



# Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Historic Metro Courthouse  
1 Public Square, 2nd floor  
Nashville, TN 37201

## Metropolitan Council Meeting Minutes

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**Tuesday, June 16, 2026**

**6:30 PM**

**Metropolitan Courthouse**

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### Call to Order

The Metropolitan Council met in regular session on this date at 6:30 p.m. in the Metropolitan Courthouse.

### Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation was offered by Sheeva Azad, student at Belmont University.

The Metropolitan Council gave the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

### Roll Call

The roll was called and the following members were present during the progress of the meeting:

- Present (38)** Henderson, Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Kimbrough, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Kupin, Horton, Taylor, Weiner, Druffel, Preptit, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Sepulveda, Rutherford, Styles, Lee, Ewing, and Spain
- Absent (3)** Gregg, Vo, and Gadd

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the special meeting on June 9, 2026 were approved.

**Message From The Mayor**

Vice Mayor Henderson, members of Metro Council, staff, and Nashvillians—good evening.

Tonight is one of the most important nights on our annual civic calendar. Passing a structurally balanced operating budget in the midst of spirited debate is the ordinary, yet critical, work of a healthy government.

It's how government should work.

I'm grateful for the leadership of the Vice Mayor, Budget and Finance Committee Chair Kyonzté Toombs, and members of Council. I appreciate the thoughtful discussion of the budget, and I especially appreciate all the Nashvillians who lent their voice to this year's budget process. We had extensive public comment on the budget this year... and those comments reinforced something we all know: Affordability is one of our biggest challenges. And that's why my recommended budget prioritizes addressing it.

A budget isn't just a list of expenses—it's a statement about our values. The kind of city we are and want to be.

My recommended budget and the Chair's thoughtful substitute both prioritize funding for more housing, better schools, higher employee pay—and it tightens spending in recognition of slowing growth. I urge you to pass the Chair's substitute unamended, so our residents know we're the kind of city that uses the power of the purse to make life a little easier for the people who live here.

The cost of housing is easily our biggest challenge, and we're meeting it by recommending our biggest investment of local dollars to date in housing affordability. Since we launched the Unified Housing Strategy last year, we've created or preserved more than 3,000 affordable homes. We need many more, and I've proposed a 150% increase in funding for housing affordability to double down on that success.

But we don't stop there—we're boosting public education funding and building on the many successes we're already seeing in our public schools.

The future of Nashville is being built in classrooms around the city, and this budget continues our commitment to supporting teachers and educators with improved pay, support to safely implement healthier school start times, and protecting programs we expanded during the pandemic.

The budget is built around another important measure before you tonight: cutting the local grocery tax by 22%.

Right now, inflation is hitting all of us when we buy pretty much anything. Lowering the grocery tax lets Nashvillians keep some of their hard-earned pay. So, while the folks up the hill have balked at putting money back into the pockets of Tennesseans by cutting the state grocery tax or funding this reduction, I hope you'll support \$9m of economic relief for Nashville families and pass the 22% reduction to the local sales tax on groceries. We cannot miss this opportunity.

Tonight, let's deliver for Nashvillians. Cut the grocery tax, invest in housing affordability, support quality schools, and deliver a balanced budget that supports our residents.

Nashvillians are asking us to meet this moment with a decisive statement about who this city is for, and as I said in my State of Metro address, the answer is loud and clear—this city is for all of us.

## Appointees and Nominees

### 26-108

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Reappointment of Alvin J. Haney for a term expiring August 1, 2030.

The appointee appeared before the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee for consideration. The Committee approved a re-referral for the appointee to be considered at the next meeting.

### 26-101

Central Business Improvement District (CBID) Board

Appointment of Kristofer Carlson for a term expiring June 15, 2029.

The appointee appeared before the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee for consideration. The Committee approved a re-referral for the appointee to be considered at the next meeting.

### 26-109

Employee Benefit Board

Reappointment of G. Thomas Curtis for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

Council Member Cash moved to defer the appointment, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council.

### 26-106

Social Services Commission

Appointment of S. Will Acuff for a term expiring April 3, 2031.

Council Member Cash withdrew the appointment.

### 26-110

Sustainability Advisory Committee

Reappointment of Jolyn Mezera for a term expiring March 28, 2028.

Council Member Cash withdrew the appointment.

### 26-111

Tourism and Convention Commission

Appointment of Darius McDonald for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

The appointee appeared before the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee for consideration. The Committee approved a re-referral for the appointee to be considered at the next meeting.

## Confirmations

### 26-103

Contract and Compliance Board

Reappointment of Fabian Bedne for a term expiring July 27, 2028.

The Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee recommended the appointment. Council Member Cash moved to confirm the appointment, which motion was seconded and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Council.

### 26-104

Hospital Authority

Reappointment of Alphonso Harvey for a term expiring July 11, 2031.

The Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee recommended the appointment. Council Member Cash moved to confirm the appointment, which motion was seconded and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Council.

26-107

Social Services Commission

Appointment of Mandy Spears for a term expiring April 3, 2031.

The Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee recommended the appointment. Council Member Cash moved to confirm the appointment, which motion was seconded and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Council.

### Public Comment Period

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Members of the public, who are Tennessee residents, wishing to speak may sign-up at a table outside of the Council Chamber from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the day of the Council meeting. Public Comment is limited to twenty minutes total at Council meetings and each speaker is allowed up to two minutes to speak. Requests for interpretation services should be directed to the Council Office at 615-862-6780. ***Las solicitudes de servicios de interpretación deben dirigirse a la Oficina del Consejo a 615-862-6780.***

Members of the public who registered in advance spoke upon matters of interest.

### Budget Items

Without objection, bills BL2026-1377 and BL2026-1378 were taken out of order.

BL2026-1377 A bill to be entitled: The Budget Ordinance of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee for Fiscal Year 2027

The bill was approved with a substitute by the Budget and Finance Committee. Council Member Toombs moved that the bill be passed on third reading, which motion was properly seconded. Council Member Toombs offered a substitute bill and moved that it be adopted, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council. Council Member Toombs moved that the bill be passed on third reading as substituted, which motion was properly seconded. Council Member Evans-Segall offered a proposed amendment and moved that it be adopted, which motion was properly seconded. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to suspend the rules of procedure to allow consideration of a late amendment, but was met with requisite objection causing the motion to fail. The matter recurred on the motion to adopt a proposed amendment, which motion was properly seconded. After discussion, Council Member Benedict called for the previous question, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council. The matter recurred on the motion to adopt a proposed amendment, which motion was seconded and failed by a voice vote of the Council. The matter recurred on the motion that the bill be passed on third reading as substituted, which motion was properly seconded. After discussion, Council Member Benedict called for the previous question, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council. The matter recurred on the motion that the bill be passed on third reading as substituted, which motion was seconded and approved by the following roll call vote:

**Yes (35)** Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Kimbrough, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Webb, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Kupin, Horton, Taylor, Weiner, Druffel, Preptit, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Sepulveda, Rutherford, Styles, Lee, Ewing, and Spain

**No (2)** Eslick, and Johnston

**Abstain (0)**

**BL2026-1378** An ordinance establishing the tax levy in the General Services District for the fiscal year 2026-2027 and declaring the amount required for the annual operating budget of the Urban Services District pursuant to section 6.07 of the Metropolitan Charter.

The bill was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee. Council Member Toombs moved that the bill be passed on third reading, which motion was seconded and approved by the following roll call vote:

**Yes (29)** Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Horton, Taylor, Druffel, Preptit, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Sepulveda, Rutherford, Styles, Lee, Ewing, and Spain

**No (7)** Kimbrough, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Kupin, and Johnston

**Abstain (0)**

### Consent Agenda

Pursuant to Rule 40 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, the following resolutions, ordinances on second reading, and ordinances on third reading were considered together under the Consent Agenda. The resolutions on consent begin with RS2026-2004. The bills on second reading consent begin with BL2026-1393. The bills on third reading consent begin with BL2026-1328.

**RS2026-2004** A resolution adopting a new pay plan for the general employees of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, excluding employees of the Board of Health, Board of Education, and the Police and Fire Departments, effective July 1, 2026.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Government Operations and Regulations Committee.

**RS2026-2005** A resolution adopting a new pay plan for employees of the Metropolitan Board of Health, effective July 1, 2026.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee, the Government Operations and Regulations Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2006** A resolution adopting a new pay plan for employees of the Metropolitan Departments of Police and Fire, effective July 1, 2026.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee, the Government Operations and Regulations Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2008** A resolution approving an application for a Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use, Site-Based Program grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Beer Board, to implement a pilot Sobering and Stabilization Center to provide a coordinated, community-based response for individuals experiencing substance-related crises and reduce reliance on emergency departments and incarceration by creating a safe, appropriate diversion option.

The resolution was approved by the Government Operations and Regulations Committee.

**RS2026-2030** A resolution approving Amendment 1 to Contract #6548212 between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and National Safety Council to provide teaching materials and student materials for the General Sessions Court Traffic School.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2031** A resolution setting the compensation of the chair and members of the Metropolitan Board of Equalization.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2032** A resolution to approve the First Amendment to the Lease Agreement between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and the Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority for use of certain real property located at Nashville International Airport in Davidson County, commonly known as the Luton Center (Proposal No. 2026M-023AG-001).

The resolution was approved by the Planning Commission, the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**RS2026-2034** A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Blink Network, LLC for electric vehicle supply equipment for the General Services Department.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Government Operations and Regulations Committee.

**RS2026-2035** A resolution amending Exhibit A of Ordinance No. BL2022-1170 to adjust the Mixed Income PILOT Program.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**RS2026-2036** A resolution to approve the First Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2024-709 between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission, and Southeast Community Capital Corporation dba Pathway Lending.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**RS2026-2037** A resolution approving the First Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2025-1524 between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission, and Urban League of Middle Tennessee.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**RS2026-2038** A resolution approving the Third Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2022-1857 between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission, and Be a Helping Hand Foundation.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**RS2026-2039** A resolution approving the Third Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2023-2251 between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission, and Urban League of Middle Tennessee.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**RS2026-2040** A resolution appropriating a total of \$573,833 from the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to Park Center, Inc. for the provision of comprehensive, wraparound recovery support services to individuals with opioid use disorder.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2041** A resolution accepting a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide the Community Health Access and Navigation in Tennessee (CHANT) Program to deliver comprehensive care coordination services to eligible families and children.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2042** A resolution accepting a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, for public safety partnerships in high impact areas to use available data to identify populations at high risk for adverse consequences from substance misuse and employ evidence-based interventions that are responsive to population needs.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2043** A resolution approving amendment two to a Particulate Matter (PM 2.5) Ambient Monitoring Network grant from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to assist with the necessary development, establishment, and maintenance of adequate monitoring programs for the prevention and control of air pollution in Nashville, Tennessee.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2044** A resolution appropriating a total of \$1,718,603 from the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Office of Homeless Services, to Depaul USA, Inc., and approving Amendment Number One to a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government and Depaul USA, Inc., for the provision of property management, on-site support, and case management services at Strobel House Permanent Supportive Housing.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2045** A resolution appropriating a total of \$1,926,099.00 from the Nashville Public Library to various nonprofit organizations for the provision of free and high-quality after school and summer programming through the Library's Nashville After Zone Alliance after school and out-of-school time coordinating system.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2046** A resolution appropriating a total of \$2,452,026.00 from the Nashville Public Library to various nonprofit organizations for the provision of free and high-quality after school and summer programming through the Library's Nashville After Zone Alliance after school and out-of-school time coordinating system.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2047** A resolution approving amendment one to a grant contract with Water Walkers for the provision of free and high-quality out-of-school programs through the Nashville After Zone Alliance.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2048** A resolution approving a license agreement between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the State of Tennessee, acting by and through its Commissioner of Transportation, to construct and maintain a multi-use pedestrian greenway in Davidson County, Tennessee. (Proposal No. 2026M-016AG-001)

The resolution was approved by the Planning Commission, the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2049** A resolution approving a grant contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and the Conservancy for the Parthenon and Centennial Park, as fiscal agent for Celebrate Nashville, a 501(c)(3) organization, to provide cultural event management services.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2050** A resolution accepting a grant from the Centennial Park Conservancy to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, to provide funding for one part-time position in the Parthenon Museum Store.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2051** A resolution accepting a grant from the Friends of Warner Parks to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, to provide seasonal staffing for the Special Work Education and Trails (S.W.E.A.T.) program at Warner Parks.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2052** A resolution accepting a grant from the Friends of Warner Parks to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, to continue funding staff positions and copier costs.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2053** A resolution accepting an in-kind grant from the Battle of Franklin Trust to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metro Parks and Recreation Department, to transfer a portrait of Frank McGavock and an inscribed silver spoon to the historical collection at Two Rivers Mansion.

The resolution was approved by the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee.

**RS2026-2054** A resolution accepting a Statewide Fatality Review Technical Assistance grant from the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs, to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Office of Family Safety, to fund and promote a coordinated, multi-disciplinary approach to improving the criminal justice system's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking crimes.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2055** A resolution accepting a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant from the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs, to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department, to fund counselor and victim advocate positions, purchase supplies, and subsidize travel.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2056** A resolution accepting a Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) grant from the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs, to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department, to reduce gun related violence in Nashville by providing funding for overtime for the investigation of violent crimes involving guns.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2057** A resolution approving an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) grant application from the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department (MNPd), to continue funding for the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee.

**RS2026-2058** A resolution approving amendment two to a Safe Streets for All grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure (NDOT), to address safety issues along Nolensville Pike related to substandard and/or missing walking, bicycling, and transit facilities, the need for pedestrian-scale lighting, and lack of crossing locations present throughout the project area.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2059** A resolution authorizing Nashville Phase III Property Holder LLC to construct and install an aerial encroachment at 1209 Brown Street. (Proposal No. 2026M-017EN-001).

The resolution was approved by the Planning Commission, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2060** A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Rynse, Inc. for car washes and preventative maintenance for heavy duty fleet for the Department of Waste Services.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2061** A resolution approving a contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and Ingersoll Rand Industrial US, Inc. to provide factory authorized products, parts, and services for the Department of Water and Sewerage Services.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2062** A resolution authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water main and fire hydrant assembly, for property located at 2704 Murfreesboro Pike (MWS Project No. 25-WL-56 and Proposal No. 2025M-193ES-001).

The resolution was approved by the Planning Commission, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2063** A resolution to amend Resolution No. RS2025-1346 to authorize The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to modify the acceptance of sanitary sewer manholes, for property located at Rural Hill Road (unnumbered), also known as Bella Terra, (MWS Project Nos. 24-WL-70 and 24-SL-231 and Proposal No. 2025M-072ES-002).

The resolution was approved by the Planning Commission, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**RS2026-2066** A Resolution honoring the contributions of Tom Palko of the Department of Water and Sewerage Services upon his retirement.

The resolution was approved by the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee.

**RS2026-2067** A Resolution welcoming the Japan National Men's Soccer Team to Nashville and recognizing the friendship between Nashville, Japan, and the Japanese American community.

The resolution was approved by the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee.

**RS2026-2068** A Resolution recognizing June 2026 as Black Music Month in Nashville and Davidson County.

The resolution was approved by the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee.

**BL2026-1393** An ordinance authorizing ECG East Bank, LP to construct and install aerial, aboveground, and underground encroachments at 501 South 2nd Street. (Proposal No. 2026M-010EN-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1394** An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water and sanitary sewer mains, fire hydrant assemblies, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for property located at 14656 Old Hickory Boulevard, also known as Cothorn Properties Phase 1 (MWS Project Nos. 25-WL-4 and 25-SL-7 and Proposal No. 2026M-028ES-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1328** An ordinance to amend Chapter 10.64.018 of the Metropolitan Code, to establish an updated fee schedule for the Fire Marshal's Office.

**BL2026-1356** An ordinance amending Chapter 2.24.225 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to modify appraisal requirements for certain right-of-way acquisitions made by the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure and for Choose How You Move projects, and to make technical changes..

**BL2026-1358** An ordinance amending certain sections and subsections of Chapter 2.62, Chapter 12.56, and Title 13 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to modify fees charged by the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure ("NDOT") and make various other changes.

**BL2026-1379** An ordinance creating the positions of Automotive Mechanic 2; Behavioral Health Counselor 2; Equipment Inventory Leader; Equipment Mechanic 2; Fire Arson Investigator 1; Historic Zoning Administrator; HRIS Compliance Tech 2; Police Security Guard Supervisor; Pre-Trial Housing Cook; Pre-Trial Housing Facilities Asst Manager; Pre-Trial Housing Facilities Manager; Pre-Trial Housing Kitchen Supervisor; Pre-Trial Housing Officer; Pre-Trial Housing Officer Supervisor; Pumping Station Superintendent; Security Guard 2; and, Waste Services Administrator.

Having been unanimously approved by all of the appropriate committees, upon motion duly seconded, all of the items on the Consent Agenda were approved by the following vote: Yes (31): Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Webb, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Kupin, Taylor, Druffel, Preptit, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Sepulveda, Rutherford, Lee, Ewing, and Spain; No (0); Abstain (0).

### **Resolutions**

**RS2026-1961** A resolution reducing the local sales tax on the sale of groceries.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee. Council Member Toombs moved that the resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded and approved by the following roll call vote:

- Yes (28)** Suara, Porterfield, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Cash, Kupin, Taylor, Druffel, Preptit, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Lee, Ewing, and Spain
- No (3)** Evans-Segall, Welsch, and Sepulveda
- Abstain (1)** Johnston

**RS2026-2033** A resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2027 Central Business Improvement District Budget and accepting previous Central Business Improvement District Budgets.

The resolution was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee. Council Member Kupin moved that the resolution be adopted, which motion was properly seconded. After discussion, Council Member Johnston called for the previous question, which motion was properly seconded. Council Member Parker moved for a roll call vote on the previous question, which motion was properly seconded. The vote was taken on the motion to call for the previous question and failed by the following roll call vote: Yes (18): Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Bradford, Huffman, Cash, Kupin, Druffel, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Rutherford, Styles, and Spain; No (17): Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Kimbrough, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Evans, Welsch, Horton, Taylor, Preptit, Ellis, Sepulveda, Lee, and Ewing; Abstain (0). Council Member Benedict moved that the resolution be deferred, which motion was properly seconded. After discussion, Council Member Benedict called for the previous question, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council. The matter recurred on the motion that the resolution be deferred, which motion was seconded and failed by the following roll call vote: Yes (9): Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Kimbrough, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Bradford, Welsch, and Sepulveda; No (22): Suara, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Huffman, Cash, Kupin, Horton, Taylor, Druffel, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Styles, and Spain; Abstain (5): Cortese, Harrell, Preptit, Lee, and Ewing. The matter recurred on the motion that the resolution be adopted, which motion was properly seconded. After discussion, Council Member Hancock called for the previous question, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council. The matter recurred on the motion that the resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded and approved by the following roll call vote:

- Yes (23)** Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Huffman, Cash, Kupin, Horton, Taylor, Druffel, Preptit, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Styles, Ewing, and Spain
- No (10)** Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Kimbrough, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Bradford, Welsch, and Sepulveda
- Abstain (3)** Suara, Cortese, and Lee

**RS2026-2064** A resolution urging the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Transportation and the Mayor's Office to renew and accelerate its commitment to Vision Zero initiatives to eliminate pedestrian fatalities, in response to a sharp increase in pedestrian and cyclist deaths in Nashville and Davidson County in 2026.

The resolution was recommended for a two-meeting deferral by the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Council Member Kupin moved to defer the resolution to the July 21, 2026 Council meeting, which motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote of the Council.

**RS2026-2065** A resolution honoring Wallace W. "Wally" Dietz for his distinguished service as Director of Law for the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County.

The resolution was approved by the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee. Council Member Ellis moved that the resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded and approved by the following vote: Yes (30): Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Eslick, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Horton, Taylor, Preptit, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Lee, Ewing, and Spain; No (0); Abstain (0).

**RS2026-2069** A resolution recognizing June 19, 2026, as Juneteenth in Nashville and Davidson County.

The resolution was approved by the Rules, Confirmations, and Public Elections Committee. Council Member Gamble moved that the resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded and approved by the following vote: Yes (30): Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Eslick, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Horton, Taylor, Preptit, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Lee, Ewing, and Spain; No (0); Abstain (0).

### **Bills on Introduction and First Reading**

**BL2026-1430** An ordinance amending Section 2.08.030 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to the publication of the annual operating budget and the capital improvements budget.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Budget and Finance Committee.

**BL2026-1431** An ordinance to amend Chapter 2.147 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws regarding the Nashville Entertainment Commission.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee.

**BL2026-1432** An ordinance amending Chapter 2.147 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to the Nashville Entertainment Commission.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee.

**BL2026-1433** An ordinance amending Chapters 2.240, 6.28, and 7.08 and Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to replace "day care" uses with "child care" and "adult day services" uses and amend related conditions and standards (Proposal No. 2026Z-013TX-001).

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next available public hearing. The bill is referred to the Planning Commission.

**BL2026-1434** An ordinance to amend Section 13.20.020 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to required notice and permission for excavations in the right-of-way.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1435** An ordinance to amend Title 15 of the Metropolitan Code of Law to remove sections authorizing unmetered water connections.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1436** An ordinance approving a lease agreement by and between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Board of Public Education, and PENCIL Foundation (Proposal No. 2026M-004AG-001).

The bill was approved with conditions by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Budget and Finance Committee and the Planning and Zoning Committee.

**BL2026-1437** An ordinance requiring that all boards, commissions, committees, and authorities of the Metropolitan Government with financial authority or a fiduciary duty record and make publicly available the proceedings of their meetings.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Budget and Finance Committee and the Government Operations and Regulations Committee.

**BL2026-1438** An ordinance declaring a temporary moratorium upon the acceptance, processing, approval, and issuance of zoning, building, or grading permits for data center developments on property within Nashville and Davidson County.

Council Member Johnston withdrew the bill.

**BL2026-1439** An ordinance approving a greenway conservation easement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, and Harpeth Overlook Partners, LLC, for greenway improvements at 0 McCrory Lane (Parcel No. 12600015500) (Proposal No. 2026M-018AG-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1440** An ordinance approving a greenway conservation easement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, and Whites Creek Landco, LLC, for greenway improvements at 4880 Whites Creek Pike, 4870 Whites Creek Pike, 4860 Whites Creek Pike, and 4840 Whites Creek Pike (Parcels No. 03000027200, 03000027400, 03000027500, and 03000027600, respectively) (Proposal No. 2026M-017AG-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1441** An ordinance approving a greenway conservation easement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, and Century Communities of Tennessee, LLC, for greenway improvements at 6419 Holt Road (Parcel No. 18100009400) (Proposal No.2026M-020AG-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1442** An ordinance approving amendment two to a contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and Waste Management, Inc. of Tennessee, for the provision of solid waste collection and collection of carts.

Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Budget and Finance Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

**BL2026-1443** An ordinance to amend Resolution RS2025-1474 to authorize The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to modify the abandonment and acceptance of new public water and sanitary sewer mains, fire hydrant assemblies, sanitary sewer manholes and include easements, for property located at 5047 John Hagar Road, also known as Kingsley Park Phase 1, Revision 1 (MWS Project Nos. 23-WL-39 and 23-SL-91 and Proposal No. 2025M-132ES-002).

The bill was approved by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

[BL2026-1444](#) An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water and sanitary sewer mains, fire hydrant assemblies, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 5047 John Hagar Road and John Hagar Road (unnumbered), also known as Kingsley Park Phase 2 (MWS Project Nos. 26-WL-17 and 26-SL-54 and Proposal No. 2026M-034ES-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next regular meeting. The bill is referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

[BL2026-1445](#) An ordinance to amend Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, the Zoning Ordinance of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, by cancelling a Planned Unit Development Overlay District for property located at 2609 West End Avenue, located approximately 197 feet southwest of Natchez Trace, zoned MUG-A (1.56 acres), all of which is described herein (Proposal No. 2005P-035-001).

The bill was approved by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next available public hearing.

[BL2026-1446](#) An ordinance to amend Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, the Zoning Ordinance of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, by changing from ORI, ORI-A, MUL-A, SP, and MUG-A to SP zoning for various properties located from the corner of 30th Avenue South and West End Avenue to Natchez Trace, south to 31st Avenue South, and along 31st Avenue South, Vanderbilt Place, and 30th Avenue South to West End Avenue (43.16 acres), and partially located within a Planned Unit Development Overlay District, to permit a mixed-use development, all of which is described herein (Proposal No. 2026SP-004-001).

The bill was approved with conditions, disapproved without by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next available public hearing.

[BL2026-1447](#) An ordinance to authorize building material restrictions and requirements for BL2026-1446, a proposed Specific Plan Zoning District for various properties located from the corner of 30th Avenue South and West End Avenue to Natchez Trace, south to 31st Avenue South, and along 31st Avenue South, Vanderbilt Place, and 30th Avenue South to West End Avenue (43.16 acres), and partially located within a Planned Unit Development Overlay District, to permit a mixed-use development, all of which is described herein (Proposal No. 2026SP-004-001). **THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE REQUIRES CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE RESTRICTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS.**

The bill was approved with conditions, disapproved without by the Planning Commission. Upon motion duly seconded, the bill passed first reading and will be considered at the next available public hearing.

### **Bills on Third Reading**

[BL2026-1381](#) An ordinance approving the Fiscal Year 2027 Gulch Central Business Improvement District Budget.

Council Member Kupin moved that the bill be passed on third reading, which motion was seconded and approved by the following roll call vote:

**Yes (32)** Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Cash, Kupin, Horton, Taylor, Preptit, Johnston, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Styles, Lee, Ewing, and Spain

**No (1)** Welsch

**Abstain (1)** Kimbrough

[BL2026-1382](#) An ordinance to amend Title 2 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to create a new chapter establishing an eviction right to counsel program to be administered by the Housing Division of the Department of Planning.

Council Member Suara moved that the bill be passed on third reading, which motion was seconded and approved by the following vote: Yes (33): Suara, Porterfield, Evans-Segall, Allen, Hill, Kimbrough, Toombs, Gamble, Cortese, Parker, Capp, Benedict, Harrell, Hancock, Webb, Eslick, Evans, Bradford, Huffman, Welsch, Cash, Kupin, Horton, Taylor, Preptit, Nash, Benton, Ellis, Rutherford, Styles, Lee, Ewing, and Spain; No (0); Abstain (0).

### **Adjournment**

Upon motion duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.