

CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
ERLANGER CITY COUNCIL
February 17, 2026

Mayor Jessica Fette called the caucus meeting of the Erlanger City Council to order in the City of Erlanger Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

The following Members of City Council were present: Tom Cahill, Chris Farmer, Michele Fields, Tyson Hermes, Jennifer Jasper-Lucas, Diana Niceley, Rebecca Reckers, Renee Skidmore, and Renee Wilson.

Also present were: Mayor Jessica Fette, City Administrator Mark Collier, City Clerk Sherry Hoffman, and Attorney Avery Dietz.

CAUCUS DISCUSSIONS

US 25 (Dixie Highway) Reconfiguration

➤ Discussion

1. The alteration of Dixie Highway from Commonwealth Avenue to Turfway Road, including the elimination of one northbound lane and one southbound lane and the placement of a continual center turning lane.
 - A. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), Bob Yeager - KYTC was placing the project on hold to allow additional meetings with the cities to further discuss safety improvements for this section of Dixie Highway.
 - B. Kentucky Representative, Steve Doan - He submitted a Bill request that would require KYTC to notify cities of any upcoming projects.
 - C. Florence Mayor, Julie Aubuchon - She encouraged further communication on the project.
 - D. Elsmere Mayor, Marty Lenhof - He requested that all share holders be involved throughout the process and to be cognizant of further safety issues.
 - E. Erlanger Mayor, Jessica Fette - She identified fifteen bus stops, nineteen instances where a left turn did not have a dedicated turn lane, and eighteen businesses affected by the proposed reconfiguration.

➤ City Council Comments - Council members Ms. Jasper-Lucas, Ms. Niceley, and Ms. Fields addressed Mr. Yeager. He confirmed the following: the resurfacing of Dixie Highway would be on hold as well, the traffic counts were conducted in 2025, and the project would change the timing of the traffic lights.

➤ Public Comments -

1. The following signed the Council Sign-In Sheet but did not come forward to speak:
 - A. Barb Bruening
 - B. Steve and Diana Hutton
 - C. Gary Webster
2. The following signed the Council Sign-In Sheet but declined from speaking:
 - A. Case Fenner
 - B. Matthew and JoAnn O'Brien
 - C. Missy Tester
 - D. Linda Holbrook
 - E. Lorraine Allen
 - F. Brian Willenbrink
 - G. Rainie Baker
3. The following addressed Mayor and City Council:
 - A. Gloria Grubbs
 - B. Collin Schubert
 - C. Wilanne Stangel
 - D. Danielle Behler
 - E. Amy Staten
 - F. Laura Sowers
 - G. Gregg Leftin
 - H. Jeff Niceley
 - I. Jesse Foreman
 - J. Scott Kimmich
 - K. Mary Merrick
 - L. Sarah Allen

➤ Action Requested

1. None

ADJOURNMENT

M/S, Farmer-Wilson, to adjourn from the caucus meeting at 8:03 P.M. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

ATTEST AND RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Sherry Hoffman, City Clerk