

City of Red Bank

COMMISSIONERS AGENDA WORK SESSION

Minutes
May 19, 2026
5:00 PM

The City Commission of the City of Red Bank, Tennessee, met in a public and duly advertised Agenda Work Session on May 19, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at the Commission Chambers located at 3117 Dayton Boulevard. The date, time, and location of the meeting were advertised in the Chattanooga Times Free Press, on the City's Facebook page, and on the City of Red Bank website, together with instructions and an internet link to enable virtual attendance by the public and public access to the agenda and agenda items. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on and discuss upcoming business items. Those in attendance were Mayor Stefanie Dalton, Vice Mayor Hollie Berry, Commissioner Jamie Fairbanks-Harvey, Commissioner Terri Holmes, and Commissioner Hayes Wilkinson. Also present were City Manager Martin Granum, City Attorney Arnold Stulce, Jr., Police Chief Dan Seymour, Deputy Police Chief John Wright, Fire Chief Brent Sylar, Deputy Fire Chief Eddie Iles, Public Works Director Greg Tate, Community Development Director Leslie Slay, Planner Michael Pham, Chief Finance Officer Kris Pickel, City Recorder Tracey Perry, and those listed on Exhibit A.

I. Monthly Financial Update

Chief Finance Officer Pickel presented the Commission with the monthly financial update. Departments have been advised to cease spending except for expressly budgeted operational expenses and emergencies through the end of the fiscal year.

II. On Consent Agenda - Approve Contract Amendment #1 with Barge Consultants for Bicycle Boulevard Res No. 26-1904

Director Tate advised the Commission that this amendment is to address a critical segment gap in the original plans for the Bicycle Boulevard. This amendment will be funded by additional funds provided by the MPO and the City's already approved local match, as budgeted.

III. On Consent Agenda - Approve Agreement with Embark Construction for White Oak Dog Park Sidewalk Extension Res No 26-1905

Director Tate advised the Commission that this agreement will allow a sidewalk extension at the White Oak Dog Park to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility. It will be funded by the ARPA facilities improvement funds.

IV. On Consent Agenda - Public Works Appreciation Week Res No. 26-1906

Director Tate first stated that he is very proud of everyone in the Public Works Department for the work that they do throughout Red Bank, and asked that they authorize proclaiming the week of May 17-23, 2026, as Public Works Appreciation Week.

V. On Consent Agenda - Proclaim May 10-16, 2026, to be National Police Week and May 15, 2026, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day Res No. 26-1907

Police Chief Seymour asked the Commission to authorize proclaiming the week of May 10-16, 2026, as National Police Week and May 15, 2026, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

VI. On Consent Agenda - Accept the 2026 reimbursing HIDTA Grant for 2026 in the amount of \$19,000.00 Res No. 26-1908

Police Chief Seymour advised that the Resolution is to authorize the acceptance of the recurring annual HIDTA Grant for drug enforcement-related overtime in the amount of \$19,000.00.

VII. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 26-1306 Request to Rezone 1106

Ashmore Ave from R-1 to RZ-1

Planner Pham advised that this Ordinance is to request a rezoning of adjoining properties at 1106 Ashmore Avenue from R-1 Residential to RZ-1 Zero Lot Line Residential. A public Hearing will be held at the Regular Commission Meeting later this evening, where the applicant, Josh Barr, will be available for discussion.

VIII. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 26-1307 Amendment to Ordinance 23-1235 Rezoning Strawberry Lane Properties

Planner Pham advised that this Ordinance is to request the removal of the "limited to single-family detached homes" condition from multiple properties in the Strawberry Lane area by Ordinance 23-1235. A public Hearing will be held at the Regular Commission Meeting later this evening, where the applicant, Jason Craven, will be available for discussion.

IX. Public Hearing and first reading of the FY27 Budget Ord No. 26-1308

City Manager Granum advised that there will be a Public Hearing at the Regular Commission Meeting this evening, where he will give a PowerPoint presentation covering the development of the FY27 Budget.

X. Citizen Comments on Items on the Work Session Agenda

Clifford McCabe, 2618 Berkley Dr - stated we must live within our budgets
Deirdre Hamill, 211 Woodrow Ave - Asked about the tax rate change
Nam Phuong Dang, 3526 Lamar Ave - Spoke on the time of the Work Session meetings and persons on fixed incomes
Buffi Wilson, 3523 Lamar Ave - feels that more belt-tightening needs to happen

XI. Any other business to discuss

- Vice Mayor Berry Spoke on a question she received at the Town Hall meeting
- Commissioner Wilkinson requested a brief history of the miscalculated property assessment last year, and keeping this momentum alive.
- Commissioner Fairbanks-Harvey stated that she feels for taxpayers regarding the proposed budget.
- Mayor Dalton stated that we all feel for the taxpayers and then spoke on making hard choices.
- Commissioner Holmes spoke on the benefits to the citizens of the planning and operations of the City system that the City Commission has built over time, and the importance of planning, fairness, and balance in moving forward.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:57 PM.

Mayor Stefanie Dalton (Date)

City Recorder Tracey Perry (Date)