



June 10, 2025

**SECOND TUESDAY MEETING
TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 in the Town Hall and Community Center Council Chamber. Present were Mayor Rusty Knox, Commissioners Ryan Fay, Steve Justus, Autumn Rierson Michael, and Ted Stauffer. Commissioner Tracy Mattison-Brandon was absent. Town Manager Jamie Justice, Assistant Town Manager Austin Nantz, Town Attorney Karen Wolter, and Town Clerk Betsy Shores were also present.

- **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Town Clerk Betsy Shores announced the following:

The Charlotte Symphony Orchestra will perform this evening, Wednesday, June 11, at 7:00 p.m. on the Davidson Town Green. Join neighbors and friends for an evening of music under the stars. The free event will feature the Charlotte Symphony in concert, treats, and family fun -- courtesy of Trane Technologies five-year anniversary. Pack a picnic and bring the whole family as we come together for a festive summer celebration.

The Town of Davidson Police Department will host Coffee with a Cop on Friday, June 13, from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at State Fair Mini Donuts, 301 Depot Street. All are welcome to attend! Coffee with a Cop is a national program which aims to bring police officers and the community members they serve together - over coffee, to discuss issues and learn more about each other

The Davidson Police Department will host the 7th Annual Cone with a Cop event on Saturday, June 14 between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at Whit's Frozen Custard, 130 Harbour Place Drive (Suite 170). This event will focus on promoting personal safety for children and families through interactive and educational activities while enjoying frozen vanilla or chocolate custard. This weekend's concert on the green will feature Band of Oz on Sunday, June 15, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

On Monday, June 16, join the Town of Davidson & Ben & Jerry's for Monday Movie Madness and watch Goonies in the Ben & Jerry's Parking Lot. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and the movie

will begin at dusk.

All Town of Davidson municipal offices, including the Davidson Town Hall and Community Center and the Davidson Public Safety building will be closed on Thursday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth. Offices will re-open on Friday June 20 for regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Fifth Annual Juneteenth Celebration will take place on Thursday, June 19 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Ada Jenkins center. This year, the event will be held mostly indoors throughout the entire Ada Jenkins campus and will have a much heavier emphasis on education as it relates to the historic African American communities in the Lake Norman area.

Mayor Knox read proclamations for **Pride Month**, and **Juneteenth**.

- **CHANGES/ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

- **PRESENTATION**

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) School Board member Melissa Easley, representing north Mecklenburg in District 1, provided an update to the Town Board and Davidson community on CMS activities.

- **BUSINESS ITEMS**

(a) Recreation Operations Manager Gina Carmon presented the proposed **Non-Profit Grant Program Changes for FY2026**. The Town of Davidson offers annual grants to nonprofit organizations that provide services and programs to benefit Davidson residents. As part of the Town's continued efforts to ensure transparency, consistency, and alignment with strategic goals, staff have reviewed and updated the Non-Profit Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2026.

Given the Town's limited grant funding pool of \$50,000, and the recent increase in applications, it has become necessary to revise the program process to ensure a more equitable distribution of funds and clearer evaluation criteria. These updates help prioritize projects that provide direct, demonstrable benefit to Davidson residents, support impactful outcomes, and maintain accountability and alignment with town priorities. Key updates include limiting funding requests to fixed amounts (\$2,500 or \$5,000), requiring applicants to provide specific evidence of service to Davidson residents, mandating a final report on fund usage by June 30 of every fiscal year, and ensuring that all proposed projects align with at least one of the Town's Core Values or Strategic Plan initiatives. These changes aim to streamline the program process, ensure that the funds awarded directly benefit the Davidson community, and reinforce the town's commitment to

accountability, impactful outcomes, and strategic investment. The Board will consider adoption of the Non-Profit Grant Program Changes on the June 24 consent agenda.

(b) Finance Director Piet Swart reviewed the Manager's Recommended FY2026 Budget, Capital Improvement Plan, and Fee Schedule. The budget was presented to the board on May 13, 2025, and a public hearing was held on May 27, 2025.

Commissioner Justus made a motion to adopt the FY2026 Budget Ordinance 2025-06, the FY2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan, and the FY2026 Fee Schedule as presented. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

• SUMMARIZE MEETING ACTION ITEMS

Town Manager Justice summarized the meeting action items.

• CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to move to closed session per NCGS §143-318.11 (a) (6) – Personnel at 7:05 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

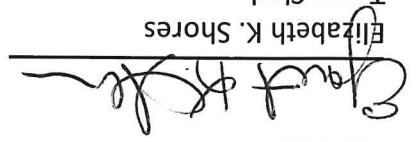
Commissioner Fay made a motion to end the closed session and return to open session at 8:36 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

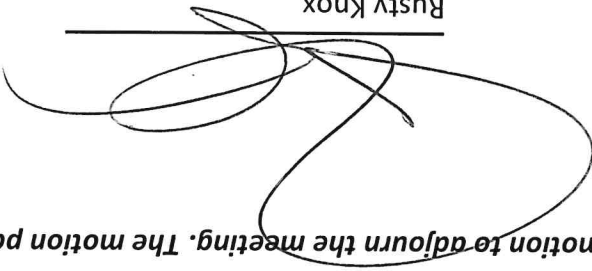
• ADJOURN

Commissioner Stauffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Attest:


Elizabeth K. Shores
Town Clerk


Rusty Knox
Mayor