



CITY OF PICKERINGTON

FINANCE COMMITTEE CITY HALL, 100 LOCKVILLE ROAD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA 7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2026, REGULAR MEETING
3. COMMUNITY COMMENTS
 - A. Presentation by Scott Brown with the Auditor of State Office
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
 - C. Review and request for a motion to approve a draft resolution adopting an acceptable use of artificial intelligence policy of the City of Pickerington
5. HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
 - A. Human Resources Director's Report
6. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
 - A. Development Director's Staff Report

- B. Review and request for a motion to approve a draft ordinance declaring the improvement to certain parcels in the city to be a public purpose and exempt from taxation; providing for the collection and deposit of service payments and specifying the purposes for which those service payments may be expended; authorizing make-whole compensation payments to the Pickerington Local School District and the Eastland Joint Vocational School District

7. CHAIRMAN

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. MOTIONS

10. ADJOURNMENT

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2026, REGULAR MEETING

Attachments

Draft Finance Minutes 2026-09-02

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FINANCE COMMITTEE
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. Kemper called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

Present: Mr. McCracken; Mrs. Sanders; Mrs. Hicks; Mrs. Rohaly; Mr. Kemper; Mr. Derksen

Absent: Mr. Wisniewski

Others Mayor Gray, Greg Butcher, Chris Schornack, Heather Moore, Chief Cheney

Present:

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2026, REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Mr. Derksen to approve, seconded by Mr. McCracken

Motion carried.

3. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

There were no community comments.

4. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

A. Finance/IT Director's Report

Mr. Schornack reported that investments and interest rates remained on track, with interest rates staying stable. Impact fee revenue was slightly behind the prior year, although Sycamore Springs sales were strong. Income tax receipts were down for the month but remained approximately 3 percent higher year to date, consistent with budget projections. Utility billing remained on target, with increased usage during the dry months.

In response to questions regarding Sycamore Springs, Mr. Schornack and Mr. Butcher did not have the current number of lots sold but noted that sales were strong. Mayor Gray reported that two homes had reportedly reached a \$900,000 price.

Mr. Schornack stated that recent changes in the bond market were not expected to significantly affect the City's investments. He further reported that the City's bonds are generally 20 to 30 years and that significant debt reduction is anticipated by 2031, including payment of the sewer plant debt, with remaining Diley Road debt extending into the late 2030s.

- B. Review and request for a motion to approve a draft ordinance amending the 2026 appropriation, ordinance 2025-23

Mr. Schornack reported that contracts were ready for the Safe Routes to School Lockville Road project and the Covered Bridge project. He noted that the Covered Bridge project received an additional \$200,000 in grant funding to cover the funding difference. The Safe Routes to School project came in at \$1,300,000 with \$1,000,000 in grant funding and a small portion requiring city funding. Mr. Butcher stated that construction is expected to start this month. He confirmed that the Covered Bridge project was funded through the state capital budget.

Moved by Mrs. Rohaly to approve and forward to council, seconded by Mrs. Sanders

Yes: Mrs. Rohaly, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Sanders, Mr. Kemper, Mr. McCracken

Abstain: Mr. Derksen

5 - 0 Passed

5. HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

- A. Human Resources Director's Report

Mr. Butcher reported that four positions remained vacant: two full-time service technicians, one full-time tax specialist and one part-time tax specialist. Offers had been extended for two full-time service technicians, with the tax specialist positions nearing completion of the hiring process. He noted that the City was actively conducting interviews and hiring.

6. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

- A. Development Director's Staff Report

Mr. Butcher reported that Greek Star had not yet begun its relocation but had recently deployed a food truck near the Combustion building. A pre-development meeting was forthcoming, with an anticipated opening in November.

Mr. McCracken congratulated the Development Department on achieving a record-low commercial vacancy rate. Mr. Butcher acknowledged the achievement and noted that Mr. Gulden was very pleased.

Mr. Kemper inquired about the upcoming articles in Pickerington Magazine. Mr. Butcher stated that City staff had recently met with the magazine representatives and that he would follow up regarding upcoming topics.

7. CHAIRMAN

Mr. Kemper stated he had nothing to bring forward.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Kemper stated that everyone should have received a copy of the draft ordinance amending Chapter 636.26 of the City of Pickerington Codified Ordinances entitled "Offense Against Persons" to clarify the requirements of accepting forms of payment.

Mayor Gray explained that the amendment was prompted by instances in which landlords refused certain types of rent payments from charitable organizations on behalf of tenants. The proposed amendment would prohibit landlords from refusing rent payments from any person, entity, or charity, while allowing landlords to require certified checks, money orders, or cash when payment is made by an individual on behalf of a tenant. The amendment would also increase the penalty from a minor misdemeanor to a first-degree misdemeanor carrying a fine of up to \$1,000. Mayor Gray stated the amendment would provide greater protection for organizations assisting residents with rent payments and indicated it could be advanced for consideration if the Finance Committee was comfortable proceeding.

Moved by Mrs. Sanders to approve and forward the draft legislation to Council, seconded by Mrs. Rohaly

Yes: Mr. Kemper, Mr. McCracken, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Rohaly, Mr. Derksen
6 - 0 Passed

9. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

10. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Finance Committee adjourned at 7:14 P.M., September 2, 2026.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Heather Moore, City Clerk