



Columbia Economic Development & Infrastructure Committee Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 11:00 AM

City Hall • Mayor's Conference Room
1737 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Columbia, SC 29201
City Clerk's Office: (803)545-3045 or cityclerk@columbiasc.gov

The Honorable Peter M. Brown, District IV, Chair
The Honorable William Brennan, District III • The Honorable Tyler Bailey, At-Large

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes

1. February 10, 2026 Economic Development & Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes

Presentations

2. Columbia Ambassador Program – Ms. Payton Lang, Policy and Programs Advisor / Office of the Mayor

Presentations from Economic Development Partners

3. USC/Columbia Technology Incubator – The MIX Update – Mr. Rick Finch, Executive Director, The Midlands Innovation X-Change

Executive Session

4. 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)
 - Project Bowtie
 - Project Perimeter
 - Project WF

Adjournment



Columbia Economic Development & Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Call to Order

The Columbia Economic Development & Infrastructure Committee conducted a meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at City Hall (Mayor's Conference Room), 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. The Honorable Peter M. Brown, Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The Honorable Will Brennan and The Honorable Tyler D. Bailey were present.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Bailey, the Committee voted unanimously to amend the agenda subject to adding the Convention Center to **Item 3**.

Approval of Minutes

1. November 11, 2025 Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion made by Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mr. Bailey, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the November 11, 2025 Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes.

Presentation

2. Columbia Area Development Partnership Update - Mr. Jeff Ruble, CEO of CADP
Mr. Jeff Rumble, CEO of CADP discussed the evolution of the commercial development program, which has undergone several updates since 2014 to encourage investment and to keep fees competitive. The program is now implemented through multi-county industrial parks and includes incentives linked to public infrastructure and workforce housing. He also shared recommended changes, including minimum investment thresholds and ensuring developers contribute financially, while encouraging discussion about future priorities such as housing affordability and student housing.

There was discussion about safety and quality of life; the Columbia Urban Development partnership; program sunset; additional parking needs; the intersection of economic tipping points; and additional property models.

Executive Session

Upon a motion made by Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mr. Bailey, the Committee voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 2:29 p.m. to discuss **Item 3**.

3. 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)

- 2221 Devine Street
- Capital City Ballpark
- 2001 Taylor Street
- Devine Street Pedestrian Bridge
- Project WF
- Project Cardinal
- Project Stoa
- Project Olympus
- Convention Center

Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Erika D. Moore Hammond, MMC, CPM
City Clerk



Meeting Date: March 10, 2026
Department: Office of the City Clerk
From: Erika Hammond, City Clerk

Columbia Ambassador Program – Ms. Payton Lang, Policy and Programs Advisor / Office of the Mayor

Background Summary:

Attachments:
None