

City of Graham
City Council Meeting Agenda
August 11, 2026



6:00 p.m. | City Hall | 201 South Main Street | Graham, NC

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Chelsea Dickey

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation – Pastor Stephen Hall – Anchor Church

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A.** To approve the July 14, 2026 City Council Meeting and Closed Session minutes.
- B.** To approve a resolution awarding a police badge and service sidearm to Retired Police Officer Robert David Parks.
- C.** To adopt a resolution approving the purchase of a 2027 Pierce Fire Engine from Pierce Manufacturing through Atlantic Emergency Solutions in the amount of \$954,162 and to authorize the City Manager to effectuate all necessary purchasing documents.
- D.** To approve a Budget Amendment in the amount of \$7,000 in State Drug Forfeiture revenue.
- E.** To approve a settlement of uncollected Real and Personal Property taxes totaling \$117,059.77, for fiscal year 2025-2026.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. SURPLUS PROPERTY PROCESS – DOWNTOWN PARK

City Council will direct staff on any potential deed restrictions to be included in the surplus property resolution, which must be adopted by Council before the advertisement and electronic auction begin.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2. ANNEXATION – E HARDEN STREET – 0.73 ACRE

A public hearing has been scheduled to consider approving an Annexation Ordinance to extend the corporate limits of the City of Graham pursuant to G.S. 160A-31 for a tract of land totaling 0.73 acre located off East Harden Street.

3. REZONING – 10.05 ACRES – OFF 0 HANFORD ROAD

A public hearing has been continued to consider rezoning 10.05 acres of property from R-18 (Low-Density Residential) to C-R (Conditional Residential) for the purpose of constructing 16 Cottage Homes and 10 Custom Built Homes located off Hanford Road.

(Continued from June 9, 2026 City Council meeting) (Planning Board recommended denial)

NEW BUSINESS:

4. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – CHAPTER 20 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES - PARKING IN WORK ZONES AND SPECIAL EVENT AREAS

City Council will consider amending Chapter 20, Article V, adding Section 20-165 and 20-166 of the Code of Ordinances to prohibit parking during road work and approved street closure areas.

5. DONATION POLICY

City Council will consider adopting a Donation Policy effective August 12, 2026.

6. FALL FEST SPECIAL EVENT – DOWNTOWN GRAHAM – SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

City Council will consider approving a request to use the sidewalks around downtown Graham for vendor tents and the Sesquicentennial Park area on Saturday, September 19, 2026 (rain date October 18) from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm for Fall Fest.

7. POTENTIAL CITY OF GRAHAM CHARTER AMENDMENT

City Council will direct staff on Council's preferred option for an amendment to the City Charter that would modify the voting power of the Mayor.

8. VEHICLE SALES

City Council will direct staff on Council's preferred option for an amendment to existing ordinances governing vehicle sales and propose language to strengthen the approval process.

9. FAÇADE AND BEAUTIFICATION GRANT CHANGES

City Council will discuss making possible changes to the existing Façade and Beautification Grant to expand funding to cover specific interior improvements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CITY STAFF COMMENTS

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

CLOSED SESSION:

City Council will consider a closed session to discuss a personnel issue in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6).

ADJOURNMENT