

# COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY

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## OPEN SESSION AGENDA

Legislative Day No. 4

May 5, 2026

Call to Order

**Open Session**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Closed Session**

**5:01 p.m.**

**Reconvene into Open Session**

**6:00 p.m.**

**1. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Calls for Additions/Deletions to Agenda**

**3. Financial Report – General Fund – Operating Cash on Hand (Allocated & Unallocated): \$**

**4. Closed Session Summary §3-305(b): (1), (13) & (7)**

**5. Consent Agenda**

**6:01 p.m.**

A. County Council Open Session Minutes – April 21, 2026

B. Accounts Payable Disbursement Report – Week Ending May 1, 2026

C. Request to Advertise – Bid No. 2026-5 – Thendara Roof Replacement – Recreation & Parks

- Request of Recreation & Parks to advertise Bid No. 2026-5 to request proposals for replacing the roof at the Thendara 4-H Center

D. Request to Advertise – Bid No. 2026-6 – Landfill Recycling Services – Solid Waste

- Request of Solid Waste to advertise Bid No. 2026-6 to request proposals for landfill recycling services

E. Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) Requests – Tourism – Finance

- Request of Finance, on behalf of Tourism, to:
  - Enter into a FY27-29 Cooperative Agreement with the MHAA for the Chesapeake Country Heritage Area beginning July 1, 2026, which is required to proceed with the MHAA grant applications
  - Submit a \$350,000 FY27 MHAA Program Management Grant application for funding for its operations and management of the heritage area, with a \$175,000 in-kind match and a two year grant period

F. Interlocal Agreement Request – City of Cambridge – Sheriff's Office – Finance

- Request of Finance, on behalf of the Sheriff's Office, to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Cambridge for a \$12,974 2026 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Award, through the Department of Justice, which will be split equally between the Cambridge Police Department and the Sheriff's Office, with no match requirement and a two year grant period

**6. Commendation(s)**

A. Teacher of the Year

B. Life Saving Efforts – Emergency Medical Services

**7. Proclamation(s)**

A. Police Week of May 10, 2026

**8. Presentation(s)**

A. Board of Health – Health Department

B. World's End Turn – State Highway Administration

**9. Legislative Session**

A. Public Hearing – Bill No. 2026-5: FY2026-2027 – Annual Budget & Appropriation Ordinance **6:05 p.m.**

- To provide an opportunity for public comments regarding Bill No. 2026-5: FY27 Annual Budget & Appropriation ordinance of Dorchester County for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027

**Reconvene into Open Session**

**10. Meeting with Municipalities**

**11. Action Items**

**6:55 p.m.**

A. Bid Award Confirmation Request – Bid No. 2026.04 – Recreation & Parks

- Confirmation request of Recreation & Parks, for Bid No. 2026-4 for field grading, installation of irrigation system, and grass seeding for the School Street multipurpose athletic field, funded through the Local Parks & Playground Infrastructure Program

B. Request to Proceed – Marina Portable Toilets – Public Works

- Request of Public Works to place portable toilets at several marina locations from June 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026, funded by the FY26 and FY27 Operating Budget, contingent on future budget approvals

C. Request to Proceed – Supplemental Agreement – Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) State Highway Administration (SHA) – Public Works

- Request of Public Works to proceed with two Supplemental Agreements with the MDOT SHA for the following bridge repairs funded through Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act awards, with no local match, as required by the Federal Highway Administration federal funding is awarded for transportation or roadway safety related projects:

1. Maple Dam Road bridge over the Blackwater River (\$575,000)
2. Hoopers Island Road bridge over the Honga River and Hip Roof Road over Spicer Creek (\$1,000,000)

D. County Property Tax Exemption Requests – Treasury Office - Finance

- Request of the Treasury Office to grant County property tax exemptions for tax year 2026/2027, using the 2025/2026 tax year as estimates, on several properties owned by the following:
  1. Cambridge Commons LLP \$22,585.77
  2. Cedar Meadows Rod & Gun Club Inc. \$1,587.67
  3. Cambridge Skeet & Gun Club \$1,691.00
  4. Glenburn Associates Limited Partnership \$4,509.88
  5. Homes for Hurlock Limited Partnership \$5,778.71
  6. Women’s Auxiliary of DGH \$1,399.65
  7. Cambridge Waterfront Development Inc. totaling \$54,643.83

E. Request to Renew – Environmental Monitoring Services Agreement – Solid Waste

- Request of Solid Waste to renew an environmental monitoring services agreement for the landfill and transfer stations for a two year term beginning July 1, 2026, funded by its FY27 & FY28 Operating Budgets, contingent on future budget approvals

F. Poll Confirmation(s)

- Consideration of the Council to confirm its decision(s) in the interim of meetings, via poll, to:
  1. Submit a \$12,000 Domestic Violence Unit Program grant application, through the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention & Policy, to fund overtime within the Sheriff’s Office for entering peace and ex parte orders, with no match requirement and a grant period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, by a 4 to 0 vote

**12. County Manager Comments**

**7:10 p.m.**

**13. Deputy County Manager Comments**

**7:15 p.m.**

**14. Council Comments**

**7:20 p.m.**

**15. Public Comments**

**7:25 p.m.**

**Adjournment**

**7:30 p.m.**