

**CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE: CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
MINUTES**

Council Chambers, Simpsonville City Hall | Feb. 24, 2026 | 6 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Presiding Officer: Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

**2. ROLL CALL**

<u>Councilmember</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ward 1 – Chad O’Rear	✓	
Ward 2 – Aaron Rupe	✓	
Ward 3 – Shannon Williams	✓	
Ward 4 – Sherry Roche	✓	
Ward 5 – Tim Pinkerton	✓	
Ward 6 – Jerry Tusso	✓	
Mayor Paul Shewmaker	✓	



**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. PRESENTATION**

- A. **FY 2024-2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Audit by David Phillips of Greene Finney Cauley, LLC**
- B. **FEMA Reimbursement and Stormwater Projects by Larry Hughes of ICF**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Minutes from Committee of the Whole Meeting of Jan. 27, 2026 were approved with corrections by Councilmember O’Rear to spellings of Tripp Tuttle and Kim Johnston and vote for Business Item 7.H. from 6-0 to 6-1
- B. Minutes from Special Called Meeting of Feb. 3, 2026 were approved as written.

**6. CITIZEN COMMENTS:** None

**7. STAFF REPORTS PRESENTED**

- A. **Finance Director Maria Tooley presented the Monthly Financial Report.**
- B. **City Administrator Tee Coker presented the City Administrator Report.**

**8. BUSINESS ITEMS**

- A. **Proposed Ordinance O-2026-02, Mayor and Council Compensation**  
Motion by Mayor Shewmaker with a second by Councilmember Pinkerton to move to the next business meeting Proposed Ordinance O-2026-02, Mayor and Council Compensation. Y-6 N-1. Councilmember Rupe voting no. Motion carried.

**B. Proposed Ordinance O-2026-03, to amend Division 2 (Junk or Abandoned Vehicles) of Article 2 (Nuisances) of Chapter 18 (Environment)**

Motion by Councilmember Roche with a second by Councilmember Williams to move to the next business meeting Proposed Ordinance O-2026-03, to amend Division 2 (Junk or Abandoned Vehicles) of Article 2 (Nuisances) of Chapter 18 (Environment). Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

**C. TX-2026-01, Misc. Refinements to the Zoning Ordinance Pet Care Service**

Motion by Councilmember Rupe with a second by Councilmember O'Rear to postpone TX-2026-01 indefinitely. Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

**D. Second Amendment to the Amphitheatre Naming Rights and Banking Services Agreement**

Motion by Councilmember Roche with a second by Councilmember Rupe to move to the next business meeting Second Amendment to the Amphitheatre Naming Rights and Banking Services Agreement. Y-7 N-0. Motion carried.

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Councilmember Roche with a second by Councilmember Rupe to enter into executive session for discussion of negotiations incident to the proposed sale or purchase of property, as permitted by S.C. Code 30-4-70(a)(2) and discussion of negotiations incident to the Second Amendment to Amphitheatre Naming Rights and Banking Services Agreement, as permitted by S.C. Code 30-4-70(a)(2). Y-7 N-0. Motion carried.

Upon coming out of Executive Session, the following actions were taken:

Motion by Councilmember Roche with a second by Councilmember Rupe to move to the next business meeting Second Amendment to the Amphitheatre Naming Rights and Banking Services Agreement. Y-7 N-0. Motion Carried.

**10. ADJOURNMENT 8:20 p.m.**