

Monday, February 23, 2026
City Commission Regular Meeting

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The City of Nicholasville's Board of Commission met in regular session on Monday, February 23, 2026 at the Nicholasville Police Department's Community Room, located at 717 North Main Street in Nicholasville. Mayor Alex Carter called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Roll Call

Presiding Officer: Mayor Alex Carter

Commission Present: Commissioner Peter Sutherland
Commissioner Bethany Brown
Commissioner Dexter Knight

Commission Absent: Commissioner Patty Teater

Additionally, the following department staff members were present for this meeting:

Bob Amato, Utility Director	Stephen Pracht, Grants Administrator
Doug Blackford, General Government Director	Kathy Rhineheimer, Human Resources
Paul Bradford, GIS/Floodplain Administrator	Darren Sammons, City Attorney
Craig Cox, Fire Chief	Kathy Walker, City Clerk
Brian Claar, City Engineer	Raven Warren-Trainor, Assist. City Clerk
Michael Fleming, Police Chief	Travis Ward, UT Business Manager
Marty Kaszuk, Assistant Fire Chief	

Motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2025 Regular Meeting as presented.

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Sutherland, seconded by Commissioner Brown, to approve the second and binding reading of **ORDINANCE 210-2026: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A DECREE OF ANNEXATION OF 60.01 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 162 THOMPSON LANE (DD II DEVELOPMENT LLC PROPERTY - PVA PARCEL NO. 059-00-00-027.00) INTO THE CITY OF NICHOLASVILLE, KENTUCKY.**

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Teater, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to authorize the Mayor to accept the final 2025 Financial Audit provided that no material changes are made to the draft that was presented by Baldwin CPAs, LLC..

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Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to authorize the Mayor to sign a sewer assessment lien release for 115 Patton Drive.

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Knight, to approve the invoice from Parks and Recreation for additional support from Sports Facilities Advisory, LLC for the Community Center.

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to to approve the hire of Michael Frye as Meter Reader I, grade 52, pending results of background check, physical, and drug/alcohol screen, at the hourly rate of \$ 19.30, effective February 24, 2026..

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to to approve the hire Garrett Jones as Water Distribution Operator Trainee, grade 51, pending results of background check, physical, and drug/alcohol screen, at the hourly rate of \$ 18.53, effective March 10, 2026..

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

Motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to to approve the lateral hire of Clint Daniels as Firefighter, pending results of background check, physical, and drug/alcohol screen, at the hourly rate of \$16.06, effective March 10, 2026..

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

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Greg Walter, Nicholasville, addressed the City Commission about ADA compliance for a new bill pay option for Nicholasville Public Utilities.

Motion by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Sutherland, to adjourn into closed session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency.

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

The Commission retired to the conference room for the closed session at 6:03 p.m.
The Commission returned to the Community Room by unanimous consent from closed session at 6:39 p.m.
No action taken.

Motion by Commissioner Sutherland, seconded by Commissioner Knight, to adjourn into closed session per KRS 61.810(1)(f) for discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee.

Roll Call Vote: YES - Mayor Carter, Commissioner Sutherland, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Knight
NO - None

The Commission retired to the conference room for the closed session at 6:39 p.m.
The Commission returned to the Community Room by unanimous consent from closed session at 6:59 p.m.
No action taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Mayor Carter declared the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m. with no objection.

Kathy Walker, City Clerk

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Alex W. Carter, Mayor