

August 2026 Residents Meeting

Agenda & Notes

Monday, August 3, 2026

Board members in attendance: Matt Hertz, Patterson Fenelon, Kelley-Frances Fenelon, Tim Maddux, Josef Gutzmirtl, Kathy Conkwright

Regular Business

Welcome

EENA President Matt Hertz to welcome everyone

Notes: Matt Hertz opened the meeting, welcomed attendees, and introduced the evening's agenda and guest presenters.

Tomato Art Fest 🍅🍅🍅

Good Neighbor Festivals update on Tomato Art Fest

EENA Booth — Notes:

- EENA will host a booth at Tomato Art Fest - located next to the gas station on corner of Woodland and 11th.



- New (and older/retired) EENA merchandise will be for sale
- A rock-painting activity open to all ages
- **Volunteers are still needed**, especially for the 1:00–3:00 PM shift. Volunteers may take home one piece of merchandise as a thank-you.
- The Most Beautiful Tomato Contest begins at 11:00 AM at a stage in the parking lot across from the EENA booth. Gift cards will be awarded to the winners.

Festival Announcements from Jack (Good Neighbor Festivals):

- **Friday night** programming extends down to Fatherland Street, with vendors, food trucks, and DJs.
- New this year: a **silent disco** will be held Friday in the lot next to I Dream of Weenie.
- **Road closures** are posted on the Tomato Art Fest website.
- The **parade** will line up on S. 13th and Holly. The Battle of the Bands follows at the end of the parade route, at the center of Five Points.
- **Pets are not permitted** at the festival this year.
- The **art show** continues to grow in size and attendance and will feature approximately 600 pieces.
- A **shuttle** will run between Center 615 and Woodland Wine Merchant on Friday from 4:00–7:00 PM, and all day Saturday.
- Nothing happening on the site of the former **Buds & Brews** during the festival this year.

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Neighborhood Cleanup — Wednesday, 5:00 PM, Fanny's House of Music

Notes: EENA's annual pre-Tomato Fest neighborhood cleanup takes place Wednesday, immediately ahead of Tomato Art Fest. Volunteers should meet at Fanny's at 5:00 PM.

Mayor's Office

Alex Apple presenting Mayor O'Connell's 2026 Post-State of Metro Address and Budget Proposal

Notes: Alex Apple from the Mayor's Office delivered a "Metro At Work" presentation.

CM Clay Capp

Update from our District 6 Metro Nashville Councilmember Email: clay.capp@nashville.gov | Cell: 615-414-5513

Notes: Councilmember Capp provided an update on several district items:

- **Scrapyard:** [The new East Bend / Wasioto Bend neighborhood rezoning has been approved](#). All East Nashville amendments were adopted.
- **Transit and streetscape improvements:** New bus shelters along Shelby — the 4 line — are planned between 10th and the interstate. The work also includes bikeway upgrades and new street trees in that area.
- **10th Street redesign / "East Nashville Spokes":** [The proposed project](#) would have added trees, wider sidewalks, and expanded bike infrastructure. Funding for the project is currently held up through federal cuts, however a federal court [has ordered the amounts be dispersed](#).
- **Sewer separation:** In response to a resident question, CM Capp explained that Metro stopped building combined sewer and stormwater lines roughly 80 years ago, but legacy combined lines remain in service. During heavy rain events, stormwater and sewage can still combine and discharge to the river. Separation work is ongoing.