CITY OF ASHEVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Esther E. Manheimer, Mayor
S. Antanette Mosley, Vice-Mayor
Bo Hess, Council Member

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

FORMAL MEETING
Tuesday, January 27, 2026 - **10:00 a.m.**
Council Chamber - City Hall - 70 Court Plaza

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

Pledge of Allegiance

I. PROCLAMATIONS:

- January 27, 2026 - International Holocaust Remembrance Day

II. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of the combined minutes of the agenda briefing worksession held on January 8, 2026, and the formal meeting held on January 13, 2026.

B. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into subrecipient agreements with Mountain BizWorks, Venture Asheville, Arts AVL, and Eagle Market Streets Development Corporation to provide grant administration support services for the Asheville small business community affected by Tropical Storm Helene; and authorizing the City Manager to sign all necessary documents to this effect.

C. Resolution directing the City Attorney to formally intervene in the North Carolina Utilities Commission Docket E-100 Sub 207 of Duke Energy's Carbon Plan.

D. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for grants in the Helene Recovery Fund for Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) 2025-2026 in the State of North Carolina, and authorizing the City Manager to accept funds if granted, and to execute all documents related to implementation and management of Helene Recovery funds for PARTF 2025-2026 North Carolina Grant Program.

E. Motion to direct staff to send the "Response to the Auditor's Findings, Recommendations, and Fiscal Matters" to the Secretary of the Department of State Treasurer regarding City's 2025 audit, upon obtaining signatures from the majority of City Council members.

F. Resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an Easement Agreement with Marie and William Cross for a portion of right-of-way located adjacent to their property at 44 Elk Mountain Ridge Road.

G. Resolution authorizing staff to submit a formal letter to Congressional Leadership and North Carolina delegation members requesting a direct additional Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery allocation from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to accept funds if allocated.

H. Resolution authorizing staff to submit a request to the North Carolina Congressional Delegation requesting a federal authorization and funding for a City of Asheville comprehensive water system resiliency and capacity enhancement project designed to expand service reliability, strengthen system redundancy, and reduce vulnerabilities that could result in future potable water service disruptions and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to accept funds if allocated.

I. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Art. IV, Division 3 of the Code of Ordinances to specify permitted personnel representation in grievance hearings.

III. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

A. Asheville Downtown Improvement District Annual Report

B. Manager's Report
- Black History Month 2026 Highlights

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 a performance-based economic development incentive grant to support Project Vessel.

B. Public hearing to rezone 22 Broad Street from RM-8 Residential Multi-Family Medium Density District to Community Business I District.

C. Public hearing to consider an amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance to amend Section 7-14-1 that would allow existing nonconforming structures to be converted into Accessory Dwelling Units without Board of Adjustment review.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute all contracts, grants, and loan agreements, after approval by the City Attorney, with the designated agencies for the 2025-2026 HOME Investment Partnership program; and authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with the selected HOME Subrecipients.