



Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 09, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Theodore D. Washington Municipal Building, Henry "Emmett" McCracken Jr. Council Chambers,
20 Bridge Street, Bluffton, SC

AGENDA

This meeting can be viewed live on [BCTV](#), on Sparklight Channel 9 and 417 or on Spectrum Channel 1304.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. INVOCATION

IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 05/12/2026
2. Budget Workshop Minutes of 05/21/2026
3. Budget Workshop Minutes of 05/28/2026

V. PRESENTATIONS, CELEBRATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS

1. Beaufort County School District Character Student of the Month - Mayor Larry Toomer
2. Juneteenth Proclamation - Mayor Larry Toomer
3. Carolina Days Proclamation - Mayor Larry Toomer
4. Update of Beaufort County Transportation Penny Tax Advisory Committee (TAC) - Lisa Sulka

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

VIII. WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEMS

IX. PUBLIC HEARING & FINAL READING

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Approving the Town of Bluffton Fiscal Year 2027 Proposed Consolidated Budget – Public Hearing & Final Reading – Stephen Steese, Town Manager

X. FORMAL AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing an Economic Development Incentive Agreement between the Town of Bluffton and Sterling Corporation (d/b/a Sterling Helicopter) Second and Final Reading – Paul Arvantides, CEO, Don Ryan Center for Innovation

2. Consideration of a Resolution to Install a 4-way Stop Sign at the Intersection of Boundary and Lawrence Streets – Stephen Steese, Town Manager
3. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing an Extension of the Validity Period for the Purchase and Sale of a Parcel of Real Property located in Bluffton, SC of Approximately 55.18 Acres Owned by Inland Bluffton, LLC - Stephen Steese, Town Manager
4. Consideration of a Resolution to Establish an Entertainment Venue Exploratory Committee – Chris Forster, Assistant Town Manager
5. Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Town of Bluffton Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23 - Unified Development Ordinance, Article 5 - Design Standards, Sec. 5.10 (Stormwater); and Article 9 - Definitions and Interpretation, Sec. 9.2 (Defined Terms) - First Reading - Andrea Moreno, Watershed Division Manager
6. Consideration of Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Funding Recommendations for Quarter Ending March 31, 2026 - Shannon Milroy, Budget & Procurement Manager
 - Farmer's Market of Bluffton requesting a supplemental \$9,375 to assist with facility rental fees during the 2026 Market Season
 - Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra requesting \$46,818 for the 2026 Bluffton Concerts
 - Beaufort Water Search and Rescue requesting \$21,875 for the purchase of a replacement boat
 - Beaufort Water Search and Rescue requesting \$7,500 for a targeted FY2026 Tourism Safety Awareness & Marketing Campaign
 - Bluffton MKL Observance Committee requesting \$20,000 for the 11th Annual Juneteenth Festival
 - Historic Bluffton Foundation requesting \$50,000 for Heyward House Museum's FY2027 Operations
7. Approval to Authorize a Construction Contract with Nix Construction Company, Inc. for New Riverside Barn Park Disc Golf Course (Fiscal Impact: \$229,385.03) - Pat Rooney, Capital Improvements Program Manager
8. Consideration of a Resolution for Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Marketing Plan Presented by the Destination Marketing Organization - Ariana Pernice, Vice-President Visitor & Convention Bureau, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce and Natalie Majorkiewicz, Director of Finance & Administration

XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Monthly Department Reports: Police, Finance and Administration, Human Resources, Municipal Court, Projects & Watershed Resilience, Public Services, Don Ryan Center for Innovation, and Growth Management
2. Town Manager Monthly Report
3. Consideration of Emergency Procurement of HVAC System for the Law Enforcement Center (Fiscal Impact \$374,459.00) - Larry Beckler, Director of Public Resources
4. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Amended Easement Donation from Beaufort County School District Necessary to Complete Portions of the Pritchard Street

Streetscape and Drainage Project - Kimberly Washok-Jones, Director of Projects and Watershed Resilience

5. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Renewal of a Three-Party Intergovernmental Agreement for Indigent Defense Representation at the Town of Bluffton Municipal Court with the Law Office of Carol A. Miller and City of Beaufort - Lisa Cunningham, Clerk of Court
6. Consideration of Authorization for the Town Manager to Engage in Negotiations for a New Bluffton Municipal Court Prosecutor - Chief Joe Babkiewicz, Bluffton Police Department
7. Consideration of Memoranda of Agreement or IGA Annual Renewals - Chris Forster, Assistant Town Manager
 - Bluffton Township Fire District for Vehicle Maintenance
 - Beaufort County School District for School Resource Officers and Crossing Guards
 - South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice for Detention Services

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel Matters Regarding Town Council Appointments of Boards, Committees, and Commissions (Pursuant to Freedom of Information Act 30-4-70 [a][1])

XIII. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE: TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2026

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Executive Session – The public body may vote to go into executive session for any item identified for action on the agenda.

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<https://www.townofbluffton.sc.gov/FormCenter/Town-15/Public-Comment-60>

Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker.