

Birmingham City Commission Special Meeting Minutes - Workshop
May 5, 2025
Municipal Building, 151 Martin
6:30 p.m.
Vimeo Link: <https://vimeo.com/1081625048>

This will be considered a workshop session of the City Commission. No formal actions will be taken. The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the Aging in Place Citywide Action Plan.

I. Call to Order

Therese Longe, Mayor

II. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Longe
MPT Baller
Commissioner Emerine
Commissioner Haig
Commissioner Host
Commissioner Long
Commissioner Schafer

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Ecker; City Clerk Bingham, Assistant City Manager Clemence, Assistant City Manager Fairbairn, City Attorney Kucharek

III. Presentation and Commission Discussion

A. Presentation from Assistant City Manager Mark Clemence

ACM Clemence presented the item. Staff answered informational questions from the Commission.

B. City Commission Discussion and Comment

Commissioners made the following comments during discussion:

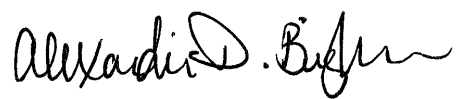
- Providing people interested in volunteering with organized opportunities to work with seniors in the community would be beneficial.
- This survey yielded a higher response rate than other City surveys thus far, which indicates the quality of the data.
- The work done and information provided was great.
- Since Next is not a governmental organization, the distinctions and complements between Next’s work for seniors and the City’s work for seniors should be clarified.
- The City should hold a workshop to encourage interested seniors to apply for board positions relevant to their experience.
- A permanent board could meet at the schools to encourage students to participate and attend. It might also be worthwhile for some classes to participate in these meetings from an educational perspective.
- A priority ranking would be beneficial.
- This plan would advise and not direct the City in these efforts if adopted.
- There was Commission consensus supporting the creation of a permanent aging in place committee.
- There are certified aging in place builders in the community that might be willing to hold informational workshops on the construction process.

IV. Public Comment

Kristy Barrett commented that the City should actively invest in and support all members of vulnerable communities, including adults with various forms of disabilities.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.



Alexandria Bingham, City Clerk



Laura Eichenhorn, City Transcriptionist