Asheville City Council - April 14, 2026

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Budget Worksession - Tuesday, April 14, 2026 - 3:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Public comment is not accepted at worksessions

Location

Council Chamber - City Hall - 70 Court Plaza

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 143-318.10 this will be an in-person worksession which the public can access by any of the following means found at https://publicinput.com/g1267

Formal Meeting - Tuesday, April 14, 2026 - 5:00 p.m.

Location

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Pledge of Allegiance

I. Proclamations:

- April 12-18, 2026, as “Fair Chance Hiring Week”

II. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of the combined minutes of the agenda briefing worksession held on March 19, 2026; and the formal meeting held on March 24, 2026.

B. Resolution to authorize the City Manager to submit an application to the Tourism Development Authority Legacy Investment from Tourism Grant for 3 city projects, to accept said grant funds if awarded; and enter into any agreement documents necessary for such acceptance.

C. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with US ISS Agency, LLC on behalf of the City of Asheville for a Police Applicant Background Check and Polygraph Testing Provider, with two additional one-year options to renew, not to exceed budgetary approval by City Council each fiscal year.

D. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for, accept, and sign all of the appropriate application and acceptance documents for the Community Project Funding Award allocated to the City of Asheville as secured through Congressman Chuck Edward’s Office and managed through the Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs, Byrne Justice Grants; and adopt a budget amendment in the City’s Special Revenue Fund in the amount of $1,141,255.56.

E. Resolution authorizing the City to procure, through a sole source purchase, SmartConnect subscription from the current authorized distributor, Motorola Solutions Inc, and any successor in interest to it, for all Motorola radio purchases since it cannot be competitively bid.

F. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville (HACA) for supplemental Asheville Police Department personnel to serve all HACA properties; and approval of a budget amendment, in the amount of $33,000, for additional revenue received as part of the agreement.

G. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Cherry Bekaert, LLP for auditing City accounts for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026.

H. Resolution authorizing the Finance Director of the City, or his designee, with advice from the City Attorney and bond counsel to file an application with the Local Government Commission for its approval of the issuance of Water System Revenue Bonds and certain related matters.

I. Resolution of intent to permanently close a portion of unopened right-of-way on the western edge of Saint Dunstan’s Road between 159 Saint Dunstan’s Road and 183 Saint Dunstan’s Road, and to set a public hearing for May 12, 2026.

J. Monthly municipal property tax refunds or releases per N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 105-38.

III. Presentations & Reports:

A. State of the Airport

B. Manager’s Report - Digital Accessibility

IV. Public Hearings:

City Council has established the following time limits for public hearings:

- **Applicants have up to ten minutes to complete a presentation.**
- **Individuals have up to three minutes to speak to City Council.**
- **A person representing a group (speaker plus three others - total of four) present in the council chamber has up to 10 minutes to address city council.**
- **Public comment period for any item may not exceed one hour.**

A. Public hearing to consider amending the conditional zoning ordinance (Ordinance No. 5180) for property located at 30 Buchanan Place for the purpose of making amendments to the project conditions.

V. Unfinished Business:

VI. New Business:

A. Ordinance amending Article VI, Regulation of Graffiti, of Chapter 10, Nuisances, of the Asheville Code of Ordinances to amend the definition of “Graffiti”.

B. Ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Asheville to provide for repair, closing, or demolition of abandoned structures.

C. Resolution updating the lease agreement with Dewine Seeds Silver Dollar Baseball LLC for McCormick Field.

VII. Informal Discussion & Public Comment:

VIII. Adjournment.