



**Combined
Committee of the Whole
& City Council
Meeting Agenda
September 22, 2026
6:00 PM
Bentonville City Hall**

About the Committee of the Whole and City Council Meeting:

- This meeting begins with the Committee of the Whole, which is used for information sharing and Council discussion. No votes are taken and public comment is not accepted during this meeting. After the Committee of the Whole meeting is adjourned, the City Council meeting begins. This is where the Council will hear public comment and take official action, such as voting on agenda items.

How to Watch Online:

- Residents may watch the meeting live without registering via the City of Bentonville's YouTube channel. Watching online allows viewers to observe the meeting but does not include the ability to provide public comment.
- A recording of the meeting will be posted on the City's website after the meeting concludes.
- <https://www.youtube.com/@cityofbentonvillearkansasg5096>

Public Participation:

- Residents may provide public comment during the City Council portion of the meeting. Public comment is limited to three minutes per speaker.
- To help ensure an orderly meeting, registration is required for residents who wish to speak, whether attending in person or virtually.
- In-person speakers must register in advance using this link: [Registration Link](#)
- Virtual speakers must register in advance by 12:00 p.m. on September 22, 2026, using the following link: [Registration Link](#).

Council Questions/Discussion Concerning the Business Meeting

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes: September 8, 2026

I. Committee of the Whole

1. **Transportation Projects Update** **Informational**
2. **Consent Agenda Discussion** **Informational**

II. New Business - Public Comment to be Heard with Agenda Item

1. **Resolution to Recognize Detective Corporal Mark Jordan on his Retirement from the City** **Resolution**
Request that the City Council adopt a formal resolution recognizing, commending, and congratulating Detective Corporal Mark Jordan on his retirement from the Bentonville Police Department, effective September 30, 2026. This resolution recognizes Corporal Jordan for more than 32 years of dedicated service to the Department and citizens of Bentonville. It also wishes Corporal Jordan health, happiness, and continued success in his future endeavors. Resolution attached.
2. **Resolution Accepting a 2026 Pet Adoption Grant from Best Friend Animal Society** **Resolution**
We are requesting council to consider a grant opportunity from Best Friends Animal Society to sponsor pet adoptions for the remainder of 2026. The grant covers the expense of pet adoptions for dogs and cats for the remainder of this year. We have estimated \$6,000.00 for the remainder of the year to sponsor the \$75.00 dog adoption fee and the \$50.00 cat adoption fee. Given the trends we have seen in past years regarding adoption rates, we estimate there will be approximately 80 adoptions left. A budget adjustment is needed.
3. **Ordinance Amending Bentonville Municipal Code Finance Committee Terms** **Ordinance***
An Ordinance amending the Bentonville Municipal Code Chapter 2 Article 2-II, Section 2-33, Finance Committee, to include expand the scope of review. No budget adjustment is needed.
4. **Resolution Adopting the Artificial Intelligence and Automated Decision Tools Policy** **Resolution**
A Resolution adopting this policy to ensure compliance with Arkansas Act 848. No budget adjustment is needed.
5. **Resolution to Enter an Agreement for Phone Licensing and Implementation Services** **Resolution**
A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Heartland Business Systems for Zoom phone licensing and implementation services through participation in NASPO Contract #4600054418. No budget adjustment is required.
6. **Public Hearing and Ordinance Vacating a Utility Easement (VAC26-0042)** **Ordinance***

The Planning Commission voted 7-0, recommending approval.

Public Hearing and approval of an Ordinance vacating a Utility Easement Vacation located at Lot 40 of College Place Subdivision Phase 8 (VAC26-0042).

7. **Resolution Accepting FFY2027
NWARPC Grant Funds for Greenhouse
Road Improvements** **Resolution**
Staff recommends approval of a resolution accepting \$4,000,000.00 in FFY2027 NWARPC STBGP-A grant funding for construction of the Greenhouse Road Improvements (Hwy 12 to Hwy 102), Job No. 090628. The grant requires a \$1,000,000.00 local match, to be shared between the City of Bentonville (55%) and the City of Centerton (45%) based on each city's portion of the project, for a total of \$5,000,000.00 in construction funding. A budget adjustment is needed.
8. **Resolution Awarding Bid IFB-26-58 to
Steep Creek, LLC for SW Nutmeg
Drainage Improvements** **Resolution**
Staff recommends awarding the bid to Steep Creek, LLC for IFB-26-58 SW Nutmeg Drainage Improvements in the amount of \$2,328,027.94. No budget adjustment is needed.
9. **Resolution Recognizing a Budget
Adjustment for the West McNelly Road
Bridge Repair** **Resolution**
Now that the necessary repairs have been made, a budget adjustment is needed to account for funds spent. A budget adjustment is needed.
10. **Resolution Awarding Bid IFB-26-61 to
On Point Excavation LLC for SW 2nd
and "O" Drainage Improvements** **Resolution**
Staff recommends awarding the bid to On Point Excavation, LLC for the SW 2nd and "O" Drainage Improvements in the amount of \$550,428.03. No budget adjustment is needed.
11. **Resolution Accepting a Grant for the
Design and Bidding of John DeShields
Trail** **Resolution**
A Resolution authorizing acceptance of Walton Family Foundation Grant in the amount of \$185,605.00 for design and bid documents for trail improvements for the John DeShields Trail corridor between NE J Street and E Central Avenue. A budget adjustment is needed.
12. **Resolution Entering into an Agreement
with Crafton Tull for John DeShields
Trail Design** **Resolution**
A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Crafton Tull, in the amount of \$183,605.00, for the design of trail improvements for the John Deshields Trail. No budget adjustment is needed.
13. **Resolution Accepting a Grant Award for
SW "I" Street and SW 41st Street
Intersection** **Resolution**
A Resolution authorizing acceptance of Walton Family Foundation Grant, in the amount of \$1,026,589.00 for intersection improvements, including a traffic signal at SW "I" Street and SW 41st Street. A budget adjustment is needed.
14. **Resolution Awarding a Bid to All
Service Electric for SW "I" Street and
SW 41st Street Intersection** **Resolution**
A Resolution to authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with All Service Electric, in the amount of \$1,236,585.77, for Intersection Improvements at the intersection of SW "I" Street and SW 41st Street. No budget adjustment is needed.

15. **Resolution Authorizing Construction Administration for SW "I" Street and SW 41st Street Intersection** **Resolution**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with CEI Engineering, in the amount of \$140,000.00, for Construction Administration of the SW 41st Street and SW "I" Street Intersection Improvements. No budget adjustment is needed.

III. Utility Board

1. **Ordinance Amending Repayment Schedule & Disbursement Cut-Off Date for 2025 Bond** **Ordinance***

An Ordinance amending the repayment schedule and Disbursement Cut-Off Date for the Combined Electric, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bond, Series 2025. Utility Board approved 5-0. No budget adjustment is needed.

2. **Resolution of Intent Regarding 48" Supply Water Transmission Project** **Resolution**

A Resolution of intent to finance a portion of the 48" Supply Water Transmission Project with bonds purchased by the Arkansas Development Finance Authority in the amount of \$9,621,360.00. \$887,911.00 of the principal amount will be in the form of a principal forgiveness bond. Utility Board approved 5-0. No budget adjustment is needed.

3. **Resolution Authorizing Easement Acquisition Associated with Shewmaker Ph. 2 Interceptor Project** **Resolution**

A Resolution authorizing for the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into agreements to purchase easements associated with Shewmaker Ph. 2 Interceptor Project. Utility Board approved 5-0. No budget adjustment is needed.

4. **Resolution Awarding Bid IFB-26-54 - Townbranch Interceptor Project - Alignment 1** **Resolution**

Staff requests council award bid IFB-26-54 to Crossland Heavy Contractors in the amount of \$7,605,314.85 for Alignment 1 of the Townbranch Interceptor project. Utility Board approved 5-0. No budget adjustment is needed.

5. **Resolution to Enter into an Agreement with RJN Group for SSES & Modeling Work Within SLS Basin** **Resolution**

Staff requests approval of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with RJN Group, Inc. in the amount of \$865,530.00, for SSES and modeling work within the South LS Basin. The scope of work will identify and quantify sources of I/I, provide conceptual rehabilitation design and expand the City's existing hydraulic model. RJN was selected following the standard Professional Services Procurement Process under SOQ-26-52. Utility Board approved 5-0. No budget adjustment is needed.

IV. Planning

1. **Rezoning - Massary - R-1, Suburban Single-Family to T3.1, Neighborhood Edge - 201 SW E Street (RZ26-0044)** **Ordinance***

The Planning Commission voted 7-0, recommending approval.

An Ordinance Changing Real Estate In The City Of Bentonville, Arkansas, From Its Present Zoning Classification Of R-1, Suburban Single-Family To T3.1, Neighborhood Edge; And

For Other Purposes.

2. **Rezoning - Materesa Corporation - R-1, Suburban Single-Family to T3.2, Neighborhood Transition - 901 E. Central Ave. (RZ26-0043)**

Ordinance*

The Planning Commission voted 7-0, recommending approval.

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V. Other Business/Announcements/Comments

Adjournment

Public Comments Concerning Matters of City Related Business