

RECORD OF COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

CITY OF ARGO

Date: 02/23/2026

Time: 5:00

Place: Municipal Complex

Work Session

The City Council for the City of Argo met on Monday, February 23, 2026, for a work session. The meeting was held at the Municipal Complex located at 100 Blackjack Road, Argo, AL 35173.

The roll call is as follows:

Councilperson Dennis Griffin

Councilperson Thomas Suggs

Councilperson Rick Hopkins

Councilperson Mike King

Mayor Pro-Tem Corky Massey

Mayor Randy Hettich

The work session consisted of discussion on February 23, 2026, regular council meeting agenda.

Don Smith, Jason Roberts, and Candice Hill with the St. Clair County Economic Development Council provided an update to the Mayor and Council regarding the programs and services offered by the EDC, including available grant resources, St. Clair County Leadership, and initiatives that help connect students with employment opportunities in various trade fields.

Mayor Hettich updated the Council that the City, along with local churches, is working to host a Spring Festival at Central Baptist Church on April 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Plans include renting vendor spots for booths and hosting a car show.

Mayor Pro-Tem Massey will coordinate the creation of banners for the upcoming Roulain Road Storm Project to inform residents of road closures. School bus routes may need to be adjusted, and the Fire Department may need mutual aid support in case of an emergency during the repairs.

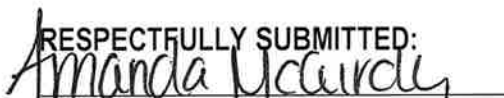
Cynthia Higdon with the Argo Junior Council had the students introduce themselves to the Mayor and Council.

Councilperson Griffin and City Attorney Chesley continue to work on the Business Alliance applications and will have them available at the next scheduled Council meeting.

The Mayor and Council noted that certain training hours are required for elected officials, and additional budget funds will be needed to cover attendance at the 2026 Alabama League of Municipalities (ALM) Convention and Training. Councilmembers who do not attend this year's convention may attend the 2027 convention so that all members have the opportunity to attend.

Joe Chapman of Cork, Hill & Company presented the financial audit for the 2024–2025 fiscal year, ending September 30, 2025. He issued a clean audit opinion and reported that the audit results were favorable overall. It was noted that in the General Fund account, expenditures exceeded revenue for the fiscal year by \$10,269.

Bryan Newell, Republican candidate for Alabama House District 50, spoke at the work session about his campaign and priorities.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

AMANDA MCCURDY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

RANDY HETTICH, MAYOR