

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 5:30 pm, with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members Robyn Mecham
Brian Plummer
Gina Hirst
Spencer Summerhays
Cheylynn Hayman

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, City Manager
Lisa Romney, City Attorney
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
Allen Ackerson, Chief of Police
Dave Walker, Deputy Public Works Director
Sydney DeWees, Planner
Isabel Sebra, Legal Intern

DISCUSSION – RAP TAX RENEWAL

City Manager Brant Hanson initiated the discussion on renewing the RAP tax, outlining the timeline and process to prepare for and against arguments. He recommended focusing the renewal of capital projects, using the 2015 ballot language with minor updates. Parks and Recreation Director Bruce Cox reviewed past RAP-funded projects, including contributions to CenterPoint Theater, Island View Park, Smith Park, the Whitaker Museum, new pickleball courts, and baseball program improvements.

The council discussed the value of the RAP tax in leveraging grants, especially as park impact fees decline. Councilmembers requested more detailed project data, including funding breakdowns and timelines. They agreed on the importance of public education and maintaining flexible, transparent ballot language. Councilmembers Hirst and Summerhays volunteered to assist with drafting the ballot proposition for further review at a future meeting.

WEBSITE UPDATE

Administrative Services Director Bryce King presented an update on the city's website redevelopment, recommending GHD as the new provider after evaluating several options. He highlighted the need for greater control, improved features like customizable department menus, video integration and better ADA compliance.

Councilmembers supported the recommendation and discussed budget implications. The initial \$25,000 budget will cover the first year, with annual maintenance costs around \$6,200

thereafter. Mr. King noted GHD's platform allows flexible feature additions at no extra cost, with optional tools like chatbots available separately. He noted that the agreement with GHD is under review and would be coming to the City Council for approval at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSED MEETING

At 6:28 pm, Councilmember Hirst **moved** to enter into a closed session for the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation and attorney-client matters with no intent to return to a public meeting. Councilmember Summerhays seconded the motion which passed by a unanimous vote (5-0). In attendance at the closed session were: Clark Wilkinson, Mayor; Councilmembers Hirst, Summerhays, Mecham, Plummer, and Hayman; Brant Hanson, City Manager; Lisa Romney, City Attorney; Jennifer Robison, City Recorder; Mike Eggett, Community Development Director; Isabel Sebra, Legal Intern. The closed session adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Jennifer Robison
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

07/15/2025
Date Approved

