

Mayor Mapes called a regular meeting of the Alma City Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Commission was present.

Roll Call

Present: Roger Allman, Andrew Bare, Sonia Gibson, Greg Mapes, Michelle Pitts, and Danny Wernick.
Absent: Roxann Harrington.

2026-0097 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Wernick, to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington.**

Mayor Mapes led those present in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Approval of Minutes

2026-0098 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to approve minutes of the April 14, 2026, regular meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington.**

Hearings

2026-0099 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to set a public hearing for Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows, to consider a Special Assessment Roll for unpaid charges for noxious weed cutting, sidewalk replacement, and utility charges for 2025. Motion carried.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington.
Resolution declared adopted.**

Requests for Purchase

2026-0100 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to approve a request for purchase for the Alma Transit parking lot rehabilitation project to Central Asphalt/Fisher Contracting for a total amount of \$105,220.00, also to authorize the City Manager to execute contract documents.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington.
Resolution declared adopted.**

Resolutions

2026-0101 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Wernick, to adopt a resolution to ratify investment of the following city funds:

Investment Date	Maturity Date	Amount	Interest Rate	Bank	Type
4/17/2026	4/17/2027	\$282,769	3.00%	Isabella Bank	CD
4/23/2026	4/30/2028	\$123,000	3.75%	Fifth Third Securities	US Treasury

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington.
Resolution declared adopted.**

2026-0102 **Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Wernick, to adopt a resolution to approve a Discharge of Mortgage for the Housing Rehabilitation Program Loan Agreement between the City of Alma and Fern L. Hendon, 1003 Michigan Avenue, Alma, MI 48801.**

Yes: **Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**
No: **none.**
Absent: **Harrington.**
Resolution declared adopted.

Reports

2026-0103 **Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to receive the Finance March 2026 Report. Motion carried.**

Yes: **Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**
No: **none.**
Absent: **Harrington.**

2026-0104 **Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to receive the City Managers' Report.**

Ripley reviewed his newsletter, asking for feedback on a proposed change of business hours for the municipal building and a proposed move to BS&A Cloud. The group agreed the change of hours would be beneficial and the software change necessary.

Yes: **Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**
No: **none.**
Absent: **Harrington.**

Appointments

2026-0105 **Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to re-appoint Peter Tacia to the Alma Public Library Board for a five-year term ending June 1, 2031.**

Yes: **Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**
No: **none.**
Absent: **Harrington.**
Resolution declared adopted.

New Business

2026-0106 **Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to cancel the special budget review meeting scheduled for May 5, 2026, as it is not needed.**

Yes: **Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**
No: **none.**
Absent: **Harrington.**
Resolution declared adopted.

Appropriations

2026-0107 **Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution approving Warrant No. 26-20 and authorizing the City Treasurer to issue checks in payment of all claims.**

Yes: **Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**
No: **none.**
Absent: **Harrington.**
Resolution declared adopted.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Allman mentioned a temporary location opening next week for a local business. Commissioner Bare encouraged everyone to see the new GCP play. Mayor Mapes encouraged people to volunteer for the upcoming Highland Festival.

Invitation to Public

Les Rosan spoke to the group about a building he believes to be dangerous.


Adjournment

**Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Pitts, to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m.
Motion carried.**

Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.

No: none.

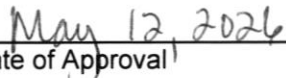
Absent: Harrington.



Sara Anderson, City Clerk, City of Alma



Gregory S. Mapes, Mayor, City of Alma



Date of Approval