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MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Staunton Economic Development Authority
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From: Amanda DiMeo, Executive Director, Staunton EDA

Re: Meeting of the Economic Development Authority, June 25, 2026 at **8:30 a.m.**

Date: June 18, 2026

The Staunton Economic Development Authority will hold a meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2026 at **8:30 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall, 3rd Floor.** The agenda and briefing materials are attached.

Please RSVP to Kim Cormier at cormierkb@ci.staunton.va.us.

Please contact me at 332-3869 if you have questions before the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you next Thursday.

Amanda

cc: Leslie Beauregard, City Manager ICMA-CM
John Blair, EDA Attorney
Jessica Blythe, EDA Secretary
Jeff Overholtzer, City Council EDA Liaison
Jessie Moyers, EDA Treasurer

MEETING AGENDA
Staunton Economic Development Authority
City Manager's Conference Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
Thursday, June 25, 2026
8:30 am

Call to Order

1. Consideration of Minutes from the EDA Meeting on May 7, 2026
2. EDA Owned Stormwater BMP
3. Executive Director's Report
4. Other Business
5. Adjournment

Agenda Item No. 1

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Staunton Economic Development Authority

FROM: Amanda DiMeo, Staunton EDA Executive Director

RE: Consideration of Minutes

DATE: June 18, 2026

This item on your agenda is consideration of the minutes from the EDA Meeting on May 7, 2026.

**MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
CITY OF STAUNTON, VIRGINIA**

**Thursday, May 7, 2026 8:30 a.m.
City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall, Third Floor**

Members Present: Billy Vaughn, Chair
Terry Holmes, Vice-Chair
Billy Sowers
Isaac Grant
Suzie Dull

Members Absent: Don Bosserman
Kristina Arbogast

Others Present: Amanda DiMeo, Director of Economic Development
Jessica Blythe, Assistant Director of Economic Development
John Blair, City Attorney
Jeff Overholtzer, City Council Liaison
Jessie Moyers, CFO City of Staunton
Samantha Johnson, Director of Tourism
Dr. Eric Irizarry, Superintendent, Staunton City Public Schools
Chase Hoover, Cottonwood Commercial

Mr. Vaughn called the meeting to order.

1) Election of Officers

According to *Section 9. Annual Meeting* of the amended and restated by-laws of Economic Development Authority as approved on July 23, 2015, the EDA shall elect its officers in May. As outlined in *Section 3. Officers*, the directors shall elect from their membership a chairman and a vice-chairman, and from their membership or not, as they desire, an executive director, a secretary and a treasurer, or a secretary-treasurer.

Nominations:

Mr. Holmes nominated **Mr. Vaughn for Chair**. Mr. Sowers seconded the nomination.

There were no other nominations. All members present were polled and indicated their agreement by saying "aye."

Mr. Sowers nominated **Mr. Holmes for Vice-Chair**. Mr. Vaughn seconded the nomination.

There were no other nominations. All members present were polled and indicated their agreement by saying "aye."

Mr. Holmes made a motion to appoint **Ms. Amanda DiMeo as Executive Director, Ms. Jessica Blythe as Secretary, and Ms. Jessie Moyers as Treasurer**. Mr. Sowers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by the members present.

2) Meeting Date Resolution 2026-2027

According to *Section 10. Regular Meetings* of the amended and restated by-laws of Economic Development Authority as approved on July 23, 2015, the EDA shall establish its regular meeting dates by resolution.

The resolution before the Board of Directors establishes the regular meeting date of the EDA as the first Thursday of each month.

Motion: Mr. Holmes moved to adopt the regular meeting Resolution as presented. Mr. Sowers seconded the motion. All members present were polled and indicated their agreement by saying “aye.”

3) Consideration of Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2026.

Motion: A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, and seconded by Mr. Grant to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously by the members present.

4) Dr. Eric Irizarry, Superintendent, Staunton City Schools

Dr. Eric Irizarry, Superintendent of Staunton City Schools, presented:

School System Overview

- Six schools:
 - One pre-K center
 - Three elementary schools
 - One middle school
 - One high school
- More than 2,800 students enrolled, with continued enrollment growth
- 615 employees, making the school system one of the city’s largest employers
- Annual operating budget of approximately \$55 million
- Per-pupil spending around \$15,000
- Graduation rate of 93%
- Academic ranking improved from 105th statewide in 2018 to 35th out of 131 divisions
- Sixteen languages spoken across the division
- Student demographics continue shifting, including a growing Latino population

Operations & Student Support

- All students receive free breakfast and lunch through a grant-supported nutrition program
- School leaders noted increased demand for mental health and counseling services
- Limited availability of outside community placement and mental health resources remains a challenge
- Transportation operations include:
 - 31 buses
 - Approximately 213,000 miles traveled annually
- Maintenance, transportation, and food service are largely handled in-house

Strategic Plan – “Empower 2030”

- Focus on preparing students for both college and workforce pathways
- Goal of connecting graduates directly with local employers offering long-term career opportunities

- Expansion of Career & Technical Education (CTE) pathways tied to regional industry needs, including:
 - Manufacturing
 - Logistics
 - Bio-manufacturing
 - Commercial Driver's License (CDL) training
- New CDL pathway partnership established with Blue Ridge Community College
- Exploration of a "Teachers for Tomorrow" pipeline to develop a diverse local teaching workforce
- Recruitment and retention supports include subsidized childcare for employees

Enrollment Growth & Facility Capacity Concerns

- Current enrollment approximately 2,839 students
- Enrollment exceeded projections for the current school year
- Approximately 155 new students enrolled during the year
- Significant facility pressures identified:
 - McSwain Elementary School critically over capacity
 - Mobile classroom units may be needed
 - Bessie Weller Elementary School over functional capacity
 - Shelburne Middle School over functional capacity
 - Staunton High School projected to exceed capacity within three years
- New housing developments expected to increase enrollment pressures:
 - 175 approved sites near Bessie Weller
 - 298 approved sites near McSwain
- Possible proactive redistricting strategies under consideration

Workforce Development & Economic Partnerships

- Schools encouraged partnerships with local businesses through:
 - Volunteer support
 - Career connections
 - Financial support
- "Kindness Matters" fund helps students from lower-income households access field trips, AP testing, and school opportunities
- Discussion centered on aligning curriculum with regional workforce demands
- Opportunities discussed related to:
 - Bio-manufacturing growth
 - Manufacturing careers
 - Logistics and transportation industries
- Go Tech mobile lab recently hosted at the middle school
- Regional collaboration underway to pursue Go Virginia grant funding to expand workforce exposure opportunities
- Valley Vo-Tech reportedly receives more than 650 applicants annually but can only accept a portion
- Of approximately 400 graduates, only 27 signed with local businesses at a recent signing event, highlighting retention and workforce pipeline challenges

Housing & Employee Retention Challenges

- Housing affordability identified as a major barrier for:
 - Teachers

- First responders
 - Nurses
- Discussion included possible collaboration with developers to help offset housing costs for hard-to-fill public service positions

Additional Discussion Topics

EDA members and school leadership also discussed:

- The importance of strong schools in attracting young families
- The aging workforce and shrinking youth population (“silver tsunami”)
- Long-term school capacity planning
- The value of the city-schools revenue sharing agreement
- Increased competition from neighboring school divisions and housing markets

5) Executive Director Report

Ms. DiMeo and Ms. Blythe updated the group on the items below:

- Received a Proclamation from City Council for Economic Development Week
- Business Appreciation Breakfast
- Continued collaboration with workforce and education partners
- Wharf Grant Updates. There are three for the EDA to consider. Mr. Grant recused himself from this discussion and all related votes:

1. Well Balanced Paw – \$5,000

Signage, way-finding (including parking information), social media advertising, and website updates to support business visibility during construction. The applicant is planning to eventually relocate to the old firehouse (behind Pizza Luca), though no firm date has been established due to structural issues with the new space.

Discussion addressed the two-year residency requirement and whether a claw-back provision should apply if the business relocates before that period. Mr. Blair outlined three options: deny the grant, full claw-back, or prorated claw-back. The board moved to approve the grant with a stipulation that relocation within the downtown special business district would not trigger a claw-back.

Motion: Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve, with Ms. Dull seconding the motion. Mr. Grant recused himself. The motion carried unanimously by the voting members present.

2. Atlas & Ember – \$5,000

A vintage bridal shop on the Middle Brook side of the Wharf requesting funds for directional signage on both Fire Street and Middle Brook, digital marketing through an industry-specific social media manager, and a professional photo/video content campaign. Applicant met all workshop and SBDC requirements.

Motion: Ms. Dull made a motion to approve, with Mr. Sowers seconding the motion. Mr. Grant recused himself. The motion carried unanimously by the voting members present.

3. Red Beard Brewing Company – \$5,000

Located just outside the formal construction impact zone but reported a 30% revenue decrease since construction began. Requested funds to contract with a local videographer to produce

short commercials for streaming and social media geo-targeted advertising. Staff confirmed the grant program allows businesses adjacent to the impact zone to apply with a narrative of impact.

Motion: Mr. Sowers made a motion to approve, with Mr. Holmes seconding the motion. Mr. Grant recused himself. The motion carried unanimously by the voting members present.

This makes \$20,000 awarded to date out of \$100,000 available. Three to four additional applications anticipated in the coming month.

- Amanda DiMeo introduced Chase Hoover from Cottonwood Commercial, the EDA's marketing partner for Staunton Crossing, to present a development inquiry.

A developer experienced in spec industrial warehouses (based on a successful project in Harrisonburg) expressed interest in developing a small cluster of buildings (approximately 3–5 acres) at Staunton Crossing, similar to what was built in Harrisonburg—roughly four buildings averaging 10,000 sq. ft. each, which leased or sold prior to construction completion.

Ms. DiMeo noted that the EDA currently has several active RFIs with VEDP for a larger adjacent parcel near the rail line. She suggested any industrial micro-development should be located outside the ring road so as not to conflict with those prospects. Board members expressed general support for generating visible activity at the site as a catalyst for further interest. DiMeo indicated she would work with Cottonwood and Timmons Group (the master plan consultant) to identify suitable parcel locations and bring a formal proposal back to the board.

6) Other Business

A. Potential License for Staging and Storage at Staunton Crossing

Amanda DiMeo presented a request from the City's Public Works Department to use a vacant EDA-owned storage building at Staunton Crossing as a lay-down space for water main repair materials.

Mr. Blair recommended approving a 30-day revocable license, allowing Public Works to make minor structural repairs as needed, with the understanding the license would terminate upon 30 days' notice (e.g., in advance of a property sale to a developer).

Motion: Mr. Sowers made a motion to approve, with Mr. Holmes seconding the motion. Mr. Grant recused himself. The motion carried unanimously by the voting members present.

B. Fiber Lease Agreement – Dark Fiber / MGW Networks

Mr. Blair provided background: The city installed fiber cable and conduit infrastructure downtown as part of its Big Dig project. Because state law prohibits cities from directly providing fiber to private businesses, the city leased the infrastructure to the EDA, which has authority to sublease to private entities. MGW has leased a portion of the EDA's fiber since 2011. The most recent three-year agreement expired in 2026.

Before the board was a proposed five-year non-defeasible use agreement with MGW at \$500/month, with two additional one-year renewal options. No other private provider had expressed interest, and there have been no issues with rent or infrastructure damage in MGW's 15 years of use.

Motion: A motion was made by Mr. Holmes, and seconded by Mr. Sowers, to approve the

revised lease agreement. The motion carried unanimously by the members present.

C. SAW Facts/Figures 2025 Attached

The PDC's updated Facts & Figures sheet for the Staunton/Augusta County region was included in the meeting packet. Discussion focused on how to make this data more visible to the public. Ideas raised included:

- Expanding EDA social media presence to Facebook and Instagram (in addition to LinkedIn)
- Co-messaging with the City Manager's office
- Connecting with the PDC, which produced the report, about broader distribution

Note: Staunton's population is approaching 26,000, with continued growth by cohort, particularly in younger age groups

A demographic presentation at the Chamber the prior day by a demographer was noted as highly relevant; slides were requested and will be shared with the board once received.

Discussion tied back to workforce pipeline themes from the Dr. Irizarry presentation: the need to attract and retain working-age residents, connect students to local industry, and support housing, childcare, and other infrastructure that keeps families in the community.

It was confirmed that the city signed onto the Go Virginia commercialization network grant through JMU. The grant was approved at the regional/state level.

7) Meeting Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 am.

APPROVED:

Chairperson

DATE: June 25, 2026

Secretary

DATE: June 25, 2026

Agenda Item No. 2

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Staunton Economic Development Authority

FROM: Amanda DiMeo, Staunton EDA Executive Director

RE: EDA Owned Stormwater BMP

DATE: June 18, 2026

Memo from Willow Hughes to Amanda DiMeo:

I'm working to get an outside contractor to help maintain the city owned stormwater BMPs, and I wanted to check in with you all about the one out in Staunton Crossing (circled below).



This one isn't in great shape and is really hard to access. Part of the maintenance contract I am looking into though could include cleaning up the area around a BMP and making it accessible. Since this property is owned by the EDA, I wanted to gauge your thoughts before moving any further with this one.

Just FYI – it is important that we maintain any facilities owned by the city (which isn't being done for many of them, not just this one), but there are other city BMPs I am not going to include on the list for outside maintenance. They are too far gone and really need to be redone. This is more expensive but has its benefits (we can use that opportunity to upgrade them and claim credits to help meet state mandates). That route hasn't been explored for this one like it has the others, but it is one possibility to consider.

Feel free to think on this if needed! I'm also happy to discuss more in person if you'd like. Currently, I'm planning to give this contractor a list of our facilities so he can inspect them himself and price out a scope of work. This part is free, so we could start with including this one and seeing what he thinks needs to be done.

Thanks!

Willow V. Hughes

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Agenda Item No. 3

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Staunton Economic Development Authority

FROM: Amanda DiMeo, Executive Director, Staunton EDA

RE: Executive Director Report

DATE: May 1, 2026

Amanda DiMeo and Jessica Blythe will provide an update on recent activity. In support of their report, attached are activity reports from the City's Community and Economic Development departments.

Economic Development Monthly Report

May 2026

Staunton Crossing

May brought continued progress on Staunton Crossing with a focus on long-range planning and regional manufacturer engagement. On May 20th, Ms. Blythe and Ms. DiMeo participated in a manufacturers forum at the Valley Career and Technical Center (VCTC) in partnership with the Shenandoah Valley Partnership (SVP), maintaining active dialogue with regional industrial stakeholders as site development continues.

This month there were no new formal RFIs. This is true at the regional level as well.

Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) Efforts

The department maintained an active calendar of business engagement throughout May. Ms. Blythe and Ms. DiMeo attended the SAW Business Appreciation Breakfast on May 6th, celebrating the area's business community and reinforcing relationships across the Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro region. Ms. Blythe assisted in securing the Keynote speakers who presented data on the changing demographics in the SAW region and the impact that would have on the local economy, and how we can work together to ensure continued growth. On May 8th, both team members attended the SVP event featuring Virginia's Secretary of Commerce and Trade, engaging directly with state-level economic development leadership.

New business owners of Casa Rosa were welcomed on May 8th as part of ongoing BRE outreach. On May 26th, Ms. Blythe met with Ciders from Mars to discuss business development needs and potential grant opportunities. Ms. DiMeo attended the GARCC Voice of Business event on May 12th, and Ms. Blythe participated in the Virginia Main Street RevUp program on May 12th, both supporting downtown commercial vitality and regional business networks.

The Tourism Advisory Board meeting on May 14th included Economic Development representation, reinforcing cross-sector coordination on the visitor economy. A check-in meeting with Tourism and SDDA on May 20th and a JLV meeting focused on updated marketing priorities on May 20th further aligned partner communications. Staff participated in a Happy Birthday America planning meeting on May 27th, contributing to the City's signature summer celebration.

Staff also met with a resident on May 20th regarding development interest, reflecting ongoing community-facing responsiveness.

Wharf District Infrastructure Project

May was an exceptionally active month for the Wharf District, with staff hosting multiple workshops and internal coordination meetings as the project moves through a critical phase of construction and business support programming.

A Wharf workshop on May 6th continued stakeholder engagement around the topic of data and tracking numbers, followed by a marketing-focused workshop on May 19th and the final Wharf workshop on May 27th, which marked the conclusion of the formal workshop series for

businesses navigating the construction period. Internal team coordination meetings on May 13th and May 27th kept staff aligned across departments throughout the month.

Ms. Blythe was joined by Mr. Knight and presented on the Wharf Project to the Staunton Rotary Club on May 19th, building broader community awareness and support.

Brownfields & Adaptive Reuse

May included an intensive preparation push for the 2026 Virginia Brownfields Conference, hosted in Staunton June 8–10. Staff attended brownfields planning and prep sessions on May 21st, May 26th, and May 27th, with Ms. Blythe and Ms. DiMeo coordinating logistics, site tour content, and co-presentation materials alongside Director Rodney Rhodes covering Staunton Crossing and The West End brownfields projects. These sessions finalized the downtown adaptive reuse walking tour content, talking points, and contaminant/remediation documentation in advance of the conference.

Staunton Connect & Workforce Development

The Staunton Connect program held its monthly meeting on May 21st with Ms. Blythe in attendance and focused on narrowing priorities. Ms. DiMeo also participated in the SVWDB (Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board) meeting on May 21st, maintaining engagement with regional workforce partners.

The department welcomed its summer intern on May 19th, beginning the rotation that will support multiple city departments through the summer. On May 15th, Ms. Blythe and Ms. DiMeo attended the SVP Lead Generation Meeting at Blue Ridge Community College, which featured a JMU presentation connecting higher education assets to local economic development strategy.

Partnerships, Planning & Regional Engagement

May opened with the City Management Team retreat on May 1st, setting organizational priorities for the period ahead. The Economic Development Authority (EDA) met on May 7th with staff in attendance, and EDA awarded three additional grants to qualified Wharf Businesses. So far, the program has awarded 4 grants for a total of \$20,000. City Council meetings were held on May 14th and May 28th, with Economic Development staff participating in both.

Ms. Blythe and Ms. DiMeo attended the VEDA ImpactED conference on May 4th and the VEDA Program Committee on May 11th. Ms. Blythe and Ms. DiMeo both participated in the VEDA Housing Forum on May 11th, with workforce housing and affordability a growing focus tied to the department's Opportunity Zone 2.0 work. A HUD CDBG allocation review was completed on May 5th, and Ms. Blythe attended the SDDA Economic Vitality Committee on May 5th.

Ms. DiMeo worked alongside Public Works to oversee the public art installation at Green Thumb Park on May 15th. A public art planning meeting with Artist and Staunton Augusta Art Center Director was held on May 28th to talk about potential future projects for the City's public arts initiative.

The Pool Ribbon Cutting on May 29th was attended by staff, marking a community milestone. Ms. DiMeo attended an AI webinar hosted by ICMA on May 28th, exploring emerging tools in local government practice. The Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library Tour on May 18th offered a staff development and community engagement opportunity with one of Staunton's key cultural anchor institutions. The Queen Miller Highway Marker Unveiling on May 30th marked a significant moment of heritage recognition in the city.

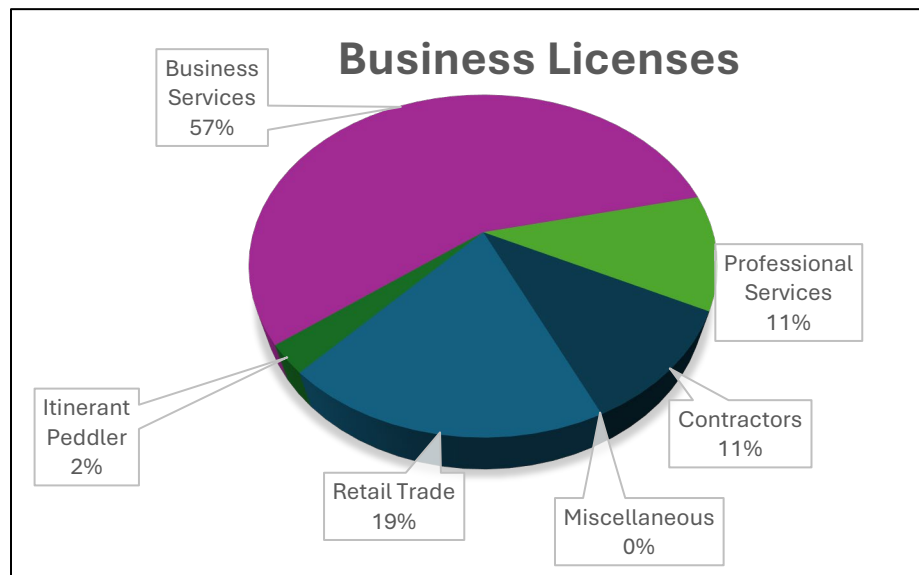
Business License Activity

During the month of May 2026, the Commissioner's office issued 37 business licenses, compared to 44 the previous month (April), representing a 15.9% decrease. This month a year ago, 35 business licenses were issued.

The Business Services sector accounted for 57% of the total licenses issued in May 2026. Retail Trade accounted for 19%, Contractors accounted for 11%, Professional Services accounted for 11%, and Itinerant Peddlers accounted for 3%.

Year to date licenses issued: 203

Licenses issued previous year for same period: 153



Unemployment Data

In **April 2026**, Staunton's unemployment rate of **3.0%** decreased by **.5%** in comparison to the previous month. Staunton's rate is **lower** than the State's rate of **3.4%**. Waynesboro also saw a decrease in unemployment by **.3%** to **3.0%**. Augusta County's rate was **2.4%**, a decrease of **.2%** from the previous month. With a labor force of **13,274**, Staunton had **12,871** employed and **403** unemployed in **April 2026**.



Community Development

May 2026 Activity Report

Key Construction Project Updates

Gypsy Hill Park Pool House

Construction is complete at the Gypsy Hill Park pool house! The city celebrated with a Ribbon Cutting on May 29th.



Pictured above: The new pool house at Gypsy Hill Park.

Verizon Store

Development is officially underway at 1213 Richmond Ave for a new 3,520-square-foot retail space that will house a Verizon Store. Site work is currently progressing, with the footer and underground rough-ins recently completed.



Pictured above: Interior and exterior progress on the new Verizon store.

McDonough Toyota

McDonough Toyota is expanding its service department at 1003 Richmond Ave. The new construction will add 4,196 square feet of dedicated service area to the facility. Progress is moving along, with rough-in inspections now being scheduled.



Pictured above: Interior and exterior progress at the new Service Center for McDonough Toyota.

New Site Plans Under Review:

- None.

Approved Site Plans:

- None.

Reports

Environmental Division

Inspections Report

The Environmental Programs Division of Community Development completed erosion and sediment control inspections on residential and commercial construction sites throughout the city as follows:

- Residential Construction – 57 active sites with 244 inspections in May 2026
- Commercial Construction – 13 active sites with 53 inspections in May 2026

Planning & Zoning Division

Planning Commission

At its May 21, meeting, the Planning Commission recommended approval of a request by Almarode, LLC (Staunton Wrecking) to vacate a portion of unaccepted Anthony Stret. The portion of unaccepted street is situated between to properties that Almarode, LLC owns. No other properties are impacted by the vacation. The Commission also recommended approval of three requests by the Staunton Augusta YMCA. First, a request to rezone 802 N Coalter Street from B-3, Planned Business, to P-1C, Professional Conditional. The Y has offered proffers to remove all medium and high density residential uses from the Professional zoning and only allow single-family uses. Second, a request to amend Title 18, Zoning, to add child daycare as a use permitted by special use permit in the R-1 and R-2, Low Density Residential, districts; and finally, a request for a special use permit at 575 New Hope Road to add child daycare, a teen center, a pickleball complex, and basketball courts to the existing facility. These items will be considered by City Council at their June 25th meeting.

The June 18, 2026, Planning Commission agenda will feature a public hearing on a request by William McAllister to rezone 1110 Churchville Avenue from B-1, Local Business, to R-3, Medium Density Residential. The Commission will also discuss two zoning code amendments. First, an amendment to the Chapter 18.140, Signs, Billboards, and Other Advertising Structures, to clarify the requirements for signs in areas surrounding downtown. Second, an amendment to Title 18, Zoning, to add Chapter 18.111, Accessory Dwelling Unit, to allow an accessory dwelling unit in any zoning district where single-family uses are permitted. This amendment is in response to changes in state law which will take effect on July 1, 2027.

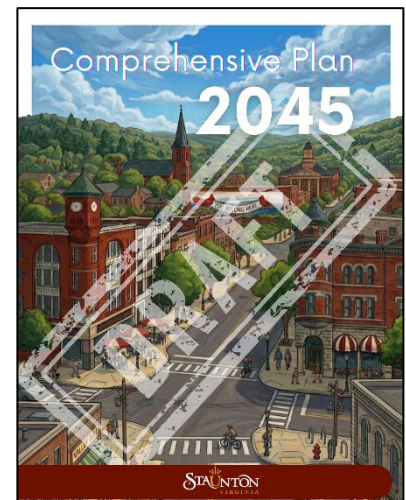
City Launches New Online Permitting Software



In May, the Community Development Department had a soft launch of its new permit and plan review software. The project, which has been in development since June 2024, is powered by Tyler Technologies' Enterprise Permitting & Licensing (EPL) system. The launch transforms the city's workflow from a legacy, paper-heavy process into a transparent digital hub where users can submit applications, track progress in real-time, and schedule inspections. There has been very positive feedback from contractors and citizens over the last month while we worked through new processes. During this process, staff has updated the individual Division webpages (Building Services, Planning & Zoning, and Environmental) on the City's website to provide detailed information on the application process for each type of construction project and what required documentation is to be provided during the online application process. Staff has published a library of tutorials and "How-To" documentation to assist users in creating accounts and navigating the portal. Information about applying online can be found on the website at: www.ci.staunton.va.us/onlineportal.

Comprehensive Plan

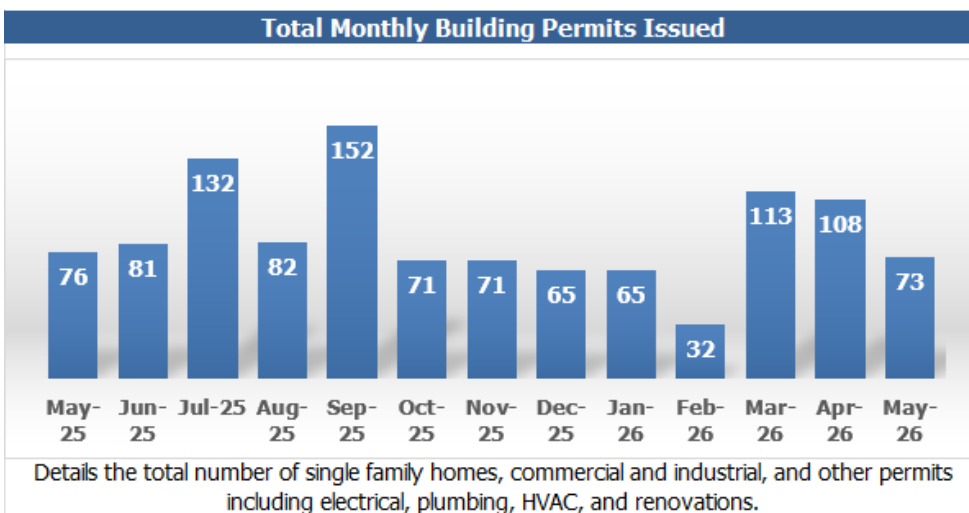
The **Staunton 2045 Comprehensive Plan** continues to move forward, thanks to the valuable engagement of our community and local leaders. The online draft was recently available for public review for just over two weeks, during which we received more than 40 thoughtful comments from 18 individuals. Additionally, we held a joint work session with the City Council and the Comprehensive Plan Committee to gather further feedback directly from Council members. Staff is currently revising the draft to incorporate this input with guidance from the Committee. Later this summer, official public hearings will be scheduled with the Planning Commission and then the City Council to provide another opportunity for community engagement prior to the plan's final adoption.



Building Construction and Related Activity

Permits Issued	May-26	May-25	# Chg	% Chg
New Residential	0	1	-1	-100.0%
Residential Renovations	9	22	-13	-59.1%
Electrical Permits	26	20	6	30.0%
Mechanical Permits	15	9	6	66.7%
Plumbing Permits	15	14	1	7.1%
Commercial New-Renovations	4	3	1	33.3%
Miscellaneous	4	7	-3	-42.9%
Total	73	76	-3	-3.9%

Permit Fees Collected	May-26	May-25	# Chg	% Chg
New Residential	\$0	\$2,761	-\$2,761	-100.0%
Residential Renovations	\$907	\$2,354	-\$1,447	-61.5%
Electrical Permits	\$2,346	\$2,885	-\$539	-18.7%
Mechanical Permits	\$1,285	\$1,749	-\$464	-26.5%
Plumbing Permits	\$1,918	\$2,431	-\$513	-21.1%
Commercial New-Renovations	\$658	\$499	\$159	31.8%
Miscellaneous	\$224	\$828	-\$604	-73.0%
Total	\$7,339	\$13,507	-\$6,168	-45.7%



Agenda Item No. 4

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Staunton Economic Development Authority

FROM: Amanda DiMeo, Staunton EDA Executive Director

RE: Other Business

DATE: June 18 , 2026
