



**Work Session Agenda**  
**Thursday, January 29, 2026, 9:00 AM**  
**Administration Building, Boardroom (3rd Floor)**  
**300 Henry Ward Way, Gainesville, GA 30501**  
**Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem Presides**

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**DEPARTMENT ISSUES:**

**Tourism**

- Tourism Update for the 4th Quarter 2025 Robyn Lynch

**Financial Services**

- Resolution: Declaration of Surplus Property Brenda Carpio

**Police**

- Ordinance: Amend Chapter 3-4 As it Pertains to Parking Jay Parrish

**CITY MANAGER ISSUES:**

**MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:**

- Ex-Officio Report(s)
- Appointment: Keep Hall Beautiful/Hall County Green Alliance Ex-Officio Member Zack Thompson
- Appointment: Habitat for Humanity of Hall County Ex-Officio Member Zack Thompson

**CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:**

**CITY CLERK ISSUES:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Final: Tuesday, January 27, 2026, 1:05 PM



# CITY OF GAINESVILLE

## Work Session Agenda Request

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**Item Created:** January 7, 2026  
**Date Submitted:** January 23, 2026  
**Final Approval Date:** January 28, 2026  
**Presenter:** Robyn Lynch, Tourism Director  
**Item of Business:** Tourism Update for the 4th Quarter 2025  
**Meeting Date:** January 29, 2026

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**Purpose of Request:**

To present information on activities and statistics in the 4th quarter of the year 2025.

**Facts & Issues / History & Background:**

**Department Recommendation:**

**Department Director:**

Robyn Lynch

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**If funding is involved, are funds approved within the current budget?** No

**Amount Requested:**

**Sources of Funds:**

**Finance Comments:**

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**Administrative Comments:**

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**Attachments:**

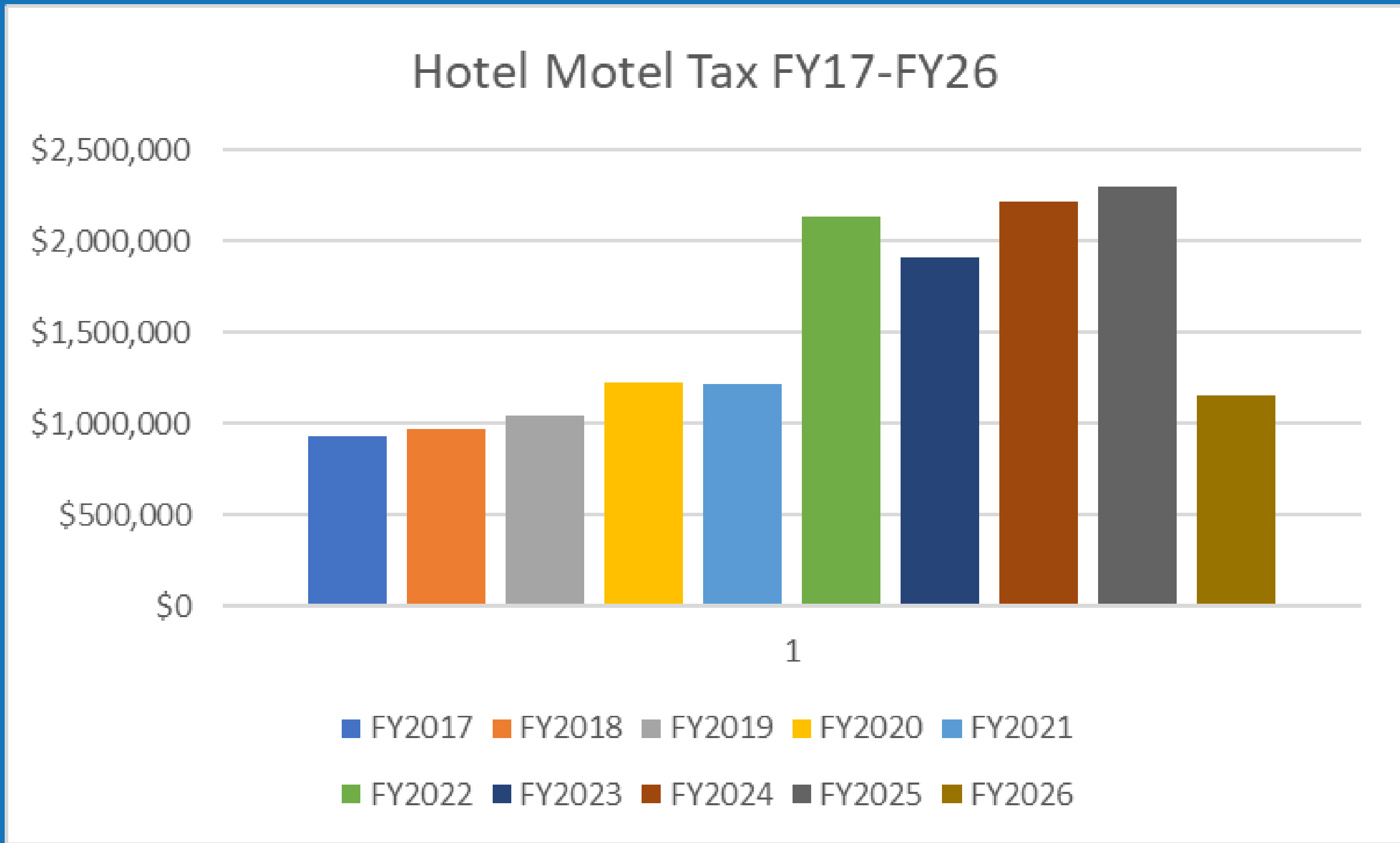
1. Power Point Presentation: Tourism Update Q4 2025



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**GAINESVILLE**

OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025  
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# Tourism



## FY17-FY26 Annual Comparison

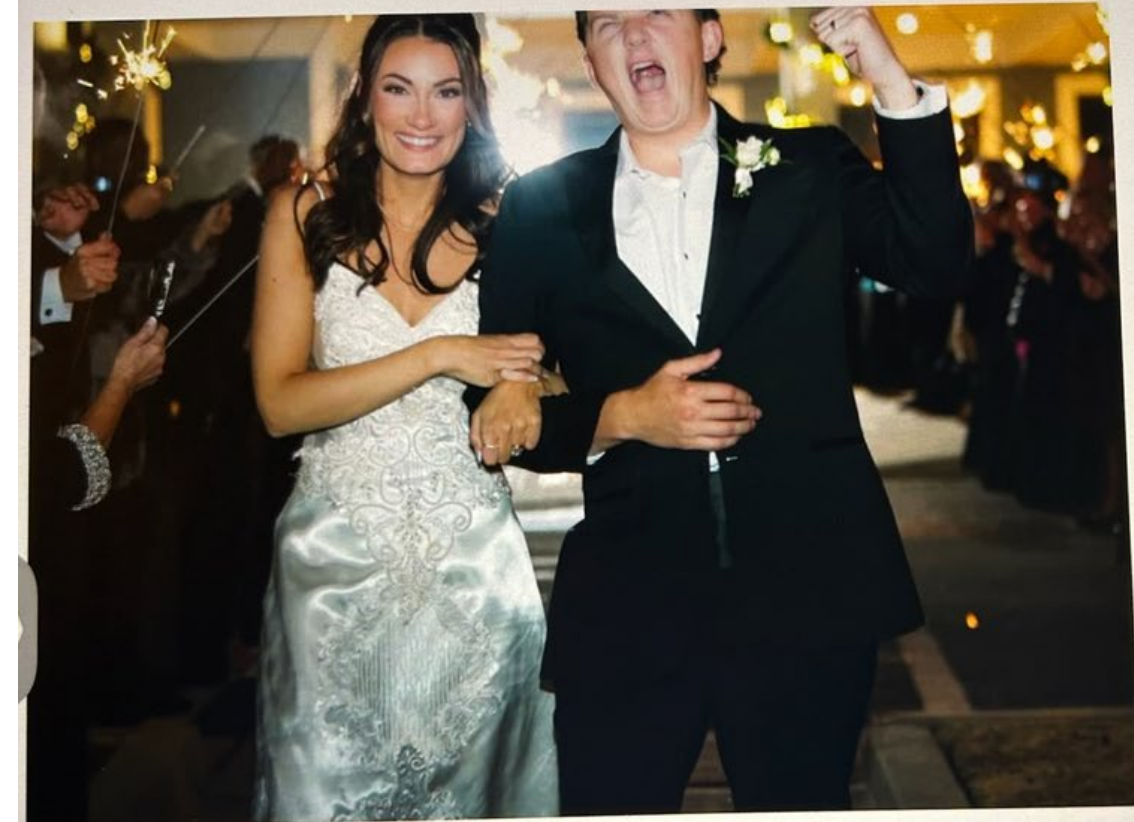
## Social Media

- Explore Gainesville FB 814.7K views with 185k viewers we reached 15,000 followers in December
- GGSA - 10k views with 550 followers and increase of 23%
- Downtown Gainesville FB - 2.9 MILLION views with 33K followers
- LLOP Total views: 144,600. Total Followers: 14,033
- The Boathouse Total views: 27,900. Total Followers: 1,320

## Detroit Tigers Starting Pitcher Reese Olson Marries Autumn Tucker in Georgia Ceremony

By New Media Detroit Staff December 17, 2025

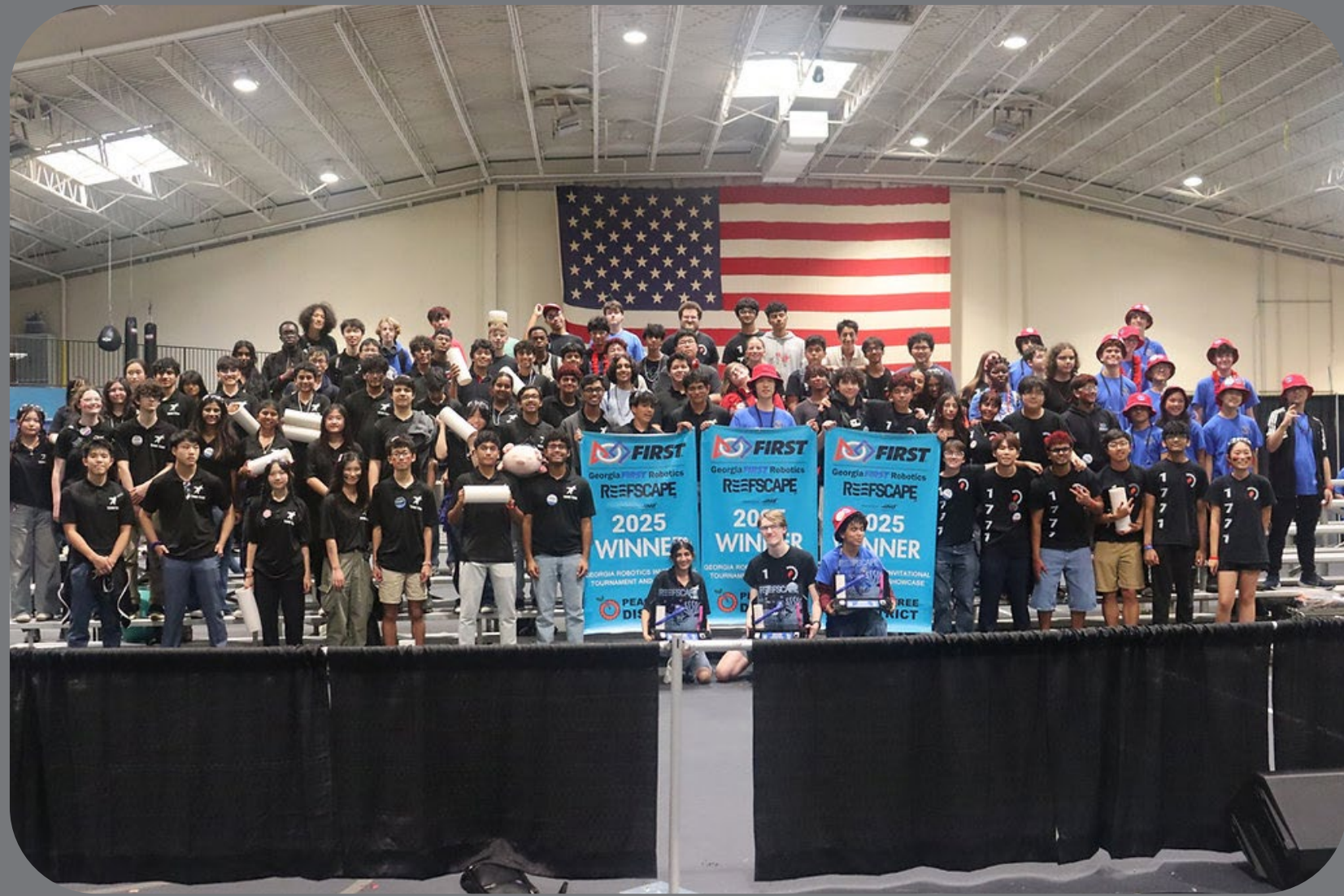
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Detroit Tigers pitcher Reese Olson and his bride, Autumn Tucker, were married on **Saturday, December 6**, in **Gainesville, Georgia**, surrounded by family, close friends, and familiar faces from both sides of their lives.



The couple tied the knot at **The Boathouse at Lake Lanier**, a scenic lakeside venue just outside Atlanta that provided an intimate and elegant setting for the celebration. The wedding marked a major personal milestone for Olson, who has quickly become a fan favorite in Detroit, and Tucker, as the two officially began the next chapter of their lives together.



- GRITS robotic competition- 40 teams- 80 room nights- 40k
- GA Square Dance Conference- 400 attendees- 250 room nights, 446k
- Longstreet Society National Symposium- 60 attendees- 11 room nights- 40k
- Trauma Symposium- 150 attendees- 70 room nights- 52K
- Ammonia Safety Training Institute- 75 attendees-25 room nights- 26k
- Integrity Foods Sales Meeting 3 day- 50 attendees- 125 room nights- 57K
- Marel Service Week Training- 50 participants- 90 room nights- 63K





- PETIT LE MANS
- USPA REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (POWERLIFTING)
- PEACH BELT CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS
- VOLIDAY BASH OPEN (VOLLEYBALL)
- CHESTATEE EAGLE TALONS TOURNAMENT (WRESTLING)
- IRON BEAST POWERLIFTING



Trick or Treat on the Square

- 5k+ Attendees
- 60 Squarecrows



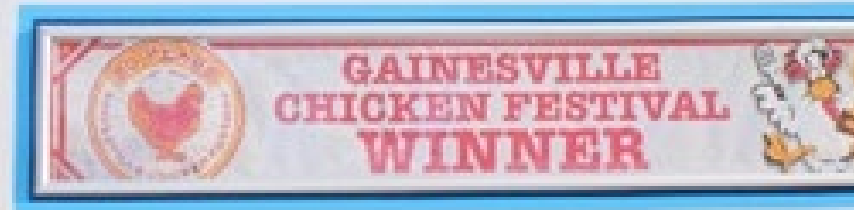


# tourism DOWNTOWN





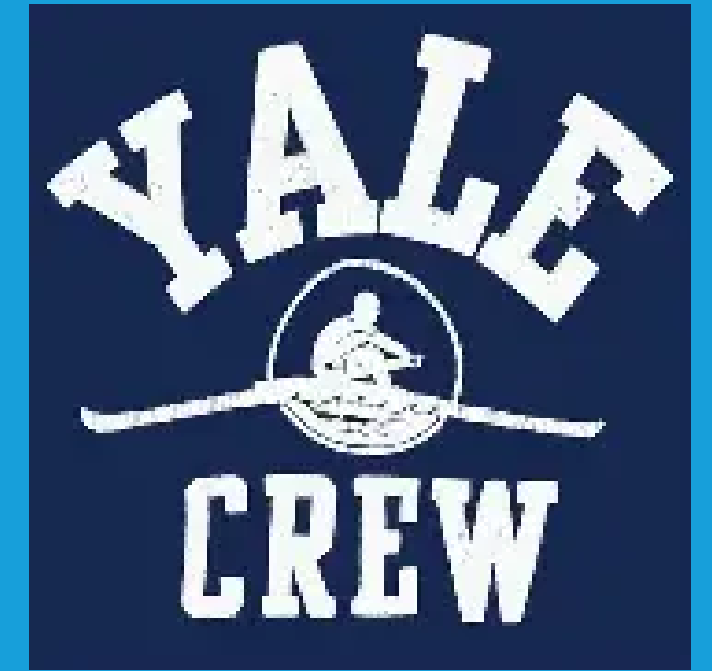
- HOSTED 1ST FILM READY GAINESVILLE PUBLIC EVENT – MOVIES AT MIDLAND
  - SHOWED 2 FILMS AT THE MIDLAND GREENWAY AMPHITHEATER
  - SEVERAL HUNDRED ATTENDEES
  - HIGHLIGHTED A TRAILER FOR A HULU SHOW THAT WAS FILMED HERE
- ATTENDED GA ENTERTAINMENT SIGNATURE 100 EVENT AND A SPOTLIGHT ON ENTERTAINMENT TOURISM EVENT IN BROOKHAVEN.
- HOSTED FIRST ENTERTAINMENT TOURISM ALLIANCE OF GA AMBASSADOR COMMITTEE MEETING (MORGAN WINGLER, CHAIR)
- 1 PRODUCTION SCOUTED GAINESVILLE FOR AN UPCOMING FILM



- 20 TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT!
- \$32K+ TOTAL INTO ENDOWMENTS
- WING EATING CONTEST
- EGG RACE FOR ALL AGES
- WHAT CAME FIRST RACE - JESSE AND EGG. - JESSE WON!
- OVERALL WINNER – PECKERWOOD COUNTRY CLUB



# KICKING OFF 2026...



# NOTABLE UPCOMING EVENTS



DIVISION I, III, III  
**Rowing Championship**

May 29-31, 2026

Lake Lanier Olympic Park |  
Gainesville, GA





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**Item Created:** January 15, 2026  
**Date Submitted:** January 16, 2026  
**Final Approval Date:** January 28, 2026  
**Presenter:** Brenda Carpio, Budget and Purchasing Manager  
**Item of Business:** Resolution: Declaration of Surplus Property  
**Meeting Date:** January 29, 2026

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**Purpose of Request:**

Requesting Council declare the property on the attached listings as surplus for public sale or disposal.

**Facts & Issues / History & Background:**

The City's Capital Asset policy dictates the procedure for transferring assets that have outlived their useful life to surplus. This policy has been followed with the assets listed on Attachment A and B. Finance periodically requests that property be declared surplus in order to sell or dispose of property in a timely and orderly manner. Surplus property that was purchased by the City is offered to other City departments before a sale takes place. Property seized or confiscated by the Police department is not offered to City departments.

**Department Recommendation:**

Approve the resolution requesting property listed on Attachments A and B be declared as surplus.

**Department Director:**

Jeremy Perry

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**If funding is involved, are funds approved within the current budget?** No

**Amount Requested:** N/A

**Sources of Funds:** N/A

**Finance Comments:** N/A

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**Administrative Comments:**

N/A

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**Attachments:**

1. Resolution: Declaration of Surplus Property
2. Attachment A-Tagged 01.2026
3. Attachment B-Non-Tagged 01.2026

**RESOLUTION BR-2026 - \_\_\_\_**

**Declaration of Surplus Property**

**WHEREAS**, the City Finance staff recommends that the attached list (Attachment A and B) of property be declared surplus and made available for the sale or donation in accordance with Resolution BR-90-81 adopting the City's Purchasing Policies and Procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the attached list of property has served beyond its useful life and the City Finance staff believes that the method of disposal shall be by sale at auction to the highest bidder in accordance with the policies and procedure, or dispensation in a manner approved by the City Manager; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Finance staff shall set a date, place and time for the appropriate sale; and

**WHEREAS**, the method of disposal of surplus property shall be an auction, utilizing GovDeals, an online auction company recommended by the Georgia Municipal Association, with concurrence of the City Attorney, City Clerk, and City Manager in accordance with the policies and procedures, or dispensation in a manner approved by the City Manager; and

**WHEREAS**, funds derived from the sale of surplus property shall be deposited to the appropriate fund and account as determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the governing body for the City of Gainesville hereby declare this property surplus and available for public sale or disposal as approved by the City Manager, and that any item not sold at the sale shall be disposed of in an appropriate manner with concurrence of the City Manager.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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**Zack Thompson, Mayor**

This is to certify that I am City Clerk of the City of Gainesville. As such, I keep its official records, including its minutes. In that capacity, my signature below certifies this resolution was adopted as stated and will be recorded in the official minutes.

**ATTEST:**

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**Alisa Grayson, City Clerk**

**Tagged Assets**

<b>Asset #</b>	<b>Asset Description</b>	<b>Dept #</b>	<b>Purchase Date</b>	<b>Attachment A Purchase Cost</b>
<b>Inspections</b>				
12455	2006 Ford F-150 CAB 2WD	7220	9/21/2006	\$ 17,592.00
15367	2016 Ford F-150 CAB 4x4	7220	4/7/2016	\$ 24,586.00
<b>Police</b>				
14290	2013 Chevrolet Tahoe	3200	8/11/2013	\$ 34,625.28
15254	2016 Ford Explorer	3200	12/15/2015	\$ 27,092.00
15455	Honda Generator 3,000 Watt	3200	3/15/2016	\$ 2,078.96
<b>Fire</b>				
4222	Tempest Positive Pressure Fan	3500	3/19/1993	\$ 2,260.00
11604	Tempest Positive Pressure Fan	3500	4/14/2004	\$ 1,540.00
13603	21"Pressure Blower-Tempest Fan	3500	2/15/2011	\$ 1,906.00
13608	21"Pressure Blower-Tempest Fan	3500	2/15/2011	\$ 1,906.00
13874	21"Pressure Blower-Tempest Fan	3500	1/30/2012	\$ 1,854.00
15425	Super Vac PPV Fan	3500	2/3/2016	\$ 1,835.40
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>				
11416	2004 International 4300 Dump Truck	6200.03	11/20/2003	\$ 41,738.00
11911	2005 Ford F-150 4x2	6200.03	4/14/2005	\$ 13,992.00
11912	2005 Ford F-250	6200.03	5/2/2005	\$ 19,270.00
12197	2006 Ford F-150 XL Wagon	6100	3/21/2006	\$ 17,672.00
12199	2006 GMC Sierra 1500	6200.03	3/21/2006	\$ 12,006.43
<b>PL&amp;B</b>				
12318	60" Exmark Zero Turn Mower	1565	8/2/2006	\$ 7,096.70
<b>PW. Streets</b>				
11830	2005 Ford F-750 Dump Truck	4200	2/9/2005	\$ 51,386.00
12685	2008 Ford F-250 Diesel W/Lift Gate	4200	11/4/2007	\$ 28,975.12
<b>Vehicle Services</b>				
11530	2004 Chevrolet Blazer 2WD	4990	10/30/2003	\$ 21,204.00
<b>Golf</b>				
11669	Yamaha Utility G27A Golf Cart	6135	05/21/2004	\$ 4,000.00
13727	2011 Toro 3300 Triflex Reel Mower	6135	6/30/2011	\$ 32,468.19
13728	2011 Toro 3300 Triflex Reel Mower	6135	6/30/2011	\$ 32,468.19
20019	2002 Chevrolet Silverado 4x4 Regular Cab	6135	11/28/2001	\$ 16,822.00
20883	2002 Chevrolet Silverado 4x4 Regular Cab	6135	7/25/2002	\$ 16,822.00
<b>Department of Water Resources</b>				
13141	Exmark 42" Zero Turn Riding Mower	4430.07	11/2/2009	\$ 3,750.00
13167	Thermal ARC Plasma Cutter	4900.00	11/24/1993	\$ 2,732.08
14088	60" Exmark Zero Turn Mower	4900.00	8/24/2012	\$ 8,720.00
14089	60" Exmark Zero Turn Mower	4335.08	8/24/2012	\$ 8,720.00
14106	2013 Ford Fiesta	4975.00	11/20/2012	\$ 14,651.46
14107	2013 Ford Fiesta	4985.00	11/20/2012	\$ 14,651.46
14108	2013 Ford F-150 Regular Cab	4330.00	10/23/2012	\$ 20,298.00
14109	2013 Ford F-250 Crew Cab 4x4	4330.00	11/12/2012	\$ 27,084.00
14494	2014 Ford F-150 4x2 Ext. Cab	4980.00	1/8/2014	\$ 19,531.00
14812	2014 Ford F-150 4x2 Ext. Cab	4980.00	2/19/2015	\$ 23,021.00
14923	2015 Ford Explorer 4x4	4970.00	11/13/2014	\$ 25,924.00
15214	2016 Ford Explorer 4x4	4970.00	9/2/2015	\$ 26,775.00
15596	2016 Ford F-150 4WD	4975.00	10/7/2016	\$ 21,890.00
15876	2017 Silverado 2WD Pickup	4975.00	3/10/2017	\$ 21,390.00
19354	Kushlan KRM160-L Tamping Ram	4330.00	8/4/2022	\$ 2,394.74
19430	CP 0004 Backfill Tamp	4900.00	9/1/2022	\$ 1,232.86

**Non-Tagged**

Asset #	Asset Description	Dept #	Attachment B Comments
<b>Community Service Center</b>			
NO TAG	Miscellaneous Bus Seat/ Belt Tie Downs	5520	BELOW THRESHOLD
NO TAG	Alliance Model K6333 1,500 Watt Hot Box	5520	BELOW THRESHOLD
<b>Fire</b>			
NO TAG	(2)- Gas Powered Fans	3500	BELOW THRESHOLD
<b>PL&amp;B</b>			
NO TAG	Clipper Creek EV Charge Station Model- HCS 40	1565	BELOW THRESHOLD
<b>Department of Water Resources</b>			
NO TAG	Miscellaneous Motors and Gearboxes	4440	BELOW THRESHOLD
NO TAG	Blue-M Stabil-Therm Gravity Oven	4440	BELOW THRESHOLD



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**Item Created:** January 14, 2026  
**Date Submitted:** January 14, 2026  
**Final Approval Date:** January 28, 2026  
**Presenter:** Jay Parrish, Chief of Police  
**Item of Business:** Ordinance: Amend Chapter 3-4 As it Pertains to Parking  
**Meeting Date:** January 29, 2026

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**Purpose of Request:**

The purpose of this request is to amend Chapter 3-4 related to parking.

**Facts & Issues / History & Background:**

**Department Recommendation:**

Approve the ordinance.

**Department Director:**

Jay Parrish

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**If funding is involved, are funds approved within the current budget?** No

**Amount Requested:**

**Sources of Funds:**

**Finance Comments:**

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**Administrative Comments:**

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**Attachments:**

1. Ordinance: Amend Chapter 3-4 As it Pertains to Parking

**AN ORDINANCE**

**No. 2026-**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 3-4 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3-4-2, 3-4-6(a), 3-4-12(b), 3-4-76, 3-4-77, 3-4-78(b)(2), 3-4-79, 3-4-80, 3-4-82 THROUGH 3-4-85, 3-4-87, 3-4-88, 3-4-90 THROUGH 3-4-100, AND 3-4-203(a) AND BY DELETING ARTICLE X; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I.**

Section 3-4-2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by deleting the definitions of “Central traffic district” and “Passenger curb loading zone” and by eliminating the definition of “Limited loading zones” and amending it to read as follows:

*Limited loading zones* means zones in which it shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle within a properly marked loading zone except for the purpose of loading or unloading such vehicle. It shall be unlawful to be parked in any loading zone for more than the posted time limit.

**SECTION II.**

Section 3-4-6(a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby Amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

- (a) The city public works director shall have the authority to name a designee or designees to perform duties and functions assigned to the city public works director under Chapter 3-4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville.

**SECTION III.**

The last sentence of Section 3-4-12(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby deleted.

**SECTION IV.**

Section 3-4-76 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

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### **Sec. 3-4-76. Application of article provisions.**

The provisions of this article prohibiting the standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times herein specified or as indicated on official signs and/or markings, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

- (1) The provisions of this article imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.
- (2) When official traffic control devices and/or markings are in place giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the streets or portions of streets upon which such notice is given.

### **SECTION V.**

Section 3-4-77 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-77. Official traffic control devices.**

Whenever by this or any other ordinance of the city any parking time is imposed or parking is prohibited on designated streets, it shall be the duty of the city public works director to install appropriate official traffic control devices and/or markings giving notice thereof and no such regulations shall be effective unless such devices and/or markings are in place at the time of any alleged offense.

### **SECTION VI.**

Subsection (b)(2) of Section 3-4-78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

- (2) *Package and freight loading zones.* Package and freight loading zones will be established without charge by the city after study by the public works director to determine need and location.

### **SECTION VII.**

Section 3-4-79 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-79. Limited loading zones—Applications.**

The city public works director shall not designate or sign any loading zone upon special request of any person unless such person makes application for a permit for such zone. The city public works director, upon receipt of the application, will conduct a study to determine the loading characteristics of the establishment in question. After analysis of the information provided, the request will be granted or denied on the basis of the results.

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### SECTION VIII.

Section 3-4-80 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows: **Reserved.**

### SECTION IX.

Section 3-4-82 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-82. Designation of public carrier stops and stands.**

The city public works director may establish bus stops, bus stands, taxicab stands and stands for other passenger common carrier vehicles on such public streets, in such places and in such number as he shall determine to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public, and every bus stop, bus stand, or other stand shall be designated by appropriate signs and/or markings.

### SECTION X.

Section 3-4-83 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows: **Reserved.**

### SECTION XI.

Section 3-4-84 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-84. Restricted use of bus and taxicab stands.**

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop, or other than a taxicab in a taxicab stand when any such stop or stand has been officially designated and appropriately signed and/or marked, except that the driver of a passenger vehicle may temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when such stopping does not interfere with any bus or taxicab waiting to enter or about to enter such zone.

### SECTION XII.

Section 3-4-85 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-85. Parking in fire lanes as defined in the International Fire Code.**

No person shall stand or park a vehicle (other than an authorized emergency vehicle, in a fire lane, as defined in the International Fire Code, when such area has been marked as a fire lane, for any purpose or period of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or the expeditious unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of materials in any place, and then only for a period not to exceed three minutes; provided, however, this section shall not apply to designated loading zones. The prohibitions referenced in the preceding sentence shall also apply to spaces within 20 feet of a fire department connection. Employees

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of the city's police department, code enforcement office, and fire department shall have the authority to enforce this Code section, including the towing of any disabled and/or unattended vehicles left in any space referenced in this Code Section. The prohibitions set forth in this Code Section shall apply to marked fire lanes located on public property and on private property which is open to the public.

### SECTION XIII.

Section 3-4-87 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-87. Parking limitations.**

The provisions of this Chapter shall be applicable to all public streets, public parking lots, and public parking decks.

- (a) The city public works director is authorized to establish parking zones at locations upon those streets and/or part of streets as necessary to aid in the regulation, control, and inspection of the parking of vehicles.
- (b) The city manager or his designee and/or designees is authorized to establish paid parking zones within the city upon public streets, public parking lots, and public parking decks to aid in the regulation, control, and turnover of timed parking spaces.
- (c) The city manager or his designee and/or designees is authorized to retain a parking management service to implement technology to aid in the regulation of paid parking zones.
- (d) It shall be unlawful for any person to cause, allow or permit any vehicle to park adjacent to a yellow curb and/or any place within which parking is prohibited by traffic control devices, signage, and/or markings placed pursuant to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville.
- (e) Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device, no person shall:
  - (1) Stop, stand, or park a vehicle:
    - (A) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge of a curb of a street;
    - (B) On a sidewalk;
    - (C) Within an intersection;
    - (D) On a crosswalk;
    - (E) Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within 30 feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless a different length is indicated by signs or markings;
    - (F) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
    - (G) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;

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- (H) On any railroad tracks;
  - (I) On any controlled-access highway;
  - (J) In the area between roadways of a divided highway, including crossovers;  
or
  - (K) At any place where official signs prohibit stopping;
- (2) Stand or park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except momentarily to pick up or discharge a passenger or passengers:
- (A) In front of a public or private driveway;
  - (B) Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
  - (C) Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
  - (D) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing signal, stop sign, yield sign, or traffic control signal located at the edge of a roadway;
  - (E) Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station or the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of such entrance (when property posted); or
  - (F) At any place where official signs prohibit standing; or
- (3) Park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property or passengers:
- (A) Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing; or
  - (B) At any place where official signs prohibit parking.

### SECTION XIV.

Section 3-4-88 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-88. Trucks or tractors prohibited from using certain streets.**

The city public works director is hereby authorized to establish streets and/or parts of streets upon which trucks and/or tractors should be prohibited, to ensure the safe passage of the public. When traffic control devices are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall operate any truck or tractor at any time upon any of the streets or parts of streets so identified, except that such vehicles may be operated thereon for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise and then only by entering such street at the intersection nearest the destination of the vehicle and proceeding thereon no farther than the nearest intersection thereafter.

### SECTION XV.

Section 3-4-90 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

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**Sec. 3-4-90. Parking time limits—Parking overtime; separate offenses, enforcement methods, fines, wheel locks, bonds and fees.**

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to cause, allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in the name of or operated by such person to be parked overtime or beyond the period of legal parking time. All persons who park within any paid parking zone established in this Chapter shall, within five (5) minutes of parking any vehicle, initiate a parking session through the City's devices that monitor parking sessions, whether or not a fee is due at the time of initiation. Failure to initiate a parking session within five (5) minutes of parking any vehicle shall constitute a violation of this section and shall be punished by a fine and punishment as set forth herein.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to cause, allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in the name of or operated by such person to stay parked in any designated parking space beyond the designated unit of time.
- (c) Exceeding the period of legal parking time in any designated parking space or designated parking zone shall constitute a separate violation of this section.
- (d) The police department shall utilize methods for identifying cars in order that the provisions of this Chapter may be adequately enforced, including but not limited to traffic control devices, markings, and/or signage.
- (e) The fine for the first violation of the following parking offenses shall be:
  - (1) First offense for parking in a fire lane: \$100.00.
  - (2) Parking in a persons with disabilities zone: \$250.00.
  - (3) Parking on sidewalk: \$50.00.
  - (4) Parking in employee parking spaces or lot without permit: \$50.00.
  - (5) First offense for violation of any provision related to parking in a paid parking zone: \$20.00
  - (6) Second and/or subsequent offense for violation of any provision related to parking in a paid parking zone: \$150.00
  - (7) All other violations of this Chapter related to parking not described in subsections (e)(1)—(6) of this section or for which violations there is not a separate and specific penalty provision set forth in this Chapter: \$20.00.
- (f) Any person who fails to pay any parking offense within 45 days of receipt thereof shall pay double the fine for such parking offense.
- (g) Any person who receives two parking tickets within 30 days shall pay double the fine of the first parking offense.
- (h) Any person who receives three parking tickets within 30 days shall pay triple the fine of the first parking offense.
- (i) The vehicle owner shall, within five days of receiving the fifth unpaid parking ticket, satisfy all delinquent tickets or shall be subject to an additional penalty six times the fine of the first parking offense.
- (j) Court summons; bond for failure to appear. Additionally, such owner shall be issued a summons to appear in the municipal court of the city. If such owner fails to appear at the appointed time and date as specified in the summons, he shall be subject to arrest and

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shall post a \$50.00 bond plus an amount equal to all fines and penalties accrued to such date.

- (k) Any vehicle not removed within 72 hours of issuance of a parking citation may be towed at the vehicle owner's expense by any designee of a city police officer.

### SECTION XVI.

Section 3-4-91 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-91. Paid parking zone fees.**

In the event that a paid parking zone is established pursuant to this Chapter, the following fees shall be charged:

- (a) Hours 0-2: free;
- (b) Hours 3+: \$4.00 per hour; and
- (c) No fee shall be charged for parking between the hours of 12:00 AM and 7:00 AM.

### SECTION XVII.

Section 3-4-92 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-92. Manner of parking.**

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a two-way roadway shall be stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels parallel to and within 12 inches of the right-hand curb or as close as practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder.
- (b) Except when otherwise provided by the city Code of Ordinances, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a one-way roadway shall be stopped or parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway, in the direction of authorized traffic movement, with its right-hand wheels within 12 inches of the right-hand curb or as close as practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder or with its left-hand wheels within 12 inches of the left-hand curb or as close as practicable to the left edge of the left-hand shoulder.
- (c) Any vehicle stopping, parking, or standing in any designated and posted parking space shall be parked within the lines marked on the street or curb and may occupy such space during the parking limited provided by this article and the posted notice for the part of the street in which such parking space is located.

### SECTION XVIII.

Section 3-4-93 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

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**Sec. 3-4-93. Parking related to persons with disabilities.**

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park any vehicle in a parking place for persons with disabilities unless there is displayed on the driver's side of the dashboard or hung from the rearview mirror of the parked vehicle a valid unexpired parking permit for persons with disabilities or unless there is attached to the vehicle a specially designated license plate for disabled veterans or other disabled persons authorized under State or local law and unless such person is the person to whom such permit or license plate was issued; the person to whom such permit or license plate was issued is a passenger in the vehicle; or such vehicle is being used for the transportation of disabled passengers on behalf of the institution to which such permit was issued.
- (a.1) It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park any vehicle in a parking place for persons with disabilities which is designated "For Persons With Disabled Ambulatory Assistive Devices Only" unless:
  - (1) There is displayed on the driver's side of the dashboard or hung from the rearview mirror of the parked vehicle a valid unexpired parking permit for persons with disabilities or unless there is attached to the vehicle a specially designated license plate for disabled veterans or other disabled persons authorized under State or local law; and
  - (2) A person with disabilities who is using a wheelchair, crutches, walker, or other ambulatory assistive device is the driver of or a passenger in such vehicle.
- (b)(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park any vehicle in a parking place for persons with disabilities except for the purpose of allowing a disabled person to enter or get out of such vehicle while in such parking place. However, nothing in this paragraph shall prevent an ambulance or emergency vehicle from stopping in a parking place for persons with disabilities.
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park any vehicle in a parking place for the nonambulatory as provided by a business pursuant to State or local law except for the purpose of allowing a nonambulatory permanently disabled person to enter or get out of such vehicle while in such parking place. However, nothing in this paragraph shall prevent an ambulance or emergency vehicle from stopping in a parking place for the nonambulatory.
- (3) It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park any vehicle in any area directly connecting with a parking place for persons with disabilities which area is clearly designed and designated for access to such parking place for persons with disabilities.
- (c) It shall be unlawful for any person to obtain by fraud or counterfeit a parking permit for persons with disabilities.
- (c.1) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly and willfully make a false or misleading statement in an application for a parking permit for persons with disabilities or in the affidavit of a practitioner of the healing arts stating that an applicant is a disabled person.

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- (d) It shall be unlawful for any person or institution, other than the one to whom a parking permit for persons with disabilities or specially designated license plate for the disabled person is issued, to make use of a parking permit for persons with disabilities or specially designated license plate for a disabled person unless the person to whom such permit or license plate was issued is a passenger in such vehicle. It shall be unlawful for any person to use a parking permit for persons with disabilities for any institutional vehicle other than the vehicle for which the permit has been issued. It shall be unlawful for any person to use a parking permit for persons with disabilities issued to an institution for any purpose other than to transport disabled persons.
- (e) No person shall park a vehicle so as to block any entrance or exit ramp used by persons with disabilities on public or private property.
- (f)(1) Any person violating subsection (c) or (c.1) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
  - (2) Any person violating subsection (a), (a.1), (b), (d), or (e) of this Code section shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$500.00.
- (g) In addition to the penalties provided for in subsection (f) of this Code section, any vehicle which is illegally parked in a parking place for persons with disabilities which is marked by a sign bearing the words "Tow-Away Zone" on public or private property may be towed away or caused to be towed away by a proper law enforcement agency or the official security agency of said property at the expense of the owner of the vehicle or, if the vehicle is leased or rented, at the expense of the person responsible for payment on the lease or rental agreement.
- (h) A property owner who is required to provide parking places for persons with disabilities shall designate each such place with a sign meeting the applicable requirements specified therefor by State law and upon failure so to designate each such parking place for persons with disabilities shall be subject to a fine of \$150.00 for each place which is not so designated; provided, however, that the fine will be waived if the required designation is made within 14 days from the date of citation. If that property owner fails or refuses to designate properly the parking places for persons with disabilities within such 14 days, the property owner shall, on the fifteenth day after receiving the citation, be subject to the \$150.00 fine for each place and an additional \$5.00 fine for each place for each day that the owner fails to comply with provisions of this subsection until the places are properly designated.

### SECTION XIX.

Section 3-4-94 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3-4-94. Enforcement of parking violations.**

Employees of the city's police department and code enforcement office shall have the authority to enforce violations of ordinances in this Chapter related to parking, including issuance of citations and immobilization of vehicles parked in violation of ordinances in this Chapter related to parking. The chief of police shall be authorized to designate employees of the

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police department as “downtown ambassadors,” including civilians not certified as police officers, with the authority set forth in this Code section.

**SECTION XX.**

Sections 3-4-95 through 3-4-100 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia are hereby amended by eliminating them in their entirety and amending them to read as follows: **Reserved.**

**SECTION XXI.**

Article X of Chapter 3-4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by eliminating it in its entirety and amending it to read as follows: **Reserved.**

**SECTION XXII.**

Section 3-4-203(a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Georgia is hereby amended by replacing the phrase “traffic engineer” with the phrase “public works director[.]”

**SECTION XXIII.**

All ordinance and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION XXIV.**

If any portion of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect or impair the remaining portions unless it clearly appears that such other parts are wholly and necessarily dependent upon the part held to be invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION XXV.**

The effective date of this ordinance shall be upon approval by the governing body of the City of Gainesville, Georgia.

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**Zack Thompson, Mayor**

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This is to certify that I am City Clerk of the City of Gainesville. As such, I keep its official records, including its minutes. In that capacity, my signature below certifies this resolution was adopted as stated and will be recorded in the official minutes.

**ATTEST:**

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**Alisa Grayson, City Clerk**



# CITY OF GAINESVILLE

## Work Session Agenda Request

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**Item Created:** January 22, 2026  
**Date Submitted:** January 23, 2026  
**Final Approval Date:** January 28, 2026  
**Presenter:** Zack Thompson  
**Item of Business:** Appointment: Keep Hall Beautiful/Hall County Green Alliance Ex-Officio Member  
**Meeting Date:** January 29, 2026

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**Purpose of Request:**

The purpose of this request is to address the ex-officio member position on the Keep Hall Beautiful / Hall County Green Alliance board and to appoint Council Member Jon Elliott.

**Facts & Issues / History & Background:**

The governing body makes these appointments. Council Member Juli Hayes was previously appointed to this board during the Organizational Meeting on January 6, 2026.

**Department Recommendation:**

Accept the nomination as presented by the Mayor.

**Department Director:**

Zack Thompson

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**If funding is involved, are funds approved within the current budget?** No

**Amount Requested:**

**Sources of Funds:**

**Finance Comments:**

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**Administrative Comments:**

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**Attachments:**

1. 2026 Ex-Officio Appointments-Appointed 1.6.26

# Ex-Officio Appointments

Committee	Meeting Schedule	2026
Airport Advisory Committee	Quarterly	Barbara Brooks & Juli Hayes
American Red Cross	Monthly	Mayor Thompson
Board of Health	Quarterly	Barbara Brooks
Chattahoochee Golf Course Advisory Committee	Bi-Monthly	Mayor Thompson
Chicopee Woods Area Park Commission	Quarterly	Juli Hayes
Economic Development Council	Monthly	Mayor Thompson
Gainesville-Hall County Development Authority	As Needed	Mayor Thompson
Gainesville-Hall County Land Bank Board	As Needed	Barbara Brooks
Gainesville Non-Profit Development Authority	Quarterly	Barbara Brooks
Gainesville Redevelopment Authority	As Needed	Mayor Thompson
Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors	Monthly	Mayor Thompson
Hallmark Initiative		Mayor Thompson
Historic Preservation Commission	Monthly	Jon Elliott
Housing Authority	Monthly	Abigail Guzman
Keep Hall Beautiful/Hall County Green Alliance	Monthly	Juli Hayes
Main Street Gainesville Advisory Board	Monthly	Abigail Guzman
Parks & Recreation Board	Monthly	Juli Hayes
Parks & Recreation Foundation, Inc.	Monthly	Abigail Guzman
Planning and Appeals Board	Monthly	Jon Elliott

Appointed: January 6, 2026

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**Presenter:** Zack Thompson  
**Item of Business:** Appointment: Habitat for Humanity of Hall County Ex-Officio Member  
**Meeting Date:** January 29, 2026

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**Purpose of Request:**

The purpose of this request is to consider appointing Council Member Juli Hayes as City of Gainesville representative on the Habitat For Humanity board.

**Facts & Issues / History & Background:**

The governing body makes these appointments.

**Department Recommendation:**

To consider and accept the nomination as presented by the Mayor.

**Department Director:**

Zack Thompson

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**If funding is involved, are funds approved within the current budget?** No

**Amount Requested:**

**Sources of Funds:**

**Finance Comments:**

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**Attachments:**

1. Habitat Board Resolution

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF HALL COUNTY, INC.**

**Inviting the City of Gainesville to Appoint an Ex Officio City Council Representative**

**WHEREAS**, Habitat for Humanity of Hall County ("Habitat") is committed to building safe, decent, and affordable housing and strengthening neighborhoods throughout Hall County and the City of Gainesville; and

**WHEREAS**, Habitat recognizes the importance of collaboration with local government partners to effectively address the growing need for affordable housing, home repair, and community revitalization; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gainesville City Council plays a critical leadership role in shaping housing policy, infrastructure planning, and community development initiatives that directly align with Habitat's mission; and

**WHEREAS**, establishing a formal liaison role between Habitat and the City of Gainesville would enhance communication, strengthen alignment of priorities, and foster more coordinated, impactful service to Gainesville residents; and

**WHEREAS**, an Ex Officio position on the Habitat for Humanity of Hall County Board of Directors would ensure ongoing dialogue between Habitat leadership and City leadership, without creating voting authority or fiduciary responsibility for the designated Council member;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity of Hall County hereby **extends an invitation to the City of Gainesville to designate one (1) member of the Gainesville City Council to serve as an Ex Officio member** of the Habitat for Humanity of Hall County Board of Directors; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes the Executive Director and Board Chair to formally communicate this invitation to the Mayor and City Council and to take any actions necessary to implement the Ex Officio role upon acceptance; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Ex Officio City Council representative shall be welcomed to participate in Board meetings, receive Board materials, and engage fully in discussion and planning while not serving as a voting member of the Board.

**ADOPTED**, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025, by the Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity of Hall County, Inc.



**Neal Broadwell**

Chair, Board of Directors

Habitat for Humanity of Hall County, Inc.

Jasmine Mays

**Jasmine Mays**  
Secretary, Board of Directors