



**CITY OF RICHMOND HILL  
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2021  
7:00 PM**

**Richmond Hill City Hall Council Chambers  
40 Richard Davis Drive  
Richmond Hill, Georgia  
31324**

**Present from City Council:** Russ Carpenter, *Mayor*; *Councilmembers:* Kristi Cox, Steve Scholar, and Robbie Ward

**Staff Present:** Chris Lovell, *City Manager*; Scott Allison, *Assistant City Manager*; Dawnne Greene, *City Clerk*; Brendon Greene, *Fire Chief*

Mayor Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Pastor Hubert Quiller gave the opening invocation. Councilmember Ward led the pledge of allegiance.

**RECOGNITION OF FORMER MAYOR RICHARD DAVIS**

*Councilmember Scholar spoke about Mayor Davis and his time in office. Former Richmond Hill City Clerk Ursula Lee accepted the proclamation on Mayor Davis' behalf.*

**PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

*In honor of Black History Month, Dr. Karen Boles read a poem by Paul Laurence Dunbar. Mayor Carpenter then presented the proclamation to Pastor Johnnie Quiller, President of the Bryan County NAACP.*

**RICHMOND HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT LIFESAVER AWARD PRESENTATION**

*Fire Chief Brendon Greene presented Lifesaver Awards to Captain John Cook, Sergeant Jacob Cribbs, Sergeant Matthew Futch, and Firefighter Fitzgerald Ramirez.*

**APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

**Councilmember Scholar made a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ward. Motion carried in the affirmative by councilmembers**

**Cox, Scholar, and Ward.**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes of Meeting January 5, 2021
2. Approval of Minutes of Workshop January 19, 2021
3. Approval of time change for March 2, 2021 meeting to 5:00 PM
4. Approval/Disapproval for allocating 2021 LMIG of \$117,635.96, 30% general fund match of \$35,290.78, and 2021 Streets Budget of \$200,000 (total of \$352,926.74) to fund improvements to the following streets: 1. Dearborn Drive (Richmond Heights); 2. Greenwich Drive (Richmond Heights); 3. Rushing Street; 4. Bell Grove Drive (Mulberry); 5. Eddie Court (Richmond Place) and; 6. Cutoff Drive (Sterling Creek).
5. Approval/Disapproval of 2020 October Financial Statement
6. Approval/Disapproval of 2020 November Financial Statement
7. Approval/Disapproval of EOM Contract with manhole oversight plan
8. Approval/Disapproval of Claxton Bank corporate authorization resolution

**Councilmember Ward made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cox. Motion carried in the affirmative by councilmembers Cox, Scholar, and Ward.**

**Planning and Zoning: Scott Allison**

**City Council Items**

1. Planning Commission / Architectural Review Board Verbal Report

*Mr. Allison Stated that the Planning Commission met and approved the site plan for Project Falcon. The commission will be reviewing ingress & egress plans for Highway 144 at their next meeting.*

Councilmember Ward recused himself from the following agenda item.

2. Approval/Disapproval of right-of-way abandonment for portions of Thunderbird Drive and Shelby Lane for Project Falcon.

**Councilmember Scholar made a motion to approve the right-of-way abandonment for portions of Thunderbird Drive and Shelby Lane for Project Falcon. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cox. Motion carried in the affirmative councilmembers Cox and Scholar.**

Councilmember Ward rejoined the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. None.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. Councilmember Cox thanked RHPD Detective Gonzales for his diligent work in helping locate Brian Kennedy and providing closure for Mr. Kennedy’s family.

**There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 7:37 PM in a motion by Councilmember Scholar. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ward. Motion carried in the affirmative by Councilmembers Cox, Scholar, and Ward.**

Attest:

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Russ Carpenter  
Mayor

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Dawnne Greene  
City Clerk