



# City of Hampton

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## Notice of Action City Council Work 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, April 22, 2026**

**1:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

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### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 1 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

### AGENDA

1. [26-0067](#) Briefing on Hampton City Schools Budget  
Presented by Dr. Richard Mason, School Board Chair; Dr. Raymond Haynes, Superintendent; and Brittany Branch, Chief Financial Officer. Also present were Stephanie Jackson Afonja, Vice Chair, and School Board members Dr. Tina Banks-Gray, Ann Cherry, and Dr. Reginald Woodhouse. School Board members Joseph C. Kilgore and Jason S. Samuels were unable to be present due to work commitments. Dr. John Caggiano, Deputy Superintendent and Chief of Staff were also present.
2. [26-0141](#) Budget Discussion: City Manager's Recommended Fiscal Year 2027 Budget  
City Manager Mary Bunting invited any questions on the City Manager's Recommended Fiscal Year 2027 Budget.

3. [26-0135](#) Briefing on Resilient Hampton Fox Hill, Grandview, and Harris Creek Water Plan  
Presented by Olivia Askew, Resilience Officer.

**REGIONAL ISSUES**

There were no regional issues to report on.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There were no items of new business.

**CLOSED SESSION**

4. [26-0142](#) Closed session pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(7) and (8) for consultation with legal counsel to receive updates concerning pending litigation and other material legal issues and transactions; pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(3) and (8) to discuss potential acquisition of real property in the Newmarket Creek area, where discussion in open session would adversely affect the city's negotiating strategy, and consultation with legal counsel concerning specific legal issues related to the same; and pursuant to 2.2-37711(A)(1) for consideration of appointments as listed in the agenda as well as appointments to the Economic Development Authority and Citizens Police Advisory Group and to discuss the performance of a Council appointee.

At 2:09 p.m. motion was made by Councilmember Martha Mugler and seconded by Councilmember Randy Bowman, Sr., that this Closed Session - Motion be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

5. [26-0145](#) Appointment to Western Tidewater Regional Jail Authority

**CERTIFICATION**

6. [26-0143](#) Resolution Certifying Closed Session

At 4:45 p.m., a motion was made by Councilmember Martha

Mugler and seconded by Councilmember Hope Harper, that this Closed Session - Certification be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Bowman Sr., Vice Mayor Brown, Councilmember Campbell, Councilmember Ferebee, Councilmember Harper, Councilmember Mugler and Mayor Gray

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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