

City Council of the City of Claremont
Catawba County, North Carolina
Ordinance No. 50-26

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT ADOPTING THE CLAREMONT
MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the General Fund (Fund 110) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the city.

Ad Valorem Taxes	\$3,302,325
State Shared Revenues	\$ 473,875
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 680,050
Other Taxes	\$ 725,417
Local Fees and Charges	\$ 184,735
Miscellaneous	\$ 180,150
<i>Sub-Total Revenues</i>	<i>\$5,546,552</i>
<u>Appropriated Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 237,761</u>
Total Revenue	\$5,784,313

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund (Fund 110) for the operation of the City government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the city.

City Council	\$ 66,040
Administration	\$ 812,776
Police	\$1,476,085
Fire	\$1,531,535
Public Services	\$ 934,597
Streets and Sidewalks	\$ 173,000
Recreation and Events	\$ 237,425
Parks	\$ 28,600
Planning	\$ 189,725
Library	\$ 38,000
Debt Service	\$ 101,030
<u>Economic Development</u>	<u>\$ 85,500</u>
<i>Sub-Total Appropriations</i>	<i>\$5,674,313</i>
<u>Transfer to Capital/Development Funds</u>	<u>\$ 110,000</u>
Total Appropriations	\$5,784,313

Section 2

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in Water and Sewer Fund (Fund 330) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Charges for Utilities	\$2,270,000
Other Charges	\$ 219,460
Other Revenue Sources	\$ 0
<u>Net Retained Earnings</u>	<u>\$ 199,477</u>
Total Revenue	\$2,688,937

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water and Sewer Fund (Fund 330) for the operation of the Water and Sewer Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Water Distribution	\$ 997,411
Wastewater Collections	\$1,298,541
<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>\$ 172,985</u>
<i>Sub-Total Appropriations</i>	<i>\$2,468,937</i>
<u>Transfer to Capital Funds</u>	<u>\$ 220,000</u>
Total Appropriations	\$2,688,937

Section 3

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in Powell Bill Fund (Fund 111) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Powell Bill Distributions	\$ 50,000
Other Revenue Sources	\$ 500
<u>Appropriated Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 50,500

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Powell Bill Fund (Fund 111) for the maintenance of city streets for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore.

<u>Powell Bill Operations</u>	<u>\$ 50,500</u>
Total Appropriations	\$ 50,500

Section 4

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the PJ Stanley Fund (Fund 115) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Other Funding Sources	\$ 50
Transfer In – General Fund	\$1,000
<u>Appropriated Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 950</u>
Total Revenue	\$2,000

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the PJ Stanley Fund (Fund 115) for memorial scholarships, training grants, and fundraising for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore.

<u>Scholarships</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>
Total Appropriations	\$2,000

Section 5

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Capital Reserve Fund (Fund 601) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Transfer In – Fire Ladder Truck	\$ 75,000
<u>Transfer In – PS Backhoe</u>	<u>\$ 35,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$110,000

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Capital Reserve Fund (Fund 601) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

<u>Miscellaneous Expense</u>	<u>\$110,000</u>
Total Appropriations	\$110,000

Section 6

It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Capital Reserve Fund (Fund 651) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Transfer In – PS Backhoe	\$ 35,000
Transfer In – Distribution Project	\$ 50,000
Transfer In – Collection Project	\$ 20,000
Transfer In – AMR Meters	\$ 15,000
<u>Transfer In - I&I Project</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$220,000

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Capital Reserve Fund (Fund 651) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the City.

Miscellaneous Expense	\$220,000
Total Appropriations	\$220,000

Section 7

There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of \$.4175 per one hundred (\$100) valuation of property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2027, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed as “Ad Valorem Taxes” in the General Fund in Section 1 of this ordinance.

Section 8

The corresponding Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Schedule of Fees is approved with the adoption of this annual budget ordinance. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Schedule of Fees is attached as Schedule A to this Ordinance.

Section 9

The corresponding Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Utility Rates Schedule is approved with the adoption of this Annual Budget Ordinance. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Utility Rates Schedule is attached as Schedule B to this Ordinance.

Section 10

The corresponding Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Assignment of Classes to Grades and Ranges is approved with the adoption of this Annual Budget Ordinance. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Assignment of Classes to Grades and Ranges is attached as Schedule C to this Ordinance.

Section 11

The corresponding Fiscal Year 2026-2027 City of Claremont Capital Improvement Plan is approved with the adoption of this Annual Budget Ordinance. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 City of Claremont Capital Improvement Plan is attached as Schedule D to this Ordinance.

Section 12

The City Manager is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations as contained herein under the following conditions:

- A. He or she may transfer amounts between line-item expenditures and departments without limitation as believed to be necessary and prudent. He or she must make an official report on such transfer at the next regular meeting of the City Council.
- B. He or she may not transfer any amounts between funds, except as approved by the Governing Board in the Annual Budget Ordinance, as amended.

Section 13

The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute agreements, within funds included in the budget ordinance or other actions approved by the City Council, for the following purposes:

- A. Leases of routine business equipment;
- B. Consultant, professional, engineering or maintenance service agreements; to include:
 - a. Vendor contracts regarding events with the City;

- b. Purchase of supplies, materials, or equipment where formal bids are not required by law;
 - c. Public and non-profit organizations, and other funds from other government units, for services to be rendered which have been previously approved by the City Council;
 - d. Repair projects;
 - e. Liability, health, life, disability, casualty, property or other bonds;
- C. Other administrative contracts, which include agreements adopted in accordance with the directives of the City Council, including contracts with other government entities for the provision of services to the City.

All agreements executed pursuant to the authority granted by these Sections shall be countersigned by the City Finance Officer or Assistant Finance Officer (Finance Manager) in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 159-28 and Chapter 4 of the Claremont Code of Ordinances.

Section 14

Copies of the Annual Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the City Clerk, the City Council, the City Manager, and the Finance Officer to be kept on file by them for direction in the disbursement of funds.

INTRODUCED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont June 1, 2026.

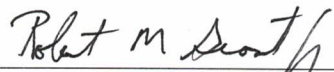
ADOPTED, after public hearing, at the special called meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont on June 18, 2026.


Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:


Wendy Helms, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Robert M. Grant Jr., City Attorney