



TOWN OF DURHAM

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NOTICE: Although members of the Town Council will be meeting in the Council chambers, the Council meetings are still available for members of the public to participate via Zoom or in-person.

AGENDA

DURHAM TOWN COUNCIL
MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026
DURHAM TOWN HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 PM

NOTE: *The Town of Durham requires 48 hours notice if special communication aids are needed.*

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Town Council grants permission for fewer than a majority of Councilors to participate remotely**
- III. Roll Call of Members.** Those members participating remotely state why it is not reasonably practical for them to attend the meeting in person
- IV. Approval of Agenda**
- V. Special Announcements**
- VI. Approval of Minutes – July 6, 2026**
- VII. Report from the UNH Student Senate External Affairs Chair or Designee**
- VIII. Public Comments (*) – Please state your name and address before speaking**
- IX. Unanimous Consent Agenda** *(Requires unanimous approval. Individual items may be removed by any councilor for separate discussion and vote)*
 - A. Shall the Town Council Provide its Advice and Consent to the Appointment by the Administrator of Deputy Chief Jack Dalton to Police Chief?**
 - B. Shall the Town Council Approve the 3rd 2026 Warrant Billing Computed From the 2nd Quarter Water and Sewer Readings of 2026 totaling \$729,792.89, Commit the Bills for Charges to the Tax Collector for Collection, and Authorize the Administrator to Sign Said Warrant?**

- C. Shall the Town Council Schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, September 14, 2026, on **Resolution #2026-12** to Rescind Authorized and Unissued Debt from 2014 and 2021 in the amount of Six Hundred and Nine Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars (\$609,500.00)
- D. Shall the Town Council, Upon Recommendation of the Assessor and consent of the Administrator, Approve a TY2025 Property Tax Abatement Recommendation of the Assessor at the Local Level Totaling \$636.24?
- E. Shall the Town Council Schedule a Public Hearing for September 14, 2026 on **Resolution #2026-13** Affirming the Public Purpose of Adopting the Provisions of RSA 53-F and to Designate the Town of Durham in its Entirety as an “Energy Efficiency and Clean Energy District”?

X. Citizen Committee Appointments

XI. Presentation Items

- A. Presentation by Gail Jablonski, Business Manager on the Quarterly Financial Report for Period Ending June 30, 2026.
- B. Presentation by Fire Chief, Dave Emanuel, on the operations of the Fire Department.
- C. Presentation by Councilor Lawson and discussion regarding the municipal parking data collection and analysis from the spring of 2026.

XII. Unfinished Business

- A. **Public Hearing and Possible Adoption of Ordinance #2026-05** Amending Chapter 175, “Zoning,” Article II, “Definitions,” Article XII, “Base Zoning Districts,” Section 175-42, “Central Business-1 District and Central Business-2 District,” Article XII.1, “Use and Dimensional Standards,” Section 175-53, “Table of Land Uses,” and Section 175-54, “Table of Dimensional Standards, of the Town Code to increase the height limit in a section of the Central Business-1 District to 5 stories and 60 feet, to limit the amount of required office/retail to a depth of 50 feet, to allow first floor structured parking behind office/retail uses, and to change several definitions.
- B. **Public Hearing and Possible Adoption on Ordinance #2026-06** amending Chapter 153, “Vehicles & Traffic,” Section 153-29, “Metered Parking Areas,” of the Durham Town Code, to expand metered parking to Wagon Hill Farm.
- C. **Public Hearing and Possible Adoption on Ordinance #2026-07** amending Chapter 153, “Vehicles & Traffic,” Section 153-29, “Metered Parking Areas,” of the Durham Town Code, to expand metered and permit parking to Technology Drive.
- D. **Public Hearing and Possible Adoption on Ordinance #2026-08** amending Chapter 153, “Vehicles & Traffic,” Section 153-49, “Schedule XVII: Parking Prohibited Certain Hours,” of the Durham Town Code, to restrict parking on Technology Drive to day and overnight parking allowed by permit only.

XIII. Councilor and Town Administrator Roundtable

XIV. New Business

- A. **First Reading on Ordinance #2026-09** Amending Chapter 175, “Zoning,” Article XII.1, “Use and Dimensional Standards,” Section 175-53, “Table of Land Uses,” of the Town Code to allow a single-family residence in the OR zoning district by right and to allow ADUs in the C, CC, and OR zoning districts by right and setting the Public Hearing for Monday, September 14, 2026.
- B. **First Reading on Ordinance #2026-10** Amending Chapter 175, “Zoning,” Article II, “Definitions,” and Article XX, “Standards for Specific Uses,” Section 175-109 (C) of the Town Code to require owner occupancy on any single-family residential lot that contains an accessory dwelling unit and setting the Public Hearing for Monday, September 14, 2026.
- C. **Discussion and Possible Action** on a proposed Council-Initiated Amendment of Chapter 175, “Zoning,” Article XII.1, “Use and Dimensional Standards,” Section 175-53, “Table of Land Uses,” of the Town Code to allow parking as a principal use in the Church Hill and Central Business-2 Districts by right and to allow accessory parking lots to also serve neighboring properties.

XV. Nonpublic Session (if required)

XVI. Adjourn (NLT 10:30 PM)

(*) <i>The public comment portion of the Council meeting is to allow members of the public to address matters of public concern regarding town government for up to 5 minutes. Obscene, violent, disruptive, disorderly comments, or those likely to induce violence, disruption or disorder, are not permitted and will not be tolerated. Complaints regarding Town staff should be directed to the Administrator.</i>
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