



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY

Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting

March 10, 2026, 6:00 PM

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Greer called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Gerald Greer

Councilman Tim Adkins

Councilwoman: Nicole Binkley

Vice Mayor Chris Kerrigan

Councilman Michael Smith

Councilman Tony Young

ABSENT

Councilman Kevin Thompson

PLEDGE AND PRAYER

1. Prayer was delivered by: Mike Peters from the Ashland City Church of Christ.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agenda with changes adding the proclamation for Chief Coulon and the re-appointment of Jackie Simpkins to the Board of Equalization. All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Approval of February 10, 2026, Regularly Scheduled City Council Minutes

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Young, to approve the February 10, 2026, Regularly Scheduled City Council Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION

3. In Honor of our Former Police Chief Marc Coulon

The Ashland City Council remembered the life of retired Ashland City Police Chief Marc Coulon at tonight's meeting. Chief Coulon passed away on March 4, 2026, at the age of 80. A native of France and a U.S. Army veteran, he served the community with distinction during his 49-year career in law enforcement with the Cheatham County Sheriff's Department and the Ashland City Police Department, including serving as Police Chief from 2006 until his retirement in 2019. The Council expressed gratitude for his service and honored the legacy he leaves behind.

4. Chamber of Commerce

The Ashland City Council recognized Cheatham County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kelly Ellis for her leadership in organizing and operating the Ashland City Warming Shelter during Winter Storm Fern. Through her coordination of volunteers and essential resources, she ensured a safe place for those in need. The Council honored Mrs. Ellis for her outstanding service and dedication to the community.

5. Winter Storm Fern Volunteers

During Winter Storm Fern, the Ashland City community once again showed what makes it special as neighbors stepped up to help one another. Thanks to the dedication of many volunteers, the Ashland City Warming Shelter at the Thrive 55+ Center provided safety and warmth to those in need. The Ashland City Council recognized and honored the volunteers who made the shelter possible.

PUBLIC FORUM

Derrick Young, 184 Lexie Lane, addressed the Council regarding an alleged overcharge on his water bill. Mr. Young stated his normal monthly bill averages between \$75.00 and \$100.00; however, his September 2025 bill was \$165.00, and his October bill was \$192.00. Believing there may be a leak, he hired American Leak Detection, which conducted four visits and installed an isolation valve but found no leaks. His November bill was \$273.00, which was covered by Servline. After speaking with Public Works Director Mr. Biggers, the water meter was replaced in November. Mr. Young stated that since the replacement his average monthly bill has returned to approximately \$84.00. He believes the higher bills were caused by a faulty meter and requested reimbursement or credit for the leak detection services totaling \$1,350.00 and the September and October bills not covered by Servline totaling \$357. 73.

Mayor Greer advised him to contact the water department to see if there is anything else that we can do for him.

Derrick Young: stated the water department advised him to come to the City Council meeting and speak to the Council about it.

Attorney Noe: stated that she would work with the water department and look at his bills and our policy.

Chief of Staff Allen Nicholson: advised we will also need to investigate with public works to see what the meter test determined when it was changed to a new meter.

REPORTS

6. Attorney: Jennifer Noe
Attorney Noe stated she does not have anything to add that is not on the agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. None

NEW BUSINESS

8. Resolution 2026-15: Amending the Charitable Donation Policy
A motion was made by Councilwoman Binkley, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan, to approve the amendment of Resolution 2026-15. Voting Yea: Councilwoman Binkley, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent**: Councilman Thompson
9. Contract: Kellie Reed Budget Prep
A motion was made by Councilwoman Binkley, seconded by Councilman Young, to approve the contract for Kellie Reed Budget Prep Services. Voting Yea: Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent**: Councilman Thompson
10. Resolution 2026-23: Comptroller Financial Excellence Award
A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Binkley, to approve the application for the Comptroller Financial Excellence Award. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley Councilman Young, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: Vice Mayor Kerrigan, **Absent**: Councilman Thompson
11. Resolution 2026-24: Change to Local Government
A motion was made by Councilwoman Binkley, seconded by Councilman Young, to approve Developing a road map for a possible transition to local government in the next fiscal year. Voting Yea: Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: Councilman Adkins, **Absent**: Councilman Thompson
12. Resolution 2026-25: Request for fielding quotes for the year end audit FY 2026
A motion was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan, to approve fielding quotes for Professional Auditing Services for the FY 2026. Voting Yea: Councilman

Young, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

13. Ordinance 645: Fire - Insurance Reimbursement, Training Grounds, & VFEAT Grant - 1st Reading

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan, to approve the first reading on Ordinance 645 Budget Amendment. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

14. Ordinance 646: Senior Center - Additional Grant Awarded from Department of Disability and Aging - 1st Reading

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan, to approve the first reading on Ordinance 646 Budget Amendment. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

15. Resolution 2026-16: AARP Community Challenge Grant

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerrigan seconded by Councilman Young, to approve the application for the AARP Community Challenge Grant with No Matching funds. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Kerrigan Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

16. Resolution 2026-17: Healthy Built Environment Grant

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerrigan seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the application for the Health's Healthy Built Environment Grant of \$ 50,000.00 (fifty thousand dollars) with No Matching funds. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Kerrigan Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

17. Resolution 2026-18: T-Mobile Hometown Grant

A motion was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan to approve the application for the T-Mobile Grant of \$ 50,000.00 (fifty thousand dollars) with No Matching funds. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

18. Resolution 2026-22: Change order for CSR Engineering

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Young to approve the Change order for CSR Engineering containing an additional cost of \$ 8,000.00 (eight thousand dollars) with changes which included removing section 10 (attorney Noe advised Jason Reynolds from CSR approved removing the section). Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

19. Resolution 2026-20: Authorizing Check Signers

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan to approve adding Alicia Martin to all City Bank Accounts as an official check signer. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Kerrigan Councilman Young, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

20. Resolution 2026-19: GNRC Application for Grant Money Contract Renewal

A motion was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerrigan to approve the application to GNRC (Greater Nashville Regional Council) for renewal of the Grant for the money we are awarded yearly from them (this must be renewed every 4 years). Voting Yea:

Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Yea: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

21. Resolution 2026-26: Employee Manual Updates - Grievance and Appeal Procedures
A motion was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilwoman Binkley to approve the revised Grievance and Appeal Procedures in Section X (ten) of the Employee Manual. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Councilwoman Binkley, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

22. Resolution 2026-21: Grant Amendment one for Contract Z26THSO11
A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the Grant Amendment number one from THSO (Tennessee Highway and Safety Office) for Grant contract number Z26THSO11 decreasing our award by \$ 2,000.00 (two thousand dollars). Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

23. Contract: Fireworks for Summerfest 2026
A motion was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilwoman Binkley to approve the proposal from Impact Pyro for option number 3 in the amount of \$ 21,000.00 (twenty-one thousand dollars for the fireworks show during Summerfest 2026. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Councilwoman Binkley, Vice Mayor Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilwoman Binkley, Councilman Adkins, Mayor Greer. Voting Nay: 0 **Absent:** Councilman Thompson

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS

24. None

EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

25. None

OTHER

26. Re-Appoint Jackie Simpkins to the 2026 County Board of Equalization
A nomination was made by Mayor Gerald Greer to re-appoint Jackie Simpkins to the Board of Equalization.
A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Smith to re-appoint Jackie Simkins to the Board of Equalization for the 2026 year. All approved by voice vote

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Binkley, seconded by Councilman Young, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

MAYOR GERALD GREER

CITY RECORDER MARY MOLEPSKE