

A G E N D A
City Council Meeting
Monday, June 15, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

➤ **OPENING**

- **Call to Order**
- **Invocation**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Roll Call**

➤ **FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Formal Public Comment – City Council Agenda Protocol

The City of Garden City has identified this portion of the meeting to allow individuals an opportunity to formally address the City Council on issues of importance. Garden City requires that individuals who desire to formally address the City Council submit a written request form outlining the subject matter that they intend to discuss so that they can be placed on the meeting agenda. Members of the public desiring to be placed on the agenda to present or address matters to the City Council must submit a formal **“REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA”** form to the Office of the City Manager at least 10 days prior to the requested City Council meeting date that you wish to speak. City Council meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month so the request must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm on the Friday which constitutes 10 days prior. The request can be done in person, regular mail, fax or e-mail and the speaker should obtain acknowledgement of the request from the City to demonstrate that the 10 day requirement has been met. The request form may be obtained from the Office of the City Manager and on the City’s website www.gardencity-ga.gov. The request should state the name of the individual(s) desiring to be heard and the subject matter to be presented to City Council. Requests may be referred at the discretion of the City Manager, to appropriate staff for mediation prior to being placed on the public agenda. Please be advised the completion of a request form does not entitle the speaker to be added to the agenda.

➤ RECEIPT OF INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Procedure: To best manage this meeting section, any person who desires to address the City Council must sign up using the process outlined on the website where this meeting is advertised. Once recognized by the Mayor, the person will be allowed to speak in accordance with the Informal Public Comment–Speaker Protocols outlined below.

Informal Public Comment – Speaker Protocol

The City of Garden City believes that any member of the general public should be afforded the opportunity to address the City Council provided that designated rules are followed by the speaker. Any member of the public who wishes to address the City Council and offer public comment on items within the City Council's jurisdiction, may do so during the Informal Public Comment period of the meeting. However, no formal action will be taken on matters that are not part of the posted agenda. Informal Public Comments are scheduled for a total of fifteen (15) minutes and each person will be limited to three (3) minutes. In order to ensure the opportunity for all those desiring to speak before the Council, there is no yielding of time to another speaker. Speakers not heard during the limited fifteen (15) minute period will be first to present their comments at the next Council meeting. The opportunity to address City Council on a topic of his/her choice shall be used by an individual only one (1) time per month. It may not be used to continue discussion on an agenda item that has already been held as a public hearing. Matters under negotiation, litigation, or related to personnel will not be discussed. If a member of the general public would like to address the City Council during the Informal Public Comment portion of the meeting, please respectfully indicate your desire to address the City Council when the Mayor solicits members of the general public to come forward and speak. You will be recognized by the Mayor and asked to come forward to the podium so that you can address the City Council in accordance with the rules outlined herein. Once the speaker has been recognized to speak, he/she will be given three (3) minutes to address the City Council. The speaker should not attempt to engage the City Council and/or Staff in a discussion/dialogue and the speaker should not ask specific questions with the expectation that an immediate answer will be provided as part of the three (3) minute time frame since that is not the intent of the Informal Public Comment period. If the speaker poses a question or makes a request of the City, the Mayor may refer the issue or request to the City Manager for follow up. At the conclusion of the three (3) minute time period, the speaker will be notified that his/her time has elapsed and the next speaker will be recognized to come forward to the podium and address the City Council. The Mayor may rule out of order any Speaker who uses abusive or indecorous language, if the subject matter does not pertain to the City of Garden City, or if the Speaker(s) attempts to engage the City Council Members in a discussion or dialogue on issues. City Council shall not discuss non-agendized matters because it does not give the public adequate notice. Accordingly, City Council shall be limited to asking factual and clarifying questions of staff, and when appropriate, the Council may consider placing a matter on a future agenda. In addition, it is not reasonable to expect staff to respond to any of a variety of issues on which they may or may not be prepared to respond to on a moment's notice, so the City Manager may respond, or direct staff to respond at a later time.

➤ PUBLIC HEARINGS

- **Alcoholic Beverage License Application:** Receipt of public comment on an alcoholic beverage license application made by Siddhi Kodal to sell wines, beer, and/or malt beverages at Siddhi Shell, (D/B/A Mosaic Shell) 1727 Old Dean Forest Road, Garden City, Georgia.
- **Alcoholic Beverage License Application:** Receipt of public comment on an alcoholic beverage license application made by Oscar Armando Rodriguez at Tienda La Tamaulipeca, LLC, 617 US Highway 80, Garden City, Georgia.

Speaking to a Public Hearing Item Protocol

In the interests of time and to ensure fairness of all persons who appear before the City Council to speak for or against a public hearing item, speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each to address City Council except as described herein. One speaker for the Petitioner may address the City Council for no more than 10 minutes, unless extended by the Mayor. In an effort help the City Council and the general public to better understand the issues, the Mayor may request that a City staff member address the City Council from the podium. Speakers from the general public may only speak when recognized by the Mayor during the public hearing. Speakers will be asked to come to the podium to address the City Council for three (3) minutes and they shall state their name and resident address for the record.

Speakers addressing City Council on a public hearing item should coordinate comments to respect City Council's time limits. Groups should select a spokesperson to present the major points that summarize their position and opinions. Speakers are urged to be brief and non-repetitive with their comments. Comments shall specifically address the public hearing item before the City Council, and the speaker shall maintain appropriate tone and decorum when addressing the City Council. City Council may ask questions of the applicant, speakers, or staff during these proceedings only for the purpose of clarifying information. The speaker shall not direct derogatory comments to any individual, organization, or business. At the conclusion of the three (3) minute time period, the speaker will be notified that his/her time has elapsed, and the next speaker will be recognized to come forward to the podium and address the City Council. Once the public hearing is closed on an item, there will be no further opportunity for formal or informal public input at a City Council meeting.

***PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED ZONING DECISIONS BEFORE
GARDEN CITY'S MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF
CITY COUNCIL'S ZONING POWER***

Procedures for Conducting Public Hearings on Proposed Zoning Decisions:

All public hearings conducted by the Mayor and Council on Garden City, Georgia, on proposed zoning decisions shall be conducted as follows:

- (1) All public hearings by the Mayor and Council on zoning amendments shall be chaired by the Mayor.
- (2) The Mayor shall open the hearing by stating the specific zoning amendment being considered at the public hearing and further stating that printed copies of the adopted standards governing the exercise of the Mayor and Council's zoning power and the procedures governing the hearing are available to the public.
- (3) The Director of the City's Planning and Zoning Department shall advise the Mayor and Council of the recommendation of the Planning Commission when applicable.
- (4) The Mayor shall determine the number of attendees who desire to testify or present evidence at the hearing.
- (5) When there is a large number of individuals wishing to testify at a hearing, the Mayor may invoke time limits on individual speakers. In such cases, these time limits shall apply to all speakers. Proponents, including the petitioner or the petitioner's agent requesting the zoning decision, shall have no less than ten (10) minutes for the presentation of data, evidence, and expert opinions; opponents of the proposed decision shall have an equal minimum period of time. The Mayor may grant additional time; provided, however, an equal period of time shall be granted both sides.
- (6) The petitioner requesting such zoning decision, or the applicant's agent, shall be recognized first and shall be permitted to present and explain the request for the zoning decision. Thereafter, all individuals who so desire shall be permitted to speak in favor of the zoning decision.
- (7) After all individuals have had an opportunity to speak in accordance with subparagraph (6) above, those individuals present at the public hearing who wish to speak in opposition to the requested zoning decision shall have an opportunity to speak.
- (8) The Mayor may limit repetitious comments in the interest of time and may call for a show of hands of those persons present in favor of or opposed to the proposed decision.
- (9) It shall be the duty of the Mayor to maintain decorum and to assure the public hearing on the proposed decision is conducted in a fair and orderly manner.
- (10) Once all parties have concluded their testimony, the Mayor shall adjourn the public hearing.

Standards Governing the Exercise of The Zoning Powers of Garden City's Mayor and Council:

Prior to making a zoning amendment, the Mayor and Council shall evaluate the merits of a proposed amendment according to the following criteria:

- (1) Is this request a logical extension of a zoning boundary which would improve the pattern of uses in the general area?
- (2) Is this spot zoning and generally unrelated to either existing zoning or the pattern of development of the area?
- (3) Could traffic created by the proposed use or other uses permissible under the zoning sought traverse established single-family neighborhoods on minor streets, leading to congestion, noise, and traffic hazards?
- (4) Will this request place irreversible limitations or cause material detriment on the area similarly zoned as it is or on future plans for it?
- (5) Is there an imminent need for the rezoning and is the property likely to be used for the use requested?
- (6) Would the proposed use precipitate similar requests which would generate or accelerate adverse land use changes in the zone or neighborhood?

➤ **Approval of City Council Minutes**

- Consideration of the minutes from the June 1st Pre-Agenda Session and City Council Meeting Minutes and the June 8th Workshop meeting minutes.

➤ **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- **Resolution – FY2026 2nd Budget Amendment:** A resolution to amend the FY2026 General Operating fund budget; to adjust for the creation of the new Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives Department expenditures within the General Fund budget; to adjust for the differences between the originally adopted and presently projected revenues and expenditures for certain various line items in the city's General Fund budget.
- **Resolution – FY2026 Staffing Level Budget Amendment (Recreation Department):** A resolution of the Mayor and Council for Garden City to amend the FY2026 adopted budget staffing level of the Parks and Recreation Department within the General Fund to add two (2) new positions.
- **FY2026 Fee Schedule Amendment – (Recreation Department):** Consideration by the Mayor and Council to approve the updated schedule of fees for the Parks and Recreation Department.
- **Resolution – Amendment to City Council Meeting Schedule:** A resolution to amend the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City Council; for the period of August 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026.
- **Resolution – Data Centers Moratorium:** A resolution of the Mayor and Council of Garden City imposing a temporary, six-month moratorium on the acceptance of applications and the issuance of permits, licenses, or approvals for the establishment, construction, or operation of Data Centers within the corporate limits of Garden City; providing for an effective date; providing for exemptions; and for other lawful purposes.
- **Alcoholic Beverage License Application:** Consideration by the Mayor and Council of an alcoholic beverage license application made by Siddhi Kodal to sell wines, beer, and/or malt beverages at Siddhi Shell, (D/B/A Mosaic Shell) 1727 Old Dean Forest Road, Garden City, Georgia.
- **Alcoholic Beverage License Application:** Consideration by the Mayor and Council of an alcoholic beverage license application made by Oscar Armando Rodriguez at Tienda La Tamaulipeca, LLC, 617 US Highway 80, Garden City, Georgia.
- **Executive Session – Personnel Matter**

➤ **ADJOURN**

THIS PAGE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Application received by: A. Nowwood Date: 4/23/2026

POLICE DEPARTMENT REVIEW

Fingerprinted by: _____ Date: _____

Separate report submitted to the City Administrator:

 Date: 5/14/26
Police Chief

Public Hearing held on: _____

Date advertised in Savannah Morning News: _____

Action of Council: Approval Denial

License(s) Issued: _____ Date: _____



City of Garden City
 100 Central Avenue, Garden City, Georgia 31405
 Phone: 912.966.7777 Fax: 912.966.2735
 Email: occtax@garden-city-ga.gov

APPLICATION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Date Filed: _____

For the Year: _____

Expires at December 31 of the above year. . .

Type of License (check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spirituous Liquors (package)	\$2,722.0000	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beer and/or malt beverages \$682.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spirituous Liquors (by the drink)	\$2,722.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wines \$236.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Advertising Cost	\$95.00	

TOTAL: \$ _____

Business Information		
Business Name: <u>Siddh Shell, LLC</u>		
D/B/A/ (if applicable): <u>Mosaic Shell</u>		
Business Address: <u>1727 Old Dean Forest Road</u>		Business Phone: <u>912-665-1208</u>
Mailing Address: _____ <small>(If different from Business Address)</small>		Emergency Phone: _____
City: <u>savannah</u>	State: <u>GA</u>	Zip Code: <u>31408</u>
Business Email Address: <u>deanforestshell@gmail.com</u>		
What other kinds of business will be conducted at this location? <u>Convenience store, Gas, Food, etc.</u>		
List all persons with a financial interest in the business: <small>(For corporations, include all stockholders who own more than 10% of the outstanding stock of the corporation.)</small>		
<u>Siddh Kodal</u>	<u>23 Reese Way Savannah GA</u>	<u>100</u>
Has any person having an interest in said business been convicted of any violation of law other than a traffic violation? Served time in prison or other correctional institution? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
If Yes, describe circumstances: _____		

148.3 yards from

** Dean forest Baptist Church **

Applicant/Licensee Information

Full Name: Siddhi Kodal

Home Address: 23 Reese Way Phone: 912-665-1208

City: Savannah State: GA Zip Code: 31408

SSN: [REDACTED] Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Age: [REDACTED]

Ever held a similar license: NO Year: _____

Describe the interest owned or held by the applicant in the business: Owner of Business

Will the applicant operate the business in person? Yes No

If No, list the name of the manager: _____

Brief personal history of applicant:
(Include education, previous jobs, businesses owned, and any place of residence during last five years.)

Student and Full time worker

Criminal history of applicant (if any): None

Fingerprints of applicant shall be required with the initial application.

List five character references that will vouch for the applicant:

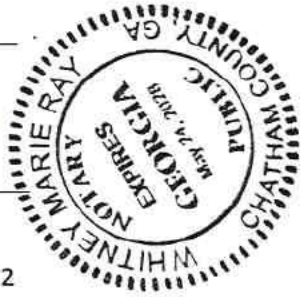
Name	Address
Sam Patel	1 Continental Blvd
John Desai	344 Spanton Crescent
Dilip Patel	2331 Pooler Parkway
Seth Starling	100 Sommer Blvd
Bobbi Hall	109 Ladys Island Commons

*ALL OF THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS HEREBY GIVEN AND ALL OF THE FOREGOING STATEMENTS ARE HEREBY MADE ON OATH, WILLFULLY, KNOWINGLY, AND ABSOLUTELY, AND THE SAME IS AND ARE HEREBY SWORN TO BE TRUE UNDER PENALTY FOR FALSE SWEARING AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

[Signature]
Applicant's Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
20 day of April, 20 26

[Signature]
Notary Public



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Application received by: A. Norwood Date: 5/11/2026

POLICE DEPARTMENT REVIEW

Fingerprinted by: _____ Date: _____

Separate report submitted to the City Administrator:

[Signature] Date: 5/21/26

Police Chief

Public Hearing held on: _____

Date advertised in Savannah Morning News: _____

Action of Council: Approval Denial

License(s) Issued: _____ Date: _____



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APPLICATION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Date Filed: 5/11/2026

For the Year: 2026
 Expires at December 31 of the above year.

Type of License (check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spirituous Liquors (package) \$2,722.00 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beer and/or malt beverages \$682.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spirituous Liquors (by the drink) \$2,722.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Wines \$236.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advertising Cost \$95.00 | |

TOTAL: \$ _____

Business Information

Business Name: Tienda La Tomaulipeca LLC
 D/B/A/ (if applicable): _____
 Business Address: 617 US Highway 80 Business Phone: 912 596 1089
 Mailing Address: _____ Emergency Phone: _____
(If different from Business Address)
 City: Garden City State: GA Zip Code: 31408
 Business Email Address: Oscar.rodriguez1058@gmail.com
 What other kinds of business will be conducted at this location? Just beer and the
current existing business

List all persons with a financial interest in the business:
(For corporations, include all stockholders who own more than 10% of the outstanding stock of the corporation.)

Name	Address	% Ownership
<u>Oscar Rodriguez</u>	<u>5228 Augusta Road Lot 3 Savannah GA 31408</u>	<u>100</u>

Has any person having an interest in said business been convicted of any violation of law other than a traffic violation? Served time in prison, or other correctional institution? Yes No

If Yes, describe circumstances: _____

Applicant/Licensee Information

Full Name: Oscar Armando Rodriga
 Home Address: 5228 Augusta Road lot 3 Phone: 912 596 1089
 City: Garden City State: _____ Zip Code: 31408
 SSN: [REDACTED] Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Age: [REDACTED]
 Ever held a similar license: No Year: _____

Describe the interest owned or held by the applicant in the business: _____

Will the applicant operate the business in person? Yes No

If No, list the name of the manager: _____

Brief personal history of applicant:
 (Include education, previous jobs, businesses owned, and any place of residence during the last five years.)
High School Diploma worked at GPA and custom quality caffold
lived at 5228 Augusta road for the last 5 years

Criminal history of applicant (if any): DUI, wreckless driving

Fingerprints of applicant shall be required with the initial application.

List five character references that will vouch for the applicant:

Name	Address
<u>Adriana Tinajero</u>	<u>5228 Augusta road lot 3 Savannah GA 3</u>
<u>Ciselt V. Manueva</u>	<u>verbera MI MI</u>
<u>Tovanni Vill nu</u>	<u>Ver MI lot 100</u>
<u>alomen ingi ro</u>	<u>dae Savannah, GA 31408</u>
<u>Michel Sanchez</u>	<u>GS 000 Savannah GA 31408</u>

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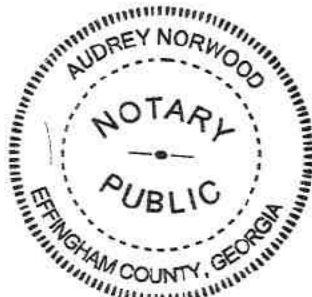
[Signature]

Applicant's Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
11 day of May, 20 26

[Signature]

Notary Public



SYNOPSIS

Pre-Agenda Session Monday, June 1, 2026 - 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Campbell called the pre-agenda session to order at approximately 5:30pm and offered the prayer.

Attendees:

Council Members: Mayor Bruce Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem Gwyn Hall, President of Council Natalyn Morris, Councilmember Michael Bruner, Councilmember Chris Figiel, Councilmember Richard Lassiter, and Councilmember Debbie Ruiz.

Staff Members: Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Gil Ballard, Police Chief; Mike Dick, Fire Chief; Cliff Ducey, Parks and Recreation Director; Carlos Navarez, Planning Director; Katie Draeger, Finance Director; Mack Robert, Fire Marshal; and Tonya Roper, Clerk of Council.

Mayor's Updates

No updates.

City Council Updates

No updates.

City Manager Updates

The City Manager provided an overview of the agenda.

The City Manager announced there will be an executive session on personnel matters.

1. Approval of City Council Minutes

Consideration of the minutes from the May 18th Pre-Agenda Session and City Council meeting minutes.

2. Items for Consideration

- a. The ordinance for the text amendment for Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives is to establish the department and the director's position. This position will manage legislative and intergovernmental relations and initiatives.
 - I. The City Manager informed Council of the meeting that occurred with the Finance Director and Governmental Affairs Director to work on the budget for after

consideration of this item. The budget will be brought before Council during the mid-year budget amendment.

- II. Councilmember Morris inquired about the conflicting ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance (Section 4) of the proposed ordinance. Ordinances normally pertain to orders against violations which have fees attached. The establishment of this department and department head seems as it should be a resolution more so than an ordinance.
 - III. The City Attorney explained that the verbiage body of the section is a part of the language within the ordinance, and a resolution is temporary whereas an ordinance is permanent. The City Attorney reiterated being told that the department will be permanent within the city. It was not to be a department for two years and then dropped, which is the difference between an ordinance and a resolution. The establishment has to be in conjunction with one another as with all the departments formed within the city. These departments have a budget, and the City Manager appoints directors for the departments. The budget is needed in order for the city to fund whatever the director's financial plan is for this department. If this is not what is wanted, then nothing needs to be done; however, it is better to have a budget in order to track the money that is being spent. Council's approval is needed to establish a departmental budget as opposed to simply hiring an administrative assistant.
 - IV. The City Manager explained both the initial establishment of the HR and IT/IS Departments occurred under the same process. Neither department existed as tasks were completed via City Manager and staff members. Both Directors were departments of one prior to the hiring of their staff. For a department to grow, the establishment of a department has occurred via an ordinance. The Charter allows for the establishment or the abolishing of a department.
 - V. The City Attorney, City Manager and Council expressed their appreciation in the accomplishments and discussed the authority previously given for the past and current work involved with governmental affairs and strategic initiatives.
- b. The resolution for the EPD STAR grant program reimburses the city for the cost for removal and processing of scrap tires collected on city right-of-way as the city collects a lot of spare tires.
- I. The City Manager informed Council that the reimbursement is up to \$75,000 and funding for the grant comes from the Georgia solid waste trust fund.
 - II. The Planning Director announced there is a certain timeline that the city must use this money. There is no matching for the grant - some of it is reimbursement and there will be events for recycling as well as getting the tires picked up by Public Works. The Planning Director is to work with the Finance Director on the particulars for controlling the timeline and grant funding.

- III. The Planning Director and Finance Director addressed Mayor Campbell's inquiry regarding the tires on Delettre Avenue. A previous quote of \$25,000 was received to remove the pile cleanup.
- IV. The Planning Director addressed Councilmember Morris' inquiry about the grant covering other types of cleanups and dumping of items in addition to tires. The grant is for tires and covers the cleanup of tires only. There will be a recycling event and virtual information provided on how to clean up items such as appliances.
- V. Councilmember Morris talked about the need of a community event where residents are able to drop off items in order to be able to clean up their property.

Briefing

The City Attorney informed Council of imposing a temporary moratorium in relation to acceptance of applications and issuance of permits, licenses, or approvals for the operations of data centers within the city. The moratorium will allow time to review the impacts of data centers.

Upon discussion, Council agreed to move forward with the item for consideration.

Adjournment: Given no other items to discuss, the Mayor and City Council adjourned the pre-agenda session at approximately 5:41pm.

*Transcribed & submitted by: The Clerk of Council
Accepted & approved by: The City Council 6-15-26*

MINUTES

City Council Meeting Monday, June 1, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Opening: Councilmember Hall gave the invocation, and the Mayor led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

City Council Members: Mayor Bruce Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem Gwyn Hall, President of Council Natalyn Morris, Councilmember Bruner, Councilmember Figiel, Councilmember Richard Lassiter, and Councilmember Debbie Ruiz.

Staff Members: Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Gil Ballard, Police Chief; Cliff Ducey, Parks and Recreation Director; Veronica Enoch, Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives Director; Tonya Roper, Clerk of Council; and Kyle Thomas, IT Tech.

Executive Session: Mayor Campbell called for a motion to enter executive session for discussion of personnel matters. Councilmember Morris made a motion to enter executive session at approximately 6:02pm for discussion of personnel matters. Councilmember Hall seconded the motion. The vote passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Campbell called for a motion to resume the open meeting at approximately 6:27pm. Councilmember Morris made a motion to resume the open session meeting. Councilmember Lassiter seconded the motion. The motion passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Campbell stated no findings came out of the executive session.

Informal Public Comment: Given no comments, Mayor Campbell closed this section for informal public comment.

City Council Minutes: Councilmember Lassiter made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18th Pre-Agenda Session and City Council meeting minutes. Councilmember Morris seconded the motion. The motion passes with Councilmember Bruner, Councilmember Figiel, Councilmember Lassiter, Councilmember Morris, Councilmember Ruiz and Mayor Campbell voting in favor of the motion. Councilmember Hall abstained from voting due to absence from the May 18th meeting.

Items for Consideration:

First Reading – Ordinance – Text Amendment (Department of Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives): The Clerk of Council read the heading of an ordinance by the Mayor and Council amending the code of ordinances of Garden City to establish the Department of Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives; to provide for the appointment and duties of a director; to establish the scope of the department's legislative and intergovernmental responsibilities; requiring the

presentment of an amendment to the city's financial reports and annual budget to establish a separate budget for the operations of said department; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other lawful purposes.

The City Manager stated this is to establish a governmental affairs and strategic initiatives department and director's position. This position will manage the legislative and intergovernmental relations within the city.

Councilmember Lassiter made a motion to approve on the first reading of the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hall. The motion passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Motion to Suspend the Rules of Council: Councilmember Morris made a motion to suspend the rule of Council to hold the second reading of the ordinance. Councilmember Hall seconded the motion. A vote is taken and passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Second Reading – Ordinance – Text Amendment (Department of Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives): The Clerk of Council read the heading of an ordinance by the Mayor and Council amending the code of ordinances of Garden City to establish the Department of Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives; to provide for the appointment and duties of a director; to establish the scope of the department's legislative and intergovernmental responsibilities; requiring the presentment of an amendment to the city's financial reports and annual budget to establish a separate budget for the operations of said department; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other lawful purposes.

Councilmember Hall made a motion to approve the ordinance on the second reading. Councilmember Ruiz seconded the motion; the motion passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Resolution – EPD STAR Grant Program: The Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution authorizing the City of Garden City to participate in the Georgia Environmental Protection Division's local government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement (STAR) grant program and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements and documents.

The City Manager stated the STAR program reimburses the city for the cost of removal and processing of scrap tires.

Councilmember Bruner made a motion to approve the resolution of the EPD STAR grant program. Councilmember Lassiter seconded the motion. A vote is taken, and the motion passes with all voting in favor of the motion.

Adjournment: Mayor Campbell called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Morris made a motion to adjourn at approximately 6:32pm. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hall and passed without opposition.

Transcribed & submitted by: The Clerk of Council

Accepted & approved by: The City Council on 6-15-26

GARDEN CITY, GEORGIA AFFIDAVIT AS TO OPEN MEETING LAW

The undersigned Mayor, under oath, certifies that at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of Garden City Georgia, held on the date identified below being the date of this document, the Mayor and Council closed their meeting as permitted by the Chapter 14 of Title 50 of the Georgia Code and pursuant to advice by the City Attorney. The only matters considered or discussed during the closed session or executive session of the meeting is as checked below:

Check √	Subject Matter	As provided in O.C.G.A. Section
	Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize the settlement of a matter covered by the attorney-client privilege. <i>The subject discussed was _____ (identify the case or claim discussed, but not the substance of the attorney-client discussion)</i>	50-14-2 (1) 50-14-3 (b)(1)(A)
	Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of or lease property.	50-14-3(b)(1)(B)
	Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize the ordering of an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate.	50-14-3(b)(1)(C)
	Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote.	50-14-3(b)(1)(D)
	Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote.	50-14-3(b)(1)(E)
√	Meeting to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee.	50-14-3(b)(2)
	Meeting to interview one or more applicants for the position of executive head of an agency.	50-14-3(b)(2)
	Pursuant to the attorney-client privilege, a meeting otherwise required to be open was closed to the public in order to consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the agency or any officer or employee or in which the agency or any officer or employee may be directly involved, and the matter discussed was _____ <i>(identify the matter but not the substance of the discussion)</i>	50-14-2(1)
	Staff meeting held for investigative purposes under duties or responsibilities imposed by law.	50-14-3(a)(1)
	Meeting to consider records or portions of records exempt from public inspection or disclosure because there are no reasonable means to consider the record without disclosing the exempt portions.	Article 4, Chapter 18 of Title 50

This Affidavit is executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A 50-14-4(b) and is to be filed with the official minutes of the aforementioned meeting.

This the 1st day of June 2026.

By: *[Signature]*
Mayor, City of Garden City, Georgia

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the above indicated date:



Notary Public, State of Georgia
Commission expires: _____

(Although the same is not mandatory, the following participants concur with the accuracy of this Affidavit.)

SYNOPSIS

City Council Workshop Monday, June 8, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Campbell called the workshop to order at approximately 5:30pm and Councilmember Bruner offered the prayer.

Attendees:

Council Members: Mayor Bruce Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem Gwyn Hall, President of Council Natalyn Morris, Councilmember Michael Bruner, Councilmember Chris Figiel, Councilmember Richard Lassiter, and Councilmember Debbie Ruiz.

Staff Members Present: Rhonda Ferrell- Bowles, City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Joe Papp, Patrol Commander Captain; Katie Draeger, Finance Director; Mike Dick, Fire Chief; Marth Vallada, Water/Sewer Interim Director; Lynnette Hymes, Public Works Executive Administrative Assistant; Veronica Enoch, Governmental Affairs Director; Cliff Ducey, Recreation Director; Virgil Moore, Public Works Director; Kefi Maxwell, Planning Technician; Carlos Naverez, Planning Director; and Tonya Roper, Clerk of Council.

➤ **Governmental Affairs & Strategic Initiatives Department Item(s):**
a. **New Recreation Complex Media Campaign Advertisement**

The City Manager announced the city has its first advertising commercial for the new recreation complex.

The Governmental Affairs & Strategic Initiatives Director presented the commercial, thanked the participants involved and informed Council that the commercial is the first draft. Input is welcomed as well as any suggestions or observations for tweaking. This is the first-run and the ad can be adjusted up to two times before being charged for changes. The “coming soon” will be updated from August to September and Alfred Street will be changed to Eagles’ Way. Any additional suggestions are to be emailed to the Governmental Affairs & Strategic Initiatives Director.

Councilmember Figiel inquired if it is possible to have a QR code in the bottom of the ad for a two-way interaction for those to sign-up and learn more information.

The Governmental Affairs & Strategic Initiatives Director agreed of the QR code being a possibility along with the start of the social media and still photos rolling out, and media with Council. Councilmember Lassiter and Councilmember Morris will do Welcome to Our Community with Dawn Baker on June 10th as well as the Mayor doing the Mayor’s segment for June 23rd.

➤ **Finance Department Item(s):**

a. FY2026 2nd Budget Amendment

The City Manager announced the FY2026 2nd Budget Amendment is to include the Governmental Affairs Department budget. The resolution is included along with the budgeted line items for the next Council meeting.

Councilmember Bruner inquired if the amendment is being added to the budget or offset by the amendment.

The City Manager confirmed the lines items are being added to the budget and provided further explanation of how expenses such as newsletters, advertising, lobbying contract services, and media campaigns are being placed into the line items for the department's tracking. These funds are added to this budget for legislative functions, – awards ceremony, legislative dinners, and special events such as the grand opening of community events, i.e. for the new recreation facility.

The City Manager addressed Councilmember Hall's inquiry regarding the funding of expenses for the grand opening of the recreational complex. The expenses for this event will be divided between both the Recreation Department and Governmental Affairs. The budgeted item event for the government official's ceremony is under the Governmental Affairs Director with the grand opening ceremony for the kids falling under the Recreation Director as a joint venture with joint budgeting.

Council agreed to move forward with this item for consideration.

➤ **Parks and Recreation Department Item(s):**

a. New Staff Positions Proposal

The City Manager informed Council of the Recreation Director's request for two new staff positions. The positions are an Outreach Coordinator who will be fluent in Spanish and a Weekend Parks and Recreation Facilities Coordinator.

The City Manager confirmed Councilmember Figiel inquiry regarding the spending to occur with this request. Job classification scales must be adjusted for the positions to be added by HR. Staff will present a PowerPoint regarding the update for recreation programs and fees

Council agreed to move forward with the item for consideration.

b. Recreation Programs & Fees Update

The Recreation Director provided an overview of the program and fees based on memberships. The memberships are only available to residents, the fees are monthly, and member eligibility may include Garden City employees and City Council. The Recreation Director summarized the membership program, costs, maximum allowed, and age requirements based on an individual and a family with costs illustrated for pool access, open gym, pre-registration for activities and weight room usage.

The Recreation Director discussed the fees in comparison with other cities and counties registration fees currently charged for programs involving football, basketball, baseball, volleyball, flag football, cheerleading and soccer. The Recreation Director talked about a rate comparison amongst the surrounding areas based on the least expensive rate, the inclusion of equipment and rate incentives for early sign-ups. The goal is to ensure affordability for the residents.

The Recreation Director provided an overview of the updated fee schedule with employees and City Council paying the residential membership rates. The Recreation Director discussed the comparison rates of a resident versus a non-resident fee cost per day along with 6–10-week timeline intervals for sports, gymnastics/dance, fitness classes, swimming, summer camp, weight room and open gym. Class and lesson fees are subject to change based on availability of trainers.

The Recreation Director talked about the updated fees for Garden City and provided an illustration showing Garden City at \$50 residential only rate for programs versus other cities and counties ranging from \$40 to \$95. The Recreation Director talked about the updated fee breakdown versus the current fee comparison and provided the rate of each program for a resident and a non-resident. For example, the current fee for the sports program was \$25 for a resident and \$35 fee for a non-resident – the proposal is to increase to \$50 for a resident and \$85 for the non-resident. Although the updated fees are an increase, Garden City is aligned with the sports programs in the surrounding areas.

The Recreation Director further explained the changes in the free swim, weight room, and open gym updated rates from the current rates and addressed Councilmember Ruiz' inquiry regarding if the fitness rates are monthly. Those fees were six, eight weeks or once per week and will vary depending upon the instructor.

The Recreation Director gave an overview of the facility rental fees. The Bruce Campbell Community room which is more like a community center will cost a resident \$75 to rent the space and \$200 for a non-resident the rental includes tables and chairs. For additional areas such as the multipurpose room, pavilions, pool, gym and turf field a rental cost breakdown for resident versus non-resident was provided along with additional details for costs relating to application submittal, deposits, safety patrols for lifeguards and security detail, rental inclusions, and maximum person requirements.

The Recreation Director confirmed Councilmember Hall's inquiry of the rental costs for the multi-purpose room as being per hour.

For tournament and game rentals, there is a per hour rate of \$200 for a four-hour minimum for the full gym rental, a \$100 rate for the outside pickleball courts and the turf field has a two hour minimum with a rate of \$400. Security/police are required for 50+ people, the facility rental fee includes the opening of the concession stand, staff fee and lights for fields.

The Recreation Director addressed Councilmember Ruiz' inquiry regarding if there are fees associated with those who wish to use the facilities for practice. There will be certain aspects of the facility that will not incur a fee; however, usage will be based on availability and first come first serve basis.

The Finance Director provided an overview of the revenue and expense increases after opening of the recreational facility complex. The new expenses include the two new staff members mentioned previously by the Recreation Director. The new revenue is very conservative as there is no way to know exactly how the rentals will occur.

The Finance Director provided an illustration showing the 2026 expenses and new expenses versus 2026 revenues and new revenues. Increased expenses include stadium and gym maintenance, pool chemicals with maintenance, property insurance and electricity while the increased revenues consist of stadium rental estimates, additional property rentals, new class offerings, and increased charges based on current registrations.

The Finance Director discussed the increased budget in comparison to other cities and counties. The types of consideration for surrounding areas take into account a jurisdiction's population, median income, revenues and expenses. In showing these comparisons, there are no jurisdictions that make money off of recreation activity. The City's population and income are considerably lower when compared to other municipalities.

The Finance Director announced there were inquiries regarding recouping costs based on user fees. An illustration is provided based on the number of participants over the last couple of years. The breakdown shows a percentage of revenue that was made from Gym and Park, summer camp, and program fees. The illustration also shows what it costs per participant or rental. For gym and parks, there would need to be a charge of \$1400 per rental, for summer camp the participants would have to pay \$1000 per week, and program fees to pay football would be \$958. These are hypothetical to show that nobody makes money off of recreation; it is not possible to recoup costs.

The Recreation Director informed Council that facility rentals will generate revenue. Prior to being in a temporary facility for three years, there have not been facility rentals. Now, we will have space and accommodations for middle school games, JV games and tournaments.

➤ **Planning, Zoning, & Building Department Item(s):**
a. **Garden City Growth Plan Presentation**

The City Manager announced the Planning Department will give a growth plan presentation. It is a plan created as a long-term blueprint to guide the future for physical, economic and social development.

The Planning Director explained that when onboarding occurred with the newly elected officials and the introduction to the Planning Department, there were discussions of steps and plans for Planning and Zoning. There have been efforts with economic development, and how to connect the community with Business. The growth plan was started with the city's Planning Tech this year and has been her focus since coming on board. Before starting with the existing planning, we want to do a roadmap towards where we want to see in terms of growth. This plan is using growth in terms of what the city currently has and not in terms of annexation.

The Planning Technician provided an overview of the Growth Roadmap 2026. The goal is to explain the roadmap and why it is being developed, how it organizes the work that is already underway and how it will help the city move from longstanding ideas into visible trackable progress. The City has older plans and studies; Planning has identified redevelopment areas, corridor concepts, housing areas and we don't need to come up with new ideas as this roadmap plan is to get all these plans on the same page in order to build upon what has already been agreed on.

The Planning Technician summarized the existing plans and studies on transportation, housing, and comprehensive plans. These plans included the Town Redevelopment Plan, the Garden City Strategic Plan, and the Urban Redevelopment Plan. The goal is to bring all of these plans together and the roadmap will serve as an instruction manual of how to get to the reality that is wanted.

The Planning Technician explained the six pillars of organization as a guide to the next phase of growth and implementation. The pillars included Growing Garden City which addresses housing, redevelopment, infill, neighborhood stabilization, adaptive reuse and corridor investment. The next pillar is Connected; this pillar is to highlight your sidewalks, trails, neighborhood loops, reestablishing safe routes to school, bus stops and transportation coordination. The Green pillar covers drainage, storm water, shade, tree canopy, the medians, and investing in green infrastructure.

The Planning Technician discussed the next phase of pillars and how the pillars will begin to shift the conversation from individual improvements to a more strategic approach. The approach phase pillars include Beautiful which covers gateways and public art. The Working pillar is going to support economic development, business engagement, and coordination with the Port in regard to freight, adaptive reuses, and workforce support. The Organized pillar is to create the accountability structure by way of investing in dashboards, tracking initiatives, quarterly updates, and public reporting.

The Planning Technician talked about the engine behind the roadmap. The clusters include the planning functions of community development, housing, transportation, land use and zoning, economic development, environmental resilience and sustainability; these are the areas that turn ideas into action. The growth plan helps to organize what the City wants to achieve through strategic pillars, action tracks, city initiatives and public updates. The goal is to document the conditions, opportunities, and needs that already exist across the city. By building a citywide inventory, which includes the corridors, the gateways, vacant underused sites, aging buildings, any mobility gaps, public spacing spaces, and neighborhood investment opportunities, the city creates a clearer picture of where future attention may be needed and where opportunities exist.

The Planning Technician clarified what may or may not be involved with initiatives – new funding, board action, staff coordination, partnerships, grants, code updating, outreach, and internal departments. The purpose is to make sure these items stay visible once identified. The roadmap matters if it leads to visible progress. This growth plan helps in supporting grant readiness by allowing us to describe, map, document, justify and connect all of the adoptive priorities for funding opportunities.

A discussion amongst Council and Staff occurred regarding the best options in starting the plan for items that are top priority along with a timeline for the initiatives requiring action.

The Planning Technician addressed Councilmember Ruiz' inquiry regarding grants. There are grants available for any project, but the grants require plans, being very thorough with full agreement amongst Council. Recipients must be able to justify why and how prepared the city is to receive the funding.

The Planning Director explained that the roadmap is only a starting point with the work to begin on the inventory aspect of the plan. In order for the city to grow, all communities must be connected. The business licensing will assist in determining inventory.

Council agreed to move forward with Growth Roadmap 2026.

b. GICH Community Certification & Housing Grants

The Planning Director explained the request for clarification to pursue GICH community recertification. City staff met with a DCA representative to seek initial guidance on grant opportunities. A meeting is scheduled on June 17th to discuss potential next steps and final clarity for requirements. The Planning Director provided an overview for the ways of being recertified through the establishment of a housing committee. The committee would only provide ideas and recommendations with the City applying for grants and being the overseer of funding.

A discussion occurred amongst Council and Staff regarding the process for choosing the committee, an alumni team, recertification, training, and the involvement of a nonprofit organization.

Council agreed to move forward with the process towards recertification. The Planning Director is to provide further information from the scheduled meeting on June 17th.

c. Village Point Townhome Community Property Plat and Subdivision

The Planning Director provided an overview of the request for acceptance of infrastructure and final plat approval. The request is for action as outlined in the development agreement between the City and Garden City Development which originally occurred in 2022. The major subdivision was for 76 units with two street names. The streets will be private, but the utilities are to be public. These are town homes with an eight-foot front yard and a four-foot back yard with landscaping around the area.

The Planning Director and City Attorney addressed Councilmember Bruner’s inquiry regarding confirmation of units and the connection of the units. The development is to be a 76 unit generating a density of 4.3 units per acre.

The Planning Director summarized the terms of the agreement for public improvement of the completed construction. With completion of the facilities, the city must formally accept the utility infrastructure, the related rights-of-way, the pump station servicing the development and the new road segment.

The Planning Director provided an overview of the probable cost detail for infrastructure. He clarified the percentage and timeframe requirement for the performance bonds, and the obligations for maintenance of the pump station, utilities, HOA’s and common areas.

The Planning Director confirmed Councilmember Hall’s inquiry regarding the setup of the sewer system. This system is to be similar to the Town Center development.

Upon discussion, Council confirmed for the plat to move forward with the Planning Commission.

➤ **City Council Item(s):**

a. Proposed Ordinance Amendment by Councilmember Figiel – Special Requirements for CBD Tobacco Specialty Stores, Liquor Package Shops, & Title Pawn Shops

Councilmember Figiel informed Council that this request was a result from the zoning course and piggybacks off of the growth plan. The instructor of the course highlighted an ordinance that

was modeled from Woodstock. The idea is that it would help to diversify our businesses as it comes in. It is not to affect any existing businesses but would set distance requirements where you want to have new ones. For example, multiple gas stations within a two-mile radius or multiple pawn shops within a three-mile radius or several smoke shops in a four-mile radius. It can still be built but not next to the same that already exists. It gives more land to do other things with when planning out the city.

A discussion occurred amongst Council regarding the benefits of the ordinance in regard to the residents.

The City Attorney clarified the limits of nuisance usages which currently have distance restrictions. These are policy decisions to be made by Council. There is currently a policy cap on Pawn Shops allowed within the city. Convenience stores provide residents with items when a jurisdiction does not have a main grocery store. In order to pass the policy, there has to be a justification for the need for a distance requirement.

Council agreed to table for further research.

➤ **Mayor's Updates:**

No updates

➤ **City Council's Updates:**

Council Morris discussed an update for the train blockage on Priscilla Thomas Way. The urgency is seen by the railroad administration and engineering services as a possibility were discussed as part of a connected partnership. There has been improvement, but this is a work in progress.

Councilmember Bruner asked to revisit the bylaws of the Planning Commission.

The City Attorney confirmed that the bylaws would need to detail on how the members of the Commission are chosen. This would need to be placed into an ordinance for approval by Council.

➤ **City Manager's Updates:**

The City Manager announced the Big Hill Road CSX railroad crossing will be closed starting at 8am on June 17th through June 19th for replacement of a panel crossing. There is an emergency access road on Water Oak Way for the residents who can reroute through the Oaks neighborhood to get to Hawkinsville. They are to place signage out showing the route.

Briefing

The Finance Director provided an update regarding the property tax update, receipt of the digest and advertisement for public hearings. The Finance Director informed Council the meeting dates will affect the July meeting and the summer session schedule. The Finance Director provided a tentative schedule for advertising and public meetings.

The City Manager informed Council that the delay from the County has been affected by the legislature. The City must advertise based on the 2026 Digest. We are unable to use the prior years.

The meeting adjourned approximately at 6:47pm.

Transcribed by: Clerk of Council

Approved by Mayor & Council:6-15-06

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY2026 GENERAL OPERATING FUND BUDGET; TO ADJUST FOR THE CREATION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET; TO ADJUST FOR THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE ORIGINALLY ADOPTED AND PRESENTLY PROJECTED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR CERTAIN VARIOUS LINE ITEMS IN THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND BUDGET.

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2026, the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, in regular session assembled, approved the creation of the Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives Department; and,

WHEREAS, an amendment in the General Fund Budget is needed to fund the estimated expenditures for various line items for the Governmental Affairs and Strategic Initiatives Department as set forth in the attached Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, in regular session assembled, do approve an amendment to the FY2026 General Fund Operating Budget to accurately reflect the differences between the originally adopted expenditures and the amended expenditures based on actual revenues and expenditures with respect to each of the City's various departments as set forth on the attached Exhibit "A."

ADOPTED BY the Mayor and City Council of Garden City, Georgia, this ____ day of June 2026.

BRUCE CAMPBELL, Mayor

Received and approved this ____ day of June 2026.

TONYA ROPER, Clerk of Council

Exhibit A

<u>GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS</u>		
Line Item / Acct. Code	Expenditure Description	2026 Amended
100-1570-511100	Salaries - Regular Employees	58,270
100-1570-512200	Social Security (FICA) Contributions	3,535
100-1570-512300	Medicare	830
100-1570-512400	Retirement Contributions	1,002
100-1570-512700	Workers' Compensation	200
Total Personnel Services & Benefits		63,837
100-1570-521100	Contracted Services	42,000
100-1570-523300	Advertising	16,500
100-1570-523400	Printing & Binding	2,000
100-1570-523500	Travel	3,800
100-1570-523700	Education & Training	2,400
Total Purchased & Contracted Services		66,700
100-1570-531100	General Supplies & Materials	800
100-1570-531101	Postage	100
100-1570-531300	Food - Banquets & Flowers	23,600
100-1570-531301	Community Evenets	25,000
Total Supplies & Expenditures		49,500
Total Governmental Affairs		180,037

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR GARDEN CITY, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET STAFFING LEVEL OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND TO ADD TWO (2) NEW POSITIONS.

WHEREAS, in its adoption of the FY2026 Budget, the City Council approved a Staffing Level Chart for the City providing the staffing levels for each of the funds and departments of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to amend said Staffing Level Chart of the Recreation Department within the General Fund to add one (1) outreach coordinator and one (1) weekend facilities coordinator positions for the Recreation Department as reflected in Exhibit “A”; and,

WHEREAS, the approximate total salary and benefit costs for the two (2) new positions are estimated to be \$61,169.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CITY, GEORGIA, THAT:

- 1) That the City Council does hereby amend the FY2026 Budget Staffing Level of the Recreation Department to add one (1) outreach coordinator and one (1) weekend facilities coordinator positions to bring the total number of authorized full-time positions for the Recreation Department to eleven (11).
- 2) That the City Council does hereby instruct the Finance Director to make the necessary adjustments to various funding levels in the FY2026 General Fund’s Recreation Department budget line items for salaries and benefits to reflect the changes in staffing levels in order to balance the budget.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, this ____ day of June, 2026.

TONYA ROPER, Clerk of Council

RECEIVED AND APPROVED this ____ day of June, 2026.

BRUCE CAMPBELL, Mayor

Exhibit A

<u>Parks & Recreation</u>	2026 Adopted	2026 Amended	Pay Status Budget
Director of Parks and Recreation	1	1	Exempt
Recreation Program Coordinator	2	2	Non-Exempt
Outreach Coordinator	0	1	Non-Exempt
Weekend Facilities Coordinator	0	1	Non-Exempt
Recreation Activity Leader	1	1	Non-Exempt
Parks & Recreation Technician Senior	1	1	Non-Exempt
Parks & Recreation Technician	3	3	Non-Exempt
Administrative Assistant	1	1	Non-Exempt
Total Parks & Recreation FTE Budgeted Positions	9	11	



Parks & Recreation Fees Schedule

Effective June 15, 2026

FACILITY RENTAL FEES

NON-TOURNAMENT/GAME

Description	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate
The rate is per hour. A refundable deposit equal to the first hour required when booking.		
Multipurpose Room (A or B)	\$60.00	\$100.00
Community Room	\$75.00	\$200.00
Pavilion at Gym	\$25.00	\$50.00
Pool (19 people max)	\$300.00	\$500.00
Gym (per court)	\$200.00	\$300.00
Turf Field	\$200.00	\$400.00
Field Lights	\$100.00	\$100.00

NOTE: Rates do not include the cost for required security/police. Additional lifeguard required for 20 + people at reimbursement rate. Tables and chairs are included with Community Room and Multipurpose Room rentals. Employees and City Council Members pay residential rates.

TOURNAMENT/GAME

Description	Rate	Fee
The rate is per hour. A refundable deposit equal to the first hour required when booking.		
Gym	Entire gym, 4-hour minimum	\$200.00
Turf Field	2- hour minimum	\$400.00
Pickleball Courts	Per day	\$100.00

NOTE: Rates do not include the cost for required security/police. Includes opening of concession stand, staff fee, and lights for fields. Employees and City Council Members pay residential rates.

PROGRAM & ACTIVITY FEES

Description	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate
Sport Registrations (per sport)	\$50.00	\$85.00
Summer Camp Registration	\$25.00	\$25.00
Summer Camp*	\$85.00	\$140.00
Swimming Lessons (8 sessions)	\$45.00	\$70.00
Gymnastics/Dance (8 sessions)	\$45.00	\$70.00
Free Swim	\$1.00	\$5.00
Weight Room (daily fee)	\$5.00	N/A
Open Gym (daily fee)	\$5.00	\$5.00
Fitness Classes	TBD based on Trainer Cost	TBD based on Trainer Cost

* Summer Camp rate is per week and does not include the cost of field trips.

NOTE: Employees and City Council Members pay residential rates.



Parks & Recreation Fees Schedule

Effective June 15, 2026

MEMBERSHIPS

Description	Rate	Fee
For residents only. Includes pool access, open gym (basketball), and pre-registration for activities/classes.		
Individual (16 + years old)	Per month	\$5.00
Family (5 member max)	Per month	\$10.00
For residents only. Can be added to Individual/Family memberships.		
Weight Room (18 + years old)	Per month, per person	\$10.00

NOTE: Employees and City Council Members are eligible.

GARDEN CITY RESOLUTION

A resolution to amend the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City, City Council for the period of August 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026.

WHEREAS, it is desirous of amending the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City Council for the period of August 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City Council is not detrimental to the proper and diligent administration of the City; and

WHEREAS, an amended meeting schedule is proposed as follows:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Action</i>
Regularly Scheduled Meeting	July 6, 2026	Affirmed
Regularly Scheduled Meeting	July 20, 2026	Affirmed
Regularly Scheduled Meeting	August 3, 2026	Canceled
Regularly Scheduled Meeting	August 17, 2026	Affirmed
Regularly Scheduled Meeting	September 7, 2026	Canceled
Regularly Scheduled Meeting	September 21, 2026	Affirmed

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, in regular session assembled, that they do hereby approve and amend the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City Council as herein described for the period of August 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026.

ADOPTED BY the Mayor and Council of the City of Garden City, Georgia, this 15th day of June 2026 in open session.

TONYA ROPER
Clerk of Council

Received and approved this 15th day of June 2026.

BRUCE CAMPBELL
Mayor

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CITY, GEORGIA, IMPOSING A TEMPORARY, SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS AND THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS, LICENSES, OR APPROVALS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, CONSTRUCTION, OR OPERATION OF DATA CENTERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF GARDEN CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Garden City, Georgia, is authorized by the Constitution of the State of Georgia and the City Charter to regulate land use, zoning, and development within its corporate limits to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, "Data Centers", defined generally as facilities used to house computer systems and associated components, such as telecommunications and storage systems, which typically require substantial electrical power, cooling infrastructure, and physical space, have seen a rapid increase in demand and development throughout the region; and,

WHEREAS, the current Zoning Ordinance of Garden City does not explicitly define "Data Centers," nor does it adequately address the unique impacts associated with such facilities, including but not limited to heavy demands on electrical grids, substantial water consumption for cooling systems, noise generated by industrial HVAC units and backup generators, and limited job creation relative to their physical footprint; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find that it is in the best interest of the City to thoroughly study, analyze, and draft appropriate zoning definitions, identify compatible zoning districts, and establish specific conditional use criteria for data centers before any further such facilities are permitted to operate; and,

WHEREAS, a temporary moratorium of six (6) months will allow City staff, the Planning Commission, and the City Council sufficient time to review impacts, update the Comprehensive Plan if necessary, and adopt well-considered amendments to the Zoning Ordinance without the pressure of pending applications creating incompatible land uses; and,

WHEREAS, this temporary moratorium is a reasonable and necessary exercise of the City's police powers, is enacted in good faith, and is tailored to last no longer than necessary to accomplish its intended legislative purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of Garden City, Georgia, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Imposition of Moratorium

A temporary moratorium is hereby imposed upon the acceptance, processing, review, or issuance of any new applications for zoning permits, building permits, business licenses,

conditional use permits, or variances related to the establishment, construction, or expansion of Data Centers within any zoning district of Garden City, Georgia.

SECTION 2. Definition

For the purposes of this Resolution, "Data Center" shall mean any facility, building, or portion thereof primarily used to house a highly concentrated collection of networked computer servers, data storage systems, and associated components used for data processing, cloud computing, artificial intelligence processing, or digital asset mining, along with necessary supporting infrastructure such as cooling units, power substations, and emergency backup generators.

SECTION 3. Duration

This moratorium shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Mayor and Council and shall remain in effect for a period of exactly six (6) months from the date of adoption, or until the City Council adopts an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance to define and regulate data centers, whichever occurs first. This moratorium may be extended by resolution of the City Council if additional time is reasonably required to complete the necessary studies and legislative process.

SECTION 4. Exemptions

This moratorium shall not apply to:

1. Any legally established data center currently operating within the City prior to the effective date of this Resolution.
2. Complete applications for building permits or zoning approvals that were formally submitted to and accepted by the City prior to the date of introduction of this Resolution.
3. Internal IT or server rooms that are purely incidental and secondary to the primary permitted use of a business, school, or government building.

SECTION 5. Severance Provision & Conflicts

All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby suspended during the operation of this moratorium to the extent of such conflict. If any section, clause, or provision of this Resolution is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

SECTION 6. Effective Date

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this _____ day of June, 2026.

TONYA ROPER
Clerk of Council

RECEIVED AND APPROVED this _____ day of June, 2026.

BRUCE CAMPBELL, Mayor