

CITY COUNCIL
LESLIE MCPHERSON, MAYOR
SHIRLEY MARCHMAN
MATTHEW MOMTAHAN
STEPHANIE WARMOTH
TYLER L. BARR
DOMINIQUE CONTEH

City of Villa Rica

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Holt-Bishop Justice Center, 101 Main Street
Tuesday, January 13, 2026 | 6:00 pm

Meeting Call to Order (Mayor Leslie McPherson)

Mayor Leslie McPherson called the meeting to order

Present: Mayor Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman Shirley Marchman, Councilman Matthew Momtahan, Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth, Councilman Tyler L. Barr and Councilwoman Dominique Conteh

Invocation was led by Mayor Leslie McPherson

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sgt. Michelle Landrum, VRPD

Ceremonial Presentations

- Winner of Mayor's Holiday Light Contest-Residential, Andrew Wood
- Winner of Mayor's Holiday Light Contest-Commercial, Captivating Camino
- 5 Year Employee Recognition-Stephen Ellinas, VRPD
- 10 Year Employee Recognition-Thomas Thornhill, VRPD

Adoption of the Agenda (Mayor Leslie McPherson)

Councilwoman Shirley Marchman moved to amend the agenda to remove item I 1.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Dominique Conteh, Councilwoman
AYES:	Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

Councilman Tyler L. Barr moved to adopt the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Tyler L. Barr, Councilman
SECONDER:	Dominique Conteh, Councilwoman
AYES:	Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

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.)

Dennis Brown- mentioned 2026 meeting calendar and Mirror Lake traffic.

Rod Dobbs- promoted community unity and the importance of each council member

Pam Whyte- addressed new council members and asked that they educate themselves because all votes affect all wards.

Aleta Farmer- mentioned the members of council and looking forward to 2026. She spoke against the council making uniformed decisions.

More Hewitt-mentioned being a retired Army Vet and spoke against school camera tickets and having to pay the tickets to an out of state entity.

Kristie Chastain- mentioned the meeting calendar agenda item and would like the council to pause their vote on the charter amendment.

Janae Vancouv- mentioned Twin Oaks Subdivision and speeding cars. She requests speed bumps and speed limit signs.

Council Updates (Subjects of General Interest and Concern)

Councilman Tyler L. Barr thanked everyone who attended his oath. He wants to put the citizen first. He thanked his family, Judge Camp, Senator James, and Judge Nurse. He will treasure, invest, manage and enjoy his time on the council.

Councilwoman Shirley Marchman welcomed the new council members.

Mayor Leslie McPherson gave an update of city achievements from the last 18 months.

Consent Agenda (Mayor Leslie McPherson)

The Consent Agenda is a single item that encompasses all things the City Council would normally approve with little comment. Each of these items were discussed at the Council Work Session, and it was the unanimous consensus of the Governing Body to place the following items on the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of LMIG Application 2026
2. Approval of Appointment of City Clerk as Municipal Election Superintendent for 2026

3. Approval of Northwoods Phase III Final Plat
4. Approval of Villa Trace Phase I Final Plat
5. Approval of RFQ Award to USA Custom Gear for Apparel and Uniform Services
6. Approval of Personnel Policy Amendments
7. Approval of RCS Productions for Artist and Production Services Contract for Summer Concert Series and Festivals
8. Approval of FY26 Budget Amendments #1-100

Councilman Matthew Momtahan moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
SECONDER:	Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES:	Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

A. Governing Body (Mayor Leslie McPherson)

1. Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

Councilman Matthew Momtahan moved to appoint Stephanie Warmoth as Mayor Pro Tem

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
SECONDER:	Dominique Conteh, Councilwoman
AYES:	Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

2. Resolutions-Legislative Charter Change

Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth moved to adopt the original resolution.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Tyler L. Barr, Councilman
AYES:	Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

Councilman Matthew Momtahan moved to have Resolution signed by Mayor Pro Tem.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
SECONDER:	Dominique Conteh, Councilwoman
AYES:	Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

3. Approval of Minutes from December 2, 2025 Work Session and December 9, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilman Matthew Momtahan moved to approve the December 2, 2025 Work Session and December 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes as presented

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
SECONDER: Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES: Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth
ABSTAIN: Barr, Conteh

4. 2026 City Council Meeting Calendar

Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth moved to approve option 1 2026 calendar.

RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Shirley Marchman, Councilwoman
AYES: Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

5. Appointment of Planning and Zoning Commission Member

Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth moved to appoint Anna McCoy to Planning and Zoning

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
AYES: Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Conteh
NAYS: Barr

C. City Manager (Jennifer Hallman, Interim City Manager)

1. City Managers Report

Interim City Manager Jennifer Hallman provided an update for January via PowerPoint Presentation

D. Executive Session (Nicole Smith, City Attorney)

Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth moved to enter Executive Session 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) and a meeting to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(2) at 8:08 PM.

RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Dominique Conteh, Councilwoman
AYES: Momtahan, Marchman, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

Councilman Matthew Momtahan moved to return to Regular Session at 9:56 PM.

Councilwoman Marchman had to leave due to an emergency during Executive Session

RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
SECONDER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
AYES: Momtahan, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth to approve the purchase of Tax Parcel number V0501600005

RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Dominique Conteh, Councilwoman
AYES: Momtahan, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

Councilman Stephanie Warmoth moved to approve the purchase of Tax Parcel number V0501500050

RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
AYES: Momtahan, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh

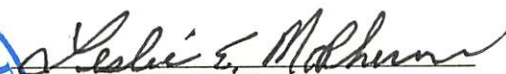
Adjournment (Mayor Leslie McPherson)

Councilwoman Stephanie Warmoth moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilman Matthew Momtahan and the vote was unanimous. Mayor Leslie McPherson adjourned the meeting.

RESULT: ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Stephanie Warmoth, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Matthew Momtahan, Councilman
AYES: Momtahan, Warmoth, Barr, Conteh


City Clerk Theresa Campbell




Mayor Leslie McPherson

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CARROLL

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF VILLA RICA
SO AS TO DELETE CERTAIN PROVISIONS AND INSERT NEW PROVISIONS
IN LIEU THEREOF PERTAINING TO THE APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL
OF THE CITY MANAGER.**

WHEREAS, the City of Villa Rica desires to amend its Charter in order to delete certain provisions and insert new provisions in lieu thereof relating to the appointment and removal of the city manager; and

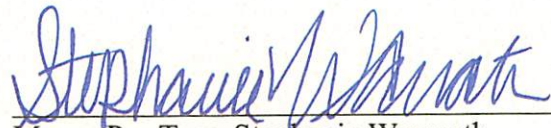
WHEREAS, the City of Villa Rica does request that said amendment be made by the Georgia Legislature;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL that the following items are to be repealed from the Charter, Section 3.20 City manager: appointment, qualification and compensation and replaced with the following:

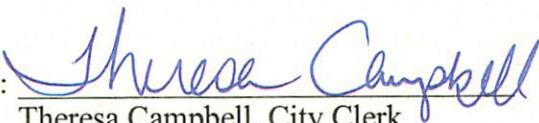
City manager: appointment, qualification and compensation.

The council may appoint for an indefinite term, an officer whose title shall be city manager. The manager may be appointed solely on the basis of his/her executive and administrative qualifications with special reference to his/her educational background and his/her actual experience in and knowledge of the duties of office as hereinafter prescribed. The manager shall serve at the pleasure of the council. At the time of his/her appointment, the city manager need not be a resident of the city and neither shall he/she be required to reside therein during his/her tenure of office.

This 13th day of January 2026.



Mayor Pro Tem, Stephanie Warmoth

Attest: 

Theresa Campbell, City Clerk