



2nd Quarter In Review April – June 2026

CITY LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS

Board of Commissioners – Ordinances

2026-1: Adopted new Building Code, updating to the 2024 International Residential Code, effective July 1,

2026-2: FY 2025-2026 Budget Amendment No.2

2026-3: Amend Title 14 (Zoning Ordinance) to reduce the number of Municipal Planning Commission members

2026-4: FY 2025-2026 Amendment No.3

2026-5: Adopt an annual budget for FY 2026-2027

2026-6: Set a tax rate for FY 2026-2027 (no change in the property tax rate)

2026-7: Amend Sewer User Charges for July 1, 2026

2026-8: Amend Stormwater User Fees for July 1, 2026

2026-9: Amend Title 15 (Motor Vehicles, Traffic, and Parking) to add new traffic control (flaggers) requirement when vehicles are blocking traffic due to loading and unloading, delivery, or similar activity

2026-10: Amend Title 12 (Building Code) to clarify International Building Code applicability and remove inconsistencies

2026-11: Call for Belle Meade Municipal Election on November 3, 2026

Board of Commissioners – Resolutions

2026-03 – Amended and Re-adopted the OSHA Program and Plan for the City of Belle Meade

2026-04 – Consider engagement with Metro Nashville to regain the City's share of local sales tax proceeds

2026-05 – Honoring Bunny Blackburn

2026-06 – Surplus and Disposal of City Property (in-car and body camera equipment, tablet, and cell phone)

2026-07 – Honoring Charlie Atwood

2026-08 – Adopting 2026 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan with Metro Nashville-Davidson County

CITY OPERATIONS AND SERVICES

WINTER STORM FERN (FEMA-DR-4898) Response and Recovery

- April – June has included working directly with our FEMA liaison to submit documents for eligible disaster related damages and expenses. The liaison has been meeting with the City Manager weekly and together have submitted approximately \$1 million in expenses for reimbursements of 75% from FEMA and 12.5% from the State of Tennessee.

POLICE and City Court

- Installation of all replacement body-worn and in-car camera systems is complete.
- Engaged Grace Design Studios to begin concept plans for maximizing the space within the existing Police Department to best match current and future needs of law enforcement.
- Updating the Police Department's policies related to the video and camera use.
- Officers assisted with Cheekwood's Classic Car Show Parade on June 21st
- Working with Kerr Electric and SkyCop on installation, costs totaling \$20,805, of new video security equipment at three (3) new locations in the City at:
 - 109 Harding Place
 - Belle Meade Boulevard at Jackson Boulevard
 - Harding Place at Belle Meade Boulevard
- Two solar powered LPRs will be replacing five-year old readers on Lynwood Blvd at Harding Pike and on Westview Ave near Lynwood Blvd. Additionally, a security camera is being added at Walnut Drive and Lynnwood Blvd/Abbott Martin Rd.
- Received a request from Friends of Parmer Park for a pedestrian crosswalk across Leake Ave to Parmer Park; working with Public Works to obtain a design and cost quote.

ADMINISTRATION and FINANCE

- Rusty Terry obtained re-certification with the Tennessee Association of Municipal Clerks and Recordors (TAMCAR).
- Working with Local Government Corporation, as a beta test site, for connecting two of their existing modules together – CTRIS and CitisenPortal, which would allow citizens to look up their ticket information and pay fines online.
- Met with the City's Budget and Finance Committee on April 30th and received a unanimous recommendation of approval for the budget as presented. Budget was submitted to the State Comptroller as required and on time.
- Finalized the Budget Document for FY 2026-2027 for first reading at the Board's May regular meeting.
- May 5th, the City Manager and Mayor Rusty Moore met with NES CEO Teresa Broyles-Aplin, Chief Legal Officer Laura Smith, and Attorney/Government Relations Antonio Carroll to discuss power infrastructure specifically in Belle Meade and how to continue working together post-storm event to make power supply in our area more resilient.
- Met with all employees regarding the results of a pay study for city employees and its recommendations on the pay structure based upon market data from 15 peer cities.

PLANNING and BUILDING CODES

- Performing monthly inspections of the 174 active construction permits in the city.
- Working on updates to Title 12 (Building Code) and updating to new 2024 International Building Code (IBC for commercial and general construction) and the 2024 International Residential Code (IRC for one- and two-family dwellings) for July 1st.
- Reduced the number of Municipal Planning Commission members to a total of 7 from previous total of 10 members. Also, Mary held orientation meetings with new appointed members of Historic Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Completed paving of Walnut Drive by Four-Star Paving.
- Completed trimming all trees at City Hall, Police Department, and Public Works Garage.
- Monitoring construction in progress with Nickell Company, LLC of traffic calming islands on Lynnwood Blvd and West Tyne Drive.
- All underground work is complete for the new signal infrastructure at Harding Place and Belle Meade Boulevard.
- Approved a one-year extension of the Franklin Disposal, dumpster and garbage collection, contract valued at \$433,363 for FY 2026-2027.
- Completed irrigation system repairs, totaling \$9,185, following Winter Storm Fern.

SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM

- Installed 12 new grinder pump systems as a result of damage from Winter Storm Fern.
- Nathan attended a black-tie gala in Washington DC to accept a national award on behalf of the City's Sewer Asset Management Plan project, funded by a grant from TDEC.
- Met with representative of Metro-Water to discuss recent changes in the methods and timing of compliance testing, which may increase the amount of testing required to be performed by the city. Some new reporting requirements were created this year as well, adding to administrative work required by the City's permit with Metro-Water for transport and treatment of the city's wastewater.

BEAUTIFICATION

- Successfully, hosted over 50 guests for the 4th Annual Garden Visits on Saturday, April 25th
- Installed spring/summer plantings in all islands and planting beds throughout the city
- Confirmed committee members to review proposals for Landscape Architect; two proposals were received by the deadline: Tara Armistead and Hodgson and Douglas
- Co-Chairs Chip Wilkison and Leslie Lynch have both moved outside the city; new appointments and organizational restructuring will need to be discussed; Jennifer and Mary will make a recommendation, at the board's August meeting, for adoption of by-laws for the committee.

STORMWATER

- July 1st will begin requiring letters of credit for all new Land Disturbance Permits; this tool should help ensure that projects reach full completion including final submission of as-built plans with greater compliance.