



City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2026

Commission Members Present

Mayor James Martin
Commissioner Ralph Farsetti
Commissioner Sandy Walker
Commissioner Burt Deutsch
Commissioner Halle Brumleve
Clerk/Treasurer Geri Huff
Attorney Stephen Porter

Others Present

Cliff Ashburner
Bob Elliott
Mary Jo Elliott
Cindy Oppel
Ben Zickel
Trish Scott

Call to Order - Mayor James Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Shelby House Condominiums, 8605 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, KY 40222.

Presentation to Former Commissioners and City Clerk-Mayor Martin presented personalized gifts on behalf of the City of Bellemeade to Trish Scott, Cindy Oppel and Ben Zickel for their dedicated years of service.

Discussion of Status of Leaf Spring Project-Mr. Ashburner, who is representing the University of Louisville and the Leaf Spring application, answered questions and concerns regarding the status of the project. The changes from the previous application to the location and design of the building, the entrance of the parking lot remains in the original area with Whittington Parkway. There were previously two access points to the proposed property, the access from Old Whipps Mill Road has been removed. The trees at the area of Old Whipps Mill were a concern and this would potentially eliminate the removal of trees. The previous building was under 19000 square feet, and the current building is under 18000 square feet and it is on two floors thus being 32 feet tall. If the project is approved, the day care center will be the only building that will be on the property. Other concerns were the drainage in the area. There are two variances that are being requested, the shape of the lot, Old Whipps Mill is considered the front yard, under the land development code, the request to exceed the maximum set back to push the building away from the front yard. The other variance request is a two-foot height variance to go to 32 feet. Question was raised about there being one entrance onto the property. Another issue was raised about a turn lane on Whipps Mill Road. Trees in the back of the lot are to be undisturbed unless needed for removal for utility installation. The traffic and water pressure issues are still a concern to be addressed. There will be contact made to the water company and to KYTC for a possible turn lane review/discussion.

Approval of Minutes – The May 11, 2026, minutes were read. Burt Deutsch made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ralph Farsetti seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - The Treasurer's Report was reported for the month of May 2026. The report are the regular recurring charges. The investment was most changed to the positive for the month at \$340K. The PNC and Park CDs were renewed, and the Liberty CD will term on July 16 and new rates will be presented at the next meeting. James Martin moved to approve the treasurer's report and Halle Brumleve seconded the motion and the treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

Reports

Mayor's Report - The working meeting was conducted and ballots were all signed for the next upcoming election.

Commissioner Reports

Public Events Report - Commissioner Halle Brumleve has the third Saturday in August will be the yard sale which falls on the 15th. The hours of the yard sale are 8am until 1 pm.

Public Lands & Public Works Report - Commissioner Burt Deutsch had nothing to report. The trees on the Bellemeade entrance appeared to be not getting enough water; irrigation will be checked. The trees at the Shelbyville Road entrance at Moorgate make it difficult to look left. Responsibility of the tree trimming may be that of the state. Our landscape person may be able to address these to have these trimmed. There is still not a trash can next to the bench at the Moorgate or Bellemeade entrances as they were not being emptied on a regular basis.

Public Safety & Roads Report - Commissioner Sandy Walker has someone who is going to handle the potholes. There are currently some in need of attention on Tristan and Dorchester. Pothole locations are to be added to the newsletter to be reported to Sandy.

Code Enforcement Report - Commissioner Ralph Farsetti advised that the truck that has been parked in the yard on the house at South Hampton and Chadwick is for sale after speaking with the homeowner's family. They are currently out of the country and the house has home sitters. A letter can be sent in the event of need addressing the Louisville ordinance. Trees at the corner of Charing Cross and Whipps Mill road are under review due to the obstruction of view to turn left on Whipps Mill road. The house at 102 South Hampton Road needs improvement. The homeowner is intending to sell the house and has been vacant for a year. Ralph will prepare a letter to send the homeowner.

Public Comments - Election signs are present in a yard. Signs are being reviewed.

New Business

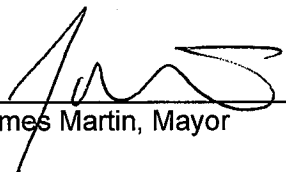
Second Reading of the Budget-Ordinance is prepared. Burt Deutsch made a motion to approve the budget ordinance as presented. Halle Brumleve seconded the motion, and the budget ordinance was approved unanimously.

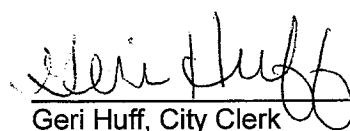
The stop sign suggestion at Charing Cross and Dorchester was raised again and Geri Huff was in favor of a discussion if the Leaf Spring gets approved, speed humps was also suggested. A no outlet sign at the end of Charing Cross was also mentioned.

July 9th
Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be held on July 6, 2026 via Zoom. The Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at Shelby House Condominiums, 8605 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, KY 40222 on Monday, July 13, 2026, at 7 pm.

Adjournment - There being no further business, Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


James Martin, Mayor


Geri Huff, City Clerk