SUMMARY: City Council Dec. 1, 2025

At its regular session Dec. 1, 2025, the Dickson City Council:

- Unanimously approved the minutes of the Nov. 3, 2025, City Council regular session with all eight members present;
- Unanimously approved on second reading Ordinance #1576 to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Program Plan to appoint Cameron Smith as safety director;
- Unanimously approved Resolution #2025-48 to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Individual Project Order No. 118178029 under the Master Agreement for Continuing Professional Services with Kimley-Horn and Associates to prepare and implement an updated signal timing plan for the intersection of Highway 46 and East Walnut Street/Highway 47. City Administrator David Travis said once the city completes projects to install broadband connections and new detection sensors to all the traffic signals, the city will look at getting an updated timing plan for the entire Highway 46 corridor;
- Unanimously approved Resolution #2025-76 to accept a donation of property by The Jackson Foundation for the site of a new Dickson Fire Department Station #2 and a training facility. Administrator Travis said The Jackson Foundation is donating 7.28 acres on Marshall Stuart Drive to the city to build a fire station to replace the current facility on Pringle Drive, which the department has outgrown;
- Unanimously approved and authorized the Mayor to sign a lobbying representation agreement and letter of engagement with Andy Daniels and Ross Smith to represent the City of Dickson during the 2026 Tennessee General Assembly session for \$20,000;
- Unanimously approved and authorized the Mayor to sign a contract with Safe Haven Baby Boxes, Inc. and Memoranda of Understanding with the GFWC Dickson County Woman's Club and High Noon Rotary Club to provide, fund and operate a safe and secure location for the anonymous surrender of newborn infants at Dickson Fire Department Station #1. Assistant City Attorney Ross Smith said the woman's club has raised more than \$22,000 to pay Safe Haven for the device and cover installation expenses and the Rotary Club has pledged to pay the \$500 annual maintenance fee to Safe Haven for the first four years. Under Tennessee law, mothers of infants up to 45 days old can surrender the infants at several locations such as hospitals, fire stations, health departments, walk-in clinics, police stations and emergency medical service facilities confidentially and without fear of prosecution;
- Approved Resolution #2025-87 to ratify and confirm Health and Educational Facilities Board Resolution #2025-1 giving final approval for up to \$48 million in Tennessee Housing Development Agency bonds to 841 Cowan Road, LP to finance the acquisition and construction of a 228-unit apartment complex on Cowan Road. The HEFB preliminarily approved bonds of \$43 million in May 2024, then amended it to \$48 million in November 2024 and gave final approval Nov. 17, 2025. Attorney Smith said there is no financial obligation for the city and the developer is responsible for paying back the bonds to THDA. The HEFB approved the resolution 4-2 with members Mike Legg and Tommy Fuson in opposition and the council ratified the resolution 7-1 with Councilperson Kyle Sanders (2nd Ward) in opposition;

- Unanimously approved Resolution #2025-88 to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Task Order 24-12 under On-Call Survey Contract #S-002 with OHM, Inc. to provide additional surveying services for the proposed City Center in downtown for \$21,500. Administrator Travis said the property around the War Memorial Building needs to be included in the survey for the facility proposed for South Main Street;
- Unanimously approved Resolution #2025-89 to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) Contract with Hoar Construction, LLC for Phase II of the J. Dan Buckner Park Project. Under a CMAR, the contractor is a part of the design process and provides a guaranteed maximum price. Phase II involves reconfiguring the largest ballfield into three smaller fields, a new concession stand/restroom facility, covered batting cage and new playground. The City has received a \$4 million grant with a 50 percent match from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's Local Parks and Recreation Fund for Phase II;
- Unanimously approved Purchase Order #110723 to Wavetronix for \$29,825 to purchase radar traffic sensors for the intersection of Highway 70 West and Pond Road/West End Avenue. Administrator Travis said the traffic sensors will detect vehicles to control the traffic signals and are replacing the detection loops that are placed in the pavement; and
- Unanimously approved Purchase Order #110749 to Wavetronix for \$14,230 to purchase radar traffic sensors for the intersection of Highway 46 and Thornton Drive. Administrator Travis said the intersection uses a different system than the previous purchase and requires less equipment, which is why it costs less.

Mayor Weiss provided the council a schedule of City Council and Finance and Management Committee meetings for 2026. The schedule shows the Finance and Management Committee meetings for January and February will be rescheduled to Jan. 22 and Feb. 19 due to the Martin Luther King Jr. and Presidents Day holidays, respectively, and the September City Council meeting will be rescheduled to Sept. 1 due to Labor Day. All other City Council meetings will remain on the first Monday of the month and Finance and Management Committee meetings will remain on the third Monday of the month.

Mayor Weiss scheduled the Finance and Management Committee meeting for 6:00 pm Monday, Dec. 15, and the next regular City Council meeting for 7:00 pm Monday, Jan. 5, 2026, in the Council Chambers at Dickson City Hall, 600 East Walnut St. All meetings are open to the public.

In the Beer Board session, the board approved a Class I (on-premises) beer permit for Logan's Roadhouse, 130 Chandler Drive, which is under new ownership of Logans Roadhouse Enterprises, LLC of Dallas, Texas. The board approved the permit 7-0-1 with Councilperson Dwight Haynes (4th Ward) abstaining.

With no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Weiss adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm without objection.

Dickson City Council regular sessions are broadcast at 8:00 pm Thursdays and Saturdays on the Community Access Channel (Comcast 19).