



**Minutes
Budget & Public Employees Committee
Wednesday, July 30, 2025
6:00 PM
Kennedy Room**

Minutes are preliminary and may change until finally approved

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

II. Roll Call

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll, and the following members answered to their names: Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Browning, Ms. Velazquez, Mr. Devoti, President Green, and Chair Aldridge. **5 members were present. A quorum was established.**

III. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from Friday, June 6, 2025, committee meeting.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Friday, June 6, 2025, committee meeting.

Ms. Sonnier moved to approve the minutes of the Friday, June 6, 2025, committee meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Browning.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye: Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Browning, Ms. Velazquez, Chair Aldridge, and President Green. **5 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following abstained:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

A total of 5 Aye votes were cast. The motion carried.

IV. Board Bills for Review

None

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

Discussion Item Number 1

Rams Funds

Update on Rams Settlement Interest

The committee will discuss and receive a report on Rams Settlement Fund Expenditures.

The Chair recognized Julian Nicks, Chief Recovery and Neighborhood Transformation Officer, to discuss the Rams Funds.

Mr. Nicks gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation outlining the three phases of recovery: Response, Restore, and Rebuild. He explained the amount of funds and the number of years it would take to complete the recovery efforts. He discussed the efforts and aid from various organizations, including local organizations, state, federal, and FEMA.

After no further discussion, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Members of the committee asked questions and made comments.

Hearing no further questions or comments from members of the committee,

the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the public for public testimony.

Rams Funds/Undecided

1. Jim Roos 7th ward
2. Kayla Reed
3. Yolanda Owens
4. Linda Braboy, 9th ward
5. Ali Rand
6. Cynthia Jordan, Creve Coeur
7. Kim Squalls, 13th ward
8. Wesley Klaus, Lake of St. Louis
9. Tina Cramer 10, 11, & 13th ward
10. Christopher Gladney, 11th ward
11. Tamara Williams, 10th ward
12. Kelly McGowan, 9th ward
13. Madison Boukas, 8th ward
14. Demetrius Muhammad, 11th ward
15. Chris Willcox, 14th ward
16. Justin Idleburg 10th ward
17. Melanie Marie, The People Response, Ferguson
18. Darcella Craven
19. Julia Allen
20. Larry Powell, 10th ward
21. Maureen Wagener, 3rd ward
22. Bill Atkins, 10th ward
23. Precious Jones, 13th ward
24. Paula Vickers, 12th ward
25. Carroll Lehmhoff-Bell, 10th ward
26. Darrell Crumpton, 1 ward
27. Felice McClendon, 9th & 10th ward
28. Tameka Stigers, 9th & 10th ward
29. Shellie Johnson, Operation Help STL.
30. Tabitha Hunt, 11th ward
31. James Stringfellow, 4th ward

Hearing no further testimony from members of the public, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Members of the committee asked questions and made comments.

After no further discussion, the Chair thanked members of the committee, Mr. Nicks, and members of the public for attending the meeting before he adjourned.

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

None

VIII. Announcements

None

IX. Excused Members

The Chair did not excuse Ms. Tyus from the meeting.

X. Adjournment

Having no other business to discuss, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Sonnier moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Aldridge.

The vote was carried by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.