



**TOWN OF SMYRNA**  
**TOWN COUNCIL**  
**& PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**QUARTERLY JOINT MEETING**



**MINUTES**

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**January 29, 2026**

**3:00 PM**

**Smyrna Town Hall**

**1. Public Comment**

There was no public comment at this time.

**2. Call to Order**

The Town Council of the Town of Smyrna, Rutherford County, Tennessee, met in a joint special called session with the Town's Planning Commission at 3:00p.m. on January 29, 2026, at Town Hall with Mary Esther Reed, Mayor, presiding. Mayor Mary Esther Reed called the meeting to order at 3:02p.m.

The following Town Council Members were present:

Mayor Mary Esther Reed  
Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins  
H.G. Cole  
Racquel Peebles  
Steve Sullivan  
Gerry Short  
Jerome Dempsey

The following Planning Commission members were present:

Tim Morrell  
Charles Scurr  
Vanessa Haley  
Ken Hill

In addition to members of the Town Council, various staff members and citizens were present.

**3. Items for Discussion**

Various items were discussed, including but not limited to, the following:

- a. Tree Ordinance/Landscaping Requirements.**
- b. Mobile Food Vendors.**
- c. Watershed Zoning & Buffers.**
- d. Vape & Tobacco Sales.**

- e. **Banners & Flags.**
- f. **Auto Repair Screening.**
- g. **Detached Accessory Building Square Footage.**
- h. **Accessory Apartments in R-4 Zoning District.**

Due to time constraints, Items 3a. and 3c. will come back for discussion at the next regularly scheduled joint meeting of the Council and Planning Commission.

**4. Other**

There was no other business at this time.

**5. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

**Attest:**

  
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**Amber Hobbs, Town Clerk**

**Town of Smyrna, Tennessee**

  
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**Mary Esther Reed, Mayor**