

Mayor and Council Workshop

6 p.m. September 8, 2026

McNeil Room, Operations Center and livestreamed



1. **Welcome / Call Meeting to Order** – Mayor Kondratick
2. **Workshop Overview**
Staff Resource: Randy Harrington, Town Manager
3. **Community Engagement (40 min.)**
Staff Resource(s): Randy Harrington, Town Manager; Scott Chase, Administration; Cassie Hack, Communications & Marketing
Synopsis: Based on Council guidance from the June 2026 Workshop meeting, the Administration and Communications team will present new opportunities for the Mayor & Council and staff to work together to enhance community engagement opportunities in three specific categories: community listening sessions, neighborhood leadership, and 311. This is part of an effort to advance Strategic Plan Organizational Excellence Initiative 3.3. Council direction is requested on priorities and next steps.
4. **Draft Affordable Housing Action Plan (40 min.)**
Staff Resource(s) Sean Ryan and Sarah Lipkin-Sularz, Development Services
Synopsis: Development Services staff will provide an overview of progress on the Housing Affordability Action Plan, which outlines a series of initial, actionable programmatic and policy initiatives designed to increase affordable housing options in Holly Springs. At the June Workshop, staff proposed three core areas and nine action items for implementation. The Town Council endorsed these proposed areas, and staff has further developed them into 22 implementation steps. This presentation will cover key highlights and provide time for questions on any of the actions proposed in the plan. The draft plan is also provided with the Workshop Agenda. Staff requests Council direction if the draft plan matches Council's expectations and if any adjustments are needed. If Council is generally supportive of the draft plan elements, staff will outline next steps for Planning Board review in September, a public hearing, and Council adoption consideration in October.
5. **Downtown Investment Grant Program (DIG) Geography (30 min.)**
Staff Resource(s): Irena Krstanovic and Neal Duncan, Economic Development
Synopsis: Council requested an opportunity to review the current Downtown Investment Grant (DIG) program geography. The Economic Development team will provide an overview of the current DIG program, review best practices and benchmarking across Wake County, and explore potential impacts of DIG boundary expansion. Direction is requested if Council desires any changes to the DIG geographic eligibility/boundary.
6. **Open Discussion (10 min.)**
7. **Closed Session (if needed)**
8. **Adjourn**