



# City of Hampton

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## Notice of Action City Council Special Session

*Mayor Jimmy Gray*  
*Vice Mayor Steven L. Brown*  
*Councilmember Randy C. Bowman, Sr.*  
*Councilmember Carolyn S. Campbell*  
*Councilmember Michelle Taylor Ferebee*  
*Councilmember Hope L. Harper*  
*Councilmember Martha M. Mugler*

*STAFF: Mary Bunting, City Manager*  
*Courtney R. Sydnor, City Attorney*  
*Katherine K. Glass, MMC, Clerk of Council*

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**Wednesday, May 6, 2026**

**6:30 PM**

**Council Chambers**

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### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members of the City Council were present.

**Present** 7 - Councilmember Randy C. Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Steven L. Brown, Councilmember Carolyn S. Campbell, Councilmember Michelle T. Ferebee, Councilmember Hope L. Harper, Councilmember Martha Mugler, and Mayor Jimmy Gray

The Clerk read the call for the special meeting.

### READING OF THE CALL FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING

This meeting was called to hold the second public hearing for the FY2027 City Manager's Recommended Budget and to introduce all tax, fee and appropriation ordinances and resolutions to be considered for vote by City Council on May 13, 2026. In addition, the Mayor may read proclamations as identified on the agenda for this special meeting.

### AGENDA

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Councilwoman Michelle Taylor Ferebee**

Councilwoman Ferebee gave the invocation.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

1. **26-0149** Reading of Proclamations: Municipal Clerks Week and Public Service Recognition Week

Mayor Gray read the Municipal Clerks Week proclamation and it was presented to Katherine K. Glass, MMC, Clerk of Council, and to Deputy Clerks Joy Mautz, CMC, and Victoria Hatcher. Mayor Gray also recognized Deputy Clerk Tammy Lee who was not present.

He then read the proclamation for Public Service Recognition Week and presented it to Nicole Dennis, Executive Assistant, and to other City employees present at the meeting.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Gray asked the City Manager for comments on tonight's meeting. Ms. Bunting stated that the purpose of tonight's special meeting is for Council to hold the second public hearing on the budget. The Manager's Recommended Budget, which was introduced last month, included the proposed appropriations for all funds comprising the City's budget, as well as the taxes and fees necessary to fund those appropriations. In accordance with the City Charter, Council must conduct at least one public hearing before approving the final budget. That hearing was held two weeks ago on Wednesday, April 22nd. By tradition, the City of Hampton has chosen to offer a second public hearing to ensure residents have ample time to comment on the budget. That hearing is tonight. Council will not vote on the budget this evening. Final consideration and adoption of the budget will take place next Wednesday, May 13th. At that time, Council will adopt the budget by voting on the Tax and Fee Ordinances and Resolution and Appropriation Ordinances listed in tonight's agenda. The full text of each ordinance and resolution is included in the agenda packet.

2. [26-0155](#) Second Public Hearing to Receive Citizens' Comments Regarding the City Manager's Recommended Budget for Fiscal

Year 2027

Ms. Glass, Clerk of Council, read the protocol for public hearings and the title of agenda item #2 26-0155. The following individuals spoke at the public hearing: Robin McCormick, Travis Adams, Matthew Johnson, Dariah Meskin, Zachary Hassan, Angel Williams, Charisse Alston, Caroline Bodie, Matthew Finley, Delora Branch-Mathis, Jeannie Belgrave, and Janice Johnson. Shamsiddin Abdullah had signed up to speak but was not present when called upon. Mayor Gray then closed the public hearing.

**Tax and Fee Ordinances and Resolution**

- 3.     **26-0153**     Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Amending Chapter 37 - Taxation, Article II - Real Estate Taxes to Add Division 8 - Classification of Blighted Properties  
  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
  
- 4.     [26-0099](#)     Ordinance to Adopt and Continue the Imposition of Certain Service District Taxes Within the Coliseum Central Business Improvement District, the Downtown Hampton Business Improvement District, and the Elizabeth Lake Estates Service District for Fiscal Year 2027 (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027)  
  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
  
- 5.     [26-0100](#)     Ordinance to Adopt the Tax Rates Applicable to Real Estate and Improvements Thereon in the City of Hampton, Virginia for Fiscal Year 2027 Beginning July 1, 2026 and Ending June 30, 2027  
  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
  
- 6.     [26-0101](#)     Ordinance to Adopt Tax Rates Applicable to All Classifications of Tangible Personal Property Liable for Such Levy in the City of Hampton, Virginia for the Calendar Year Beginning January 1, 2027  
  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
  
- 7.     [26-0104](#)     Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Amending Chapter 30, Titled "Sewers and

Sewage Disposal," Article III, Titled "Sewer Use Charges,"  
Section 30-48, Titled "Amount"

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

8. [26-0103](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Amending Chapter 33.3, Titled "Stormwater Management and Erosion Control," Article II, Titled "Stormwater Management," Division 4, Titled "Service Charges and Revenues," Section 33.3-35, Titled "Same-Billing, Payment, Interest, Fee and Lien"

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

9. [26-0102](#) Resolution to Adopt Solid Waste Charges and Fees in Accordance With Hampton City Code § 32.2-48, Titled "Solid Waste Rate Determination; Fee Rates" for Fiscal Year 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

**Appropriation Ordinances**

10. [26-0078](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the General Fund (City and Schools) of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

11. [26-0079](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Capital Budget (Projects) Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

12. [26-0080](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Hampton Coliseum - Arts Commission - Hampton VA Aquaplex Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

13. [26-0081](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Hampton Roads Convention Center Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30,

2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 14. [26-0082](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for The Hamptons Golf Course Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
- 15. [26-0083](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Woodlands Golf Course Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
- 16. [26-0084](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Fleet Services Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
- 17. [26-0085](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Fleet Services - Equipment Replacement Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
- 18. [26-0086](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Information Technology Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
- 19. [26-0087](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Risk Management Fund (City and Schools) of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027  
Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.
- 20. [26-0088](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Solid Waste Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 21. [26-0089](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Steam Plant Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 22. [26-0090](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Stormwater Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 23. [26-0091](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Wastewater Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 24. [26-0092](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Fund of the City of Hampton for the Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 25. [26-0093](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Economic Development Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

- 26. [26-0094](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Grant Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2027 beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027

Action to be taken on May 13, 2026.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Gray adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.