



GASTONIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Gaston County Courthouse - Public Forum Room - Gastonia, NC
Tuesday, June 16, 2026 6:00 PM

ITEM A: INVOCATION - Councilwoman Donyel Barber

ITEM B: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Richard Franks

ITEM C: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ITEM D: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

D.1: Special City Council Meeting - June 2, 2026
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D.2: Regular City Council Meeting - June 2, 2026
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ITEM E: AWARDS, CEREMONIES, AND PROMOTIONS

E.1: Proclamation Recognizing June 19, 2026 as Juneteenth
Recipient: Ms. Tasha White
Presenter: Councilwoman Angela Dreher
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E.2: 2025 Employee Recognition Awards
Dave Anglin (Fire Department) - Customer Service
Michael Branson (Engineering Department) - Extraordinary Service
Apryle Kohut (Technology Services) - Leadership
Craig Lowrance (Police Department) - Safety
Clayton Smith (Human Resources Department) - Stronger Together
Presenters: Councilwoman Donyel Barber and
Mr. Adrian Miller, Assistant City Manager
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ITEM F: PRESENTATIONS

F.1: Recognition of the Class of 2026 Municipal Citizens' Academy Graduates
Presenters: Ms. Karely Chavez, Neighborhood Program Administrator and
Mr. Quentin McPhatter, Assistant City Manager
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F.2: City of Gastonia Fourth of July Celebration Presentation
Presenter: Ms. Christine Ingle, Event Planner and Resource Manager
[Attachment](#)

F.3: Introduction of 2026 Summer Interns: Hasia Allen, Megan Carroll, Addison Lioy, Celeste Paul, Owen Sloan, and Nicole Tran
Presenter: Mr. Quentin McPhatter, Assistant City Manager

ITEM G: PUBLIC EXPRESSION - IN ORDER TO KEEP WITHIN THE TIMEFRAME ALLOWED FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION, EACH PERSON WILL BE LIMITED TO BETWEEN TWO TO FIVE MINUTES SPEAKING TIME. THIS TIMEFRAME MAY VARY DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.

ITEM H: COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

H.1: Senior Advisory Commission
Presenter: Councilwoman Jennifer M. Stepp, Chairwoman
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H.2: Recreation Advisory Commission
Presenter: Councilwoman Donyel Barber, Chairwoman
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H.3: Personnel Committee
Proposed Action Items:
2.A: Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Adoption of NC Public Employee Deferred Compensation Plan Provided by Empower (NC 457)
2.B: Consideration of Miscellaneous Personnel Policy Manual Amendments
2.C: Consideration of Section 125 Update
Presenter: Councilwoman Donyel Barber, Chairwoman

ITEM I: CONSENT AGENDA

I.1: Proclamation Recognizing June 22 - 28, 2026 as National Pollinator Week and Acknowledging the City of Gastonia, as an Affiliate of BEE CITY USA, has Taken the Mayors' Monarch Pledge
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I.2: Resolution to Approve the City of Gastonia's Updated Purchasing Policy
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I.3: Resolution to Approve a Five-Year Extension to the Agreement for Joint ABC Store Operations Between the Town of Dallas and the City of Gastonia
[Attachment](#)

I.4: Resolution to Approve a Lease of Certain Real Property Between the City of Gastonia and Lamar OCI South LLC
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I.5: Resolution to Approve a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for Sidewalk and Curb Ramp Maintenance for State

Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Project U-6078 (NC 274 and NC 275 Intersection Improvements)

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- I.6: Resolution to Accept for Maintenance Portions of Water and Sewer at Reserve at Rankin Lake
[Attachment](#)
- I.7: Resolution to Approve a Five-Year Extension to the Interlocal Agreement for the Lease for Operation and Maintenance of the Duke Street and Farmers Market Recycling Centers with Gaston County in the Amount of \$58,500
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- I.8: Resolution to Amend a Contract with Staff360 for Litter Removal Within the City of Gastonia's Rights-Of-Way to Provide for a 3% Annual Increase in the Hourly Billing Rate
[Attachment](#)
- I.9: Resolution to Award a Five-Year Contract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) for the Implementation, Recording and Continuous Monitoring of Major Streams Within the City of Gastonia's Four Watersheds in the Amount of \$521,100
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- I.10: Resolution to Award a Contract to Kendig Keast Collaborative (KKC) for the Unified Development Ordinance Update in the Amount of \$270,000
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- I.11: Amendment to Traffic Ordinance:
*To Establish a 25 MPH Speed Limit on the Following Streets: Huntington Drive from Dead End to Dead End and Seventh Avenue from Myrtle School Road to Lakeview Street
*To Add No Parking to the Following Streets: On the South Side of Plastics Drive from New Hope Road to X-Ray Drive and On the East Side of Clara Street from Union Road to Dead End
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- I.12: Resolution Declaring Municipally Owned Personal Property as Surplus Pursuant to G.S. 160A-270
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- I.13: Resolution to Recognize Asset Forfeiture Funds from the Department of Justice in the Amount of \$64,475, from the Department of Treasury in the Amount of \$71,164, and from the State of North Carolina in the Amount of \$1,136 with Budget Amendment 2620053
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- I.14: Resolution to Amend the 2026 Fiscal Year Budget in Order to Comply with the Financial Reporting Requirements in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, Leases, and GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements in the Amount of \$9,979,334 with Budget Amendment 2620054

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I.15: Resolution to Recognize Additional Funds Received from Insurance Proceeds and Auction Proceeds in the Amount of \$69,897 with Budget Amendment 2620055

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I.16: Resolution to Adopt a Policy for Outgoing Citizen Committee Member Recognition

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ITEM J: REGULAR AGENDA

J.1: Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution to Approve a Facade Grant in the Amount of \$2,958 for 238 West Main Avenue

Presenter: Mr. Ben Bogle, Project Manager - Economic Development

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J.2: Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution to Approve the Second Amendment to the Master Development Agreement with Highline Partners for Redevelopment of the Franklin Yards Development at 615 W. Franklin Blvd.

Presenter: Ms. Kristy R. Crisp, Director of Economic Development

J.3: Consideration of a Resolution to Approve the Proposed Nominations for Citizen Committee Appointments

Presenter: Mayor Richard Franks

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ITEM K: CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - Presentation: Mr. Eric Edgerton, City Attorney

ITEM L: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT - Presentation: Mr. Michael C. Peoples, City Manager

ITEM M: CITY COUNCIL'S REPORT - Presentation: City Council Members

ITEM N: ANNOUNCEMENTS - Presentation: Mayor Richard Franks

ITEM O: ADJOURNMENT

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS WISHING TO COMMENT SHOULD APPEAR AT THE PUBLIC HEARING. INDIVIDUALS REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS WHEN ATTENDING THIS MEETING AND/OR IF THIS INFORMATION IS NEEDED IN AN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT BECAUSE OF A DISABILITY, SHOULD CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, LOCATED IN CITY HALL AT 181 S. SOUTH STREET, **TELEPHONE:** (704-866-6786), **FAX:** 704-836-0022) OR BY **EMAIL:** JUDY.SMITH@GASTONIANC.GOV. THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT REQUESTS AT LEAST 72 HOURS' NOTICE PRIOR TO THE MEETING TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

*** July 3, 2026 -- Independence Day Holiday -- City Offices Closed ***

July 21, 2026 - Regular City Council Meeting, Public Forum Room, Gaston County Courthouse @ 6:00 p.m.