

CITY COUNCIL
GIL MCDUGAL, MAYOR
MATTHEW MOMTAHAN, MAYOR PRO TEM
SHIRLEY MARCHMAN
DANNY CARTER
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City of Villa Rica



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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Holt-Bishop Justice Center, 101 Main Street
Tuesday, March 8, 2022 | 6:00 pm

Meeting Call to Order (Mayor Gil McDougal)

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

Present: Councilwoman Shirley Marchman, Councilman Danny Carter, Councilwoman Leslie McPherson
Councilman Matthew Momtahan and Councilwoman Anna McCoy

Invocation: Pastor Chris Tanton, Chaplain for Villa Rica Police Department

Pledge of Allegiance: Officer Archie Barber, Villa Rica Police Department

Ceremonial Presentations (Mayor & Council)

- FY21 Financial and Compliance Audit Summary Presented by Mauldin & Jenkins, CPAs & Advisors – Meredith Lipson, Partner
- Recognition of Volunteers of the Year – Mayor Gil McDougal
 - Nancy Stolz-Jeffares-Cemetery Commission
 - Ronda McCullors-Volunteer of the Year
 - Carolene B Cox- Mayors Award
 - Carl Peabody-CVB Board
 - Zach "Tiny" Jones- Pine Mountain Gold Museum
 - Tom Flowers- Planning & Zoning

Adoption of Agenda (Mayor Gil McDougal)

Councilwoman Shirley Marchman moved to adopt the agenda.

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

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.)

The following citizens came forward to make a public comment.

1. Barry Williams, 1004 Overlook Drive, Villa Rica
2. Nancy Mims, 17 Hickory Trail, Villa Rica
3. Michael McPherson, 103 Chadwick Place
4. Chris Sommers, Villa Rica

Council Updates (Subjects of General Interest and Concern)

Councilwoman Leslie McPherson spoke on COVID-19. Councilman Matthew Momtahan spoke about the new “Text My Gov” and the Villa Rica 10 Year Boys Basketball Team achievement in the playoffs.

A. Consent Agenda (Mayor Gil McDougal)

Mayor Gil McDougal presented the Consent Agenda for approval.

1. Fullerville Soccer Field Lighting Repair
2. Approval of Workers Compensation Insurance for March 10, 2022 to June 30, 2022
3. EPD Mandated Long Term Water Quality Monitoring
4. Write Off Customer Receivables
5. Authorize the Eligible Use and Transfer of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds to Assist with Upgrading the North Plant
6. FY2022 Budget Amendments - #146 – 168
7. Approval of Special Event Permit Application and Sale of Alcohol
8. Final Adoption of the Villa Rica Livable Centers Initiative Study

Councilman Danny Carter moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

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

B. Governing Body (Mayor Gil McDougal)

1. Discussion of Mayor’s Standing Committees

Mayor Gil McDougal appointed Councilwoman Leslie McPherson as the Housing Chair and Councilwoman Anna McCoy as the Public Safety Chair.

2. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2022 and February 8, 2022

Councilwoman Anna McCoy moved to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2022 and February 8, 2022.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Anna McCoy, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES:	McCoy, Marchman, Carter, McPherson, Momtahan

3. Mayoral Veto of Amendment of PTV (Golf Cart) Ordinance

Councilman Danny Carter moved to override the Mayor’s Veto of the PTV (Golf Cart) Ordinance Amendment. **The motion failed to have four affirmative votes to override the Veto. Motion failed.**

RESULT:	FAILED (VOTE: 3-2)
MOVER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Leslie McPherson Councilwoman
AYES:	Carter, McPherson, Momtahan
NAYS:	Marchman and McCoy

4. Keep Carroll Beautiful – Facility Request

Councilman Danny Carter moved to approve the use of the Vplex by Keep Carroll Beautiful on April 30, 2022 for a Spring R-Recycling Event.

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

5. Keep Carroll Beautiful – Sponsorship Request

Councilman Danny Carter moved to approve the sponsorship of Keep Carroll Beautiful's Spring E-Recycling Event for the amount of \$1,000.

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

6. Mayoral Reappointment of Chery Defoor-Bryce to the Cemetery Commission – Terms 02/01/2022 – 01/31/2024

Mayor Gil McDougal reappointed Cheryl Defoor-Bryce to the Cemetery Commission for a two-year term.

7. Mayoral Reappointment of Alfred Wilson to the Cemetery Commission – Terms: 03/01/2022 – 02/28/2024

Mayor Gil McDougal reappointed Alfred Wilson to the Cemetery Commission for a two-year term.

8. Mayoral Remarks on TAD – Mayor Gil McDougal spoke about the TAD.

C. Community Development (Tracy Jarvis, Director)

1. VA-01-22 – Parcel #V02 0070012 – Hwy 61/101 at Leggett Drive (Ronald Johnson, Planning and Zoning Specialist)

Rockhaven Homes, LLC of Brookhaven, GA requested a variance from Section 9.03(2)(C), which requires garage doors to be oriented towards the rear of the unit and/or a rear alleyway.

Public Hearing: No one came forward to speak.

Motion: Councilwoman Leslie McPherson moved to approve the variance request from Rockhaven Homes, LLC of Villa Rica, GA from Section 9.03(2)(C).

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

2. Amendment to Text of Section 2.02 of the Villa Rica City Zoning Ordinance and Public Hearing (David Mecklin, City Attorney)

To amend Section 2.02 of the Villa Rica Zoning Ordinance to better establish the terms for members of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion: Councilman Danny Carter moved to approved the amendment to Section 2.02 of the City of Villa Rica Zoning Ordinance as attached hereto with the amendment that the Planning Commission of the City of Villa Rica should be comprised of five (5) members who reside within the city limits of Villa Rica, Georgia. All other provisions of the amendment shall remain as in the attached proposed Ordinance change.

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

D. Finance (Jennifer Hallman, Finance Director)

1. Financial Update – January 2022

Jennifer Hallman gave a January 2022 Financial Update presentation.

E. Executive Session (David Mecklin, City Attorney)

City Attorney David Mecklin requested the Council to go into Executive Session for the following:

1. Meeting to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(2).
2. Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(D),

Motion: Councilman Danny Carter moved to go into Executive Session for the purposes stated by the City Attorney.

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

Motion: Councilwoman Shirley Anna McCoy moved to return to Regular Session.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Anna McCoy, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES:	McCoy, Marchman, Carter, McPherson, Momtahan

Report from City Attorney: David Mecklin reported that the council took no action on real estate and the council approved Brian Katz as the Human Resources Director.

Motion: Councilwoman Shirley Marchman moved to approve Brian Katz as the Human Resources Director.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman

SECONDER: Anna McCoy, Councilwoman
AYES: Marchman, McCoy, Carter, McPherson,

F. Adjournment (Mayor Gil McDougal)

Councilwoman Shirley Marchman moved to adjourn.

RESULT: **ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Anna McCoy, Councilwoman
AYES: Marchman, McCoy, Carter, McPherson, Momtahan

Mayor Gil McDougal adjourned the meeting.


Alisa Doyal, City Clerk


Gil McDougal, Mayor