



CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE
CITY COUNCIL SECOND MONTHLY MEETING
Operations Center Assembly Room | 305 Williams St. | Hendersonville, NC 28792
Wednesday, August 26, 2026 – 4:00 PM

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA**
3. **PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. Farmland Preservation Bond Referendum – *Henderson County Staff*
 - B. Presentation Regarding Improvements to City Board and Commission Support – *John Connet, City Manager and Jenny Floyd, Assistant to the Manager*
 - C. Draft Data Center Moratorium Plan – *Lew Holloway, Community Development Director*
 - D. Legislative Update - *John Connet, City Manager*
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
5. **ADJOURN**

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CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

SUBMITTER: John Connet, City Manager **MEETING DATE:** 08/26/2026
AGENDA SECTION: PRESENTATION **DEPARTMENT:** Administration
TITLE OF ITEM: Farmland Preservation Bond Referendum – *Henderson County Staff*

SUGGESTED MOTION(S):

No motion (No public funds can be expended to advocate for or against public referendums.)

SUMMARY:

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners have called for referendum on the issue of selling general obligation bonds to acquire farmland conservation easements. Council Member Baxter asked for a presentation on the referendum.

BUDGET IMPACT: \$ NA

Is this expenditure approved in the current fiscal year budget? NA

If no, describe how it will be funded. NA

ATTACHMENTS:

None



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SUBMITTER: John Connet **MEETING DATE:** 9/26/2026
AGENDA SECTION: PRESENTATION **DEPARTMENT:** Administration
TITLE OF ITEM: Presentation Regarding Improvements to City Board and Commission Support
– *John Connet, City Manager and Jenny Floyd, Assistant to the Manager*

SUGGESTED MOTION(S):

NA

SUMMARY:

Staff will present recommended improvements to assist in better functionality of the City board and commissions.

BUDGET IMPACT: \$ TBD

Is this expenditure approved in the current fiscal year budget? NA

If no, describe how it will be funded. NA

ATTACHMENTS:

None



Boards & Committees

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Desired Outcomes

Item B.

Feedback on proposed changes

- Marketing
- Training
- On-Boarding
- Appointments

Council Concerns

Why

Item B.

Strategic Plan

- Focus Area: Engaged and Educated Community
 - Big Rock: Overhaul of City Boards and Commissions

Increase Retention of Members

Empower Staff Assists

Background

Item B.

Feedback

- Staff Assists
- Board/Committee Chairs

Themes

- A lack of understanding of role and time obligations
- A lack of board specific training
- A desire to have input on applicants
- Concerns with civility

Suggested Actions

Item B.

Update Marketing

Board and Committee specific introduction videos and webpages clarifying roles, responsibilities, on-going projects, and typical tasks

Require Prerequisites

Prior to Applying

2 Board/Committee meetings

or

1 Board/Committee meeting & 1 Meeting with Staff Assist

Suggested Actions

Increase Training

- 1 on 1 on-boarding of new board member(s) by staff assist
- Yearly training for board members and staff assists
 - Procedural rules
 - Civility
 - Conflicts of Interest
 - Attendance Requirements
- Council Liaison
 - Roles and Responsibilities
- Support training via School of Government

Suggested Actions

Input on Appointments

- Share applications with Staff Assists for general comment
 - Final decision lies with Council
- Change Appointment Months
 - June > May
 - December > November

This will allow for proper on-boarding of new members before their term begins

Suggested Actions

Professionalization

- Creation of yearly work plan
 - Identify events, policies, and projects
 - Budget requests
 - Identify alignment with City Strategic Plan
 - Adoption by Council along with Budget
- Semi-Annual Meeting with Staff Assists
- Annual Meeting with Chairs

Off-Boarding

Conduct exit interview or survey

Questions?

Item B.



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SUBMITTER: John Connet, City Manager **MEETING DATE:** 8/26/2026
AGENDA SECTION: PRESENTATION **DEPARTMENT:** Administration
TITLE OF ITEM: Draft Data Center Moratorium Plan – Lew Holloway, Community Development Director

SUGGESTED MOTION(S):

NA

SUMMARY:

The Community Development Department staff will present the draft Data Center Moratorium Plan. This plan will be formerly considered following the public hearing on September 3, 2026.

BUDGET IMPACT: \$ NA

Is this expenditure approved in the current fiscal year budget? NA

If no, describe how it will be funded. NA

ATTACHMENTS:

None