

AGENDA

Dickson City Council Special Session

Monday, March 16, 2026

Following the 6:00 pm Finance and Management Committee meeting

Council Chambers, Dickson City Hall

Mayor Don L. Weiss Jr., O.D. presiding

Call to Order

Mayor Weiss

Roll Call

City Recorder

SPECIAL SESSION

Public Comments

1. Anyone wishing to provide comments germane to any item on this agenda shall indicate so by registering prior to the start of the meeting on the sign-up sheet provided at the entrance to the council chambers. No registrations will be allowed after the meeting has been called to order. The presiding officer shall establish an allotted time for each speaker and determine the order of speakers under the guidelines established in the City of Dickson Public Engagement Policy adopted in Resolution #2023-12

Business

1. RESOLUTION #2025-24: A Resolution of the Council of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, opposing legislation to limit a municipality's authority to set property tax rates
2. RESOLUTION #2025-25: A Resolution of the Council of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, in support of proposed changes to statutes regarding annexations
3. RESOLUTION #2025-26: A Resolution of the Council of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, opposing proposed changes to state law to allow the carrying of firearms in local public parks
4. RESOLUTION #2026-27: A Resolution of the Council of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and execute a contract for the purchase of property at 206 South Main Street

Adjournment

RESOLUTION #2026-24

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE,
OPPOSING LEGISLATION TO LIMIT A MUNICIPALITY'S AUTHORITY TO SET
PROPERTY TAX RATES**

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is currently considering two proposals to limit the authority of counties and municipalities to increase their ad valorem tax levy; and

WHEREAS, HB1873/SB2064 by Rep. Jason Zachary of Knoxville and Sen. Bo Watson of Hixson and HB2607/SB2002 by Rep. Bud Hulseley of Kingsport and Sen. Joey Hensley of Hohenwald propose to establish limits on the percentage of increases in property tax rates that can be assessed annually or accumulatively over periods of time and require referenda in order to exceed those limits or the certified tax rate following reappraisals; and

WHEREAS, ad valorem tax levies are the primary source of revenue over which counties and municipalities have control in establishing in order to meet the financial needs and obligations for the operation of local government; and

WHEREAS, alternative sources of revenue such as sales and use taxes, hotel/motel taxes, impact fees and others are already limited or restricted by Tennessee Code Annotated.

Now, therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE**, that:

SECTION 1. The Council and Administration of the City of Dickson are on record as opposing House Bills 1873 and 2607 and Senate Bills 2064 and 2002 and any other legislation that would restrict or limit the municipality's authority to establish its ad valorem tax levy.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the city's delegation and other members of the Tennessee General Assembly and all persons representing the interests of the City of Dickson in the legislature.

SECTION 3. That members of the General Assembly be encouraged to solicit and honor the input of the elected leaders of counties and municipalities in their districts before interfering in the right of local governments to make local decisions.

This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Approved and adopted this 16th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:

Chris Norman, RECORDER

Don L. Weiss Jr., O.D., MAYOR

RESOLUTION #2026-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE, IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO STATUTES REGARDING ANNEXATIONS

WHEREAS, prior to Jan. 1, 2023, Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-51-104(a)(2)(B) allowed municipalities to annex property without conducting a referendum if:

- Two-thirds (2/3) of the property owners within the territory proposed for annexation consent in writing;
- The total area of the property owned by the owners consenting to annexation under subdivision (a)(2)(B)(i) is more than one-half (1/2) of the territory proposed for annexation; and
- The proposed annexation consists of nine (9) or fewer parcels; and

WHEREAS, TCA § 6-51-104(a)(2)(B) was repealed Jan. 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1176 by Rep. Ryan Williams of Cookeville and Senate Bill 997 by Sen. Paul Bailey of Sparta in the 114th Tennessee General Assembly propose to reinstate the conditions for annexation without referendum that were repealed in 2023.

Now, therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE**, that:

SECTION 1. The Council and Administration of the City of Dickson are on record as supporting House Bill 1176 and Senate Bill 997 and any amendment or other legislation that allows municipalities to annex territory under the conditions contained therein.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the city's delegation and other members of the Tennessee General Assembly and all persons representing the interests of the City of Dickson in the legislature.

This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Approved and adopted this 16th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:

Chris Norman, RECORDER

Don L. Weiss Jr., O.D., MAYOR

RESOLUTION #2026-26

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE,
OPPOSING PROPOSED CHANGES TO STATE LAW TO ALLOW THE CARRYING
OF FIREARMS IN LOCAL PUBLIC PARKS**

WHEREAS, House Bill 2064 by Rep. Chris Todd of Madison County and Senate Bill 2467 by Sen. Paul Bailey of Sparta in the 114th Tennessee General Assembly proposes extensive changes to the State of Tennessee's statutes regarding carrying firearms, including, but not limited to, amending TCA § 39-17-1311 to remove the criminal offense of carrying a firearm for the purpose of going armed in any state or local park, on a greenway or other recreational property; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, wishes to maintain the authority to decide whether to allow or prohibit the carrying of firearms or other dangerous weapons in parks and recreational areas where the public, including children of all ages, gather.

Now, therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE**, that:

SECTION 1. The Council and Administration of the City of Dickson are on record as opposing House Bill 2064 and Senate Bill 2467 as presented and any amendment or other legislation that removes the offense of carrying a weapon for the purpose of going armed in any local park.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the city's delegation and other members of the Tennessee General Assembly and all persons representing the interests of the City of Dickson in the legislature.

This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Approved and adopted this 16th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:

Chris Norman, RECORDER

Don L. Weiss Jr., O.D., MAYOR

RESOLUTION #2026-27

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE,
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR
THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT 206 SOUTH MAIN STREET**

WHEREAS, the Administration of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, desires to purchase the property at 206 South Main Street, more fully identified as Map 110C, Group B, Parcel 016.00 as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto, for use in the construction of a proposed City Center project; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has obtained current appraisals of said property in its due diligence for negotiating the purchase and has considered potential future income generated by the property.

Now, therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKSON, TENNESSEE**, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor of the City of Dickson, Tennessee, is authorized to negotiate with the current owner of the property at 206 South Main Street for the purchase of the property by the City of Dickson for compensation not to exceed four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000).

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign and execute a contract and any and all other documents and instruments necessary for the purchase of said property.

SECTION 3. The funds for the purchase of the property shall be drawn from the City of Dickson's general fund balance and may be reimbursed with funds from the potential sale of bonds to fund the capital construction project.

This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Approved and adopted this 16th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:

Chris Norman, RECORDER

Don L. Weiss Jr., O.D., MAYOR

Resolution #2026-27 Exhibit A

