



## TOWN OF SMYRNA

### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

### MINUTES



July 14, 2026

5:00 PM

#### Smyrna Town Hall

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Reed called the meeting to order at 05:09 PM.

#### **Prayer: Smyrna Police Department Chaplain Tim York**

The Invocation was led by Smyrna Police Department Chaplain, Tim York.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance: Assistant Town Manager, Todd Spearman**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assistant Town Manager, Todd Spearman.

#### 2. Roll Call

The roll was called by the Town Clerk and the following Town Council Members were present: Council Member Gerry Short, Council Member HG Cole, Council Member Jerome Dempsey, Council Member Steve Sullivan, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins, and Mayor Mary Esther Reed.

Council Member Racquel Peebles was not in attendance for the meeting.

#### 3. Approval or Correction of Minutes

**June 9, 2026, regular meeting, the June 25, 2026, special-called meeting, and the June 25, 2026, workshop meeting of the Town Council.**

Following a review of the minutes of the June 9, 2026, regular meeting, the June 25, 2026, special-called meeting, and the June 25, 2026, workshop meeting of the Town Council, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins made a motion to approve the minutes; the motion was duly seconded by Council Member Jerome Dempsey. The motion was approved 6-0.

#### 4. Presentations, Awards and Recognitions

**Ryan LeMasters, Chief Executive Officer - Tristar StoneCrest Medical Center**

#### 5. Consent Agenda

The following Consent Agenda items were next presented for consideration by the Town Council. Following discussion, Consent Agenda Items "e" and "k" were pulled for individual discussion and vote. Following further discussion relative to the remaining consent items, Council Member Jerome Dempsey made a motion to approve and adopt

the remaining Consent Agenda items. Said motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins and, upon further discussion, approved 6-0.

Next, Consent Agenda Item "e" was discussed individually. Following discussion, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item "e". Said motion was seconded by Council Member Steve Sullivan, and after further discussion, approved 6-0.

Next, Consent Agenda Item "k" was discussed individually. Following discussion, Council Member Jerome Dempsey made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item "k". Said motion was seconded by Council Member Steve Sullivan, and after further discussion, approved 6-0.

A copy of said documents referenced on the Consent Agenda are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "1."

- 5.a. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a contract with FirstDue for purchase of a record management system.**
- 5.b. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, contracts with vendors related to the annual bid of materials for Gas, Water & Sewer.**
- 5.c. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, Final Change Order #1 for the Golf Course Water Line Project.**
- 5.d. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a contract amendment with SEC, Inc relative to Stewart's Creek gravity design.**
- 5.e. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a contract with Icon Custom Masonry, Inc. for construction of two monument signs to be installed along Lowry Street (SR-1).**
- 5.f. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a time extension request for Lowry Street Phase II (PIN 129837).**
- 5.g. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a contract extension for Roadway Patching with Sessions Paving Company.**
- 5.h. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a time extension with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) for the Florence Road Sidewalks project to April 30, 2028.**
- 5.i. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a one-year Professional Services Agreement with Rex Gaither for financial consulting services.**
- 5.j. **Approval of and authorization of a list of items to be auctioned through online surplus sale with GovDeals.**
- 5.k. **Approval of the terms of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, a**

**contract with the Greater Nashville Regional Council (GNRC) for transportation project planning services.**

**6. Old Business**

**6.a. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of an Ordinance amending Smyrna Municipal Code Title 20, Chapter 2, relative to the possession of firearms in town parks, as well as amendments to Title 11, Chapter 6, relative to the discharge of firearms while lawfully hunting.**

The Town Council next considered on second and final reading an Ordinance amending Smyrna Municipal Code Title 20, Chapter 2, relative to the possession of firearms in town parks, as well as amendments to Title 11, Chapter 6, relative to the discharge of firearms while lawfully hunting.

At this time, Mayor Reed recessed the meeting without objection, and a public hearing was opened related to the agenda item. Smyrna Citizens Dan Epright and Claudia Belden spoke relative to the agenda item. At this time, the public hearing was closed without objection, and the Council meeting was resumed.

Following discussion, Council Member HG Cole made a motion to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading; the motion was duly seconded by Council Member Gerry Short. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Ordinance, as approved on second and final reading, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "2." (Ordinance #26-31)

**6.b. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of an Ordinance amending the text of the Smyrna Municipal Zoning Ordinance Article III, Section 3.100 regarding detached accessory structures.**

The Town Council next considered on second and final reading an Ordinance amending the text of the Smyrna Municipal Zoning Ordinance Article III, Section 3.100 regarding detached accessory structures. The Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of this item.

At this time, Mayor Reed recessed the meeting without objection, and a public hearing was opened related to the agenda item. No citizens spoke relative to this agenda item. At this time, the public hearing was closed without objection, and the Council meeting was resumed.

Following discussion, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins made a motion to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading; the motion was duly seconded by Council Member Jerome Dempsey. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Ordinance, as approved on second and final reading, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "3." (Ordinance #26-32)

**6.c. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of an Ordinance amending the text of the Smyrna Municipal Zoning Ordinance Article IV, Section 4.030 regarding mobile food vendors.**

The Town Council next considered on second and final reading an Ordinance amending the text of the Smyrna Municipal Zoning Ordinance Article IV, Section 4.030 regarding mobile food vendors. The Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of this item.

At this time, Mayor Reed recessed the meeting without objection, and a public hearing was opened related to the agenda item. No citizens spoke relative to this agenda item. At this time, the public hearing was closed without objection, and the Council meeting was resumed.

Following discussion, Council Member Steve Sullivan made a motion to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading; the motion was duly seconded by Council Member Gerry Short. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Ordinance, as approved on second and final reading, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "4." (Ordinance #26-33)

**6.d. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of a Resolution relative to a Plan of Services for property located on Tax Map 26, Parcels 31.00 and 32.00.**

The Town Council next considered a Resolution for Plan of Services for properties located on Tax Map 26, Parcels 31.00 and 32.00. The recommendation of the Planning Commission was that the Plan of Services be approved.

At this time, Mayor Reed recessed the meeting without objection, and a public hearing was opened related to the agenda item. No citizens spoke relative to this agenda item. At this time, the public hearing was closed without objection, and the Council meeting was resumed.

Following discussion, Council Member Steve Sullivan made a motion to approve the Resolution for Plan of Services. The motion was duly seconded by Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Resolution for Plan of Services, as approved, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "5." (Resolution #26-11)

**6.e. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of an Ordinance relative to the annexation and C-2 and I-1 zoning of properties located on Tax Map 26, Parcels 31.00 and 32.00 requested by Hollingshead Land, LLC containing 70.08 acres. The properties are located at 4657 and 4665 W. Jefferson Pike. The request would include the annexation of the existing right-of-way of W. Jefferson Pike/S.R. 266 from the existing Town limits eastward**

**approximately 2,998 linear feet, as well as the existing right-of-way of McCormick Court from W. Jefferson Pike/S.R. 266 southward approximately 475 linear feet.**

The Town Council next considered on second and final reading an Ordinance an Ordinance relative to the annexation and C-2 and I-1 zoning of properties located on Tax Map 26, Parcels 31.00 and 32.00 requested by Hollingshead Land, LLC containing 70.08 acres. The properties are located at 4657 and 4665 W. Jefferson Pike. The request would include the annexation of the existing right-of-way of W. Jefferson Pike/S.R. 266 from the existing Town limits eastward approximately 2,998 linear feet, as well as the existing right-of-way of McCormick Court from W. Jefferson Pike/S.R. 266 southward approximately 475 linear feet. The Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of this item.

At this time, Mayor Reed recessed the meeting without objection, and a public hearing was opened related to the agenda item. No citizens spoke relative to this agenda item. At this time, the public hearing was closed without objection, and the Council meeting was resumed.

Following discussion, Council Member Gerry Short made a motion to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading incorporating planning commission staff comments and traffic improvements; the motion was duly seconded by Council Member Steve Sullivan. After further discussion, the motion was approved 5-1, with Council Member Jerome Dempsey voting against said item.

A copy of said Ordinance, as approved on second and final reading, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "6." (Ordinance #26-34)

**6.f. Consideration of a Resolution in Memorandum of Ordinance #26-34 relative to the annexation and C-2 and I-1 zoning of properties on Tax Map 26, Parcels 31.00 and 32.00 requested by Hollingshead Land, LLC.**

The Town Council next considered a Resolution in Memorandum of Ordinance #26-34 relative to the annexation and C-2 and I-1 zoning of properties on Tax Map 26, Parcels 31.00 and 32.00 requested by Hollingshead Land, LLC.

Following discussion, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins made a motion to approve the Resolution. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Steve Sullivan. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Resolution, as approved, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "7." (Resolution #26-12)

**7. New Business**

**7.a. Planning Commission Report**

**7.a.1. Consideration of an Ordinance relative to the rezoning of property located on Tax Map 49, Parcel 2.01 owned by Woods Properties**

**containing 2 acres from R-1 to C-2. The property is located at 10510 Old Nashville Highway.**

The Town Council next considered on first reading an Ordinance relative to the rezoning of property located on Tax Map 49, Parcel 2.01 owned by Woods Properties containing 2 acres from R-1 to C-2. The property is located at 10510 Old Nashville Highway. The recommendation of the Planning Commission was that the request be approved.

Following discussion, Council Member Jerome Dempsey made a motion to approve the Ordinance on first reading. The motion was duly seconded by Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins. After further discussion, the motion was approved 5-0-1, with Council Member Gerry Short abstaining from the vote.

A copy of said Ordinance, as approved on first reading, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "8." (Ordinance #26-35)

**7.a.2. Consideration of an Ordinance relative to the rezoning of properties located on Tax Map 28M, Group G, Parcel 26.01, owned by Mitesh Patel; Parcel 28.00, owned by Shams Amraei and Rezvan Moosavi; Parcel 29.00, owned by Khairy Abdelmasih, Ebram Shalaby, Alaa Mankarious, & Eyd Toss; Parcel 30.00, owned by Paw Paw Enterprises, LLC; Parcels 31.00 and 33.00, owned by J & M Equity, LLC, from C-4 to C-2. In addition, Parcel 27.01, owned by Navarro Properties, LLC, has been requested to be rezoned from R-2 to C-2. The seven properties together total approximately 3.99 acres and are located on Old Nashville Highway northwest of the intersection with Enon Springs Road, West.**

The applicant requested to withdraw this application for consideration.

**7.b. Consideration of a Resolution to approve funding for non-profit organizations for the fiscal year 2027.**

The Town Council next considered a Resolution to approve funding for non-profit organizations for the fiscal year 2027.

Following discussion, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins made a motion to approve the Resolution. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member HG Cole. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Resolution, as approved, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "9." (Resolution #26-13)

**7.c. Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the photographic or electronic preservation and subsequent disposal of permanent paper records of the Town of Smyrna.**

The Town Council next considered a Resolution authorizing the photographic or electronic preservation and subsequent disposal of permanent paper records of the

Town of Smyrna.

Following discussion, Council Member Gerry Short made a motion to approve the Resolution. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Jerome Dempsey. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

A copy of said Resolution, as approved, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length verbatim as Exhibit "10." (Resolution #26-14)

**8. Public Comment**

**9. Other**

**Approval of Self-Insured Retention payment relative to Claim Number 26524N242572.**

The Town Council next considered approval of Self-Insured Retention payment relative to Claim Number 26524N242572.

Following discussion, Vice-Mayor Marc Adkins made a motion to approve the above-referenced payment. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Steve Sullivan. After further discussion, the motion was approved 6-0.

**10. Status Reports**

**May State Shared and Local Sales Tax**

Director of Finance, Sierra Lowry, presented Council with May State Shared Tax and May Local Sales Tax numbers.

**11. Correspondence & Announcements**

Next, Mayor Mary Esther Reed and other Council members, as well as Town Manager, David Santucci, recognized various Town employees for a job well done; spoke of various community events and also extended well-wishes, congratulations and condolences to various individuals.

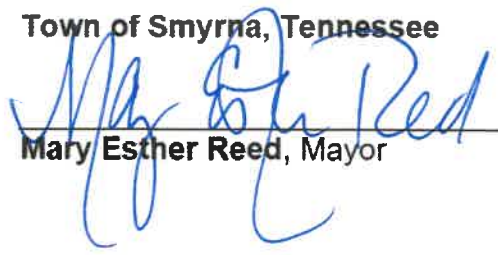
**12. Adjournment**

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 PM.

Attest:

  
Amber Hobbs, Town Clerk

Town of Smyrna, Tennessee

  
Mary Esther Reed, Mayor