

Minutes of the Meeting of Council  
April 20, 2026

The Council of the City of Sylvania, Ohio met in regular session on April 20, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Frye in the chair. Roll was called with the following members present: Marcus Hansen, Doug Haynam, Brian McCann, Shawn Murphy, Patrick Richardson, Lyndsey Stough, Mary Westphal; (7) present; (0) absent.

Roll call:  
All present

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America led by Ms. Stough.

Pledge of  
Allegiance.

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 3.

Additions to the  
agenda.

Item #12 a. Downtown Zoning Code Update

Mrs. Westphal moved, Ms. Stough seconded to approve the amended agenda; roll call vote being: Westphal, Haynam, Murphy, McCann, Stough, Hansen, Richardson; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Approval of  
amended  
Agenda.

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 4.

Mrs. Westphal presented the April 6, 2026 regular meeting minutes. Mrs. Westphal moved, Mr. Haynam seconded, that since the Mayor, members of Council, and others had been furnished copies of these minutes prior to this meeting, Council dispense with the reading of these minutes at this time, and the journal of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 6, 2026 be approved with one amendment, a name correction from Greg Finch to Greg Feller; roll call vote being: Westphal, Richardson, Haynam, Hansen, McCann, Murphy, Stough; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Approval of  
April 6, 2026  
Council meeting  
minutes as  
amended.

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 5.

Ahead of item 5, Mayor Frye read comments into the record regarding the proposed legislation.

Mayor Frye  
comments

Mrs. Westphal moved, Mr. Murphy seconded to set a Committee of the Whole meeting for Monday, May 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers located at 6635 Maplewood Avenue, Sylvania, Ohio 43560, to discuss Proposed Ordinance No. 75-2026, "Affirming Police Policies, requiring Notice, Re-Affirming Commitment to Community Safety, Law Enforcement & Non-Discriminatory Policing; and declaring an emergency"; and Proposed Resolution 4-2026, "Affirming the City of Sylvania's commitment to respecting and valuing all people; and declaring an emergency"; roll call vote being: Stough, Richardson, McCann, Murphy, Haynam, Hansen, Westphal; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Set a C.O.W.  
meeting for  
5/4/26 at 6:00  
p.m.

Mrs. Westphal moved, Mr. Richardson seconded to refer Proposed Ordinance No 75-2026, "Affirming Police Policies, requiring Notice, Re-Affirming Commitment to Community Safety, Law Enforcement & Non-Discriminatory Policing; and declaring an emergency"; and Proposed Resolution 4-2026, "Affirming the City of Sylvania's commitment to respecting and valuing all people; and declaring an emergency" to Committee of the Whole; roll call vote being: Westphal, Richardson, Haynam, Hansen, McCann, Murphy, Stough; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Referral of Ord.  
No. 75-2026 &  
Res. No. 4-2026  
to C.O.W.

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 6.

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Mrs. Westphal presented and read aloud by title only, the proposed Ordinance No. 76-2026, a written copy of same having been previously furnished to each member of Council “Authorizing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into agreements with a head teacher, teachers, and aides for the Sylvania Safety City Program being conducted by the Sylvania Division of Police; providing funds therefore; and declaring an emergency”. Mrs. Westphal moved, Mr. Murphy seconded for passage of Ordinance No. 76-2026 as an emergency measure; roll call being: Stough, Hansen, Richardson, Haynam, Westphal, Murphy, McCann; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 76-2026 “... Sylvania Safety City Program... by the Sylvania Division of Police...”

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 7.

Service Director’s letter recommending the appropriation of funds was placed on file. Mr. Hansen presented and read aloud by title only, proposed Ordinance No. 77-2026, a written copy of same having been previously furnished to each member of Council “Authorizing the Mayor and Director of Finance to approve the amendment to the city’s agreement with Fishbeck to provide additional professional engineering services for the Elden Ditch Watershed (Phase 2) Project; increasing the proposal amount by \$18,530; appropriating funds therefore; and declaring an emergency”. Mr. Hansen moved; Mr. McCann seconded for passage of Ordinance No. 77-2026 as an emergency measure; roll call being: Hansen, Richardson, Murphy, McCann, Stough, Haynam, Westphal; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 77-2026 ”... amendment... agreement with Fishbeck ... Elden Ditch Watershed (Phase 2)...”

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 8.

Mrs. Westphal presented and read aloud by title only, proposed ordinance No. 78-2026, a written copy of same having been previously furnished to each member of Council “An ordinance to authorize and ratify the execution of Then and Now certificates by the Finance Director and the payment of amounts due for various purchase orders; and declaring an emergency”. Mrs. Westphal moved; Mr. Hansen seconded for passage of Ordinance No 78-2026 as an emergency measure; roll call vote being: Westphal, Haynam, Murphy, McCann, Stough, Hansen, Richardson; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 78-2026 “...Then and Now certificates ... payment ... purchase orders ...”

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 9.

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Mr. McCann presented and read aloud by title only, proposed ordinance No 79-2026, a written copy of same having been previously furnished to each member of Council “Accepting the training proposal and agreement of Workspring to provide wellness independent programming to the City of Sylvania for the calendar year 2026; appropriating funds therefore in the amount of \$2,400; and declaring an emergency”. Mr. McCann moved; Mr. Murphy seconded for passage of Ordinance 79-2026 as an emergency measure; roll call vote being: Richardson, Hansen, Haynam, Murphy, Stough, Westphal, McCann; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 79-2026 “... training proposal ... Workspring ... wellness independent programming...”

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 10.

Mr. McCann presented and read aloud by title only, proposed Ordinance No. 80-2026, a written copy of same having been previously furnished to each member of Council “Authorizing an agreement with American Fireworks Company for the Independence Day celebration on July 3, 2026 at Centennial Terrace and Quarry; Authorizing the Mayor and Director of Finance to sign an agreement for the fireworks display which will cost Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000); authorizing a 50% deposit payment for the fireworks display due June 1, 2026 which will be shared by the City, Sylvania Township, the Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District and area businesses; and declaring an emergency”. Mr. McCann moved; Mr. Hansen seconded for passage of Ordinance 80-2026 as an emergency measure; roll call vote being: Haynam, Westphal, Murphy, Hansen, Stough, Richardson, McCann; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 80-2026 “... American Fireworks Company ... \$60,000 ... deposit payment by June 1, 2026...”

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 11.

Letter from Chief of Police requesting approval for a 2015 Land Rover, Range Rover to be placed on GovDeals.com for auction was placed on file. Ms. Stough moved, Mrs. Westphal seconded to approve the 2015 Land Rover, Range Rover be placed on GovDeals.com for auction; roll call vote being: Murphy, Westphal, McCann, Stough, Hansen, Haynam, Richardson; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

2015 Land Rover placed on GovDeals.com.

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider added agenda item 12 a.

Mr. Murphy asked for a review of the current zoning in downtown Sylvania. An old proposal will be brought back to the Zoning Committee. The Law Director will send the latest revisions from May of 2025 out to Council for review tomorrow and a Zoning

Downtown Zoning Code update.

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Committee meeting will be scheduled at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Frye stated that Council will now consider agenda item 13.

Mr. Murphy moved, Mrs. Westphal seconded to set a Parks & Forestry Committee meeting on Monday, May 4, 2026 at 5:30 p.m in City Council Chambers located at 6635 Maplewood Avenue, Sylvania, Ohio 43560, to discuss the Green Yard Waste Program; roll call vote being: Stough, Richardson, McCann, Murphy, Haynam, Hansen, Westphal; (7) yeas; (0) nays. The motion carried.

Set a Parks & Forestry Committee Meeting on May 4, 2026 at 5:30 P.M.

Since there are two additional meetings scheduled ahead of the next Council meeting on May 4, 2026, Committee of the Whole at 6:00pm and Parks & Forestry Committee meeting at 5:30 p.m, Council decided to move the Lemonade Day event to the following Council meeting on May 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Lemonade Day moved to May 18, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Frye stated that all items have been addressed.

Mrs. Westphal moved, Mr. McCann seconded to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Roll call vote being: Stough, Hansen, McCann, Murphy, Richardson, Haynam, Mrs. Westphal; (7) yeas; (0) nays.

Adjournment.

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Clerk of Council

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Mayor