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AGENDA April 21, 2026 6:00 p.m.

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I. 6:00PM – PUBLIC HEARINGS

► **Zoning Ordinance Amendment** ([View](#)): The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment regarding an Ordinance amending Part Thirteen (Planning and Zoning Code), Title One (Zoning Ordinance) of the City of York Codified Ordinances, Article 1302 (definitions) to provide for definitions related to vape and smoke shops, Article 1303 to provide for vape and smoke shops as a permissible use in the EC district, and Article 1304 (use definitions, general provisions, accessory uses, conditional uses, and special exception use requirements) to include regulations governing a vape and smoke shop use within the City. Said legislation to be introduced this evening. See “New Business” in Section XI. The notice of this public hearing was advertised in accordance with state law at ydr.com ([View](#)).

► **York 2044 Draft Comprehensive Plan** ([View](#)): The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment regarding the proposed adoption of the City of York’s 2044 Comprehensive Plan. The notice of this public hearing was advertised at ydr.com on 4/14/2026 ([View](#)).

II. Public Comment:

Public comment on non-agenda items begins at 6:00 p.m., with Council sitting as a General Committee. Each speaker shall have up to five minutes to speak. To assure access to all participants, the presiding officer may reduce the time limit down to three minutes if the number of speakers who have signed up would extend the total comment period beyond 30 minutes and/or may resume public comment after Council’s legislative session has adjourned. Council’s Rules & Procedures may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk or they may be viewed online by visiting www.yorkcity.org/rules-of-council.

Disclaimer: Pursuant to the Sunshine Act, the City of York will only record citizens’ names, and the subject of testimony provided during the public comment period. Should you request information or desire a response to your testimony, you must provide the City Clerk or Council President with your contact information. Information you provide will be used by City of York agents to process your request. Your name, address and request for information may be entered into the City of York complaint tracking system.

III. Call Legislative Meeting to Order

IV. Roll Call

V. Pledge of Allegiance

VI. Moment of Silence

VII. Action on previous meeting Minutes of [April 7, 2026](#) (legislative).

VIII. Presentations, Awards and Announcements

► **Police Awards Ceremony:** The York City Police Department will hold its Annual Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 30th at 1:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 101 S. George St. York, PA 17401. This event will celebrate the outstanding dedication and achievements of this year's honorees. Congratulations to all awardees!

► **Summer Parks Program:** The City of York will hold its Annual Summer Parks Program from June 15th to July 23rd, for ages 6-13, with a separate Voni Grimes e-sports camp for ages 13-15. Registration is open until all spots are filled. There is a one-time program registration fee of \$100 for City residents and \$150 for non-residents, which will cover meals, a camp shirt, and all field trips. For more information visit: www.yorkcity.org/visitor/programs-activities or contact LaQuinn Thompson at 717-849-2276.

► **Youth Council Committee Update:** Council is thrilled to announce that applications are still coming in for the Youth Council Committee, and the excitement around this program continues to grow! To ensure every eligible candidate is fully considered, the formal appointment of committee members originally scheduled for this evening has been moved to Council's May 5 legislative meeting.

IX. Meeting(s) Scheduled:

► **Council Committee Meeting:** Scheduled for Wednesday, April 29, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on April 22nd.

► **Council Legislative Meeting:** Scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on April 29th.

X. Reports of the Youth Council Committee: See "Announcements" under Section VIII above.

XI. Legislative Agenda: (Order of Business – Action on Subdivision/Land Development & HARB Resolutions; Final Passage of Bills/Resolutions; New Business)

Subdivision/Land Development/HARB:

1. Resolution No. _____ - A Resolution
Accepting the recommendations of HARB. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Teresa Johnescu
Originator: HARB
2. Resolution No. _____ - A Resolution
Approving various waivers requested by Site Design Concepts. ([View](#)) (On behalf of Madison & West, LLC for 601 Madison Ave.)
Introduced by: Teresa Johnescu
Originator: Economic & Community Development (Planning)
3. Resolution No. _____ - A Resolution
Approving a land development waiver request submitted by Royal Square. ([View](#)) (For 152-156 N. George St.)
Introduced by: Teresa Johnescu
Originator: Economic & Community Development (Planning)

Final Passage of Bills/Resolutions

4. Final Passage of Bill No. 4 - A Bill
Amending the FY2026 Budget. ([View](#)) (For a grant received from the York County Community Foundation for the Korean War Memorial Endowment Fund - \$8,085.00)
Introduced by: Betsy Buckingham
Originator: Public Works
5. Final Passage of Bill No. 5 - A Bill
Amending the FY2026 Budget. ([View](#)) (For Fund 29 "ARPA" to correct budgets resulting in the transfer of \$4,792,190.00)
Introduced by: Teresa Johnescu
Originator: Economic & Community Development

New Business

6. Introduction of Bill No. - A Bill
Amending Articles 167, 169 and 171 of the Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (O&E Retirement System, Police Pension Fund, and Firefighter's Pension Fund Board to permit the appointment of alternate members of the respective pension fund organizations.)
Introduced by: Elizabeth Bupp
Originator: Business Administration
7. Introduction of Bill No. - A Bill
Establishing Article 324 "Licensing of Smoke and Vape Shops" of the Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To safeguard the public health within the City of York by adopting standards for the licensure and operation of smoke and vape shops in the City.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Council (Washington) / Solicitor's Office
8. Introduction of Bill No. - A Bill
Amending Part Thirteen (Planning and Zoning Code). ([View](#)) (**Article 1302** - Definitions - to provide for definitions related to Vape and Smoke Shops; **Article 1303** to provide for Vape and Smoke Shops as a permissible use in the EC district; and **Article 1304** - Use Definitions, General Provisions, Accessory Uses, Conditional Uses, and Special Exception Use Requirements - to include regulations governing a Vape and Smoke Shop use within the City.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Council (Washington) / Solicitor's Office
9. Resolution No. - A Resolution
Reappointing members to various boards and authorities. ([View](#)) (H. Beard to RDA; G. Fitch, Jr. & R. Van Wyk to Health)
Introduced by: Elizabeth Bupp
Originator: Mayor / Council

XII. Requests for Future Meetings

XIII. Council Comment

XIV. Administration Comment

XV. Adjournment

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