CITY OF ASHEVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Esther E. Manheimer, Mayor
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Bo Hess, Council Member

Kim Roney, Council Member
Sheneika Smith, Council Member
Sage Turner, Council Member
Maggie Ullman, Council Member

CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION ON POLICY, FINANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE
(Public comment is not accepted at worksessions)
Tuesday, February 24, 2026- 3:00 p.m.
Council Chamber - City Hall - 70 Court Plaza

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Pledge of Allegiance

I. PROCLAMATIONS:

- February, 2026, as “Black History Month”
- February 23-27, 2026, as “Invasive Species Awareness Week”

II. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of the combined minutes of the agenda briefing worksession held on January 22, 2026, and the formal meeting held on January 27, 2026.

B. Resolution ratifying the execution of all necessary documents with the Housing Assistance Corporation to provide HOME funding in the amount of $940,000 for the development of the Apple Ridge affordable rental housing construction project in Henderson County; and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.

C. Resolutions to permit the possession and consumption of malt beverages and/or unfortified wine at the following events:

1. Chai Pani Holi Celebration to occur on March 6, 2026.
2. Downtown After 5 to occur on April 17, May 15, June 19, and August 21, 2026

D. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a general services contract with City Wide Facilities Solutions for cleaning services at the Western North Carolina Nature Center.

E. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the Harrah's Cherokee Center Asheville's contract with Labor Finders Inc for staffing services to extend the contract length by 4 months.

F. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Chonzie, Inc. to perform the predictive modeling service line inventory by potholing or excavating to verify service line type for the Water Resources Department.

G. Resolution in support of Buncombe County's participation in the Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure program.

H. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept the Fiscal Year 2024 Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and adoption of a budget amendment in the amount of $74,949.10 authorizing the Asheville Fire Department to expend grant funds for wildland personal protective equipment.

I. Budget amendment, in the amount of $44,266.38, authorizing the Asheville Fire Department to expend donation funds for approved special projects and internal departmental initiatives.

J. Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the donation and transfer of ownership of surplus, unused, or otherwise obsolete equipment, specifically a 2018 Electric GEM Car, to Mars Hill University, a nonprofit organization.

K. Resolution ratifying the submission of an application for a 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development grant from the U.S. Dept. of Transportation for a planning grant to study multimodal improvements for the Hilliard Avenue Corridor Study, and if awarded, authorize the City Manager to sign all necessary related documents to effect the grant.

L. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a ten-year interlocal agreement between the City of Asheville, Buncombe County Tourism Development Authority (TDA), Town of Black Mountain, Town of Weaverville, Town of Woodfin, and Buncombe County for the Regional Wayfinding Program; and to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the TDA to effectuate the process and requirements for placing new Wayfinding signs in the City's right-of-way.

M. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to increase the existing contract with GMV Syncromatics for digital signage at the Asheville Rides Transit transit center at 49 Coxe Avenue and extend the contract by one-year.

N. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with French Broad Paving, Inc. for the Fiscal Year 2026 Asphalt Resurfacing contract.

O. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract amendment with Hazen and Sawyer, P.C. and to enter into change orders not to exceed the contingency amount, for the Edwin Place, Celia Place and Canterbury Drive Drainage Improvements Project.

P. Ordinance amending Section 10-85 of the Code of Ordinances regarding prohibited acts related to noise regulation.

Q. Monthly municipal property tax refunds or releases per N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 105-381.

III. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

A. Manager's Report
- 2nd Quarter Financial Report
- Capital Projects Quarterly Update

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 on the proposed 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan Amendment to add affordable rental construction as a priority need and goal.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Fees and Charges Manual to increase fees at Aston Park Tennis Center; and the associated budget amendment, in the amount of $12,100, for additional anticipated revenue.

B. Public comment on Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget.

C. Boards and Commissions

- Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
- A-B Riverfront Commission (no applications)
- Audit Committee
- Board of Adjustment
- Buncombe County Tourism Development Authority
- Multimodal Transportation Commission
- Neighborhood Advisory Committee
- Public Art & Culture Commission
- Sustainability Advisory Committee

VII. INFORMAL DISCUSSION AND PUBLIC COMMENT:

VIII. ADJOURNMENT.