

- j. A Resolution honoring the memory of Brenda Palmer and to express City Council's condolences to her family upon the occasion of her passing.



CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

City Council

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: June 10, 2025

DEPARTMENT: City Council

DIRECTOR or DESIGNEE: Rob Frost

AGENDA SUMMARY

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COUNCIL DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED

All Districts

BACKGROUND

Requested by Council.

ESTIMATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW

FISCAL INFORMATION

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE HONORING THE MEMORY OF BRENDA PALMER AND TO EXPRESS CITY COUNCIL'S CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY UPON THE OCCASION OF HER PASSING.

RESOLUTION NO: _____

REQUESTED BY: Council

PREPARED BY: Council

APPROVED: _____

APPROVED AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE: _____

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WHEREAS, Brenda Palmer passed away on March 26, 2025; and

WHEREAS, before being elected to City Council, Mrs. Palmer was studied at the University of San Diego, Baldwin Wallace College, and the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer was a former educator who taught high school history, government, economics, and English; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer and her late husband, Don Palmer, moved to Knoxville where Mrs. Palmer became involved in the local community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer was a two-term member of Knoxville City Council, representing the Third District; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer served on the City Audit Committee, the Regional Transportation Planning Organization, the KUB Tree Trim Panel, the Knoxville Zoo Board, and the Knox County Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer was elected by her colleagues to serve as the Chair of the Beer Board; and

WHEREAS, as Chair of the Beer Board, Mrs. Palmer took her duties seriously due to the nature of the substance which was governed by the Beer Board; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer presided over approximately seventy Beer Board meetings through the years, always attempting to run the meetings in an efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, many of the efficiencies created by Mrs. Palmer while Chair of the Beer Board are used in Beer Board meetings to this day; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer always tried to handle difficult situations in a professional manner; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Palmer was regarded as a member of council who was accessible and willing to talk with people about their issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE:

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Knoxville wishes to honor the life and achievements of Brenda Palmer and to express to the members of her family its sincere condolences upon the occasion of her passing.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of the City requiring it.

Presiding Officer of the Council

City Recorder