



City of Hampton

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Notice of Action City Council Legislative 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

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 6:35 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

INVOCATION: Councilwoman Martha Mugler

Councilwoman Mugler gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Gray recognized Ethan Alexander Ahart, Hampton High School; Josiah Porter-Jordan, Phoebus High School; and Caleb Norman, Kecoughtan High School who were recently selected as a "Top 20 Under 20" by the Hampton Roads Workforce Council.

Mayor Gray also introduced Serene Colden who was the state winner of an essay contest sponsored by the Virginia Municipal League for 7th and 8th graders who submit essays describing what they would do if they were Mayor of their hometown. Ms.

Colden read her essay which addressed flooding and she received a plaque and cash award from the Virginia Municipal League and a gift bag from the City of Hampton's Resiliency Team. Ms. Colden, a student at Lindsey Middle School, read her essay to those in attendance. She was accompanied by her mother, Syrnena Green; her teacher, Stacey-Ann Facey; and her Principal, Sharif Hicks.

Mayor Gray also shared that May is Internal Audit Awareness Month and expressed appreciation for Hampton's audit staff.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Mugler, seconded by Vice Mayor Brown, to approve the Consent Agenda. 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

1. [26-0183](#) Resolution of Hampton City Council Initiating Amendments to the Hampton City Zoning Ordinance Concerning the Use Permit Revocation Process

Item approved.

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

2. [26-0184](#) Resolution of Hampton City Council Initiating Amendments to the Hampton City Zoning Ordinance Concerning Compliance with New Legislation

Item approved.

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

3. [26-0175](#) Resolution Directing the Chief Procurement Officer to Dispose of Certain Electronic Equipment via Donation to a Qualifying Charitable Corporation
Item approved.

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

4. [26-0173](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Enacting Chapter 2, Administration, Article III, Officers and Employees Generally, Section 2-115, to Authorize Employee Bonuses
Item approved.

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

5. [26-0187](#) Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2026 Council Approved Budget to Accept and Appropriate \$9,385,379 in Additional Revenues (State and Other Funds) to the General Fund's School Operating Budget
Item approved.

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

6. [26-0170](#) Approval of the minutes from the Work Session of March 25, 2026; the work and legislative sessions of April 8, 2026; the ceremonial and legislative sessions of April 22, 2026; and the

ceremonial session of May 13, 2026;
Item approved.

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

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS

There were no presentations this evening.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. [26-0185](#) Consider Appeal of Revocation of the Zoning Administrator Permit (ZAP) Issued to James Jordan for a Short-Term Rental (STR), Located at 317 Woodside Drive [LRSN: 1200089] Due to Violations of Conditions contained in the ZAP

Presented by Kim Mikel, Interim Director of the Community Development Department. Angela Evans and James Jordan were given ten minutes to present information. Members of Council had questions for Ms. Evans, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Mikel and MPO E. Rausch.

Mayor Gray opened the public hearing. There were no individuals signed up to speak so Mayor Gray closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Brown moved that City Council affirm the revocation of Zoning Administrator Permit 2024-0271, Short-term Rental located at 317 Woodside Drive, due to multiple violations of the permit conditions as presented during the May 27, 2026 City Council Legislative Session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Campbell and passed on a roll call vote.

Use Permits

8. [26-0156](#) Consider Revocation of the Use Permit Issued to Southern Comfort Restaurant and Lounge for a Restaurant 3 in the Limited Commercial (C-2) Coliseum Central Overlay (O-CC) Districts, located at 2163 and 2165 Cunningham Drive [Portion of LRSN:

7001532] Due to Violations of Conditions contained in the Use Permit

Presented by Kim Mikel, Interim Director of Community Development and MPO E. Rausch. Niah Powe presented information for the applicant. Mayor Gray opened the public hearing. There were no individuals signed up to speak and the public hearing was closed.

Councilwoman Hope Harper moved that City Council revoke Use Permit 26-0039, Restaurant 3, Southern Comfort Restaurant and Lounge located at 2163 and 2165 Cunningham Drive, due to violations of the use permit conditions as presented during the May 27, 2026 City Council Legislative Session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Martha Mugler and passed on a roll call vote.

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

Ordinances

9. [26-0118](#) Ordinance to Amend and Re-Enact the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia by Amending Specific Sections of Chapter 35.1, Site Plans, to Clarify Language, Reduce Ambiguity, and Create New Definitions for Major and Minor Site Plans to Better Classify Submissions
- Presented by Suheir Diyab, Chief Site Plan Agent. Mayor Gray opened the public hearing. There were no speakers so Mayor Gray closed the public hearing. A motion was made by Councilwoman Michelle Ferebee and seconded by Councilwoman Carolyn Campbell to approve and adopt Item 26-0118, Amendments to City Code Chapter 31.5, Site Plans, as presented in the agenda package.

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

Resolutions

10. [26-0168](#) Resolution Authorizing the Transfer From the City of Hampton to Hampton Redevelopment and Housing Authority of the Following Properties: Three Unaddressed Parcels on Grant Street, Identified as LRSNs 13002697, 13005365, and 13005364; One Unaddressed Parcel on Briarfield Road, Identified as LRSN 13005433; and 406 Settlers Landing Road, Identified as LRSN 2001959

The City Manager, Mary Bunting summarized the item. Mayor Gray opened the public hearing. There were no speakers signed up to speak so Mayor Gray closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martha Mugler and seconded by Councilwoman Hope Harper that City Council approve Item 26-0168, Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Three Unaddressed Parcels on Grant Street to Hampton Redevelopment and Housing Authority, as presented in the agenda package.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals spoke during public comment: Megan Baker, Debbie North, Melanie Paul, Louis Banks, Craig Knopp, Joan Weaver, and Gaylene Kanoyton. Marlin McDaniel was called but not present to speak.

Mayor Gray and Ms. Bunting provided some brief responsive comments.

GENERAL ITEMS

Appointments

11. [26-0182](#) Consideration of an Appointment to the Peninsula Airport Commission

A motion was made by Councilwoman Michelle Ferebee and seconded by Vice Mayor Brown to appoint Clayton Turner for a term which will end on May 31, 2030.

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

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER, CITY COUNCIL, STAFF, COMMITTEES

There were no reports.

MISCELLANEOUS NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of new business.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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