



Columbia City Council Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 3:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers, 1737 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Columbia, SC 29201

City Clerk's Office: (803)545-3045 or cityclerk@columbiasc.gov

The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor

The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr. • The Honorable William Brennan

The Honorable Tina N. Herbert, Mayor Pro-Tempore • The Honorable Peter M. Brown

The Honorable Tyler D. Bailey • The Honorable Sam P. Johnson

Call to Order

Executive Session at 3:00 p.m.

1. Receipt of legal advice relating to matters covered by attorney-client privilege pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)
 - Council Communications

2. Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(5)
 - Convention Center Hotel
 - 2221 Devine Street

3. Receipt of legal advice relating to a pending, threatened or potential claim pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)
 - City of Columbia vs. The Estate of Ashley Brown, Jeffery A. Griffin, Ernie Lubaton, and Love and Care Transport, LLC

Regular Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of the Agenda

Public Input

Individuals are allotted up to three minutes to address City Council about items on the agenda. Items requiring a public hearing cannot be addressed at this time.

Approval of Minutes



4. Council is asked to approve the February 3, 2026 Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes.

Presentations

5. University of South Carolina Student Government Local Advocacy Bureau Update — Ms. Teia Perez, Director of the Local Advocacy Bureau

Consent Agenda Items 6 through 15

6. Council is asked to approve Reimbursement of the November 4, 2025 Municipal Election and the November 18, 2025 Municipal Runoff Election Expenses, as requested by City Clerk's Office on February 6, 2026. Award to the Richland County Voter Registration and Elections Office in the total amount of \$177,311.08. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC.

Funding Source: Citizens Support Services - Election Expenses (1011119-637100). The original budget amount is \$200,000.00.

7. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Computer Hardware Upgrades to Support Microsoft's transition to Windows 11, as requested by the Information Technology Department on January 22, 2026. Award to Dell Marketing LP, using the South Carolina State Contract in the amount of \$155,844.00. This vendor is located in Round Rock, TX.

Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Equipment-Capital Lease (6308972-658550). The original budget amount is \$155,844.00.

8. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of UKG Time Clock Replacements, as requested by the Program Management Office on December 30, 2025. Award to UKG Kronos Systems, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$462,014.28. This vendor is located in Lowell, MA.

Funding Source: Program Management Office - Computer Equipment / Hardware (6218950-627500). The original budget amount is \$462,014.28.

9. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Vehicles for several City Departments, as requested by the Fleet Services Division. Award to multiple vendors using the South Carolina State Contract in the total amount of \$178,046.00.

Item	Vendor and Location	Description	Procurement Method	Funding Source	Amount
a.	Dick Smith Ford, Inc. Columbia, SC	One (1) 2026 Ford 250XL Crew Cab Truck for the Solid Waste Division, as requested on December 18, 2025	SC State Contract #4400035139	Solid Waste Street Sweeping — Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment — Capital (5534408-658500). The original budget amount is	\$51,036.00



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b.	COS Chevrolet, LLC, dba Hendrick Chevrolet Columbia, SC	Two (2) 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4x4 Trucks for the Water Distribution and Maintenance Division, as requested on January 13, 2026	SC State Contract #4400037566	Utilities Water Distribution and Maintenance — Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment—Capital (5516203-658500). The original budget amount is \$127,010.00.	\$127,010.00
Total					\$178,046.00

10. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Repairs on Waste Return Pump #2 at the Columbia Canal Water Treatment Plant, as requested by Columbia Water on December 11, 2025. Award to Charles R. Underwood, Inc. in the amount of \$57,334.32. This vendor is located in Sanford, NC.

Funding Source: Utilities Columbia Canal Water Treatment Plant - Machinery and Equipment-Capital (5516206-658300). The original budget amount is \$57,334.32.

11. Council is asked to approve Contract Amendment #4 for Project WM4393 / SS7409; Leesburg Road Widening, as requested by Columbia Water on January 23, 2026. Award to CDM Smith, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$107,595.00. The current term of the contract ends on July 1, 2026. This firm is located in Columbia, SC.

Funding Source: Water and Sewer Capital Projects - Leesburg Road Widening - Capital Project Costs (5529999-WM439301/SS740901-658650). The current budget amount is \$722,182.00. The budget amount for this amendment is \$107,595.00. The revised budget amount is \$829,777.00.

This is a Mentor Protégé Program project. CDM Smith, Inc., is the mentor and will provide evaluation and design phase administration and engineering services during construction at 80.00% (\$86,076.00) of the amendment amount.

DESA, Inc., located in Columbia, SC, is the protégé and will provide project closeout services at 20.00% (\$21,519.00) of the amendment amount.

12. Council is asked to approve a new Construction Contract for the Washington Street Parking Deck Capital Improvement Project, as requested by General Services on December 18, 2025. Award to Restocon, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$399,492.50, which includes contingency. The initial term of the contract will take effect upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed with an end date ninety (90) days from commencement. This contractor is located in Tampa, FL.

Funding Source: Capital Project Costs - Parking Washington Street Deck (658650-PG001131-5313108). The original budget amount is \$399,492.50.

13. Ordinance No.: 2025-098 - Consenting to the Inclusion of Property in a Multi-



County Industrial/Business Park (Project Rocky, Portion of Richland County TMS # R09113-16-01)

Endorsed by the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee on November 11, 2025.

First reading approval was given on December 2, 2025.

14. Ordinance No.: 2026-008 - Granting an encroachment to Palmetto Citizens Federal Credit Union for the use of the right of way areas of the 1300 block of Sumter Street and the 1300 block of Lady Street for the installation and maintenance of sidewalks, concrete stairs with handrails, bike racks, an accessible ramp, landscaping and irrigation adjacent to 1300 and 1310 Sumter Street and 1305 and 1313 Lady Street, Richland County TMS# 11401-01-08, 11401-01-09, 11401-01-10 and 11402-16-01

First reading approval was given on February 3, 2026.

15. Ordinance No.: 2026-010 - Granting an encroachment to 604 Huger LLC for the use of the right of way areas of the 500 block of Blossom Street, the 600 block of Huger Street and the 600 block of Pulaski Street for the installation and maintenance of sidewalks, seat walls, landscaping and irrigation adjacent to 604 Huger Street, Richland County TMS# 08914-01-10

First reading approval was given on February 3, 2026.

Public Hearing & First Reading for Zoning/Planning Matters

16. ANNEXATION, FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT, AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT for 700 Jacobs Mill Pond Road

Ordinance No.: 2026-011 - Annexing 700 Jacobs Mill Pond Road, Richland County TMS# 28800-01-04 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina, and incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map

Proposal: Request assignment of the land use classification of Urban Edge Mixed Residential (UEMR) and assign zoning of Planned Development (PD) for a pending annexation. The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned Planned Development (PD) by Richland County.

Council District: 4

Applicant: Madison Pickrel, Woodcreek Development LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 01/15/2026; Approval (6-0)

17. ANNEXATION, FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT, AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT for RR142, 150, 156, NX156, 160, and N/S Jacobs Mill Pond Road



Ordinance No.: 2026-012 - Annexing RR142, 150, 156, NX156, 160, and N/S Jacobs Mill Pond Road, Richland County TMS# TMS# 25800-03-22, 25800-03-25, 25800-03-39, 25800-03-36, 25800-03-21 and 25800-03-37 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina, and incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map

Proposal: Request assignment of the land use classification of Urban Edge Residential Small Lot (UER-1) and assign zoning of Planned Development (PD) for a pending annexation. The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned Residential Transition (RT) by Richland County.

Council District: 4

Applicant: Harriet B. Kneece / Troy A. & Cook S. Turnipseed / Desiree Ross / Joann R. & Art K. Richardson / Madison Pickrel, HVP3 Development LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 01/15/2026; Approval (6-0)

18. AMENDMENT TO THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE for Owner-Occupied Short Term Rentals

Ordinance No.: 2026-013 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 4: Use Regulations Sec. 17-4.2 Principal Uses and Article 9: Definitions and Rules of Measurement Sec. 17-9.4 Definitions

Proposal: Request to amend the Unified Development Ordinance, Chapter 17 - Article 4: Use Regulations Sec. 17-4.2. Principal Uses (b) Principal Use Table and (c) Standards for Specific Principal Uses; and Article 9: Definitions and Rules of Measurement Sec. Sec. 17-9.4 Definitions, to modify standards for short-term rentals (STR) in Residential Base Zoning Districts to exempt owner-occupied dwelling units

Applicant: Andrew Livengood, Zoning Administrator

Staff Recommendation: Staff Sponsored

PC Recommendation: Approved (7-0)

Ordinances - First Reading

19. Ordinance No.: 2026-009 - Repealing Ordinance No.: 2025-054 that Established a Moratorium on the Issuance of New Permits in Residential Areas Pursuant to Columbia's Short-Term Rental Ordinance at Columbia Code Section 5-400 et seq., as amended

Resolutions



20. Resolution No.: R-2026-017 - Approving the Installation of the Vista Neighborhood Association Lincoln Street Tunnel Gateway Project

Endorsed by the Arts, Historic Preservation and Philanthropy Committee on February 10, 2026.

Event Resolutions

21. Resolution No.: R-2026-010 - Authorizing consumption of beer, wine and liquor at the Main Street Latin Festival in the 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Hampton Street and Lady Street, and the 1100 block of Washington Street between Assembly Street and Main Street on August 22, 2026 with a rain date contingency of August 29, 2026
22. Resolution No.: R-2026-013 - Authorizing consumption of beer, wine and liquor at the "St. Pat's in Five Points Festival" and authorizing the City Manager and the Parks and Recreation Director to sign Park Rules for the St. Pat's in Five Points Festival on Saturday, March 14, 2026

Appointments

23. Planning Commission
There are two vacant positions and seven applications have been submitted for your consideration. The term is three years.
24. Historic Preservation / Design Review Commission
There are seven vacant positions and 11 applications have been submitted for your consideration. The term is three years.
25. Urban / Design Review Commission
There are five vacant positions and five applications have been submitted for your consideration. The term is three years.

Other Matters

26. Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Hospitality Tax Grant Program 2nd Round Funding Requests - Ms. Missy Caughman, Assistant City Manager for Strategic Initiatives and Innovation
- a. Ivy Heritage Foundation of Irmo
 - b. SC High School League
 - c. Black Expo

City Council Committee Reports, Referrals and New Business

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Adjournment