

CITY OF STATHAM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Statham Community Center
336 Jefferson Street, Statham, GA 30666



PUBLIC HEARING & WORK SESSION

OCTOBER 06, 2026

6:30 P.M.

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilmember Burnette gave the invocation.
Mayor Krause led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Krause called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
Present: Mayor Krause and Councilmembers Terilli, Burnette and Barton.
Also Present: City Administrator Cheryl Venable, City Attorney Jody Campbell, Deputy City Clerk Joe Davis, Statham Police Lt. Michael Hood, and City Accountants Rachel Bembry & Karen Brooms, JAT Consulting.
Absent: Councilmembers Patterson and Penn and Director of Public Works Brett Day.

III. MINUTE APPROVAL

III.1 September 15, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
Mayor Krause asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2026 meeting.
Councilmember questioned the Mayor if the position of Deputy City Clerk was going to be permanent.
Joe Davis has held the position of Deputy City Clerk since 2022. Mayor Krause is currently interviewing for the position of City Clerk.
Councilmember Terilli made a motion to approve the September 15, 2026 meeting minutes. Councilmember Burnette seconded the motion. Terilli – Yes, Burnette – Yes and Barton – Yes. Motion passed 3-0.

IV. REPORTS

IV.1 Finance Department Report – City Accountant Karine Brooms presented the Financial Report.
IV.2 Police Department Report – Lt. Hood presented the Police Report.
IV.3 Public Works Department Report – No report.
IV.4 Mayor Report – Mayor Krause presented the Mayor Report.
IV.5 Committee Reports – Councilmember Terilli from the Tree Committee spoke about the ongoing Tree sale.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

V.1 Ordinance to amend Chapter 10, Occupational Tax, License, and Regulatory Fees.
City Accountant Rachel Bembry presented the proposed new Occupational Tax, License, and Regulatory Fees.
City Accountant Karine Brooms spoke about implementation steps of the proposal.
V.2 Duplicating Products Agreement
City Administrator Cheryl Venable spoke about a new City Hall Printer Agreement.
V.3 Amendment to the Personnel Policy - Holiday Pay
Attorney Jody Campbell explained that this was a carryover from the September meetings as it required a second reading. The amendment will delete Holiday Pay for Salaried Employees. Hourly employees' Holiday Pay will remain the same.

VI. CITIZEN INPUT

Each speaker shall speak clearly and shall provide their name and address prior to addressing Council. Citizen comments shall be limited to a maximum of five minutes per person, and no speaker may speak more than once. Speakers shall address the City Council as a body rather than to any

particular member and shall refrain from personal attacks against any other person. The presiding official may limit or refuse a speaker the right to continue if the speaker continues to violate these rules of decorum.

VI.1 Marsha Phillips spoke about city taxes and the effect they have on seniors; turnover of Police Officers and City Credit Card use and possible abuse.

VI.2 Joe Piper spoke about the camera angles; incorrect date on the live streaming; publishing the mileage rate; minutes posted on the city website and absenteeism of Councilmembers.

VI.3 Denny Adams spoke about the lack of a newsletter in the utility bill; Broad street new paving looks good but relayed other streets needed paving also and Councilmembers meeting secretly.

VI.4 Ann Roundtree requested that the Council not approve any more gaming machines in the city; thanked Lt. Hood for slowing down speeding traffic on Broad St. and relayed that she loves the city.

VI.5 Kathy Bennett spoke about not wanting businesses to leave the city due to higher occupational taxes and asked for confirmation of the Holiday Pay amendment definition.

VII. ADJOURN

Mayor Krause asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Terilli made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Councilmember Barton seconded the motion. Terilli – Yes, Burnette – Yes and Barton – Yes. Motion passed 3-0.