



City of Clay
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 13th, 2026

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Tuesday, January 13th, 2026, at Clay City Hall. Mayor Jane Anderton presided over the meeting and Hunter Merola served as recorder.

Councilor Mayor Anderton led the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Anderton called for a motion to appoint Hunter Merola to Special Clerk to act as recorder. Councilor Jody Harris made a motion to approve the appointment which was seconded by Councilor Nathan Thompson.

Mayor Anderton called the meeting to order and roll call was conducted as follows: Mayor Anderton, Jody Harris, Chris Nail, Nathan Thompson and Carla Youngblood.

Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve the Pre-Council and Council meeting minutes of December 16th, 2025. *Councilor Jody Harris made a motion to approve the Council meeting minutes of December 16th, 2025 as amended, which was seconded by Councilor Nathan Thompson and approved by a vote of unanimous voice.*

Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve today's Meeting Agenda. *Councilor Jody Harris made a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda as amended, which was seconded by Councilor Chris Nail and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve today's Consent Agenda. *Councilor Nathan Thompson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Carla Youngblood.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the following result: *Yeas: Mayor Anderton, Councilors Jody Harris, Chris Nail, Nathan Thompson and Carla Youngblood.*

Under Committee Reports:

Mayor Anderton Presented Proclamation 2026-01A Proclamation to Recognize the 2025 Clay Chalkville High School Football Championship Team.

Councilor Jody Harris announced the upcoming P&Z Meeting to be held on January 15th at 6:00 pm

Councilor Chris Nail reported the need to meet with Mr. Wilson to discuss grants.

Councilor Nathan Thompson updated the Council that Old Springville Road was now open. The new Mavis Tire is open, and the re-built Dollar General will be open around June 2026.

Councilor Carla Youngblood spoke about the financial workshop held last month. The current budget has a shortfall of \$650,000.

Under Reading of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals and Communications there were none.



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Under Public Hearings: there were none.

Under Public Comments: there were none.

Enter Unanimous Consent. Approve Consent Agenda (Resolutions) Ordinances, Mayor Anderton called for a motion to move to unanimous consent. *Councilor Nathan Thompson made a motion to move to unanimous consent which was seconded by Councilor Chris Nail and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

-Resolution 2025-66 A Resolution to Establish a new position for a Part-time Communication Specialist. Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve the resolution. Councilor Carla Youngblood made a motion to Approve Resolution 2025-66 which was seconded by Councilor Jody Harris. A roll call was conducted with the following results: Yeas; Mayor Anderton, Councilors Jody Harris and Carla Youngblood. Nays; Councilor Chris Nail. Abstention; Nathan Thompson

-Resolution 2025-70 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract for Web Design Services. It was decided to table this Resolution to obtain more bids for review.

-Resolution 2026-01 A Resolution Extending Moratorium on Mini-Warehouses and/or Self-Service Storage Businesses within Clay City limits. Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01. Councilor Nathan Thompson made a motion to Approve Resolution 2026-01 as amended which was seconded by Councilor Carla Youngblood. A roll call was conducted with the following results: Yeas; Mayor Anderton, Councilors Jody Harris , Chris Nail, Nathan Thompson and Carla Youngblood

-Resolution 2026-02 A Resolution Designating Meeting Times for the Library Committee. Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02. Councilor Carla Youngblood made a motion to Approve Resolution 2026-02 which was seconded by Councilor Chris Nail. A roll call was conducted with the following results: Yeas; Mayor Anderton, Councilors Jody Harris, Chris Nail, Nathan Thompson and Carla Youngblood

-Resolution 2026-03 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Appoint a City Administrator/Treasurer. Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve Resolution 2026-03. Councilor Nathan Thompson made a motion to Approve Resolution 2026-03 which was seconded by Mayor Jane Anderton. A roll call was conducted with the following results: Yeas; Mayor Anderton, Nathan Thompson. Nays; Councilors Jody Harris, Chris Nail, Carla Youngblood. Resolution failed.

-Resolution 2026-04 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Appoint a City Clerk. Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve Resolution 2026-04. Councilor Jody Harris made a motion to Approve Resolution 2026-04 which was seconded by Councilor Nathan Thompson. A roll call was conducted with the following results: Yeas; Mayor Anderton, Councilors Jody Harris, Chris Nail, Nathan Thompson and Carla Youngblood

-Resolution 2026-05 A Memorandum of Understanding Between the Jefferson County Commission and the City of Clay Regarding Debris Removal. Mayor Anderton called for a motion to approve Resolution 2026-05. Councilor Jody Harris made a motion to Approve Resolution 2026-05 which was seconded by Councilor Nathan Thompson A roll call was conducted with the following results: Yeas; Mayor Anderton, Councilors Jody Harris, Chris Nail, Nathan Thompson and Carla Youngblood



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End unanimous consent.

Mayor Anderton called for a vote to adjourn. Councilor Jody Harris made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Chris Nail

The next City Pre Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday January 27th, 2026, at 6:00 pm at City Hall. The City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27th, 2026, at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Hunter Merola
Recording Secretary

