



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

MIKE RAST
ALDERMAN AT LARGE

BRETT REICHERT
COUNCILMAN AT
LARGE

MARK ADAMS
COUNCILMAN WARD I

CHLOE ALEXANDER
COUNCILMAN WARD II

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

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June 3, 2025 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** by Mayor Hallman at 6:06 PM
2. **ROLL CALL:** All members of the Council were present, with the exception of Councilman Alexander, thereby constituting a quorum.
 - ☒ Alan Hallman
 - ☒ Mike Rast
 - ☒ Brett Reichert *joined the meeting via virtual call.*
 - ☒ Mark Adams
 - ☒ Chloe Alexander
3. **WELCOME:** Mayor Hallman welcomed all to the June 3rd meeting.
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
5. **INVOCATION:** Given by City Tim Young
6. **PRESENTATIONS:**
 - 6.I. Acknowledgment of Rotary Club Award Winners.

I. Police Officer of the Year: Sergeant Shadha Canzater

Police Chief Bruce Hedley announced that Corporal Shada Canzater was named Officer of the Year by the Airport Rotary Club on May 13th. Joining the meeting virtually from a conference in Chicago, Corporal Canzater was recognized for her outstanding service, including leading the Community Engagement Unit, creating the department's first teen mentorship program, revitalizing social media, supporting recruitment, and building strong community partnerships. Originally from Newark, New Jersey, she dedicated her career to public service and community impact.

II. Firefighter of the Year: Captain Jennifer Brown

Fire Chief Nic Condrey introduced Captain Jenny Brown as the Rotary Club's Firefighter of the Year. Captain Brown joined Hapeville Fire three years ago, became a paramedic, and was promoted to Captain Deputy Fire Marshal in January 2024. She later assumed the role of interim Fire Marshal, stepping up to oversee numerous ongoing projects amid the city's rapid growth. In addition to her primary duties, she has taken on EMS administration, grant work, and weekend paramedic shifts. A mother of three, she is also enrolled in the Fire Officer Program at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center. Captain Brown is the first female officer in the department and the first to receive this award.

7. **PUBLIC HEARING:**
8. **QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** There were no questions on agenda items at this meeting.
9. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 9.I. Consideration and Action to Approve May 20, 2025, Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes.
- MOTION:** Councilman Adams motioned to approve the consent agenda; Alderman Rast provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.**
10. **OLD BUSINESS:** There were no old business items at this meeting.
11. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- 11.I. Consideration and Action to Approve a Production Agreement with Smart Bill L.T.D. for Utility Billing Services.
- MOTION:** Alderman Rast motioned to approve a Production Agreement with Smart Bill L.T.D. for Utility Billing Services; Councilman Adams provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.**
12. **CITY MANAGER REPORTS:** City Manager Tim Young provided updates on several matters.
- **Employee Benefits:**
 - Open enrollment for employee benefits was completed by the end of May.
 - **Audit & Budget:**
 - Mauldin & Jenkins will present the bridge period audit at the June 17th, council meeting. The audit reflects a low-revenue, high-expense period used to align the City's fiscal year.
 - Initial numbers for the FY2025–2026 budget have been reviewed.
 - Staff are actively refining priorities to prepare for upcoming Council budget discussions.
 - **Fire Department Recruitment:**
 - Seven new firefighter recruits will begin training in July.
 - This is the largest hiring class in recent years.
 - Expected graduation is mid-September. Reflects City's commitment to competitive public safety staffing.
 - **Juneteenth Planning:**
 - City departments—including the Clerk's Office, the Hapeville Depot, Recreation, PD, Public Works—are collaborating on the first annual Juneteenth celebration.
 - A walkthrough and production meeting are scheduled for June 4th (two weeks before the event).
 - **Main Street Public Art Installation:**
 - A new sign commissioned by Main Street has been installed on South Central Avenue.
 - Approved last year and now completed. A formal unveiling event is being planned by Main Street.
 - City Manager Young congratulated the Main Street board and staff on a job well done.
13. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
1. Nollan Ceromain
 2. Charlotte Rentz
 3. Louise Applequist
14. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**
- Councilman Adams** thanked everyone for attending and for actively participating in local government.
- Alderman Rast** had no further comments at this time.
- Councilman Reichert** had no further comments at this time.
- Mayor Hallman** expressed his gratitude to Main Street Board and staff for the new sign installed in front of the Atlanta Printmakers Studio, encouraging everyone to see it illuminated after sunset. He

noted it as a beautiful addition to the city and thanked both Main Street and the Atlanta Printmakers Studio for their partnership in bringing the project to life.

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).*

MOTION: Alderman Rast made a motion to go into recess; Councilman Adams provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.**

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion to go into executive session at 6:27 PM; Alderman Rast provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.**

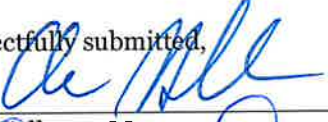
Councilman Reichert exited the meeting at 6:27 PM

MOTION: Councilman Adams made a motion to convene back into regular session at 6:48 PM, Alderman Rast second. **The motion carried with a vote of 2-0.**

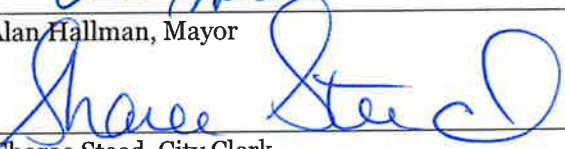
16. **ADJOURN:** With no further business, Mayor Hallman called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Councilman Adams motioned to adjourn at 6:49 PM; Alderman Rast provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 2-0.**

Respectfully submitted,



Alan Hallman, Mayor



Sharee Steed, City Clerk