



# City Manager's Report

January 28, 2026

## Council

- At the January 28<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting Council recognized the Fort Mill High School Girls Cross Country team for their accomplishment in earning their third consecutive State Championship. Also, Council congratulated and recognized the Fort Mill High School Boys Cross Country team for their accomplishment in earning their second consecutive State Championship.
- Head Coach Lee Whitaker was recognized for his leadership, commitment and being named the South Carolina Track and Cross-Country Coaches Association 5A Division II Cross Country Coach of the Year.
- Council awarded the bid for the Windjammer Shoreline Stabilization Project Phase 2 to Lake Wylie Dock Construction LLC in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.
- Council tabled awarding the bid for Lawn Maintenance Services to allow the Parks and Recreation Department to further vet the lowest bidders. This will be brought back to Council for consideration at the February Council meeting.
- Council approved the first reading of of an Ordinance to Adopt Chapter 54, Article V, of the City's Code as it relates to Private Wells. It was clarified that residents who currently have a well will be grandfathered in and the ordinance would not impact their ability to have a well. The ordinance's purpose is to prohibit new wells and to eliminate the risk of contamination to the City's water system if a cross connection were to occur.

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## Administration

- Applications for the City's boards and commissions will continue to be accepted through the end of February to fill upcoming terms and vacancies.
  - All currently seated members seeking reappointment are required to submit a new application through MatchBoard for consideration.
  - The City has concluded its Wildlife Management Program for the 2025–2026 fiscal year in accordance with approved plans and permits.
  - The program resulted in the removal of 80 deer by Lowcountry Wildlife Specialists at a total cost of \$42,382.
  - In compliance with SCDNR permit requirements, all harvested meat was donated to the Catawba Indian Nation, which assisted with processing costs.
  - Additional information regarding program goals, outcomes, and permitting is available on the City's website
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- The Grove development continues installation of on-site ground infrastructure, including utilities, and is coordinating next steps toward the start of required off-site traffic improvements.
- The Alderwood development, located off Dam Road, is scheduled to begin grading activities in February pending final coordination.
- Vickie Isenhour has joined the Development Services Department as the City's new permit clerk and will assist with permit intake, processing, and customer service.
- Staff extended appreciation to the COG and the Comprehensive Plan steering committee for their work in completing a full draft of the City's updated Comprehensive Plan.
- The [draft Comprehensive Plan](#) is now available for public review on the City's website, and a joint public hearing is scheduled to take place during Council's February meeting to obtain public feedback.

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## Fire Department

- Last weekend's ice storm resulted in activation of the joint Emergency Operations Center in coordination with City staff to ensure readiness and response across all departments. The Emergency Operations Center for Winter Storm Fern remained active for a total of 28 hours, with approximately 100 staff hours spent in planning meetings prior to activation, in addition to significant time dedicated to equipment staging and roadway preparation.
- Staffing support during the event included:
  - Public Works: eight employees working two 12-hour shifts over a 48-hour period to support street and equipment operations.
  - TCUD: four staff members and two supervisors providing utility monitoring and response coverage for 48 hours.
  - TCPD: one additional officer and command staff providing extended coverage for 36 hours.
  - TCFD: one additional firefighter and command staff providing operational support for 48 hours.
- The department appreciates those who limited travel during the storm, which allowed emergency responders and public works staff to operate more safely and efficiently. Additionally, residents are encouraged to check smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors and replace batteries to ensure proper operation during potential power outages.



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- The City's new Ladder 1 apparatus has been delivered, with crews currently completing training while awaiting delayed equipment.
- A rescheduled Pushing-In Ceremony will be announced once equipment installation is complete, and Ladder 1 will be placed into service as soon as possible.
- Firehouse Stories is scheduled for this Saturday, with staff continuing to monitor weather conditions and prepared to move the event to Facebook Live on [City of Tega Cay Fire Department](#) if necessary.
- Fire Department personnel will be conducting routine safety inspections at local businesses throughout the month of February.

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## Parks & Recreation

- This week marks the final opportunity to register for Spring Youth Sports, with several sports and age groups nearing capacity.
  - [Dick's Sporting Goods Shop Day](#) is scheduled for this Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Rock Hill location, weather permitting. Residents may receive a 20% discount on their total purchase using the Tega Cay Parks & Recreation coupon available on the City's website and valid through Sunday.
  - Tega Cay will host the US Quadball National Qualifier at Catawba Park on February 21st and 22nd, bringing teams from Washington, D.C., Chicago, New York, and the Carolinas to compete locally.
  - We'd like to welcome Ryan Dudney to the Parks & Recreation Department as a Recreation Programmer who will oversee baseball and softball operations beginning this spring season.
  - Turf installation inside the baseball and softball complex at Catawba Park has been completed.
  - Construction of new batting cages at Runde Park is nearing completion and will be ready for use ahead of the spring season.
  - Parks & Recreation staff will begin final preparations for the upcoming recreation season as February progresses.
  - We're excited to announce the "Why We Heart Tega Cay" youth art initiative, encouraging children of all ages to submit drawings representing what they love most about the community. Artwork submissions will be accepted at City Hall from February 3rd through February 12th and displayed in the lower level of the Glennon Center.
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## Police Department

- The department has compiled their Monthly Crime Statistics for December with 403 calls for service, 33 incident reports, 2,665 property checks, 597 traffic stops, 16 vehicle collisions, 10 custodial arrests, 3 DUI arrests, an average response time of 3 minutes and 49 seconds and hosted 4 community events.
  - The department would like to thank residents for limiting travel during the recent winter storm, which supported safer response conditions for emergency personnel.
  - Badges and Baristas will take place on February 2nd from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Tega Cay Coffee Company, with proceeds benefiting the Special Olympics.
  - The Polar Plunge is scheduled for February 7th at 10:00 a.m. at the Beach and Swim Center, raising funds and awareness for the Special Olympics.
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