

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA  
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026

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Present: Mayor Barbara Bender, Mayor Pro Tem Norman A. Carter Jr., Council Members Richelle Brown, Catherine Hardrick, Kerry Hetherington and Shaunt'e Pitt. Also present City Manager Matthew Pepper, Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery, Attorney Kevin Tallant with Tallant Howell Attorneys at Law, Assistant Chief David Matson, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington, and City Clerk Melisa Arnold. (City Attorneys Tony Powell, Jay Crowley and IT Administrator Erika Fleeman were absent.)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

**INVOCATION**

Rev. Dr. Quincy Brown from Snellville Community Church gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Cub Scout Pack 526 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

Recognition of the Active Adult Center Volunteer of the Year Award

This item is postponed to the January 26, 2026 meeting.

PRO 2026-01 - 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Trees Winner

Mayor Bender read the proclamation into the record recognizing Saint Oliver Plunkett and presented it to Rev. Cyriac Mattathilankal.

Kelly McAloon recognized the other organizations who participated in the Festival of Trees.

Recognition of Outgoing Snellville Tourism and Trade Board Members

Kelly McAloon recognized former board members Richelle Brown and CJ Pitt for their service.

**MINUTES**

Approve the Minutes of the December 8, 2025 Meetings and the December 10, 2025 Special Called Work Session

Mayor Pro Tem Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8<sup>th</sup> and December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meetings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

**INVITED GUESTS**

Captain Chris Raymer, Gwinnett Corps Officer, Salvation Army

Captain Raymer spoke about the history and programs of the Salvation Army.

**COMMITTEE / DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

None

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Council Member Hetherington made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mayor Pro Tem Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

None

## **CONSENT AGENDA (Please see \*Note)**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Consideration and Action on Award of Bid for the Contract for Repair of Stormwater Drainage Systems – PW25251112 [Bender]

Council Member Hetherington made a motion to award the bid to The Dickerson Group in the amount of \$896,101.95, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Hardrick; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – ORD 2025-13 – Ordinance to Amend the Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions Ordinance (Chapter 38); to Delete a Section Related to Loitering; to Provide Severability; to Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; to Provide an Effective Date; and For Other Purposes [Bender]

Council Member Hetherington made a motion to approve ORD 2025-13, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mayor Pro Tem Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Consideration and Action on Approval of the Updated Stormwater Manual [Bender]

Mayor Pro Tem Carter made a motion to approve the updated stormwater manual, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Brown; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

Consideration and Action on Approval of the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Amendment [2025]

Council Member Hardrick made a motion to approve the FY 2025 budget amendment, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Members Hardrick, Brown, Pitt, Hetherington and Mayor Pro Tem Carter each gave a report.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Bender gave a report.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following people came forward to speak:

Mike Sabbagh, 1600 Summit View Way

Tricia Rawlins, Harbour Oaks Drive, Snellville

Stephanie McDonald, 1957 Tanglewood Drive, Snellville.

State Representative Segun Adeyina, Atlanta.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Carter made a motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.