

- 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**

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**AGENDA DATE:** June 10, 2025

**DEPARTMENT:** City Council

**DIRECTOR or DESIGNEE:** Rob Frost

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**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 NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**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.

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Presiding Officer of the Council

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City Recorder