

March 10, 2026
Town Council
Regular Meeting
Res. No.

**RESOLUTION TO RESUME THE ACTIVITIES OF THE WARRENTON COMMISSION
ON OPEN AND TRANSPARENT GOVERNMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Warrenton established the Warrenton Commission on Open and Transparent Government (“the Commission”) on January 14, 2025, to review development application processes and facilitate the public’s timely awareness of such applications; and

WHEREAS, the Commission was tasked with investigating specific projects, including the Amazon Data Services data center (SUP 22-03), the Warrenton Village project, and the Arrington Voluntary Settlement Agreement; and

WHEREAS, at its November 12, 2025, meeting, the Town Council paused the Commission’s operations due to the resignation of the Town Attorney’s office; and

WHEREAS, with the appointment of a new Town Attorney, the Council finds that the administrative and legal conditions required for the Commission to discharge its duties effectively have been restored; and

WHEREAS, the Commission’s mission is guided by comprehensive documents, including a Mission Statement, Discovery Plan, and Town Records Review Plan (“Governing and Guidance Documents”) which detail the procedures for broad investigatory access to Town records; and

WHEREAS, at its March 5, 2026 meeting, the Commission reviewed, modified and approved its governing and guidance documents to ensure they were sufficient to fulfill the Commission’s objectives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of Warrenton:

1. The activities of the Commission are hereby resumed.
2. Council Members William T. Semple and Eric Gagnon are hereby authorized to review Town Records pursuant to the Commission’s Governing Guidance Documents.
3. The Commission shall produce a written report no later than September 30, 2026, subject to extensions as may be granted by the Council from time to time.

ATTACHMENT: None

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

For Information:

Town Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Town Recorder