



Chattanooga City Council
City of Chattanooga, Tennessee
John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 9, 2026
3:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Jeff Davis called the business meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present that also included Council Vice Chair Ron Elliott and Councilpersons Cody Harvey, Dennis Clark, Jenny Hill, Jenni Berz, Raquetta Dotley and Marvene Noel. Councilman Chip Henderson was not present at this meeting.

[Editor's Note: This was a recessed meeting and live streamed on YouTube. View [here](#) prior to the recess and [here](#) after the recess.]

OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Mayor's Office: Kevin Roig, Chief of Staff, and Chris Anderson, Senior Advisor for Legislative Initiatives

Office of City Attorney: Phil Noblett, City Attorney

Public Works: Jerramy Wood, Administrator

Purchasing: Debbie Talley, Chief Procurement Officer

Regional Planning: Karen Rennich, Administrator

Council Office: Kristal Becker, Administrative Assistant, and Nicole Gwyn, Clerk to Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Berz led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Davis provided an overview of the business meeting structure.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Vice Chair Elliott and seconded by Councilwoman Dotley, the minutes of the last meeting (June 2, 2026) were approved as published.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

Agenda Item VIII(a) – Council Office (Amending City Code relative to [Taxi] Rates of Fare – Schedule)

Councilwoman Dotley requested clarification regarding the taxi fare rates detailed in the ordinance. She previously requested a red-line version of the document and has expressed her support for the item. Attorney Noblett has provided clarification. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Agenda Item VIII(e) – Planning (Relative to 7514 & 7518 Standifer Gap Road)

Councilman Harvey indicated his intent to defer the matter if he could not reach an agreement with the applicant who was present in the audience. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Agenda Item VIII(e) – Planning (Relative to 2836 Anderson Terrace)

Councilwoman Berz indicated her intent to deny the matter if she could not reach an agreement with the applicant during the recess. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

NEXT WEEK’S PROPOSED AGENDA (June 16, 2026):

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

Agenda Item 8(a) – Finance (Relative to FY26-27 Operations Budget)

Agenda Item 8(a) – Finance (Relative to Capital Budget)

Councilwoman Hill requested clarification from Mr. Porter regarding the budgets and topics discussed. She also asked the Finance Department to provide itemized reports of the budget ordinances for review prior to the next vote. Mr. Porter agreed to provide these items, and Mr. Noblett confirmed that an amendment is not required, as the itemization will be added to the record. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

RESOLUTIONS:

Agenda Item 9(c) – Economic Development (Relative to Resolution utilizing remaining ARPA Funds)

Councilman Clark inquired about the status of the remaining ARPA funds. In response, Vice Chair Elliott requested that Mr. Roig provide an overview of the ARPA program for any Council members who might not be aware of its current standing. Mr. Porter provided a breakdown of the ARPA allocations. Councilman Clark requested a follow-up conversation specifically regarding the HCS Ed Connect Program, which Mr. Porter agreed. Councilwoman Berz asked for the information about the ARPA to be added the Strategic Planning agenda. Chairman Davis agreed to add that request. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Agenda Item 9(n) – Public Works (Relative to Resolution for E-Fit bikes)

Councilwoman Hill inquired asked how the income from the fleet of scooters was helping to self-subsidize the Bike Chattanooga program. Mr. Wood advised that he collect that data later and send it to her. Mr. Wood addressed the Council regarding the need for E-Fit bikes. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed

PARKS & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chairman Davis yielded control of the meeting to Councilman Harvey [View [here.](#)]

CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Harvey, Committee Chairman called the Parks, Public Works & Wastewater Committee to order at 3:54 p.m., with a quorum of eight Councilpersons present. Councilman Henderson was not in attendance at this meeting.

MINUTE APPROVAL: **On motion of Chairman Davis** and seconded by Councilwoman Dotley, the minutes of the last Parks, Public Works & Wastewater Committee meeting (May 5, 2026) were approved as published.

Councilman Harvey made a special announcement recognizing the City of Chattanooga hosting Team Spain. Following his remarks, he invited Vice Chair Elliott to the podium regarding the City's new Litter Program. Vice Chair Elliott introduced Mr. Wood to lead the presentation.

Chattanooga Litter Program Presentation: by Jerramy Wood [View [here](#)]

Mr. Wood gave a detailed presentation on the Litter Program that included updates on the following:

Keep Chattanooga Beautiful:

- Comprehensive Litter Abatement
- Community Ownership Strategy
- Aligning Municipal Infrastructure
- Map & 5, 433 operations
- City & Community Litter collection

The Triad of Refuse Control (Eradication, Education, and Enforcement)

Eradication of Refuse: (Action)

- Removal of Litter
- Clearing illegal dump sites
- Scheduled cleanup operations

Educating the Public: (Engagement)

- Public awareness campaigns
- Workshops and School Programs
- Signage with disposal instructions

Enforcement of Process: (Compliance)

- Monitoring & Patrolling zones
- Issuing fines and penalties for littering
- Ensuring adherence to management rules

What does this include?

Internal: City of Chattanooga

- Department of Public Works
- Department of Outdoors
- Department of Community Development

- Chattanooga Police Department
- Office of Constituent Services (311)
- City Council
- All other departments involved

External: Community & Regional

- Downtown Chattanooga Alliance
- Green Steps & Waterways
- Volunteer Programs & Trash Masters
- CARTA
- Neighborhood Association & Constituents
- Hamilton County & TDOT

City-wide eradication requires massive daily geographical coverage

- 152 Total City Square miles
- 2,327 Total City Roadway Lane Miles
- 33.9 Miles Per Day, per vehicle

Three Phase approach

Phase 1:

- Workforce and equipment
- \$2.01 Million Capital Investment
- \$1.52 Million Annual Investment

Phase 2:

- Your Civic Impact Rewarded
- Municipal Baseline Blueprint
- Micro-community ownership
- National Park Standard

Phase 3:

- Keeping Chattanooga Beautiful
- The Macro Impact

Afterwards, Councilman Harvey opened the floor for Council questions. Mr. Wood and Mr. Anderson responded to questions and comments on the following:

- Enforcement and increase consequences (Councilman Clark)
- AHO authority (Vice Chair Elliott)
- Increasing AHO civil penalties (Councilwoman Dotley)
- Positions needed and positions funded (Councilwoman Hill)
- Signage to deter littering (Councilman Harvey)

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Councilman Harvey adjourned the Parks, Public Works & Wastewater Committee meeting at 4:33 p.m.

MEETING RECESS

By approval of the Council Chair, Councilman Harvey recessed the business meeting until 5:15 p.m.

MEETING RECONVENED

Chairman Davis reconvened the meeting at 5:15 p.m. A quorum was present that also included Vice Chair Elliott and Councilpersons Hill, Harvey, Clark, Berz, Dotley, and Noel. Councilman Henderson was not present at this meeting. Attorney Noblett and Ms. Gwyn were also present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

On motion of Vice Chair Elliott and seconded by Councilman Harvey,

ORDINANCE #14372

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 35, SECTION 35-26, RATES OF FARE – SCHEDULE.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilwoman Hill and seconded by Vice Chair Elliott,

ORDINANCE #14373

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 10, SECTION 10-3, TO DELETE SECTION 423 OF THE 2018 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE IN ITS ENTIRETY AS THE OFFICIAL BUILDING CODE OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilman Harvey and seconded by Vice Chair Elliott,

ORDINANCE #14374

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE AND ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 14137 ON JULY 23, 2024, ARTICLE IX, USES, SECTION 38-41, USE MATRIX RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

2026-0054
April Prince c/o Chattanooga Memorial Funeral Home
Planning Commission Version
District No. 1

On motion of Vice Chair Elliott and seconded by Councilwoman Dotley,

ORDINANCE #14375

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 140 BROWNS FERRY ROAD, FROM RN-1-7.5 RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE TO C-N NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL ZONE.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

2026-0069
Ben Skidmore c/o Kimley-Horn
District No. 4

On motion of Councilman Harvey and seconded by Councilwoman Hill,

ORDINANCE #14376

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO AMEND CONDITIONS 2 AND 3 FROM ORDINANCE NOS. 13875 AND 14144 OF PREVIOUS CASE NOS. 2022-0097 AND 2024-0107 ON PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 7514 AND 7518 STANDIFER GAP ROAD, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

2026-0056
Humberto Romero
Applicant Version
District No. 6

Agenda Item VIII(f):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2836 ANDERSON TERRACE, FROM RN-1-6 RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE TO TRN-3 TRADITIONAL RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE.

Councilwoman Berz moved to deny. Vice Chair Elliott seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: DENIED

2026-0060
Clint Wolford c/o Jenkins Crossing, LLC
Planning Commission Version
District No. 4

On motion of Councilman Harvey and seconded by Vice Chair Elliott,

ORDINANCE #14377

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PART OF A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7777 EAST BRAINERD ROAD, FROM CMU-1 COMMERCIAL MIXED-USE ZONE WITH CONDITIONS TO C-C COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

2026-0063
Justin Tirsun c/o Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise
Planning Commission Version
District No. 7

On motion of Councilwoman Dotley and seconded by Councilwoman Noel,

ORDINANCE #14378

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1211 BOYNTON DRIVE AND 1301 GROVE STREET, FROM RN-3 RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE TO FORM BASED CODE W-N-7 WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

2026-0073
Humberto Perez Lopez
District No. 7

Agenda Item VIII(i):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1601 AND 1603 EAST 49TH STREET, FROM C-C COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR ZONE AND RN-1-5 RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE TO I-H INDUSTRIAL HEAVY ZONE.

Councilwoman Dotley moved to deny. Councilwoman Noel seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: DENIED

RESOLUTIONS:

Dream Liquor, Inc.
District No. 6

Agenda Item IX(a):

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A NEW SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS PERMIT FOR A NEW LIQUOR STORE LOCATED AT 7703 LEE HIGHWAY.

Councilwoman Berz moved to defer to one week to June 16, 2026. Councilwoman Dotley seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: DEFERRED TO JUNE 16, 2026

On motion of Vice Chair Elliott and seconded by Councilwoman Hill,

RESOLUTION #32903

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF EMILY WOOD AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, LAND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, CODE ENFORCEMENT, TO PERFORM DUTIES EXPRESSLY LIMITED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES IN THE POSITION OF DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PLANNER.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Recommended New Purchases

[View [here](#)]

Ms. Talley (Purchasing) recommended the following new purchases for Council consideration:

REQ180861 Wastewater \$127,898.79

Laboratory Equipment

Lowest/Best Bidder: Fisher Scientific Co
3970 Johns Creek Ct
Suite 500
Suwanee, GA 30024

REQ180558 Fleet Management Division, Public Works \$236,814.00

Knuckle Boom Truck

Lowest/Best Bidder: Stringfellow Inc.
2710 Locust Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37207

Councilwoman Hill moved to approve. Councilwoman Dotley seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL NEW PURCHASES APPROVED

Sole Source Purchase

[View [here](#)]

Ms. Talley also reported the following sole source purchase*:

SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE					
DATE	DEPT.	SUPPLIER	ITEM DESCRIPTION	COST	DOCUMENTS
5/18/26	Technology Services	HubSpot Inc. PO Box 419842 Boston, MA 02241	HubSpot Enterprise SaaS Subscription: CRM & Social Media Management Platform	\$28,214.84	REQ180943
EXPLANATION/OTHER NOTES: HubSpot is a software subscription used by Public Information Officers to manage official social media, track public engagement, and automate digital communications. This is a continuation of a single-source contract that consolidates services and replaces two older platforms (Sprout Social and NGP VAN).					

**No Council action was required for this report.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

[View [here](#)]

Affordable Housing Committee
Councilwoman Dotley (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilman Henderson (Not present)

Economic Development Committee
Councilwoman Hill (No report)

Education & Innovation Committee
Councilman Clark (No report)

- He spoke on the Historic Preservation Town Hall that took place last Wednesday.
- The Council will discuss historic zoning guidelines and next steps for key historic sites at an upcoming Strategic Planning meeting.

Community Development Committee
Councilwoman Dotley (No report)

Legislative Committee
Vice Chair Elliott (No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee
Councilwoman Berz (No report)

Parks, Public Works & Wastewater Committee
Councilman Harvey reported:

- The committee met today, with Vice Chair Elliott and Jerramy Wood (Public Works) introducing a new litter program designed to keep Chattanooga beautiful.

Public Safety Committee
Councilwoman Noel (No report)

OTHER BUSINESS

[View [here](#)]

Certificate of Compliance

Dream Liquor, Inc. d/b/a Dream Liquor, 7703 Lee Highway. (District 6)

Attorney Noblett advised that the certificate of compliance for the Dream liquor special exceptions permit was currently waiting on proof of publication. He clarified that once the proof of publication is received, the item should be ready for the following week, which is the reason the resolution was officially deferred to the June 16th meeting.

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

[View [here](#)]

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chairman Davis recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Link to YouTube Comments
● Mackenzie Kelly	1	View here
● Brooke Satterfield	2	View here
● Mary Morris	8	View here
● Shelly Litchfield	N/A	View here

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice Chair Elliott, Chairman Davis adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until next Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL