



**CITY COUNCIL**

*No Pre-Agenda Session will be held.*

**Regular Council Meeting- Agenda**

**January 6, 2026, at 6:00 PM | City Hall | 8 W. Hwy 80 Bloomingdale, GA 31302**

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**I. Inauguration Ceremony- Honorable Municipal Court Judge Richard Sanders:**

1. Oath of Office given to Mayor Dennis G. Baxter
2. Oath of Office given to Councilmember Thomas D. Greene
3. Oath of Office given to Councilmember Terry W. Jones
4. Oath of Office given to Councilmember James Kerby
5. Oath of Office given to Councilmember Glenda Key
6. Oath of Office given to Councilmember Paula Bunton-Knox
7. Oath of Office given to Councilmember Rodney C. West

**II. Call to Order**

**III. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Mayor Baxter

**IV. Invocation:** Offered by Reverend John Bennett of the Alpha Methodist Church

**V. Roll Call**

**VI. Approval of Minutes:** of the December 4<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting; December 8<sup>th</sup> Special Events Committee; Meeting; December 8<sup>th</sup>; and the December 17<sup>th</sup> Planning and Licensing Committee Meeting.

**VII. Approval of Agenda:** of the January 6, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

**VIII. Administrative & Committee Reports**

**IX. New Business:**

1. Consider the appointment of Vice-Mayor.
2. Consider the Designated Holiday for City Employees as July 6, 2026
3. Consider the 2026 City Council Meeting Schedule and City Employee Holiday Schedule.
4. Consider Issuance of a Special Events Permit for “Rock the Country” event at Ottawa Farms on May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

These are the items presented before the deadline of December 24, 2025, to be included on the Agenda.

**X. Pay the Bills**

**XI. Adjournment**

# MINUTES



**CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Council Meeting - Minutes**  
**December 4, 2025, 7:00 p.m.**

**In Attendance:**

**City Council Members:** Mayor Dennis G. Baxter; Vice Mayor Glenda Key; Councilman Jimmy Kerby; Councilman Terry W. Jones; Councilman David Otakie; and Councilman Rodney C. West. Councilman Juan Arias was not present.

**Staff Members:** City Administrator Charles Akridge; City Attorney Raymond Dickey; City Clerk Jennifer Scholl; Police Chief Jeffcoat; Public Works Director Ernie Grizzard.

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Invocation/ Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Baxter gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Mayor Baxter called for a motion to approve the Minutes for the November 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting.  
  
Councilman Kerby made a motion to approve the Minutes for the November 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting. Councilman West seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.  
Yea: 5 | Nay: 0
- IV. **Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Baxter called for a motion to approve the Agenda for the December 4<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.  
  
Vice Mayor Key made a motion to approve the Agenda for the December 4<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting. Councilman West seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.  
Yea: 5 | Nay: 0
- V. **Administrative and Committee Reports:** Mayor Baxter presented Councilman Otakie with a plaque honoring for him service to the City. Councilman Otakie expressed his gratitude to Mayor, Council, and the public for supporting him during his time as a Councilmember.  
  
The City Administrator recognized Major General (Retired) Reginald G.A. Neal to his appointment of Assistant Secretary of Department of Veterans Affairs.

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**VI. Old Business:**

1. Consideration of a Conditional Use for a proposed General Commercial Retail submitted by Bogie Walker for Bloomingdale Village on Highway 80. [Tabled]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Councilman Jones made a motion to table the item for consideration as requested by the applicant until the February 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting. Vice Mayor Key seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

**VII. New Business:**

1. Consider a First Amendment to the Development Agreement with Parkers and the City of Bloomingdale. [Approved]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Councilman Otakie made a motion to approve the item for consideration. Councilman Jones seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

2. Consider Declaration of Surplus Property. [Approved with Conditions]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Councilman Otakie made a motion to approve the item for consideration with the condition that if the Police Department surpluses three vehicles that they will be allowed three new vehicles to be purchased for the department. Councilman West seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

3. Consider purchase of an Ice Machine for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$6,100.00 (CIP/SPLOST). [Approved]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Vice Mayor Key made a motion to approve the item for consideration. Councilman Jones seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

4. Consider acceptance of an Annexation Petition submitted by SEDA. [Approved]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Councilman Jones made a motion to approve the item for consideration. Councilman Otakie seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

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5. Consider purchase of NeoGov/Power DMS Software for the Police Department in the amount of \$6,334.26. (Tech Fees). [*Approved*]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Councilman Otakie made a motion to approve the item for consideration. Vice Mayor Key seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

6. Consider the purchase of a 8” Meter for the Little Neck Road Lift Station Upgrade in the amount of \$63,941.00 (Sewer Impact Fees/CIP/SPLOST) [*Approved*]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Councilman West made a motion to approve the item for consideration. Councilman Kerby seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

7. Consider authorization of the following City events: Recreation Department’s Bonfire Night on October 10th and Homecoming Parade on October 11th; City sponsored Trunk or Treat at the Community Center on October 31st; Christmas Tree Lighting on November 21st at the History Museum; City sponsored Christmas events on December 6th, including the Christmas Parade, the Town Center Park Christmas Festival and the Fire Department Children’s Party. [*Approved*]

Mayor Baxter called for a motion for the item for consideration.

Vice Mayor Key made a motion to approve the item for. Councilman Arias seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

**Mayor Baxter reported that this concluded the items presented for consideration for inclusion on the Council agenda prior to the deadline of September 24, 2025.**

- Prior to adjournment Mayor Baxter provided an overview of a citizen request from Mr. Michael J. Jordan to be included in the 2026 Memorial Day Program.

8. **Pay the Bills:** The Accounts Payables were presented to each Councilmember prior to the meeting. Mayor Baxter called for a motion to pay the bills.

Councilman Kerby made a motion to pay the bills. Vice Mayor Key seconded the motion, and it carried without opposition.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

9. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, Mayor Baxter called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Councilman Kerby made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice Mayor Key seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Yea: 5 | Nay: 0

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*Transcribed by: Clerk of Council*

*Submitted by: City Administrator*

*Accepted & Approved by City Council on November 6, 2025*

The foregoing minutes of October 2, 2025, are true and correct and approved by the City Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2025.

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Mayor Dennis G. Baxter

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Scholl, Clerk of Council

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## SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

### Called Meeting

December 8, 2025, at 2:00 PM | City Hall | 8 W. Hwy 80 Bloomingdale, GA 31302

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#### I. Roll Call/ Declaration of Quorum:

**Council Members:** Mayor Dennis G. Baxter; Councilman Terry W. Jones; Councilman West; and Councilman Jimmy Kerby

Vice Mayor Glenda Key; Councilman Juan Arias; and Councilman David Otakie were not present.

**Staff Members:** City Administrator Charles Akridge; Police Chief Jeffcoat; Fire Chief Tyler; Public Works Director Ernest Grizzard, Jr.

**Others:** Michael McBrayer

#### II. General Discussion- No Action Taken:

1. General Discussion of the topics listed below in relation to a public event to be hosted at Ottawa Farms May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of 2026:

- Government relations
- Public Safety event overview
- Expected attendance
- Event permits

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*Submitted by: City Administrator*

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ATTEST:

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Dennis G. Baxter  
Mayor

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Charles Akridge  
City Administrator

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**PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE**  
**Called Meeting**

**December 8, 2025, at 8:00 PM | City Hall | 8 W. Hwy 80 Bloomingdale, GA 31302**

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**I. Roll Call/ Declaration of Quorum:**

**Council Members:** Mayor Dennis G. Baxter; Councilman Kerby; Councilman Terry W. Jones; and Councilman Rodney C. West.

Vice Mayor Key; Councilman Juan Aria; and Councilman David Otakie were not present.

**Staff Members:** City Administrator Charles Akridge and City Attorney Raymond Dickey

**Others:**

**II. General Discussion- No Action Taken:**

- Review of the Bloomingdale Unified Development Code concerning Modular Structures and placement in residential zoning districts versus Manufactures Homes.

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*Submitted by: City Administrator*

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ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dennis G. Baxter  
Mayor

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Charles Akridge  
City Administrator

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NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 1

No Attachment

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 2

No Attachment

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 3

# CITY OF BLOOMINGDALE

## 2026 *Schedule*

**📅 WHEN:**

REGULAR SCHEDULE: 1ST & 3RD THURSDAY.  
 SUMMER SCHEDULE (JUN, JUL, AUG, SEPT):  
3RD THURSDAY ONLY.

**🕒 TIME:** PRE-AGENDA: 6:30 PM  
 MEETING: 7:00 PM

**\*JANUARY 6<sup>TH</sup>: NO PRE AGENDA & STARTS AT 6:00PM**

**📍 PLACE: CITY HALL**

PRE-AGENDA: CONFERENCE ROOM  
 MEETING: COURT ROOM



### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Date	Agenda Deadline
* January 6th	December 24th
January 15th	January 7th
February 5th	January 28th
February 19th	February 11th
March 5th	February 25th
March 16th	March 8th
April 2nd	March 25th
April 17th	April 9th
May 7th	April 29th
May 21st	May 13th
June 18th	June 10th
July 16th	July 8th
August 20th	August 12th
September 17th	September 9th
October 1st	September 23rd
October 15th	October 7th
November 5th	October 28th
November 19th	November 11th
December 3rd	December 25th
December 17th	December 9th

### CITY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

New Year's Day	January 1st
Martin Luther King Day	January 19th
President's Day	February 16th
Good Friday	April 3rd
Memorial Day	May 25th
Juneteenth	June 19th
Independence Day	July 3rd
Designated Holiday	July 6th
Labor Day	September 7th
Columbus Day	October 12th
Veteran's Day	November 11th
Thanksgiving Day	November 26th
Day After Thanksgiving	November 27th
Christmas Eve	December 24th
Christmas Day	December 25th
New Year's Eve	December 31st

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 4

No Attachment