



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

CHASE STELL
COUNCILMAN WARD II

MAYOR AND COUNCIL WORK SESSION

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January 20, 2026 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** by Mayor Hallman at 6:04 PM
2. **ROLL CALL:** All members of the Council were present, thereby constituting a quorum.
 - Alan Hallman
 - Mike Rast
 - Brett Reichert
 - Mark Adams
 - Chase Stell
3. **WELCOME:** Mayor Hallman welcomed all to the January 20th meeting.
4. **PRESENTATIONS:**
 - 4.I. Recognition of Hapeville Elementary School's CCRPI Achievement and National Recognition.

Board of Education Vice President, Katie Gregory, proudly acknowledged Hapeville Elementary School's recent academic achievement, highlighting their College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 81.9 — the highest in the school's history. This significant accomplishment reflects the school's commitment to educational excellence and continuous improvement.

In addition to the CCRPI milestone, Hapeville Elementary was recognized by U.S. News & World Report as one of the best schools in the country for the second consecutive year. This national recognition further underscores the school's ongoing dedication to academic rigor and student success.

Dr. Christian Padgett, Principal of Hapeville Elementary, attended the City Council meeting along with members of the school's administrative team and staff to accept the recognition. Their presence was a testament to the collaborative effort and leadership that contributed to the school's noteworthy accomplishments.

The Mayor and Council congratulated the school for these impressive accomplishments and expressed pride in the leadership and staff at Hapeville Elementary. Mayor Hallman also took a moment to reflect on the building's history and legacy, noting that it once served as Hapeville High School, adding a sense of continuity and pride to the moment.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** There were no public hearings item(s) during this meeting.
6. **QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** There were no questions on agenda items at this meeting.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 7.I. Consideration and Action to Approve December 9, 2025, Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes.
- 7.II. Consideration and Action to Approve January 6, 2026, 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 4-0.**

8. **OLD BUSINESS:** There were no old business items at this meeting.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 9.I. Consideration and Action to Enter into an Agreement with U.S. Soccer Foundation for the Construction of a Mini Pitch System on the Tennis Court that's adjacent to Scout Street next to Hapeville Elementary.

MOTION: Alderman Rast motioned to enter into an Agreement with U.S. Soccer Foundation for the Construction of a Mini Pitch System on the Tennis Court that's adjacent to Scout Street next to Hapeville Elementary; Councilman Stell provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

- 9.II. Consideration and Action to Approve the Purchase of the Sutphen Heavy Duty 75' Rear Mount Aerial Ladder Truck.

MOTION: Councilman Adams motioned to approve the Purchase of the Sutphen Heavy Duty 75' Rear Mount Aerial Ladder Truck; Councilman Reichert provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

- 10. **CITY MANAGER REPORTS:** City Manager Tim Young provided a brief update to Mayor and Council. Mr. Young stated that the City's FY 2024–2025 audit will begin the following week and noted that he anticipates another clean audit. He also reported that a mid-year budget review is currently underway, and staff expects to present any updates to Council by March. Mr. Young announced that a virtual meeting with Uber is scheduled for January 23rd, following a prior meeting with Lyft, to discuss ride-share parking impacts within the City. He also invited the public to attend the ribbon-cutting for Impossible Moon Bookshop on January 27th at 10:30 a.m., located at 585 N. Central Avenue. In closing, Mr. Young addressed the City's preparedness for an incoming winter storm, stating that Public Works will monitor conditions and apply sand or salt as needed after precipitation to prevent ice buildup, and that residents will continue to receive updates through social media and the City's website.

11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- 1. Sharon Hope
- 2. Melvin Traynum

12. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilman Reichert thanked attendees for their engagement in local government. He also expressed appreciation to staff and first responders for their service, especially in anticipation of potential weather-related incidents over the weekend.

Councilman Adams echoed the sentiments shared by Councilman Reichert, encouraging residents to stay safe and warm.

Alderman Rast had no further comments.

Councilman Stell also congratulated *Hapeville Elementary School* and extended appreciation to Dr. Padgett and her staff for their work and dedication.

Mayor Hallman thanked Council for their comments and reminded residents to monitor upcoming weather conditions closely, emphasizing the City's limited capacity to clear all streets due to equipment and staffing constraints. He urged everyone to exercise caution and avoid unnecessary risks. Mayor Hallman highlighted the potential for ice accumulation, noting the alignment across multiple weather models as a serious concern. He concluded by thanking residents for their attendance and participation in local government, and once again reminded everyone to remain safe, particularly in light of the City's designation as a Tree City, where icy conditions can lead to falling limbs.

- 13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** An executive session meeting was not conducted at this meeting.

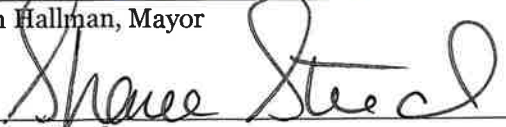
- 14. **ADJOURN:** With no further business, Mayor Hallman called for a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Reichert motioned to adjourn at 6:44 PM; Councilman Adams provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,



Alan Hallman, Mayor



Sheree Steed, City Clerk