliance Report on Tax Increment Fund 2,080

Total Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

\$ 55,650

Police Pension Fund 7,400

Fire Pension Fund 7,400

Non-variable fee total

\$ 70,450

File Attachments

[Resolution Authorizing CM to Enter into an engagement letter with Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel 2025-05-13.pdf \(91 KB\)](#)

[KEB FY 2025 City of Carbondale Engagement Ltr - 2025-05-13.pdf \(4.631 KB\)](#)

4. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	4.8 Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

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6. Executive Session

Subject :	6.1 Enter into Executive Session to Discuss Pending or Imminent Litigation
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Enter Into Executive Session to Discuss Pending or Imminent Litigation as Permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

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Originating Department:

City Clerk's Office

Background:

Discussion by the public body in executive session of the below-listed exception is permitted by the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS/120.) No action is anticipated as a result of the discussion, but in the event that action should be required, it will be preceded by a public recital of the nature of the matter being considered and other information that will inform the public of the business being conducted upon returning to open session.

5 ILCS 120/2(c)

(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

6. Executive Session

Subject :	6.2 Return to Open Session
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Return to Open Session

Public Content

Originating Department:
City Clerk's Office

7. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

Subject :	7.1 Adjourn meeting
Meeting :	May 13, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2025
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The Mayor will declare the meeting adjourned.