

CITY COUNCIL
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City of Villa Rica



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MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Holt-Bishop Justice Center, 101 Main Street
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 | 6:00 pm

Meeting Call to Order (Mayor Gil McDougal)

Mayor Gil McDougal called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Gil McDougal, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Young, Councilwoman Shirley Marchman, Councilman Danny Carter, Councilwoman Leslie McPherson, and Councilman Matthew Momtahan.

Invocation: Detective Blake Terry gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance: Officer Chase Gordy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ceremonial Presentations (Mayor & Council)

1. Dorothy Sue Worthan was recognized for 15 Years of Service.
2. Mayor Gil McDougal presented a Proclamation designating the week of May 9-16 as National Police Week and May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial day.

Adoption of Agenda (Mayor Gil McDougal)

Councilman Michael Young requested to add Item #C6-Reduce Speed Limit on Punkintown Road to the agenda, and to table Agenda Item #E1-Resolution of Support for Changes to State Highway System and Acceptance of Two Roadways.

Councilman Danny Carter moved to adopt the agenda with the amendments.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman
AYES:	Carter, McPherson, Marchman, Momtahan, Young

Public Comment (We ask that you sign in for Public Comment before the meeting begins. Please state your Name and Address for the record and limit your comments to three minutes.)

Three citizens made a public comment.

Council Updates (Subjects of General Interest and Concern)

Council Leslie McPherson spoke about the Colonial Pipeline that runs just a bit north of us across the county line of Paulding.

A. Consent Agenda (Mayor Gil McDougal)

Mayor Gil McDougal presented the Consent Agenda Items for approval.

1. Ordinance to Create a Sidewalk Account
2. Purchase of Traffic Calming Radar Signs – Punkintown Road
3. Replace an Existing Member of Convention and Visitors Bureau Board.
4. 2021 Downtown Development Authority Board Appointment.
5. Fill Vacancy on the Library Board.
6. City Employee Discount for Parks, Recreation and Leisure Programs.
7. FY 2021 Budget Amendments - #124-131
8. Election of GMA's District 4 Officers
9. Increase in GFL Rates
10. Increase in Sanitation Rates
11. Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Croy Engineering, LLC
12. Approval of Task Order Number One with Croy Engineering, LLC
13. Approval of Task Order Number Two with Croy Engineering, LLC
14. Approval of Supplemental Cyber Liability Insurance Through Crum and Forrester
15. Establish the Qualifying Dates and Early Voting Dates for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021.
16. Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Douglas County for Tax Collection through the Tax Commissioner's Office

Councilman Michael Young moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Michael Young, Councilman
SECONDER:	Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES:	Young, Marchman, Carter, McPherson, Momtahan

B. Governing Body (Mayor Gil McDougal)

1. Discussion of Cover Sheets Used for Board Member Appointments (Councilwoman Leslie McPherson)
Discussion only.
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2021.

Councilman Michael Young moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2021.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Michael Young, Councilman
SECONDER:	Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman
AYES:	Young, McPherson, Marchman, Carter, Momtahan

C. Community Development (Bobby Elliott, Director)

1. RA-01-21 – Parcel #V02 00700212 – Hwy 61 and Hwy 101 (Industrial Blvd) (Ronald Johnson, Planning and Zoning Specialist)
Public Hearing: 2 citizens

Motion #1: Councilwoman Leslie McPherson moved to approve the rezoning request from Rockhaven Homes, LLC of Brookhaven, for a rezoning from C2 to SFA.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (VOTE: 3-2)**
MOVER: Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES: McPherson, Marchman, Carter
NAYS: Young, Momtahan

Motion #2: Councilman Danny Carter moved to table the four (4) variances to the July meeting:

1. Reduce Front Yard Setbacks from 25' for Interior Streets to 20' for Interior Streets.
2. Reduce the Townhome Widths Required from 24' Wide to 20' Wide.
3. Reduce the Building Offset from Right-of-Way from 20' to 5'.
4. Reduce the Distance Between Buildings from 40' to 20'.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER: Michael Young, Councilman
AYES: Carter, Young, Marchman, McPherson, Momtahan

2. RA-02-21 – Parcel #V03 0100013 – 1030 Third Street and Public Hearing (Ronald Johnson, Planning & Zoning Specialist)
Public Hearing: One citizen

Councilman Michael Young moved to approve the rezoning of 1030 Third Street, inclusive of the aforementioned conditions, from R2 to I2. The conditions are to (1) Provide a landscaped buffer and sufficient screening from the adjacent residentially zoned areas as indicated by staff and the Villa Rica Zoning Ordinance and (2) Successful subdivision of the subject property in accordance with, and considerably similar to, the concept plan submitted with this application.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Michael Young, Councilman
SECONDER: Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES: Young, Carter, Marchman, McPherson, Momtahan

3. Amendment to Article 3 to the Villa Rica Zoning Ordinance and Public Hearing (Chris Montesinos, Deputy Director)
Public Hearing: None

Councilman Matthew Momtahan moved to approve the amendment to Article 3 – Villa Rica Zoning Ordinance, Chapter IV – SFA – Single Family Attached, and Table 4.4 modifying the lot area, setbacks, and distance between buildings.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
SECONDER: Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES: Momtahan, Carter, Marchman, McPherson, Young

4. VA-05-21: Variance Request for ServPro, Parcel #01470250019 – Veteran's Memorial Highway and (Ronald Johnson, Planning & Zoning Specialist)
Public Hearing: One citizen

Councilwoman Leslie McPherson moved to approve the variance request from ServPro/Ricky Wilson of Villa Rica, GA to not provide sidewalks along the frontage of the property along Veteran's Memorial Highway as required in the Villa Rica Development Code, in lieu of contribution to the "sidewalk bank" fund as hereby required and with the contribution of the easement on the front of the property.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES: McPherson, Carter, Marchman, Momtahan, Young

5. Ordinance to Designate Downtown Villa Rica Historic District and Public Hearing (Ronald Johnson, Planning & Zoning Specialist)
Public Hearing: 4 citizens.

Councilman Michael Young moved to table to July the creation of the Downtown Villa Rica Historic District as a local historic district as indicated on the attached Downtown Villa Rica Designation Map, as presented.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Michael Young, Councilman
SECONDER: Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES: Young, Marchman, Carter, McPherson, Momtahan

6. Speed Limit Reduction on Punkintown Road (Councilman Michael Young)
Councilman Michael Young moved for the City to change the posted speed limit on Punkintown Road from 45 mph to 35 mph and take the necessary actions with GDOT to modify its status on the LOR (List of Roads) maintained by GDOT.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (VOTE: 4-1)**
MOVER: Michael Young, Councilman
SECONDER: Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES: Young, Carter, McPherson, Momtahan
NAYS: Marchman

D. Economic Development (Janet Chumley, Manager)

1. 2021 Alcohol License Agreements with The Olive Tree at The MILL Amphitheater
Councilman Danny Carter moved to approve the license agreements with The Olive Tree to provide the sale of beer and wine at the June 12, July 24, August 7 and September 10 Summer Concert Series at The MILL Amphitheater for 2021.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (VOTE: 4-1)**
MOVER: Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
AYES: Carter, Momtahan, McPherson, Young
NAYS: Marchman

F. Finance (Jennifer Hallman, Director)

1. Financial Update: March 2021
Director Jennifer Hallman presented the March 2021 Financial Update.

G. City Manager (Tom Barber)

City Manager Tom Barber gave an update on city projects and events.

Adjournment

Councilman Michael Young moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Shirley Marchman. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Gil McDougal adjourned the meeting.


Alisa Doyal, City Clerk


Gil McDougal, Mayor