



CITY OF PICKERINGTON

FINANCE COMMITTEE CITY HALL, 100 LOCKVILLE ROAD WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA 7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2026, REGULAR MEETING
3. COMMUNITY COMMENTS
4. FINANCE DEPARTMENT
 - A. Finance/IT Director's Report
 - B. Review and request for a motion to approve a draft ordinance amending the 2026 appropriation, ordinance 2025-23
5. HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
 - A. Human Resources Director's Report
6. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
 - A. Development Director's Staff Report
7. CHAIRMAN
8. OTHER BUSINESS
9. MOTIONS

10. ADJOURNMENT

SUBJECT:

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Attachments

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2026

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. Kemper called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mr. McCracken; Mr. Wisniewski; Mrs. Rohaly; Mr. Kemper

Absent: Mrs. Sanders; Mrs. Hicks; Mr. Derksen

Others Present: Mayor Gray, Chris Schornack, Heather Moore

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 3, 2026, REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Mr. McCracken to approve, seconded by Mrs. Rohaly
Motion carried.

3. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

There were no community comments.

4. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

A. Finance/IT Director's Report

Mr. Schornack reviewed his written report, noting that investment earnings totaled approximately \$1,340,000 through June 30th, remaining on pace to exceed the annual \$2,000,000 estimate. Impact fee revenue remained below the prior year but continued to track toward the estimate of 100 new homes, with additional activity anticipated in the Sycamore Springs housing development. Income tax receipts were up 2.85 percent year-to-date through July, exceeding projections. Utility revenues remained on target, with higher July water usage attributed to dry weather. Utility delinquency rates remained consistent, with payment plans continuing to be offered when needed.

Mr. Kemper inquired about the factors contributing to income tax growth, and Mr. Schornack attributed the increase to a combination of population growth, additional businesses, and higher wages.

Mayor Gray noted that the Sycamore Springs development is expected to include at least two homes

valued at more than \$900,000, with an average projected sale price of \$670,000 for a single-family home.

5. HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

A. Human Resources Director's Report

Mr. Kemper reported on the HR Director's report, noting current vacancies and ongoing training. He also noted an incident involving an unruly juvenile that resulted in minor injuries to three police officers. Mr. Schornack reported that one Tax Department employee had resigned to accept a position closer to home, and the City is seeking to fill that position along with a part-time tax position. He also reported one Service Technician vacancy, which is being filled, with interviews expected to begin following the application period.

6. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

A. Development Director's Staff Report

Mr. Kemper reported on the Development Director's report, noting that permits and plan review are complete for Fourteen and Ember at 14 E. Columbus Street; a pre-development meeting was held for the Diner project, with work expected to begin soon; and a church has signed a five-year lease for the property at 122 W. Church Street. A potential business is considering 38 N. Center Street, and professional office and restaurant inquiries have been received for the downtown area. A big-box meeting was held, designs for 9 Hill Road North are under review, and demolition is anticipated later in 2026. Elevate District passports and a promotional video are in progress. Under business retention, staff met with OhioHealth and owners of the Sherman Center.

7. CHAIRMAN

Mr. Kemper stated he had nothing to bring forward.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Gray stated he had two items for discussion. Regarding the first item, he reported on the downtown plan, which recommended eliminating permit parking due to underutilization of spaces. He noted the administration's intent not to negatively impact residents who lack adequate off-street parking and stated that, where necessary, the City would provide asphalt and curb cuts or rear access to ensure residents have a place to park. He indicated that only a few residents would likely be affected. Mayor Gray explained that removal of the permit parking would be implemented administratively by the Chief of Police, but requested a motion from the committee to proceed. He further noted that parking spaces would remain public with no current time limits, though future restrictions might be considered if needed.

Moved by Mrs. Rohaly to remove downtown permit parking, with the understanding that the administration would work directly with affected residents and provide asphalt, curb cuts and/or rear access improvements as needed, seconded by Mr. Wisniewski

Yes: Mr. Wisniewski, Mrs. Rohaly, Mr. Kemper, Mr. McCracken

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Mayor Gray presented the second item of business concerning an existing ordinance on acceptable methods of rent payment. He explained that a local charity, which occasionally pays rent on behalf of

tenants in crisis, has received resistance from some landlords who refuse third-party checks, reportedly due to concerns about issuing tax forms for such payments. Mayor Gray stated that, although the current ordinance may allow for an argument in favor of accepting third-party payments, he and the Law Director believe it should be clarified and strengthened to clearly require landlords to accept lawful third-party rent payments. He emphasized that landlords should prioritize keeping tenants housed and that the ordinance should include enforcement "teeth" so assisting organizations can rely on the City's code when landlords refuse such payments. Committee members expressed agreement with this position. Mayor Gray concluded that staff will revisit the ordinance, consult with the Law Director, and bring proposed amendments back to a future meeting for further discussion.

9. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Wisniewski to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Rohaly
Motion carried.

The Finance Committee adjourned at 7:17 P.M., August 5, 2026.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Heather Moore, City Clerk