



CIVILITY PLEDGE

The way we govern ourselves is often as important as the positions we take. Our collective decisions will be better when differing views have had the opportunity to be fully vetted and considered. All people have the right to be treated with respect, courtesy and openness. We value all input. We commit to conduct ourselves at all times with civility and courtesy to each other.

ALAN HALLMAN
MAYOR

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ALDERMAN AT LARGE

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COUNCILMAN AT
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COUNCILMAN WARD II

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

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October 3, 2023 6:00 PM

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL:

Alan Hallman
Mike Rast
Brett Reichert
Mark Adams
Chloe Alexander

3. WELCOME:

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

5. INVOCATION:

6. PRESENTATIONS:

7. PUBLIC HEARING:

- 7.I. Consideration and Action on the Alcohol License for Comedy Kingz, LLC, located at 1155 Virginia Ave. Suite N, Hapeville, 30354.

Background:

The Comedy Kingz, LLC has completed all of the necessary steps in the alcohol license application process, and therefore, they are requesting approval from the Mayor and Council. All departmental reports have been received, and advertising has been completed.

Staff Comments:

Applicant Comments:

Public Comments:

Supporting Document(s):

1. Comedy Kingz Application_Redacted
2. City Planner's Report
3. Code Enforcement Report
4. Fire Marshal Report
5. Newspaper AD

- 7.II. Consideration and Action on the 2023 Millage Rate – Second Reading

Background:

The City has received its 2023 approved tax digest from the Fulton County Tax Commissioner. Gross Assessments for Real, Personal, and Public Utility properties in 2023 are \$534,873,517, up from the 2022 value of \$492,310,788, an approximately 7% increase.

The City of Hapeville proposes to roll back the millage rate to 15.209 mills from 15.729, increasing property tax collections by 6.32% over 2022 collections. Real and personal property collection for Fiscal 2023-2024 should approximate \$7.3M.

Post-pandemic economics are driving up costs for residents, businesses, and the City. Under these considerations, the rate of 15.209 should allow the city to maintain operations and minimize the impact of higher assessments on the community.

Staff Comments:

Public Comments:

Supporting Document(s):

1. Final City of Hapeville_ Sept 14 2023
2. 2023 MILLAGE RATE- AD
3. 2023 TAX DIGEST - AD
4. 2023 - Departmental Cost Review - Millage Discussion

8. QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

The public is encouraged to communicate their questions, concerns, and suggestions during Public Comments. The Council does listen to your concerns and will have Staff follow-up on any questions you raise. Any and all comments should be addressed to the Governing Body, not to the general public and delivered in a civil manner in keeping with common courtesy and decorum.

9. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 9.I. Consideration and Action to approve the July 15th Mayor and Council Retreat Minutes.

Supporting Document(s):

1. 07152023 Drafted Retreat Minutes

- 9.II. Consideration and Action to approve the September 19th Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes.

Supporting Document(s):

1. 09192023 Council Meeting Minutes

10. OLD BUSINESS:

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- 11.I. Consideration and Action to approve the street closure for Hapeville Elementary's Fall Festival Event.

Background:

Hapeville Elementary School PTA requests a Street Closure of Scout Street from Parkway Drive to King Arnold on Friday, October 27th, 2023, from 3 p.m.- 8 p.m. This road is mostly used as the school "car rider" lane for student pick-up and drop-off. We do not believe the closure will have a significant impact on drivers within the community.

Hapeville Elementary School PTA intends to host a Fall Festival from 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. that will be open to the community to come and enjoy this season. The request for the road closure is for us to have decorated vehicles, tabling, and, most notably, a Hay Ride. We invite the Mayor, Council, and our Hapeville Community neighbors to join us for the event.

- 11.II. Consideration and Action to approve a temporary roadway traffic adjustment of North Side Dr. in observance of the Halloween Holiday festivities.

Background:

The police department is committed to the safety of the citizens while keeping traffic control comfortable for all. One specific roadway in the past was Northside Drive between Parkview Place and Old Jonesboro Road. In the past, the City has received multiple reports and complaints from motorists advising that this street took fifteen minutes to negotiate. This was due to multiple parents in cars dropping off children for trick or treating while the

parents remained in the vehicle. These vehicles were parked on both sides of the roadway. This made the roadway impassable. Although, Halloween is a special time of year for celebrating with your family and children. The police department is committed to the safety of the citizens while keeping traffic control comfortable for all.

Staff is requesting the closure of North Side Dr. on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31, 2023, from 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The closure would be temporarily set as a ONE-WAY roadway, northbound, allowing cars to park in the right lane and other traffic to pass on the left safely.

- 11.III. Consideration and Action to accept a \$11,900 grant from the Georgia Recreation and Parks Association by way of the Georgia Department of Education.

Background:

The Hapeville Recreation Department was awarded a \$11,900 grant from the Georgia Recreation and Parks Association's Building Opportunities in Out-of-School Time (BOOST) Grant Program for the 2023-2024 Afterschool Program. The BOOST program seeks to leverage out-of-school time while focusing on a whole-child approach to address learning loss in Georgia. With this grant, the department will be able to purchase supplies and materials to promote STEAM learning. This is a non-matching reimbursement grant.

Supporting Document(s):

1. 2023 - 2024 MOU
2. ASP 2023-2024 Conflict of Interest

- 11.IV. Consideration and Action to approve F.S. Scarbrough, LLC in the amount of \$ 130,370.89 for the paving of Campbell Circle and Rose Terrace.

Background:

The City of Hapeville has received the annual LMIG grant funds in the amount of \$ 73,561.11 for the paving of Campbell Circle and Rose Terrace. F.S. Scarbrough was the lowest responsible bidder at \$ 130,370.89, and the next lowest bidder was Vertical Earth at \$ 133,349.27. There were a total of seven bids submitted. The balance of funding will come from TSPLOST collections

Supporting Document(s):

1. Bid Recommendation Letter 9.13.23
2. 2023 Hapeville Pavement Condition Map

- 11.V. Discussion to change Fiscal Year from July 1st-June 30th to October 1st -September 30th.

Background:

To better align the budgeting process with the property tax millage determinations, the city manager requests council consider changing the fiscal year from a June 30 year end to a September 30 year end. Annually, the Fulton County tax assessor delivers the initial digest to its municipalities in mid to late June. The city is required to approve its budget before the beginning of the fiscal year, thus requiring the city to budget using an estimate for property taxes. Property taxes are the single largest collection and funding source for the City. An October through September fiscal year affords the opportunity to incorporate the digest and millage discussions into the budgeting process.

Supporting Document(s):

1. Fiscal Year Amendment Ordinance Draft LCR 9.11.23 (03418006)

12. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Members of the public wishing to speak shall sign in with the City Clerk prior to the start of the meeting. Time limitations for Registered Comments are three (3) minutes per person. The total Registered Comment session shall not last more than fifteen (15) minutes unless extended by Council. Each member of the public, who fails to sign up with the City Clerk prior to the start of the meeting, wishing to address Mayor and Council shall have a total of two (2) minutes. The entire general comment session for Unregistered Comments shall not last more than ten (10) minutes

unless extended by Council.

14. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *When Executive Session is Required one will be called for the following issues: 1) Litigation O.C.G.A. §50-14-2; 2) Real Estate O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(1); or 3) Personnel O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(2).*

16. ADJOURN:

Public involvement and citizen engagement is welcome as Hapeville operates a very open, accessible and transparent government. We do however remind our attendees/residents that there are times allocated for public comments on the agenda. In order for council to conduct their necessary business at each meeting, we respectfully ask that side-bar conversations and comments be reserved for the appropriate time during the meeting. This will allow the City Council to conduct the business at hand and afford our meeting attendees ample time for comments at the appropriate time during the meeting.