



ATHENS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED SESSION

The Athens City Council met in special called session on **Thursday, June 4, 2026**, at 5:30 p.m. in the Athens City Hall Council Chambers, with Mayor Eaton presiding. Councilmember Duggan led the invocation. Vice Mayor Curtis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call:

PRESENT: McCowan, Duggan, Sherlin, Curtis, Eaton

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPECIAL CALLED SESSION

Notice is hereby given to all residents of Athens, Tennessee, and to all interested persons, that a Special Called Session of the Athens City Council will be held at Athens City Hall, 815 North Jackson Street, Athens, Tennessee, beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2026.

The purpose of this meeting is:

A. Retail development items needing attention.

B. Concerns regarding executive sessions.

Citizens will have the opportunity to provide public comments. Prior to the start of the meeting, all persons wishing to address the City Council must sign in on the sheet provided at the entrance to the Council Chambers. Speakers are required to comply with the adopted Public Comment Rules.

For additional information, please contact the Office of the City Manager at (423) 744-2702.

/s/

Mayor Larry Eaton

/s/

Councilmember Duggan

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CITIZENS COMMENTS GERMANE TO THE AGENDA

- Tyler Boyd commented on concerns regarding executive sessions.
- Glenn Whiting commented on both items on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Retail development items needing attention.

Mayor Eaton moved to approve the quote from Wolf Tree, Inc. for clearing 648 feet of fence row from Ruby Tuesday to the flags along Interstate 75 at Exit 49 in the amount of \$11,250, seconded by Councilmember McCowan.

APPROVED

Roll call vote:

YEAS: McCowan, Duggan, Eaton

NAYS: Sherlin

ABSTAIN: Curtis

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Mayor Eaton moved to authorize payment of \$12,500 to Athens Utilities Board for water line relocation at a potential development site near Exit 49, seconded by Councilmember Duggan.

APPROVED

Roll call vote:

YEAS: McCowan, Duggan, Sherlin, Curtis, Eaton

NAYS: None

B. Concerns Regarding Executive Sessions.

Mayor Eaton moved to have an investigation conducted into May 26, 2026 and June 4, 2026 Executive Sessions seconded by Councilmember Duggan.

FAILED

Roll call vote:

YEAS: Duggan, Eaton

NAYS: McCowan, Sherlin, Curtis

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Eaton moved to adjourn the meeting and requested roll call.

Roll call vote:

YEAS: McCowan, Duggan, Sherlin, Curtis, Eaton

NAYS: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.



Bridget Roberts, Interim City Manager



Larry Eaton, Mayor