



# City of Bowie

## Regular City Council Meeting

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**Monday, July 6, 2026**  
**Council Chambers - 7 p.m.**  
*Amended July 6, 2026 at 3:33 p.m.*

### AGENDA

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. QUORUM**
- IV. AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/AMENDMENTS**
- V. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**
- VI. PRESENTATIONS**
- VII. CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**
  - A. Appointments/Reappointments/Swearing-in
- VIII. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**
- X. CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. Approval of March 4, 2026 Special Council Meeting Minutes
  - B. Approval of April 1, 2026 Special Council Meeting Minutes
  - C. Approval of April 6, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes
  - D. Adoption of Resolution R-57-26 Waiving the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 61 "Purchasing and Contracting" of the Charter of the City of Bowie to Allow for the Purchase of One Closed-Circuit Television Truck in the Amount of \$464,431.00 by Piggybacking Virginia Sheriffs' Association Contract Number 26-07-0711, and Authorizing the City Manager to Issue a Purchase Order to Atlantic Machinery, Inc.
  - E. Adoption of Resolution R-58-26 Waiving the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 61 "Purchasing and Contracting" of the Charter of the City of Bowie to Allow for the Purchase of One Sewer Jet Vac Truck in the Amount of \$441,704.00 by Piggybacking Virginia Sheriffs' Association Contract Number 26-07-0711, and Authorizing the City Manager to Issue a Purchase Order to Atlantic Machinery, Inc.
  - F. Adoption of Resolution R-59-26 Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order To KCI Technologies, Inc. for Task Order/RFP#11-01 in the Amount of \$434,818.48 in Accordance with the Master Contract Approved on January 7, 2019

- G. Adoption of Resolution R-60-26 Awarding a Contract to Golden, Inc. for the Custodial Services at Public Works Facilities in the Amount of \$31,140.00
- H. Introduction of Ordinance O-8-26 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026 and Ending June 30, 2027, as Embodied in Ordinance O-5-26 and Amended by Ordinance O-7-26 to Appropriate Funds for the Following Project: \$16,000,000 for Streetlight Repair and Maintenance, Streetlight Cable Replacements, and Led Streetlight Upgrades
- I. Introduction of Ordinance O-9-26 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026 and Ending June 30, 2027, as Embodied in Ordinance O-5-26 and Amended by Ordinances O-7-26 and O-8-26 to Appropriate Funds for the Following Project: \$112,700 for an Information Technology Systems Integrator

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Legislative Session Wrap-up - A representative from Cornerstone, the City's lobbyist firm, will brief Council on items from the legislative session.
- B. Old Town Bowie/Inncuvate Community Development Partners Update
- C. Introduction of Ordinance O-7-26 Amending Bowie City Code, Chapter 17 "Park Rules and Regulations," §17-2 "Park Rules" to Require a City Permit for Filming Production in City Parks and Facilities; and Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026, and Ending June 30, 2027, as Embodied in Ordinance O-5-26, to Incorporate the Associated User Fee - **Eligible for Introduction**
- D. Introduction of Ordinance O-10-26 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026 and Ending June 30, 2027, as Embodied in Ordinance O-5-26 and Amended by Ordinances O-7-26, O-8-26 and O-9-26 to Appropriate Funds for the Following Project: \$167,000 for Program Supplements to the Bowie Volunteer Fire Department - **Eligible for Introduction**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT AND MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

To adjourn to closed session under the statutory authority of the Md. Annotated Code, General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(1): "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals", §3-305(b)(7): "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice", and §3-305(b)(8): "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation."

**Note:** The Ethics Commission has advised that under certain circumstances, members of the public may qualify as lobbyists when they testify before the City Council. If so, the Bowie Ethics Ordinance requires that certain information be filed with the Ethics Commission. Please review the information about lobbying that is provided with the City Clerk. If you have any questions about lobbying, please contact the Ethics Commission or the Assistant City Manager.

**This meeting will be televised live on Verizon Channel 10 and Comcast Channel 71 and 996, repeated on 7/8/2026 and 7/11/2026 at 7:00 p.m., and [web-streamed live](#).**

For a closed-captioned version of the meeting video, please go to <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofbowiemd/playlists> and select the 2026 Council Meetings list. Once the meeting video opens, be sure to click on “CC” button to turn on closed captioning.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOWIE CITY COUNCIL - MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026 - COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 7:00 P.M.**



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Awilda Hernandez, City Clerk

**SUBJECT:** Committee Appointments/Reappointments

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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### Committee Appointments:

1. Mr. Caleb James was appointed to the Community Outreach Committee as a Youth Member on June 2, 2025. Mr. James has graduated from high school and wishes to remain on the Committee. He is still a City of Bowie resident. If Council concurs to appoint him to the Committee as a Regular Member for a 2-year term, please have Mayor Estève move to appoint him.

### Committee Reappointments:

1. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members of the Administrative Review Board for another 2-year term, please move to reappoint them:

Nancy Franklin  
William Schmitt

Carl Robinson

2. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members of the Advisory Planning Board for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Truesdale move to reappoint them:

Robert Day  
Terry Rogers, Jr.  
Ronald Skotz

Lisa Frison  
Carl Schuettler  
Eric Ketterling

3. If Council concurs to reappoint the following member of the Arts Committee for another 2-year term, please have Mayor Estève move to reappoint her:

Gabrielle Davison

4. If Council concurs to reappoint the following member of the Board of Personnel Appeals for another 2-year term, please move to reappoint her:

Kara Hunt

5. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Community Outreach Committee for another 2-year term, please have Mayor Estève move to reappoint them:

Mary Ellen Winlund  
Gina Winchester

Cheryl Moore

6. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Community Recreation Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Truesdale move to reappoint them:

Carrie Weaver-Bridges

Romie Duvert

7. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Diversity Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Rogers move to reappoint them:

Elveeda Dixon

Koné Faulkner

8. If Council concurs to reappoint the following member to the Diversity Committee for a 1-year term, please have Councilmember Rogers move to reappoint him:

Kevin Lopez Cruz

9. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Economic Development Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Brady move to reappoint them:

Billy Louis  
Michael Oleru  
Christopher Rizzi

Yolanda Muckle  
Eddie Pounds  
Erica Kennedy

10. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Education Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Ndebumadu move to reappoint them:

Zach Lowe

Alejandra Londono Gomez

11. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Environmental Advisory Committee for another 2-year term, please have Mayor Pro Tem Woolfley move to reappoint them:

Alexandra S. Harry Nappier  
Robert Kellaway

John Teasdale

12. If Council concurs to reappoint the following member to the Financial Advisory Committee for another 2-year term, please have Mayor Pro Tem Woolfley move to reappoint him:

William Olukoya

13. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Green Team Executive Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Rogers move to reappoint them:

Michelle Balfe

Krystle Kime

14. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members to the Information Technology Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Ndebumadu move to reappoint them:

Richard Bleach  
Kenneth Wenzel

JoAnn Marshall-Hobbs  
Okezie Onukwubiri

15. If Council concurs to reappoint the following members of the Public Safety Committee for another 2-year term, please have Councilmember Brady move to reappoint them:

Delmer Billings  
Jacqueline Rhone

William Grayson  
Jason Pagel

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Special Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Wednesday, March 4, 2026, virtually via Teams. Acting Mayor Woolfley called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Acting Mayor Woolfley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

QUORUM:

In attendance were Acting Mayor Woolfley, Councilmembers Brady, Ndebumadu, Rogers, Truesdale, and City Clerk Hernandez.

ADJOURNMENT AND MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION:

Councilmember Brady motioned to adjourn the Special City Council meeting and move into closed session under the statutory authority of the Md. Annotated Code, General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(1): "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals". Councilmember Truesdale second the motion. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

**PRESIDING OFFICER'S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING ("CLOSING STATEMENT")  
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)**

**This form has two sides. Complete items 1 – 4 before closing the meeting.**

**1. Recorded vote to close the meeting:** Date: 3/4/26; Time: 6:07pm; Location: Virtual - Teams ;  
Motion to close meeting made by: Brady ; Seconded by Truesdale ;  
Members in favor: Woolfley, Brady, Rogers, Truesdale ; <sup>Not by name</sup> Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
Abstaining: \_\_\_\_\_ ; Absent: \_\_\_\_\_ .

**2. Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply).  
This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:**

**(1)**  "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals"; **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business"; **(3)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto"; **(4)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State"; **(5)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider the investment of public funds"; **(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider the marketing of public securities"; **(7)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice"; **(8)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation"; **(9)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations"; **(10)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans"; **(11)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination"; **(12)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct"; **(13)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter"; **(14)** \_\_\_\_\_ "Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process." **(15)** \_\_\_\_\_ "To discuss cybersecurity, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to: (i) security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; (ii) network security information . . . or (iii) deployments or implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices."

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3. For each provision checked above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation (insert # from above)	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion of topic
§3-305(b) (1)	Personnel	Meet with recruitment firm.
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4. This statement is made by H. L. D. [Signature], Presiding Officer.

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**WORKSHEET FOR OPTIONAL USE IN CLOSED SESSION: INFORMATION FOR SUMMARY TO BE DISCLOSED IN THE MINUTES OF THE NEXT OPEN MEETING. (See also template for summary.)**

➤ For a meeting closed under the statutory authority cited above:

Time of closed session: 6:14pm

Place: Virtual - Teams

Purpose(s): (1) Personnel

Members who voted to meet in closed session: Woolfley, Brady, Rogers, Truesdale, Ndebunadu

Persons attending closed session: Woolfley, Brady, Rogers, Truesdale, Ndebunadu, Hernandez, Thomas

Authority under § 3-305 for the closed session: (1)

Topics actually discussed: Personnel

Actions taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Each recorded vote: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ For a meeting recessed to perform an administrative function (§ 3-104): Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Persons present: \_\_\_\_\_

Subjects discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Special Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, virtually via Teams. Acting Mayor Woolfley called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Acting Mayor Woolfley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

QUORUM:

In attendance were Acting Mayor Woolfley, Councilmembers Estève, Ndebumadu, Rogers and City Clerk Hernandez.

ADJOURNMENT AND MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION:

Councilmember Estève motioned to adjourn the Special City Council meeting and move into closed session under the statutory authority of the Md. Annotated Code, General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(1): "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals". Councilmember Ndebumadu second the motion. Motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

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UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)**

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1. **Recorded vote to close the meeting:** Date: 4/1/24; Time: 6:03pm; Location: Virtual Teams  
Motion to close meeting made by: Estève Seconded by Ndebumadu;  
Members in favor: Woolfley, Rogers, Estève, Ndebumadu; Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_;  
Abstaining: \_\_\_\_\_; Absent: \_\_\_\_\_.

2. **Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply).**  
**This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:**

(1)  "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals"; (2) \_\_\_\_\_ "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business"; (3) \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto"; (4) \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State"; (5) \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider the investment of public funds"; (6) \_\_\_\_\_ "To consider the marketing of public securities"; (7) \_\_\_\_\_ "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice"; (8) \_\_\_\_\_ "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation"; (9) \_\_\_\_\_ "To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations"; (10) \_\_\_\_\_ "To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans"; (11) \_\_\_\_\_ "To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination"; (12) \_\_\_\_\_ "To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct"; (13) \_\_\_\_\_ "To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter"; (14) \_\_\_\_\_ "Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process." (15) \_\_\_\_\_ "To discuss cybersecurity, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to: (i) security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; (ii) network security information . . . or (iii) deployments or implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices."

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4. This statement is made by H. I. [Signature], Presiding Officer.

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➤ For a meeting closed under the statutory authority cited above:

Time of closed session: 6:06 pm

Place: Virtual - Teams

Purpose(s): (1) Personnel

Members who voted to meet in closed session: Woolfley, Rogers, Esteve, Ndebumadu

Persons attending closed session: Woolfley, Rogers, Esteve, Ndebumadu, Truesdale, Brady, Hernandez, Hailey

Authority under § 3-305 for the closed session: (1)

Topics actually discussed: Personnel

Actions taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Each recorded vote: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ For a meeting recessed to perform an administrative function (§ 3-104): Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Persons present: \_\_\_\_\_

Subjects discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Bowie City Council was held on Monday, April 6, 2026, in Council Chambers at City Hall. Acting Mayor Woolfley called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Acting Mayor Woolfley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

### QUORUM:

In attendance were Acting Mayor Woolfley, Councilmembers Brady, Estève, Ndebumadu (arrived 8:09 p.m.), Rogers, and Truesdale (virtually), Acting City Manager Mears, City Attorney Ruff, City Clerk Hernandez and Staff.

### AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/AMENDMENTS:

Acting Mayor Woolfley motioned to move New Business Items B) Request for Council Approval – New Speed Camera Locations and D) Opportunities for County Funding to the next Council meeting. Councilmember Brady second the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

1. Charles Hudson – Comment attached.
2. Sandy Abilettes - Addressed the Council regarding concerns involving assisted living homes within the City.
3. Dr. Kenya Coleman – Comment attached..
4. John Henry, Pond Meadow Lane - Addressed the Council regarding proposed municipal election reforms discussed at the March 2, 2026 meeting. Mr. Henry expressed opposition to implementing write-in ballot customization measures, citing concerns regarding unnecessary expenditures and administrative complications and proposed recall petition thresholds, stating that recall requirements should not be so high as to make recalls impractical.
5. Scott Vinning, Trinity Drive – Comment attached.
6. Jeffrey Cooper - Addressed the Council regarding the recent gas leak incident in the Woodmore Highlands community. Mr. Cooper stated that the incident should be treated as a public safety matter and recommended that the City formally request additional information from the Maryland Public Service Commission and Washington Gas.
7. Amy Posey - Addressed the Council in support of the Trainer Lane traffic safety concerns previously presented by Charles Hudson. Ms. Posey, accompanied by a Tulip Grove Elementary School student who bikes to school, requested expedited implementation of proposed traffic

calming improvements, including speed humps, three-way stops, and an additional crossing guard.

8. Michael Bridges, Dunwood Crossing Drive - Addressed the Council regarding the recent gas leak incident and expressed disappointment that the Washington Gas presentation materials lacked detailed information specific to the Woodmore Highlands incident.
9. Darius Statton, Dunwood Crossing Drive - Addressed the Council regarding the prolonged gas leak near his neighborhood. Mr. Stanton described repeated reports to Washington Gas regarding strong gas odors beginning in late December and expressed concerns regarding communication and follow-up during the incident.

#### PRESENTATIONS:

A. Councilmember Brady motioned to adopt Proclamation P-1-26 Proclaiming April 12-18, 2026 as Animal Control Appreciation Week. Councilmember Rogers second the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Acting Mayor Wolfley presented the proclamation recognizing the work of the City's Animal Control Officers and their contributions to public safety, animal rescue, and responsible pet ownership. The proclamation noted that Animal Control Officers responded to approximately 550 service calls in 2025. Staff members from the Animal Control Division were present to accept the proclamation.

B. Councilmember Rogers motioned to adopt and present Proclamation P-2-26 Proclaiming March 29, 2026 as Education and Sharing Day in the City of Bowie. Councilmember Brady second the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Acting Mayor Wolfley presented the proclamation to Rabbi Baron, recognizing the importance of education, moral character, and community service. Rabbi Baron thanked the Council and spoke regarding the significance of education, ethical values, and community responsibility during the Passover season and in recognition of the teachings of Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson.

#### CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

None.

#### COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Acting Mayor Wolfley reminded residents that the next Council meeting will include the swearing-in ceremony for the newly elected Mayor and noted that the meeting would begin at 7:00 p.m. to accommodate the ceremony and the start of budget season.

#### CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Acting City Manager Mears provided an update regarding recent discolored water events within the City's water system, explaining that aging cast iron water mains and recent water main breaks, construction activity, and hydrant flushing have contributed to the issue. Although the water may appear discolored, testing confirms the water remains safe and meets all State water quality standards.

He also discussed upcoming hydrant flushing and valve replacement projects, as well as the City's ongoing water main rehabilitation program, including continued pipelining improvements and a proposed \$5 million investment in the upcoming fiscal year budget.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilmember Estève motioned to approve Consent Agenda items: A) Adoption of Resolution R-34-26 Waiving the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 61 "Purchasing and Contracting" of the Charter of the City of Bowie and Awarding a Contract to Motive Technologies, Inc. in the Amount of \$14,256.00 for the Purchase of Fleet Management Technologies With Related Software Solutions, by Piggybacking a Sourcewell Contract; B) Adoption of Resolution R-35-26 Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order to KCI Technologies, Inc. for Task Order/RFP#11-04 in the Amount of \$75,099.48 in Accordance with the Master Contract Approved on January 7, 2019; C) Adoption of Resolution R-37-26 Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order to KCI Technologies, Inc. for Task Order/RFP#3-24 in the Amount of \$156,892.63 in Accordance With the Master Contract Approved on October 31, 2018; D) Introduction of Ordinance O-4-26 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026, as Embodied in Ordinance O-4-25 and Amended by Ordinances O-11-25, O-13-25, O-1-26 and O-3-26 to Appropriate Funds for the Following Projects: \$48,300 to Fund the Replacement of Vehicle #14 and \$125,000 for the Administration of the April 7, 2026 Mayoral Election; E) Approval of Letter to Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission re: City of Bowie – Go Prince George's Preliminary Master Plan Comments. Councilmember Brady second the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Adoption of Ordinance O-3-26 Amending the Adopted Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026, as Embodied in Ordinance O-4-25 and Amended by Ordinances O-11-25, O-13-25, and O-1-26, to Appropriate Funds in the Amount of \$142,100 for a Network Connectivity Redundancy Project and Fiber Optic Network Expansion Project, and to Appropriate \$67,600 to Replace Tasers for the Police Department and to Account for the Receipt of a Grant From Prince Georges County and Allocate the Grant Funds to Certain Services – Acting Mayor Woolfley summarized the ordinance.

**Public Hearing:**

Acting Mayor Woolfley opened the public hearing. City Clerk Hernandez reported that no individuals signed up to speak and no written comments had been received. Acting Mayor Woolfley declared the public hearing to have been held.

Councilmember Brady motioned to adopt Ordinance O-3-26. Councilmember Rogers second the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

B. Bowie Brighter Strategic Plan – Acting City Manager Mears presented the finalized Bowie Brighter Strategic Plan, summarizing the collaborative effort between the City Council, staff, and the community that began in 2024. He introduced the City's mission, vision, and core values, and recognized the "SPARK Team," goal champions, and initiative owners who will oversee implementation of the plan's 29 initiatives.

Staff representatives presented an overview of the five strategic goals and their associated initiatives. The Safe Community goal focuses on improving public safety through enhanced emergency communications, online reporting tools, crime prevention campaigns, and expanded use of technology, including drones and license plate readers. The Connected and Informed Community goal includes initiatives to increase resident engagement through expanded outreach, more accessible and engaging Council meetings, community pulse surveys, and enhanced communications.

The Sustainability goal includes implementation of the Environmental Action Plan, expansion of trails and wayfinding, native landscaping policies, smart city initiatives, energy efficiency projects, and expansion of the City's food waste collection program. The Responsive Service Delivery goal emphasizes

improving accessibility of City information, translating materials into Spanish, expanding customer communications, and utilizing customer satisfaction surveys to improve service delivery. The Staff Development goal focuses on employee recruitment, onboarding, training opportunities, leadership development, career pathways, performance evaluations, and succession planning.

Acting City Manager Mears advised that many of the initiatives have been incorporated into the proposed FY2027 budget and will be discussed further during upcoming budget work sessions. Council members thanked staff for their work and expressed support for continuing implementation of the strategic plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Washington Gas Operational Briefing – Representatives from Washington Gas provided an overview of the company's emergency response procedures, leak investigation process, infrastructure maintenance programs, and customer communication efforts following the recent gas leak in the Woodmore Highlands neighborhood.

Washington Gas representatives explained that public safety remains the company's highest priority and reviewed the response to the recent transmission line leak, noting that the leak was difficult to locate due to its location near the railroad tracks. Once identified, crews worked continuously over several days to safely excavate, repair, and restore the affected area. Representatives acknowledged residents' concerns regarding communication during the incident and stated that improvements to public notification and coordination with local officials are being evaluated.

The presentation also included an overview of Washington Gas' ongoing pipeline inspection and replacement programs, emergency response requirements for hazardous and non-hazardous leaks, and the importance of contacting 811 before excavation. Staff concluded with information regarding residential and commercial energy efficiency rebate programs, home energy assessments, and other customer assistance programs available to Washington Gas customers.

Following the presentation, the Council questioned Washington Gas representatives regarding the response to the Woodmore Highlands gas leak, the time required to locate the leak, communication with residents and elected officials, infrastructure monitoring, and emergency response procedures. Representatives explained that the leak resulted from a failed weld at the connection between a transmission main and a regulator line. Due to the location near the railroad tracks, the leak required additional investigation, fabrication of a custom repair sleeve, and approximately four days to complete repairs and site restoration.

Councilmembers expressed concerns regarding the initial response, communication with residents, and the difficulty residents experienced obtaining timely information during the incident. The Council requested that Washington Gas improve coordination with the City's Emergency Management staff, develop clearer communication protocols, and provide an after-action report summarizing the incident, response efforts, and recommendations for future improvements. Washington Gas acknowledged that communication could have been better, committed to strengthening coordination with City staff, and agreed to provide additional information regarding the incident and system reliability. Representatives also discussed the company's ongoing leak detection, infrastructure maintenance, annual inspections, and customer safety programs.

Acting Mayor Woolfley thanked them for the briefing.

C. Traffic Safety Discussion - Council discussed several potential improvements, including updating school zone signage and hours, installing additional directional signage, evaluating three-way stop

intersections, considering speed humps where appropriate, and reviewing the need for additional crossing guards. Council members also requested that staff evaluate traffic concerns in other areas of the City, including Rockledge Drive, and consider additional traffic calming measures such as speed cameras and enhanced signage.

Following discussion, the Council directed staff to evaluate the proposed traffic safety improvements, coordinate with the appropriate agencies, and return with recommendations for improving pedestrian and vehicular safety near Tulip Grove Elementary School and other identified locations.

**ADJOURNMENT AND MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION:**

Councilmember Estève motioned to adjourn the regular City Council meeting and move to closed session under the statutory authority of the Md. Annotated Code, General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(4): “To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State”. Councilmember Rogers second the motion. Motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

Good evening Mayor Pro Tem Woolfley and members of the Council. Thank you again for the opportunity to speak.

My name is Charles Hudson. I am a Bowie native, an eleven-year resident of Trainor Lane, and the parent of a ten-year-old child.

I first came before you on January 20th to raise concerns about traffic safety on Trainor Lane, Traymore Lane, and Tulip Grove Drive—the streets directly surrounding Tulip Grove Elementary School.

At that time, I shared concerns that my neighbors and members of the school community have raised for years: excessive speeds, increasing traffic volume following school rezoning, and unsafe conditions during drop-off and pick-up. I also referenced the November incident in which a child was struck by a vehicle—an event that made clear that these risks are not hypothetical.

Since that meeting, I want to sincerely thank Mayor Pro Tem Woolfley for taking the time to meet with us in the neighborhood and personally observe traffic conditions during morning drop-off on two separate days, at different ends of Trainor Lane.

What we observed confirmed our concerns: high traffic volume in short timeframes, inconsistent stopping behavior, limited visibility due to stopped vehicles, and frequent interactions between cars and children navigating the area.

Following those observations, residents and members of the Tulip Grove Elementary community worked together to refine a focused and practical set of traffic-calming recommendations. I have provided a visual map and summary for the Council this evening.

We are respectfully requesting the following:

- **Updated street signage**, aligned with current school hours to improve clarity and enforcement
- **Installation of speed humps on Trainor Lane**, with consideration for additional measures on surrounding high-traffic streets
- **Designation of Trainor Lane as a one-way street during school hours**, to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion during drop-off and pick-up times
- **Installation of three all-way stops at the following intersections:**
  - Tulip Grove Drive and Trainor Lane
  - Trainor Lane and Traymore Lane

– Traymore Lane and Tulip Grove Drive

- **Addition of a crossing guard at Trainor Lane and Traymore Lane**, to provide consistent protection where it is currently needed

These are practical, proven, and relatively low-cost measures that can significantly improve safety in a high-risk, school-adjacent environment.

As a parent and a resident, I want to emphasize that this is about prevention. We now have years of community concern, a recent incident, and direct observation alongside a member of this Council.

With that in mind, we respectfully ask the City to move forward with implementing these measures **before the start of the 2026–2027 school year**, so that students, families, and residents can return in the fall to a safer environment.

We appreciate your time, your attention, and your continued commitment to the safety of Bowie's children.

Thank you.

## Requested Traffic Calming Measures for Trainor Lane, Traymore Lane and Tulip Grove Drive

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## Awilda Hernandez

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**From:** Dr. Kenya Coleman, LICSW, LCSW-C [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 7, 2026 11:39 AM  
**To:** Awilda Hernandez  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Follow-Up: Citizens Participation Remarks – April 6 Council Meeting

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Good morning Ms. Hernandez,

Thank you for your support in coordinating yesterday's City Council meeting. As requested, I am sharing a copy of my Citizens Participation remarks below:

*There is a student at Bowie High School right now who was present during an armed robbery outside their school. Another who sheltered in place during a lockdown this past January. Another who watched a classmate get choked and robbed in the school hallway. These are not statistics from another city. These are our kids. And when the last police car pulls away and the metal detector gets wheeled back in — nobody is asking that child how they're doing inside.*

*My name is Dr. Kenya Coleman. I am your neighbor, a licensed clinical social worker, and the Founder of Kaleidoscope Wellness & Education Group. And I am here tonight because I have spent my career building the answer to that question — and I need this Council's help to get it to our children.*

*Every student who witnessed those events, every child who hid in a classroom during a lockdown, every young person who is afraid to walk to school — they are carrying something. Fear. Trauma. Anxiety. And most of them have nowhere to put it.*

*That is the gap I am working to close.*

*Kaleidoscope provides direct clinical services to students and families — individual and group therapy, parent workshops, and professional development for educators. We are a holistic provider. We meet children in the room, and we meet them where they are. One of the ways we do that is through the KSCOPE Wellness & Education App — a clinically grounded, culturally responsive platform that extends our reach beyond the therapy room, giving students, families, and educators access to mental health tools and licensed clinicians at 10 o'clock at night when no school counselor is available. We don't believe technology replaces human connection. We believe it extends it.*

*Here is what is important for this Council to know: we have done the work. Kaleidoscope is a registered vendor with Prince George's County Public Schools. The PGCPs Office of Research has granted us permission to conduct formal research on the app's efficacy using their students. The system has already said yes to us — on paper.*

*And yet, we cannot get a returned phone call. Emails go unanswered. Appointments are scheduled and not kept. The institutional door is open, but no one will walk us through it.*

*Closer to home, I applied for a City of Bowie education grant in collaboration with a local public school. That school was a willing partner through the entire application process. The grant was not approved — and I accepted that. What I could not accept was leaving those students without support. So I offered to implement the program at no cost to the school. That was months ago. Despite multiple follow-up attempts, we have not received a response.*

*I am not here tonight to complain. I am here because I refuse to stop showing up for the children of this community — and I am asking this Council to help remove the barriers that are standing between an already-vetted, Bowie-built solution and the students who need it most.*

*The City of Bowie has a Youth and Family Services Department whose mission aligns directly with this work. I am formally requesting that this Council facilitate an introduction between Kaleidoscope and the Director of that department, so that together we can explore how this tool can reach the youth and families of Bowie.*

*I would also ask that the Council consider how it might support connections between Bowie-based innovators and the private and religious schools in our city — schools that are deeply committed to their students but often lack the clinical infrastructure to address mental health needs. Kaleidoscope's full continuum of care — clinical services and technology together — can be a meaningful bridge for those communities as well.*

*Our children deserve more than lockdown drills. They deserve someone in their corner at 10 o'clock at night when everything feels like too much. That support exists. It has been vetted by the very system that won't return our calls. And it was built right here in Bowie — by one of your neighbors — for children who live on your streets.*

*I am asking this Council to help me get it to them.*

*Thank you.*

I also want to take a moment to share my appreciation for the experience. Attending the meeting offered me a meaningful opportunity to witness civics in action—to observe the structure, the dialogue, and the intentionality behind the process. While I wish I had engaged sooner, I can say with certainty that this will not be my last time participating.

As shared in my remarks, my goal is to partner with the City to ensure that students and families in Bowie have access to timely, culturally responsive mental health support. I remain hopeful about the opportunity to collaborate and would welcome any guidance on next steps or appropriate points of contact.

Thank you again for your time and for the work you do to support the City's engagement with its residents.

Warmly,

Dr. Kenya Coleman, LICSW, LCSW-C  
Chief Executive Officer

**Awilda Hernandez**

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**From:** Scott D. Vining [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 6, 2026 8:35 PM  
**To:** Awilda Hernandez  
**Cc:** Scott D. Vining  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Comment's from Me On April 6, 2026

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Hey there,

I'm just sharing this with you regarding my comment's on April 6, 2026:

Please 📌 See the Following:

Good Evening Everyone.

On February 17th 2026 I shared w the Council that Between January 8th 2026 & February 17th 2026 there were 36 Different occasions where the Neighborhood was hearing Loud Vehicles & Fast Drivers based on the Speed Sounds out on the Road....

Since February 17th 2026 to Current Date Through April 6th 2026 I can Share w/ The City Council that there's Been 153 Different Occurrence's on This Matter As Late As 1:32 AM..... Thank You For Your Time On This Matter !!!!

Respectfully,

Sent from Gmail Mobile  
Scott D. Vining



**PRESIDING OFFICER'S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING ("CLOSING STATEMENT")  
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)**

This form has two sides. *Complete items 1 – 4 before closing the meeting.*

1. **Recorded vote to close the meeting:** Date: 4-6-26; Time: 11:20; Location: City Hall;  
Motion to close meeting made by: Esteve Seconded by Rogers;  
Members in favor: All Aye; Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_;  
Abstaining: \_\_\_\_\_; Absent: \_\_\_\_\_.

2. **Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply).**  
**This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:**

(1)  "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals"; (2)  "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business"; (3)  "To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto"; (4)  "To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State"; (5)  "To consider the investment of public funds"; (6)  "To consider the marketing of public securities"; (7)  "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice"; (8)  "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation"; (9)  "To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations"; (10)  "To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans"; (11)  "To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination"; (12)  "To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct"; (13)  "To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter"; (14)  "Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process." (15)  "To discuss cybersecurity, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to: (i) security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; (ii) network security information . . . or (iii) deployments or implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices."

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3. For each provision checked above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation (insert # from above)	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion of topic
§3-305(b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Business Location	
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4. This statement is made by *[Signature]*, Presiding Officer.

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**WORKSHEET FOR OPTIONAL USE IN CLOSED SESSION: INFORMATION FOR SUMMARY TO BE DISCLOSED IN THE MINUTES OF THE NEXT OPEN MEETING. (See also template for summary.)**

➤ For a meeting closed under the statutory authority cited above:

Time of closed session: 11:30pm

Place: City Hall

Purpose(s): (4) Business Location

Members who voted to meet in closed session: DW WR DB ME CT AN

Persons attending closed session: Wade Rogers Esteve Truesdale Njabiradu Ruff King Mears Berdy

Authority under § 3-305 for the closed session: (4)

Topics actually discussed: Relocation incentives

Actions taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Each recorded vote: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ For a meeting recessed to perform an administrative function (§ 3-104): Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Persons present: \_\_\_\_\_

Subjects discussed: \_\_\_\_\_



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Robert Holt, Acting Public Works Director

**SUBJECT:** Waive Bidding for Replacement of Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) Truck #411  
Resolution R-57-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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The FY27 budget allows for the replacement of a closed-circuit television (CCTV) truck #411, which is used by the utilities division. The Public Works Department received and analyzed Virginia Sheriffs' Association Contract #26-07-0711 and determined that Atlantic Machinery, Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland, was awarded a contract for CCTV trucks meeting the needs of the utilities division. Seeking new bids would not be expected to yield better results.

The cost of the CCTV truck is \$464,431, which is within the budgeted amount of \$501,900.

This truck is used to inspect and record the condition of sewer and stormdrain pipes. A CCTV inspection is a non-invasive diagnostic method that feeds a specialized camera through the pipe to visually identify blockages, leaks and structural damage without the need for excavation. It provides a real-time view of the interior of the pipe, and this cost-effective service pinpoints the exact source of any problems in the pipe. The utilities division uses the truck daily for scheduled inspections and emergencies.

In accordance with City Charter Section 61, we are requesting that Council waive bidding requirements and allow for the issuance of a purchase order to Atlantic Machinery, Inc. in the amount of \$464,431.

Approval of Resolution R-57-26 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Resolution R-57-26

**RESOLUTION**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 61**  
**“PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING” OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF**  
**BOWIE TO ALLOW FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE CLOSED-CIRCUIT**  
**TELEVISION TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$464,431.00 BY PIGGYBACKING**  
**VIRGINIA SHERIFFS’ ASSOCIATION CONTRACT NUMBER 26-07-0711, AND**  
**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO**  
**ATLANTIC MACHINERY, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Charter of the City of Bowie, Maryland (hereinafter, “the City”) requires, in section 61, that all expenditures for inter alia, materials, construction of public improvements or contractual services involving more than twenty-five thousand dollars be made by written contract upon sealed bids to the lowest responsible bidder, except where the City Council by two-thirds (2/3) vote of its members waives the bidding requirement for good cause shown; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY27 budget allows for the replacement of a closed-circuit television (CCTV) truck #411 to be used by the utilities division; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department received and analyzed Virginia Sheriffs’ Association Contract Number 26-07-0711; and

**WHEREAS**, it was determined that Atlantic Machinery, Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland was awarded a contract for CCTV trucks meeting the needs of the utilities division; and

**WHEREAS**, seeking new bids would not be expected to yield better results; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed contract price for the equipment to be procured will exceed three hundred fifty thousand dollars and the City Council deems the aforesaid economic efficiencies to constitute good cause to waive the bidding requirements otherwise required by the Charter.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, by at least a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its members, that:

Section 1. The competitive bidding requirements of Section 61 of the Bowie City Charter for good cause shown, are hereby waived.

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the said company for the above mentioned services.

**INTRODUCED AND PASSED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on July 6, 2026 by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**

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Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

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Michael P. Estève  
Mayor



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Robert Holt, Acting Public Works Director

**SUBJECT:** Waive Bidding for Replacement of Sewer Jet Vac Truck #406 - Resolution R-58-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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The FY27 budget allows for the replacement of sewer jet vac truck #406, which is used by the utilities division. The Public Works Department received and analyzed Virginia Sheriffs' Association Contract #26-07-0711 and determined that Atlantic Machinery, Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland, was awarded a contract for sewer jet vac trucks meeting the needs of the utilities division. Seeking new bids would not be expected to yield better results.

The cost of the sewer jet vac truck is \$441,704, which is within the budgeted amount of \$627,200.

The sewer jet vac truck uses a high-pressure pump to send a concentrated water stream through a hose and a specialized nozzle into the sewer and stormdrain pipes. The nozzles forward jets cut through blockages while the rear jets push the hose forward and scour the pipe walls. The high velocity water dislodges grease and fat build-up, mineral scales, sludge, mud, debris and tree roots that may cause back-ups and overflows. The utilities division uses the truck daily for scheduled preventive maintenance and emergencies.

In accordance with City Charter Section 61, we are requesting that Council waive bidding requirements and allow for the issuance of a purchase order to Atlantic Machinery, Inc. in the amount of \$441,704.

Approval of Resolution R-58-26 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Resolution R-58-26

**RESOLUTION**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 61**  
**“PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING” OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF**  
**BOWIE TO ALLOW FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE SEWER JET VAC TRUCK IN**  
**THE AMOUNT OF \$441,704.00 BY PIGGYBACKING VIRGINIA SHERIFFS’**  
**ASSOCIATION CONTRACT NUMBER 26-07-0711, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY**  
**MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ATLANTIC MACHINERY, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Charter of the City of Bowie, Maryland (hereinafter, “the City”) requires, in section 61, that all expenditures for inter alia, materials, construction of public improvements or contractual services involving more than twenty-five thousand dollars be made by written contract upon sealed bids to the lowest responsible bidder, except where the City Council by two-thirds (2/3) vote of its members waives the bidding requirement for good cause shown; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY27 budget allows for the replacement of sewer jec vac truck #406 to be used by the utilities division; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department received and analyzed Virginia Sheriffs’ Association Contract Number 26-07-0711; and

**WHEREAS**, it was determined that Atlantic Machinery, Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland was awarded a contract for sewer jet vac trucks meeting the needs of the utilities division; and

**WHEREAS**, seeking new bids would not be expected to yield better results; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed contract price for the equipment to be procured will exceed three hundred fifty thousand dollars and the City Council deems the aforesated economic efficiencies to constitute good cause to waive the bidding requirements otherwise required by the Charter.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, by at least a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its members, that:

Section 1. The competitive bidding requirements of Section 61 of the Bowie City Charter for good cause shown, are hereby waived.

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the said company for the above mentioned services.

**INTRODUCED AND PASSED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on July 6, 2026 by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**

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Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

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Michael P. Estève  
Mayor



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Robert Holt, Acting Public Works Director

**SUBJECT:** RFP/Task Order #11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance  
Resolution R-59-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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On January 7, 2019 and February 4, 2019, the City entered into an Architect/Engineering Open End Agreement for Category 11-Planning and Administrative for A/E Services with KCI Technologies, Inc. (KCI) of Sparks, Maryland, Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, LLP (RK&K), of Baltimore, MD and Hill International, Inc. (Hill) of Glen Burnie, MD. Professional Services delivered through these Agreements are negotiated and procured on a Task Order basis as the City's needs arise.

On February 7, 2022, Council awarded the FY22 RFP/Task Order #11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance to KCI.

On September 6, 2022, Council awarded the FY23 RFP/Task Order #11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance to KCI.

On October 2, 2023, Council awarded the FY24 RFP/Task Order #11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance to KCI.

On July 1, 2024, Council awarded the FY25 RFP/Task Order #11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance to KCI.

On July 14, 2025, Council awarded the FY26 RFP/Task Order #11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance to KCI.

On June 26, 2026, the Public Works Department advertised a Notice of Intent to Negotiate with KCI for FY27 Task Order/RFP#11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance under the Architect/Engineering Open End Agreement. A Proposal was received and accepted from KCI for this task and selected based on past experience and qualifications, cost, capacity to perform in a timely manner and understanding of the scope of services. This will also allow for a continuity of services for FY22 through FY27.

In accordance with City Charter Section 61(b)(4), a fee of \$434,818.48 for the required services was negotiated. The funding will be split between FY27 Engineering Support Budgets for Administrative (80%-\$347,854.78), Water (10%-\$43,481.85) and Sewer (10%-\$43,481.85).

The Public Works Department recommends that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to KCI for Task Order/RFP#11-01 pursuant to the Master Contract approved on January 7, 2019.

Approval of Resolution R-59-26 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Resolution R-59-26

**RESOLUTION**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO KCI**  
**TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR TASK ORDER/RFP#11-01 IN THE AMOUNT**  
**OF \$434,818.48 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MASTER CONTRACT**  
**APPROVED ON JANUARY 7, 2019**

**WHEREAS**, on June 26, 2026, the Public Works Department advertised a Notice of Intent to Negotiate with KCI Technologies, Inc. for FY27 RFP/Task Order# 11-01 On-Site Project Management Assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, there are three (3) firms which have open ended professional services agreements with the City for Planning and Administrative A/E Services. These firms include KCI Technologies, Inc. (KCI) of Sparks, Maryland, Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, LLP (RK&K), of Baltimore, MD and Hill International, Inc. of Glen Burnie, MD; and

**WHEREAS**, a Proposal was received and accepted from KCI for this task and selected based on past experience and qualifications, cost, capacity to perform in a timely manner and understanding of the scope of services. This will also allow for a continuity of services for FY22 through FY27; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with City Charter Section 61(b)(4), a fee of \$434,818.48 for the required services was negotiated. The funding will be split between FY27 Engineering Support Budgets for Administrative (80%-\$347,854.78), Water (10%-\$43,481.85) and Sewer (10%-\$43,481.85).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, that the Council authorizes the issuance of a Purchase Order to KCI Technologies, Inc. for Task Order/RFP#11-01 pursuant to the Master Contract approved on January 7, 2019.

**INTRODUCED AND PASSED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on July 6, 2026.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**

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Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

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Michael P. Estève  
Mayor



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Robert Holt, Acting Public Works Director

**SUBJECT:** Custodial Services - Public Works Facilities - Resolution R-60-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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A legal notice advertising an Invitation for Bids for Custodial Services at Public Works Facilities was placed on eMaryland Marketplace Advantage and Bid Locker. At the close of bidding at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2026, the City received seven (7) bids. Below is a tabulation of the bids received:

Golden, Inc.

Towson, Maryland \$31,140.00

Maryland Cleaning Professionals LLC

Annapolis, Maryland \$53,575.39

Evolution Group

Silver Spring, Maryland \$55,200.00

Vivia Group LLC

Gaithersburg, Maryland \$57,900.00

Liberation Healthcare LLC

Beltsville, Maryland \$103,500.00

Luna Services & Property Management

Annapolis, Maryland \$111,722.00

P2 Cleaning Services LLC

Laurel, Maryland \$366,768.00

After careful review of the bids submitted, it was determined that Golden Inc. had submitted a responsive and responsible bid. Price increases will not be considered for the first year of the contract. Requests for price adjustments after the initial term must be submitted in writing, in an amount that does not exceed the annual percentage change of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the twelve-month period immediately prior to the date of the request.

The Public Works Department recommends that the bid from Golden Inc, in the amount of \$31,140.00, be accepted for Custodial Services at Public Works Facilities. Although the total bid from Golden Inc. exceeds the budget amount of \$20,100.00, there are sufficient funds in the repair and maintenance account to cover the additional \$8,753.00.

Approval of Resolution R-60-26 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Resolution R-60-26

**RESOLUTION**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**AWARDING A CONTRACT TO GOLDEN, INC. FOR THE CUSTODIAL SERVICES**  
**AT PUBLIC WORKS FACILITIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,140.00**

**WHEREAS**, a legal notice advertising an Invitation for Bids for Custodial Services at Public Works Facilities was placed on eMaryland Marketplace Advantage and Bid Locker; and

**WHEREAS**, at the close of bidding at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2026, the City received seven (7) bids; and

**WHEREAS**, after careful review of the bids submitted, it was determined that Golden, Inc. had the most responsive and responsible bid; and

**WHEREAS**, the total bid from Golden, Inc. exceeds the budget amount of \$20,100.00; however, there are sufficient funds in the repair and maintenance account to cover the additional \$8,753.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, that the Council hereby accepts the bid of Golden, Inc. and authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Golden, Inc. for Custodial Services at Public Works Facilities in the amount of \$31,140.00.

**INTRODUCED AND PASSED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on July 6, 2026.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**

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Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

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Michael P. Estève  
Mayor



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Daniel Mears, Acting City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriations for the FY 2027 Annual Budget - Ordinance O-8-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

Supplemental Ordinance O-8-26 proposes amendments to the City's Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget to provide additional appropriations for the following purpose:

Staff proposes the creation of a new Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget page for Street Lighting. The program will include streetlight repair and maintenance, streetlight cable replacements, and LED streetlight upgrades. The project is proposed to be funded through approximately \$16,000,000 in borrowed funds, which is expected to reduce long-term operational and maintenance costs.

CITY OF BOWIE  
 PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION  
 FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027

**Capital Projects Fund**

<u>Source of Funds</u>				
10	49046	Borrowing		\$ 16,000,000
			Total Sources	\$ 16,000,000
<u>Uses</u>				
10324	57015	Street Lighting		\$ 16,000,000
			Total Uses	\$ 16,000,000

Council's introduction of Ordinance O-8-26 providing supplemental appropriations for the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Ordinance O-8-26

**ORDINANCE**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR**  
**BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027, AS**  
**EMBODIED IN ORDINANCE O-5-26 AND AMENDED BY**  
**ORDINANCE O-7-26 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE**  
**FOLLOWING PROJECT: \$16,000,000 FOR STREETLIGHT REPAIR**  
**AND MAINTENANCE, STREETLIGHT CABLE REPLACEMENTS,**  
**AND LED STREETLIGHT UPGRADES**

**WHEREAS**, as required by the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and the Charter of the City of Bowie, the Bowie City Council (hereinafter, “the City Council”) adopted Ordinance No. O-5-26 to appropriate funds for the several objects and purposes for which the City intended to provide for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. O-5-26 was amended by Ordinance No. O-7-25; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 45 of the City Charter, no public money may be expended without having been appropriated by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, supplemental appropriations are necessary to reflect additional expenditures that were not included in Ordinance O-5-26 as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary, for the reasons set forth herein, to appropriate additional funding for the Capital Improvement Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, an additional appropriation from a borrowing in the amount of \$16,000,000 is required to facilitate expenses associated with streetlight repair and maintenance, streetlight cable replacements, and LED streetlight upgrades; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Local Gov’t Article, § 5-205, the City may spend money for a purpose different from the purpose for which the money was appropriated or spend money not appropriated at the time of the annual levy if approved by a two-thirds vote of all the individuals elected to the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, City Charter, Sec. 12 “Procedure for enacting ordinances” requires that ordinances become effective at the expiration of thirty (30) calendar days following their passage by the City Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland that the Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026, ending June 30, 2027, as adopted by Ordinance O-5-26 and amended by O-7-26; is further amended as follows:

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**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

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Estimated Revenues

Appropriated Fund Balance		\$ 4,280,700
Transfers from General Fund		4,973,800
Intergovernmental Revenues		1,639,600
<b>BORROWING</b>		<b>16,000,000</b>
Other Revenues		800,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 11,694,100</b>	<b>\$27,694,000</b>

Appropriations

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**STREET LIGHT PROJECT**

**\$16,000,000**

Total Capital Projects Fund Revenues	<del>\$11,694,100</del>	<b>\$27,694,000</b>
Total Capital Projects Fund Appropriations	<del>\$11,694,100</del>	<b>\$27,694,000</b>

Difference

\$ NONE

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**AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE** that, upon the favorable vote of at least two-third (2/3) of the members of the City Council, this Ordinance shall become effective on \_\_\_\_\_.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE** that, this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland provided that a fair summary of this Ordinance is published at least once prior to the passage and at least once within ten (10) days after the date of passage in a newspaper having general circulation in the City.

**INTRODUCED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

**PASSED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**

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Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michael P. Estève  
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## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Daniel Mears, Acting City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriations for the FY 2027 Annual Budget - Ordinance O-9-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

Supplemental Ordinance O-9-26 proposes amendments to the City's Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget to provide additional appropriations for the following purpose:

Staff proposes the addition of a Systems Integrator position in the amount of \$112,700 to support the City's growing technology infrastructure and operational needs. The Systems Integrator will play a critical role in ensuring seamless communication and functionality across software applications, hardware platforms, and business systems. This position will enhance system reliability, improve cybersecurity and data management practices, streamline business processes, and support the efficient delivery of services to residents and staff. The investment will help ensure the City's technology resources remain secure, integrated, and capable of supporting future organizational growth and innovation.

CITY OF BOWIE  
 PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION  
 FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027

**General Fund**

Source of Funds

Fund	Object		
01	48005	Appropriated Fund Balance	112,700
Total Sources			\$ 112,700

Uses of Funds

Fund	Organization		
01	01145	Salaries & Wages	83,500
01	01145	Fringe Benefits	29,200
Total Uses			\$ 112,700

Council's introduction of Ordinance O-9-26 providing supplemental appropriations for the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Ordinance O-9-26

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**ORDINANCES O-7-26 AND O-8-26 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR**  
**THE FOLLOWING PROJECT: \$112,700 FOR AN INFORMATION**  
**TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INTEGRATOR**

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**WHEREAS**, supplemental appropriations are necessary to reflect additional expenditures that were not included in Ordinance O-5-26 as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary, for the reasons set forth herein, to appropriate additional funding for the General Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, an additional appropriation of \$112,700 is requested from the appropriated fund balance for the addition of an Information Technology Systems Integrator; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Local Gov’t Article, § 5-205, the City may spend money for a purpose different from the purpose for which the money was appropriated or spend money not appropriated at the time of the annual levy if approved by a two-thirds vote of all the individuals elected to the Council; and

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**GENERAL FUND**

ESTIMATED REVENUES

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Appropriated Fund Balance	0.00	\$112,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$95,285,600</b>	<b>\$95,398,300</b>

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Appropriations

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<b>INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	\$5,960,100	<b>\$6,072,800</b>
Total General Fund Revenues	\$95,285,600	<b>\$95,398,300</b>
Total General Fund Appropriations	\$95,285,600	<b>\$95,398,300</b>
Difference		\$ NONE

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## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Daniel Mears, Acting City Manager

**SUBJECT:** 2026 Legislative Session Report

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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A representative from Cornerstone, the City's lobbyist firm, will brief Council on items from the legislative session.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - 2026 Legislative Session Report 07 06 26 - FINAL



CORNERSTONE

— AN EMPLOYEE-OWNED COMPANY —

# City of Bowie 2026 Legislative Session Report

July 6, 2026



## Agenda

- CGA Team Introductions
- State Budget & Outlook
- Policy Issues
  - Legislative Updates
  - Additional Legislation of note
- Questions





# State Budget – Fiscal Year 2027

Introduced by the Governor and passed the General Assembly, the \$70.8 billion FY 2027 budget, closed a \$1.5 billion deficit, leaving \$250 million in surplus, and more than \$2 billion in the state's rainy-day fund.

It included no tax or fee increases.

Closed the gap with a combination of fund transfers, cuts and swapping bonds for cash.

Additionally, the state passed a \$1.8 billion capital budget for 2027.



# State Budget – Multi-Year Outlook

The state faces sizable future year deficits.

Out year deficits are largely due to the Blueprint for Maryland's Future, the state's ambitious education reform plan.

## Projected Deficits:

FY 2028	-2.6 billion
FY 2029	-3.4 billion
FY 2030	-4.3 billion
FY 2031	-4.5 billion



# Starter and Silver Homes Act

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The Cornerstone Team actively opposed HB 239/SB 36 (Starter and Silver Homes), raising concerns regarding preemption of local land-use authority and impacts on neighborhood character. While Bowie did not have the authority to adopt or enforce the zoning provisions outlined in the bill, Bowie was aligned with other municipalities in opposition. While there was no formal record of testimony by Bowie – Cornerstone expressed Bowie’s concerns with relevant committee members.

➤ **RESULT: Did Not Pass**



# Electric Vehicle Dealer Licenses

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Cornerstone also engaged in Bowie specific and Prince George's County legislation, including bills related to electric vehicle dealer licensing specific to the City of Bowie (SB 275/HB 869) and transportation funding. Cornerstone sought and incorporated Bowie guidance on bill positions, including direction to support SB 275, which would've increased the number of electric vehicle dealer licenses operation of a dealership in the City of Bowie.

➤ **RESULT: Did Not Pass**



# Unhoused Individuals- Rights and Affirmative Defense

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Legislation that aimed to provide rights and an affirmative defense to unhoused individuals and was opposed by Bowie did not pass (HB 104/SB 49). The Cornerstone team engaged with committee members in opposition.

➤ **RESULT: Did Not Pass**

# Capital Grant Reporting



A proposal to alter the amounts of capital grants calculated based on highway user fees created concerns from Bowie on a potential change to the formula. This bill did not pass (SB 288). Similarly, another bill that raised concerns and aimed to require local government that receives funding from the state to report to the comptroller by a certain date, also failed (SB 547).

**RESULT: Did Not Pass**

## Other Noteworthy Legislation:

- SB 189 Open Drainage Inlets - Required Grating Systems (Mason's Law)
- HB 1142 Task Force to Modernize County and Municipal Revenue Structures
- HB 357 Municipalities - Election Dates - Reporting Requirements
- HB 1448 Municipal Elections - Reporting of Information to the State Board
- HB 1178 Municipalities - Annexation - Limitations

# SB 189 Open Drainage Inlets - Required Grating Systems (Mason's Law)

Synopsis: Requires a municipality, by July 1, 2027, to review all existing open drainage inlets in the municipality. Additionally, by April 1, 2028, this bill requires a municipality to develop a prioritization plan for improving existing open drainage inlets and in certain fiscal years, a certain amount of money appropriated to the comprehensive flood management grant program within the Department of the Environment to be used to provide matching funds to assist municipalities with certain costs.

- By in large, this bill imposes a local government mandate. This bill was signed into law by Gov. Moore.

# HB 1142 Task Force to Modernize County and Municipal Revenue Structures

Synopsis: This bill establishes a Task Force to Modernize County and Municipal Revenue Structures to study and evaluate the revenue structure of the county and municipal governments within the State. Moreover, the bill requires the Task Force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2026.

- This bill was signed into law by Gov. Moore.

# HB 357 Municipalities - Election Dates - Reporting Requirements

Synopsis: The bill requires municipalities to report the date of each municipal election to the State Board of Elections (SBE) at least 6 months before a regular election and within 5 business days after a special election is scheduled. The bill also requires the State Board of Elections, local board of elections, and municipalities with websites to display lists of upcoming regular and special municipal elections on their websites.

- This bill was signed into law by Gov. Moore.

# HB 1448 Municipal Elections - Reporting of Information to the State Board

Synopsis: This bill requires a municipality to submit to the State Board of Elections the qualifications to be a candidate for each office on the ballot in a municipal election, the list of qualified candidates for each office on the ballot in a municipal election, the date of a special election and each office on the special election ballot, and certain information on voting procedures and locations in a municipal election on or before certain dates. Additionally, it requires the State Board to post the information on the State Board website afterwards.

- This bill was signed into law by Gov. Moore.

# HB 1178 Municipalities - Annexation - Limitations

Synopsis: Requires a municipality that is seeking to annex land in a different legislative district to notify the members of the General Assembly for the district in which the land is located and for the district to which the land is being annexed by electronic communication, in addition to contacting the United States Postal Service.

- This bill was signed into law by Gov. Moore.

# 2027 Legislative Session Preparation

- Potential Major Issues
- City of Bowie Priorities
  - § Budget Asks
  - § Policy Objectives
- Session Planning
  - § Meet in late summer/early fall to set priorities and plan strategy

# QUESTIONS?

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## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** John Henry King, Economic Development Director

**SUBJECT:** Old Town Bowie Revitalization Update

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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The City's consultant, Mark Lawrence from Inncuvate Community Development Partners, will provide an update on their activity in Old Town Bowie.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - City Council Presentation



# CRAFTED IN BOWIE

OLD TOWN BOWIE MAKER DISTRICT

## Building Bowie's Manufacturing Ecosystem

From Vision to Entrepreneurial Placemaking.

Presented to Bowie City Council July 6, 2026

**“Old Town Bowie is no longer simply a revitalization project. It is becoming the City’s pilot for a new economic development model centered on entrepreneurship, small-scale manufacturing, property activation, and community wealth creation.”**



**Makerspace**

**Maker District**

**Catalytic Opportunity**



TWO YEARS AGO, WE STARTED WITH A QUESTION:

***“What Could Old Town Bowie Become?”***

Today we have a community-backed vision, completed feasibility studies, a nationally-informed implementation strategy, active business prospects, state funding, media attention, and a growing coalition working to transform Old Town Bowie into Maryland's next maker district.



## WHY THIS MATTERS

### Three Reasons

### This Matters Now

#### Economic Development

Creating locally owned businesses and higher-wage jobs in Prince George's County.

#### Placemaking

Activating vacant and underutilized properties with purpose and identity.

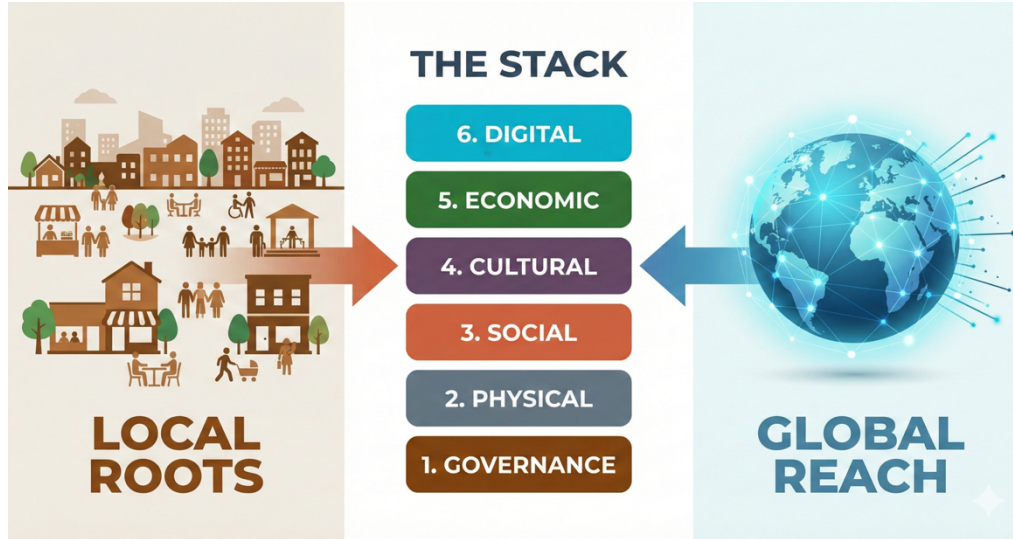
#### Competitive Advantage

Giving Old Town Bowie a distinctive, authentic role within the City of Bowie.

# The Entrepreneurial Placemaking Stack

Small-scale manufacturing succeeds when place becomes a platform.

- Local community
- Residents
- Makers
- Storefronts
- Street life



- Destination branding + e-commerce
- Regional/national market access
- Network economy
- Digital commerce platform

# Applying the Stack Old Town Bowie

6. DIGITAL

5. ECONOMIC

4. CULTURAL

3. SOCIAL

2. PHYSICAL

1. GOVERNANCE

- Landing page, CRM, maker directory, ecommerce enablement
- Tenant pipeline, kitchen incubator, artisan cohort, procurement
- Crafted in Bowie brand, murals, storytelling, festivals
- Steering committee, surveys, walking tours, workshops
- Assemblage, adaptive reuse, activation hub, maker studios
- City + CDC + future CLT + partners

## WHAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED

# Two Years of Progress

### 2024 Feasibility & Funding

- 350+ community survey responses
- JS&A Makerspace Feasibility Study
- TEDCO Round 1 Grant — \$25K awarded
- Recast City engagement launched

### 2025 Strategy & Brand

- Recast City Maker District Strategy complete
- Crafted in Bowie brand launched
- Mural initiative launched
- Old Bowie Celebrates festival
- TEDCO Round 2 — \$75K

### 2026 Activation & Momentum

- Assemblage Opportunity
- Activation Hub concept finalized
- Business recruitment underway
- MEDA Award & WTOP media coverage



## THIRD-PARTY VALIDATION

# Others Have Confirmed the Opportunity



## JS&A

Old Town Bowie can support a makerspace-based revitalization strategy.

## Recast City

Old Town Bowie possesses the assets needed to become a regional artisan and small-scale manufacturing hub.

## BUSINESSES READY TODAY

The Businesses Are Here.

We Need the Spaces.



### Samosas Supreme

#### Shared Kitchen Candidate

Artisan food producer ready to scale in a shared production kitchen in Old Town Bowie.



### Fab'rik Makers Lab

#### Fashion & Textile Manufacturing

1,425 students trained since 1999. 75% pursue creative careers. 35% launch businesses. Bringing a permanent 1,500–2,000 SF production studio to Bowie.



### Piedmont Harvest

#### Food Production & Agri-Tech

'Agribusiness in a Box' — hydroponic container farms deployable on urban land. Food as infrastructure for Old Town Bowie.



### The Whimsical Welcome

#### Small Batch Brew Coffee

Coffee trailer specializing in aromatic spiced batch brew coffee and local pastries.

"The question is no longer whether businesses are interested. The question is whether we can create the spaces they need."



## THE ACTIVATION HUB

13006 9th Street

The Old Fire House

Demonstration Space

Maker Showroom

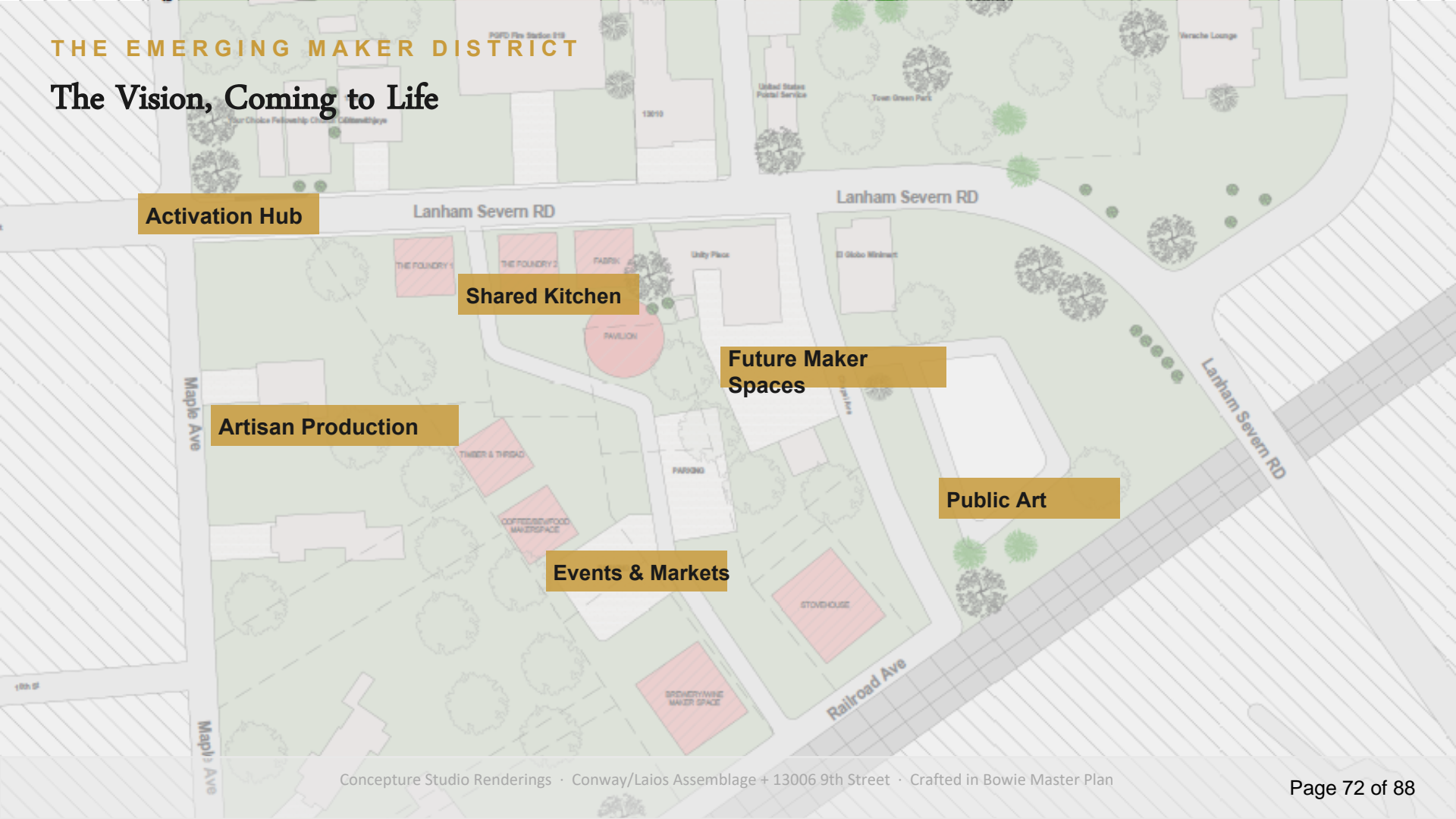
Community Programming Hub

"The Activation Hub allows us to create visible progress before larger redevelopment occurs."

3-Year Lease · Full Build-Out · Target Activation: July 2026

# THE EMERGING MAKER DISTRICT

## The Vision, Coming to Life



Activation Hub

Shared Kitchen

Future Maker Spaces

Artisan Production

Public Art

Events & Markets

## WHY THIS MATTERS

# Piecemeal development will not sustain momentum

District-scale revitalization requires:

- Coordinated phasing
- Shared infrastructure
- Affordability for makers and small businesses
- Design cohesion
- Long-term stewardship



## PROPOSED SOLUTION

# Commercial Community Land Trust

A new economic development tool for Bowie

A CCLT plays a role as the catalyst to accelerate revitalization efforts:

- Secure strategic assets
- Enables partners
- Help leverage and/or attract outside capital
- Protect long term economic development & community benefit



## The Challenge & Opportunity in Old Town Bowie

### THE CHALLENGE

- ✗ Vacant, underutilized storefronts on 9th Street corridor
- ✗ Absentee ownership blocking redevelopment for years
- ✗ No affordable, production-ready space for makers & entrepreneurs
- ✗ City investment lost to private speculation without land control
- ✗ Tight city budget limits direct development capacity

### THE OPPORTUNITY

- ✓ 10-parcel assemblage (Conway/Laios) available now — rare corridor-scale opportunity
- ✓ 13006 9th St (Old Fire House) ready for immediate activation
- ✓ CCLT model turns \$2M City seed into \$10M+ total investment
- ✓ Proven nationally: Anchorage CLT, Rondo CLT, Kensington Corridor Trust
- ✓ Replicable framework applicable to all Bowie commercial corridors

## Year Three Implementation Timeline

**Phase 0**  
**Now – 90 days**

13006 lease execution ·  
Assemblage contract execution ·  
CCLT incorporation

**Phase 1**  
**90 days – 9 months**

13006 build-out & activation (End of  
July 2026 target) · State/federal  
grant applications filed · First  
tenants activated

**Phase 2**  
**Year 3 – 4**

Full assemblage master planning ·  
Inncuvate raises \$8M+ ·  
Construction phases begin · CCLT  
framework expanded citywide

## WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

### Three Years from Now

- 20+ artisan and maker businesses
- 50–100 new jobs created
- Activated storefronts on 9th Street
- Increased foot traffic & property values
- Expanded events and district tourism
- Distinctive new identity for Old Town Bowie

5-YEAR VISION



Maryland's Premier Maker District



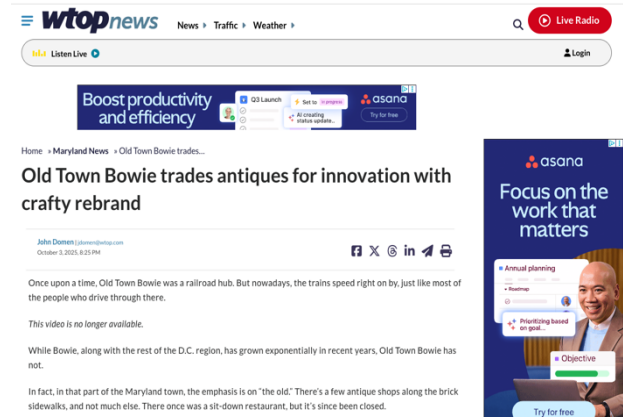
## The Work Is Being Noticed



### Maryland Economic Development Association

#### Economic Development Project Award

Recognition for the Crafted in Bowie maker district initiative as a standout economic development project in Maryland.



### WTOP News Coverage

#### Regional Media Spotlight

WTOP highlighted Crafted in Bowie's vision to transform Old Town Bowie into a maker district for locally made products, artisan businesses, and small-scale manufacturing.

Old Town Bowie's revitalization is not just a local story — it is a model being recognized at the state and regional level.

## City of Bowie Partnership Asks

**1 - Recognize Old Town Bowie as Bowie's Entrepreneurial Placemaking Pilot**

**2 - Partner with staff to evaluate establishment of a Commercial Community Land Trust**

**3 - Partner to pursue state, federal, philanthropic, and private implementation funding**



## THE OPPORTUNITY BEFORE US

"Old Town Bowie does not need to become another downtown. It needs to become the best version of Old Town Bowie. Crafted in Bowie gives us a path to do exactly that."

From Plans to Place



# CRAFTED IN BOWIE

OLD TOWN BOWIE MAKER DISTRICT

*Where History Meets Handmade*

Thank You!



## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Daniel Mears, Acting City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriations for the FY 2027 Annual Budget - Ordinance O-7-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

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Supplemental Ordinance O-7-26 proposes amendments to the City's Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget to provide additional appropriations for the following purpose:

The Community Services Department requests approval of an ordinance to amend the Bowie City Code to require a permit for commercial filming, photography, and other media production activities conducted in City parks and facilities. The ordinance also establishes a new Filming Permit Fee of **\$100 per day**, in addition to any applicable facility permit fees, and incorporates the fee into the Fiscal Year 2027 User Fee Schedule.

Council's introduction of Ordinance O-7-26 providing supplemental appropriations for the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Ordinance O-7-26

**ORDINANCE**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**AMENDING BOWIE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 17 "PARK RULES AND**  
**REGULATIONS," §17-2 "PARK RULES" TO REQUIRE A CITY PERMIT FOR**  
**FILMING PRODUCTION IN CITY PARKS AND FACILITIES; AND AMENDING THE**  
**ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, AND**  
**ENDING JUNE 30, 2027, AS EMBODIED IN ORDINANCE O-5-26, TO**  
**INCORPORATE THE ASSOCIATED USER FEE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Maryland Code Annotated, Local Government Article, § 5-216, the Council of the City of Bowie ("the City") has the authority to establish and maintain parks, gardens, playgrounds, and recreational facilities for the benefit of the health and welfare of the City and its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Maryland Code Ann., Local Gov't Art ("LG"), Section 5-202, the Council of the City of Bowie ("the City") has the authority to pass such ordinances as the City Council deems necessary to assure, among other things, the good government of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to this authority, the City has established and maintains various parks, playgrounds, recreational facilities, and other public spaces governed by Chapter 17 of the Bowie City Code, "Park Rules and Regulations"; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined that filming production activities within City parks and facilities should be regulated through a permitting process to ensure the safe, orderly, and appropriate use of public property and to minimize impacts on park users and City operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council further finds that a user fee should be established to recover a portion of the administrative costs associated with processing filming permit applications and coordinating filming activities; and

**WHEREAS**, City Code, Chapter 17, § 17-3 Permits; fees, states in pertinent part, that fees for use or activity permits required by § 17-2 Park Rules will be established in the City budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council adopted Ordinance O-5-26 establishing the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend the adopted budget to establish a filming permit user fee; and

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Maryland Code Annotated, Local Government Article, § 5-205, and Section 45 of the Charter of the City of Bowie, the City Council may amend the annual budget by ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 12 of the Charter of the City of Bowie requires that ordinances become effective thirty (30) calendar days following their passage by the City Council.

**Section 1. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, that Bowie City Code, Chapter 17, "Park Rules and Regulations," § 17-2 "Park rules," be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§17-2. Park Rules**

The following are adopted as the City park rules:

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**EE. FILMING PRODUCTION. FILMING PRODUCTION IN CITY PARKS AND FACILITIES, INCLUDING ATHLETIC FIELDS, PICNIC AREAS, LAKES, STREAMS, RIVERS, AMPHITHEATERS, TENNIS COURTS, MULTIPURPOSE COURTS, TOT LOTS, GAZEBOS, PARK SHELTERS, PARKING LOTS, AND OPEN SPACE AREAS, BY INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS, OR ORGANIZATIONS, MAY ONLY BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO A VALID PERMIT ISSUED BY THE CITY MANAGER OR THE CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE. FILMING PRODUCTION CONDUCTED WITHOUT A VALID PERMIT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL.**

**FF.** Nothing contained in this chapter shall be construed to abrogate any other City laws or regulations, or any federal, state or local laws or regulations applicable to any area in which property is situated.

**Section 2. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland, that the City's Budget Document for Fiscal Year 27, adopted as part of the City of Bowie Fiscal Year 27 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance O-5-26, is hereby amended to reflect a filming production permit fee, as follows:

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**CITY RENTAL AND USER FEES**

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City Park Permit Fees

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**FILM PRODUCTION PERMIT FEES**

**\$ 100 PER DAY**

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**AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, that revenues associated with the Film Production Permit Fee shall be recorded as earned and collected within the General Fund, and that total projected revenues are indeterminate at the time of adoption and shall be estimated and reflected in subsequent supplemental budget amendment.

**Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE** that, this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland provided that a fair summary of this Ordinance is published at least once prior to the passage and at least once within ten (10) days after the date of passage in a newspaper having general circulation in the City.

**INTRODUCED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

**PASSED** by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**

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Awilda Hernandez, MMC  
City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michael P. Estève  
Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:**

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## Memorandum

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Daniel Mears, Acting City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriations for the FY 2027 Annual Budget - Ordinance O-10-26

**DATE:** 07/02/2026

Supplemental Ordinance O-10-26 proposes amendments to the City’s Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget to provide additional appropriations for the following purpose:

Staff proposes funding program supplements to the Bowie Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD) in the amount of \$167,000 to support essential operational, training, recruitment, and emergency response initiatives. Funding will be used for CPR and fire prevention programs, membership recruitment and incentive programs, training activities, fund drive efforts, disability and life insurance benefits, station and vehicle maintenance, emergency response vehicle upgrades and supplies, security and technology enhancements, improvements to Fire Station #39 (Free State), membership uniforms and equipment, and upgrades to onboard computer hardware and software. These expenditures will help ensure the continued readiness, safety, and effectiveness of BVFD personnel and emergency response services.

**CITY OF BOWIE  
PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION  
FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027**

**General Fund**

<u>Source of Funds</u>			
01	48005	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 167,000
		Total Sources	\$ 167,000
<u>Uses</u>			
01220	55065	Program Supplements	\$ 167,000
		Total Uses	\$ 167,000

Council’s introduction of Ordinance O-10-26 providing supplemental appropriations for the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027 is requested.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. 20260706 - Ordinance O-10-26

**ORDINANCE**  
**OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND**  
**AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR**  
**BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027, AS**  
**EMBODIED IN ORDINANCE O-5-26 AND AMENDED BY**  
**ORDINANCES O-7-26, O-8-26 AND O-9-26 TO APPROPRIATE**  
**FUNDS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT: \$167,000 FOR**  
**PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTS TO THE BOWIE VOLUNTEER FIRE**  
**DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, as required by the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and the Charter of the City of Bowie, the Bowie City Council (hereinafter, “the City Council”) adopted Ordinance No. O-5-26 to appropriate funds for the several objects and purposes for which the City intended to provide for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. O-5-26 was amended by Ordinances O-7-25, O-8-26 and O-9-26; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 45 of the City Charter, no public money may be expended without having been appropriated by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, supplemental appropriations are necessary to reflect additional expenditures that were not included in Ordinance O-5-26 as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary, for the reasons set forth herein, to appropriate additional funding for the General Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, an additional appropriation from the appropriated fund balance in the amount of \$167,000 is required to fund program supplements to the Bowie Volunteer Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Local Gov’t Article, § 5-205, the City may spend money for a purpose different from the purpose for which the money was appropriated or spend money not appropriated at the time of the annual levy if approved by a two-thirds vote of all the individuals elected to the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, City Charter, Sec. 12 “Procedure for enacting ordinances” requires that ordinances become effective at the expiration of thirty (30) calendar days following their passage by the City Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland that the Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026, ending June 30, 2027, as adopted by Ordinance O-5-26 and amended by Ordinances O-7-25, O-8-26 and O-9-26; is further amended as follows:

**GENERAL FUND**

**ESTIMATED REVENUES**

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Appropriated Fund Balance	\$112,000	\$279,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$95,398,300	\$95,565,300
Appropriations		
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<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	\$546,800	\$713,800
Total General Fund Revenues	\$95,398,300	\$96,565,300
Total General Fund Appropriations	\$95,398,300	\$96,565,300
Difference		\$ NONE
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**AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE** that, upon the favorable vote of at least two-third (2/3) of the members of the City Council, this Ordinance shall become effective on \_\_\_\_\_.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE** that, this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland provided that a fair summary of this Ordinance is published at least once prior to the passage and at least once within ten (10) days after the date of passage in a newspaper having general circulation in the City.

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