



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 28, 2025 – 7:00 PM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM**

MINUTES

PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Ed Moyer, Mayor Pro Tem
Ray Mitchell Denmon, Councilmember
Jacqueline Palazzolo, Councilmember
Al Edwards, Councilmember

ALSO: Paul Worley, City Administrator; Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator; Sharon Nelson, City Clerk; George Govignon, City Attorney; Tony Pyle, Police Chief; Margaret Boyd, Purchasing Director.

1. **Council Meeting Called to Order**

Welcome

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Invocation

Mayor Palmer gave the invocation.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

3. **Amendment or Approval of Proposed Agenda**

Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the July 28, 2025 agenda as presented. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

4. **Amendment or Approval of Minutes**

A. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the minutes of the executive session of the July 7, 2025 work session as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

B. Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 28, 2025. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

5. **Mayor's Comments**

6. **Zoning Hearings and Comments**

7. **Other Public Hearings**

8. **Old Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of an annexation and zoning request from County R-3 to R-1B for 0.18 acres, located at 1003 Court Street, being parcel 002-038, by Bimala K. Harris. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held August 7th and the public hearing August 11th.
- B. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of an annexation and zoning request from County R-3 to R-1B, located at 1104 North Wall Street and being parcel 035-115, by Thomas Holguin. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held August 7th and the public hearing August 11th.
- C. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of a variance request of 15 feet above max sign height and 44.28 square feet above max area, for 1.516 acres at a location of 1204 Red Bud Road, being parcel C64-002, by Will Marshall (McDonalds). The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held August 7th and the public hearing August 11th.
- D. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of an annexation and zoning request from County R-4 to R-1B, located 1110 Dews Pond Road and being parcel 052-073, by Ross Strickland. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held August 7th and the public hearing August 11th.

9. **New Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer read a request from the Calhoun Police Department to use State Forfeiture Funds Account #1, to customize the D.A.R.E. Van with new painting, air conditioning and a portable generator, at a total cost of \$4,498.99. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Mayor Palmer read a request to rename Pitts Street to Jim Lay Drive. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. Mayor Palmer read a request from the Purchasing Department to surplus a 2004 Ford F250 used by the Electric Department. The truck needs costly repairs. VIN# 03074; Mileage 160,085. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the request. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- D. Mayor Palmer read a request for a Special Event Permit request by the GEM Theatre to hold a car show in the Calhoun Library parking lot and food trucks in the Community Development parking lot in conjunction with their 14 year anniversary celebration. The event will take place from 3:00 pm to 10:00 pm on August 30, 2025. Recommended for approval by the Downtown Development Authority. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

- E. Mayor Palmer read a request for a Special Event Permit and road closure request by United Way of Gordon County for Unity Run 2025, to be held on Tuesday, September 23rd. Setup will begin at 3:00 pm and breakdown completed by 10:00 pm. The Unity Run will begin at 209 South King Street, turning right onto Pine Street, then left onto River Street, right into the Calhoun Recreation Department, runners will loop the track and exit the Recreation Department turning left onto South River Street, left onto Oothcalooga Street, right onto GA 53 Spur, left onto South River Street, right onto 2nd Avenue, right onto South King Street, then ending at the Calhoun Depot on South King Street. Recommended for approval by the Downtown Development Authority. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the request pending GDOT approval. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- F. Mayor Palmer read a request for a Special Event Permit by Heavale Brewing Company for the celebration of Bavarian culture, highlighting beer and food. They plan to have tents for a beer garden, traditional German food truck, vendors, music, games and costumes. They are requesting to close Oothcalooga Street from Wall Street to Park Avenue beginning at 7:00 am on September 13 through September 14 at 12:00 pm, in conjunction with the annual Oktoberfest celebration. Recommended for approval by the Downtown Development Authority. Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- G. Mayor Palmer read a request to allow him to sign a resolution concerning settlements of Calhoun's lawsuits about PFAS in Calhoun's water supply. City Attorney Govignon stated the resolution authorizes the Utilities Administrator and attorneys to work on PFAS settlements. He noted that a lot of decisions needed to be made and everything would be compiled and voted on in one meeting. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the request. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- H. Mayor Palmer read a recommendation of award for Construction Manager At-Risk Services for the new Calhoun Recreation Center construction project. City Administrator Worley stated that the bid was awarded to Momon Construction in partnership with Hodges & Hicks. The project will consist of demolishing the current center. The new Billy Bearden Center will be double the square footage of the current building. Momon Construction will be the Manager At-Risk. City Administrator Worley expressed his appreciation to all employees involved in the bidding process. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the request. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- I. Mayor Palmer read a request for Utility Division charge offs for unpaid debts for Fiscal Year 2024, noting that the \$101,648.25 in charge offs amounts to 1/6 of 1% of billed services. He expressed appreciation to the tellers at Calhoun Utilities for all their hard work. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

10. Other written items not on the agenda

11. Work Reports

- A. City Administrator Worley gave a review of June 2025 general cash and hotel motel reports. (copy attached) Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the reports as presented. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Utilities Administrator Ellis gave a review of the June 2025 utilities cash report. (copy attached) Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the report as presented. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. City Attorney Govignon had nothing to report.

12. Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed

13. Motion to return to General Session

14. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Approved:


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:


Sharon Nelson, City Clerk



**RESOLUTION CONCERNING SETTLEMENTS OF CALHOUN'S LAWSUITS ABOUT
PFAS IN CALHOUN'S WATER SUPPLY**

WHEREAS, the City of Calhoun, Georgia (hereinafter "Calhoun") is a city formed and organized pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Calhoun has been harmed by misfeasance, nonfeasance, and malfeasance committed by certain entities that manufactured, used, purchased, sold, supplied, disturbed, discharges, and/or utilized PFAS as part of their business operations upstream from Calhoun's water intake and/or water supply; and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2022, Calhoun engaged attorneys to investigate, analyze, and advise as to how Calhoun should proceed to protect its water and seek damages to clean its water from pollutants placed in the wastewater system by certain entities manufactured, used, purchased, sold, supplied, disturbed, discharges, and/or utilized PFAS as part of their business operations into the wastewater system through the sewer, ground seepage, leaching, overflows, or other methods of disposal of its wastewater that ultimately entered into Calhoun's water intake and/or water supply system; and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2023, City Attorney, George P. Govignon, on behalf of Calhoun, as approved by the City Administrator, Paul Worley, and the City Utilities Administrator, Kyle Ellis, authorized the Calhoun file to be transferred to Davis Lucas Carter, LLP, to continue to have J. Anderson Davis of said law firm represent Calhoun, the same lawyer who had been authorized to proceed to act on behalf of Calhoun in November 2022;

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2024, a lawsuit was filed against Calhoun and others, styled: *Moss Land Company, LLC et al. v. City of Calhoun, Georgia; 3M Company, Daikin America, Inc.; E.I. DU Pont De Nemours and Company; the Chemours Company; INV Performance Surfaces, LLC; Arrowstar, LLC; Aladdin Manufacturing Corporation; Mohawk Carpet, LLC; Mohawk Industries, Inc.; Shaw Industries, Inc.; Shaw Industries Group, Inc.; Milliken & Company; Mannington Mills, Inc.; the Dixie Group, Inc.; and Marquis Industries, Inc.*, Superior Court of Gordon County, State of Georgia, Civil Action File No. 24CV73929 (hereinafter "*Moss Land*"), and thereafter Calhoun crossclaimed against the other defendants that manufactured, used, purchased, sold, supplied, distributed, discharged, and/or utilized PFAS as part of their business operations affecting Calhoun's water intake and/or water supply; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to authorize the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon to negotiate, effectuate, formalize, finalize and/or otherwise agree to settlements with any liability Defendants or potential Defendants in the *Moss Land* case or any other case involving water and wastewater claims for Calhoun (the *Lawsuit*"); and to execute any and all necessary settlement documents to effectuate, formalize and/or finalize any of the potential settlements and/or agreements described on the City of Calhoun, Georgia's behalf; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby resolve to allow the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon within their discretion and consultation with the Utilities Administrator, Kyle Ellis, to handle, negotiate, effectuate, formalize and finalize any and all settlements, and corresponding dismissals, with Defendants, or potential Defendants, in the Lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon and the Utilities Administrator will continue to keep the Mayor and Council advised of the progress of litigation, and report in Executive Session, within attorney-client communications, negotiations in mediations and with Defendants, and continue to provide legal advice, strategy, and mental impressions of the ongoing litigation, and the Mayor and City Council would consider any Settlement Agreements at a public meeting, and approved, agreed, and ratify the efforts and actions of the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon and the Utilities Administrator to reach any and all settlements with any and all Defendants; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby resolve, adopt, approve and ratify the efforts and actions the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon and the Utilities Administrator in reaching any settlement in principle with any and all Defendants, and authorize the Utilities Administrator to execute any and all documents necessary to reach a resolution with any and all Defendants; and

WHEREAS, Calhoun, like many cities and counties with public water operations around the country, received, and continues to receive, notices of settlement agreements in a case pending, and identified as *In re: Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products Liability Litigation*, in the United States District Court of the District of South Carolina, Charleston Division, MDL No. 2:18-mn 02873-RMG (“AFFF Litigation”), and in accordance with a Resolution of City of Calhoun, and authorization by the Mayor and Council, has opted out of any settlements in the AFFF Litigation, including, but not limited to Settlements by 3M Company, The Chemours Company, The Chemours Company FC, LLC, DuPont de Nemours, Inc., Cortiva, Inc., E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Company n/k/a EIDP, Inc., BASF Corporation, and Tyco Fire Products, LP, and will continue to opt out of any settlements in the AFFF Litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council has resolved and authorized such opt outs of the AFFF Litigation, and hereby ratify all such agreements, and hereby authorize the City’s Counsel and / or the City Manager to continue to pursue resolution in the Lawsuit, and to continue to opt out of any settlements in the AFFF Litigation, and to execute any and all necessary documents to effectuate, formalize and/or finalize any of the potential settlements, opt outs, and/or agreements described, on the City of Calhoun, Georgia’s behalf.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALHOUN, GEORGIA

Section 1. That the Mayor and Council hereby authorize, approve, ratify, and instruct Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon, within their discretion and upon consultation with the Utilities Administrator, Kyle Ellis, to negotiate,

effectuate, formalize, finalize and/or otherwise agree to any and all settlements with any Defendants, or potential Defendants, in the *Moss Land case* or any other case, and the Lawsuit.

Section 2. That the Mayor and Council hereby authorize and ratify, *nunc pro tunc*, any and all opt outs of any settlements in the AFFF Litigation, including, but not limited to Settlements by 3M Company, The Chemours Company, The Chemours Company FC, LLC, DuPont de Nemours, Inc., Cortiva, Inc., E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Company n/k/a EIDP, Inc., BASF Corporation, and Tyco Fire Products, LP, and hereby authorize the City's Counsel, J. Anderson Davis, or his designee, or the City Utilities Administrator, to continue to opt out of any settlements in the AFFF Litigation.

Section 3. That the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon and the Utilities Administrator, Kyle Ellis, to execute any and all necessary settlement documents to effectuate, formalize and/or finalize any of the settlement agreements, on behalf of the City of Calhoun, Georgia. Further the Mayor and Council also authorize Attorney J. Anderson Davis to deposit funds into the Davis Lucas Carter, LLP IOLTA Trust Account and from such funds pay such fees as contemplated and reimburse any expenses of litigation for the prosecution of the case, pursuant to the City of Calhoun Representation Agreement for Water Litigation originally entered into on November 28, 2022, and subsequently approved, authorized, and ratified to continue with J. Anderson Davis at his law firm of Davis Lucas Carter, LLP.

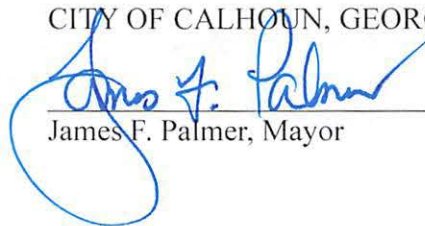
Section 4. That the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Attorneys, J. Anderson Davis, Jeffrey E. Friedman, and / or George P. Govignon and the Utilities Administrator, Kyle Ellis,, to execute any and all necessary settlement documents to effectuate, formalize and/or finalize a Settlement Agreement with any and all Defendants, on behalf of the City of Calhoun, Georgia.

Section 5. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 6. This Resolution is hereby declared to be necessary for the preservation of the public health, welfare and safety of the citizens of the **City of Calhoun, Georgia.**

IT IS SO RESOLVED, this 28th day of July, 2025.

CITY OF CALHOUN, GEORGIA


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Attest: 
Sharon Nelson, Clerk
Calhoun City Council



General Government Cash Report

General Government Operating Account

General Fund	Checking	\$ 6,579,778.39
Restricted Cash - Excise	Checking	95,933.74
Cash	Pay Pal	(897.44)
Solid Waste	Checking	446,063.01
Confiscated Assets	Checking	-
School Trust	Checking	434,460.20
Municipal Court	Checking	11,414.63
Hotel-Motel Fund	Checking	(103,942.26)
Recreation	Checking	377,418.40
Recreation - Hotel / Motel	Checking	21,749.40
SPLOST 2018	Checking	-
SPLOST 2024	Checking	-
Golf	Checking	546,352.71
Golf Renewal & Replacement Reserves	Checking	-
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	Checking	1,565,331.91
OPIOD	Checking	63,504.52
Total Operating		10,037,167.21

Reserves - Restricted / Renewal & Replacement	Savings	-
Specified Funds / Renewal & Replacement	Savings	750,000.00
Total Reserves		750,000.00

2018 SPLOST - Uncommitted	Checking	9,204,250.39
2018 SPLOST - Committed	Checking	574,962.90
2024 SPLOST - Uncommitted	Checking	76,888.41
Total		9,856,101.70

Fire Department Donations	Public Checking	3,397.78
Revolving Loan	Checking	846,936.89
Police #1 - Forfeiture (Settled)	Money Market	40,318.47
Police #2 - Forfeiture (Pending)	Checking	37,091.39
Police #3 - Fed Funds	Money Market	23,778.25
Police #4 - Evidence	Checking	58,554.56
Police #5 - ICE Funds	Checking	12,219.90
Police PEPI Account	Checking	2,510.00
School Debt Service	Savings	8,643,518.66
City of Calhoun Investment Account	Money Market	2,130,631.74
Total Special Funds, Reserves and Savings		11,798,957.64

GRAND TOTAL - 6/30/25 **\$ 32,442,226.55**

Component Unit Cash		
Downtown Development Authority		\$ 54,348.67
Downtown Development Authority - Hotel/Motel Tax		123,161.17
		\$ 177,509.84

General Government Investments

City of Calhoun - Various Investments		
Reserves held in investments - \$3,426,352.73		\$ 15,782,715.66
ARPA		-
Golf- \$600,000 reserves held in Investments		1,497,813.68
		\$ 17,280,529.34

Hotel/Motel 6/30/25 Report

Amount Received from GMA & Paid to Vendor for FY25

Vendor #	Vendor	Jul paid in Sep 2024	Aug paid in Oct 2024	Sep paid in Nov 2024	Oct paid in Dec 2024	Nov paid in Jan 2025	Dec paid in Feb 2025	Jan paid in Mar 2025	Feb paid in Apr 2025	Mar paid in May 2025	Apr paid in Jun 2025	May paid in Jul 2025	Jun paid in Aug 2025	Total
29	Chamber of Commerce	\$ 47,673.58	\$ 36,354.04	\$ 41,546.58	\$ 52,241.17	\$ 40,695.32	\$ 33,381.96	\$ 39,753.50	\$ 36,751.44	\$ 48,562.97	\$ 54,436.06	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 431,396.62
1346	City of Calhoun-Unrestricted	40,863.05	31,160.60	35,611.36	44,778.14	34,881.70	28,613.11	34,074.43	31,501.22	41,625.40	46,659.47	-	-	369,768.48
1346	City of Calhoun-Restricted	6,810.50	5,193.43	5,935.23	7,463.02	5,813.62	4,768.85	5,679.07	5,250.21	6,937.57	7,776.58	-	-	61,628.08
3132	Calhoun Recreation Dept.	13,621.02	10,386.87	11,870.45	14,926.05	11,627.23	9,537.70	11,358.14	10,500.41	13,875.13	15,553.16	-	-	123,256.16
	Total Paid By H/M Fund	<u>\$ 108,968.15</u>	<u>\$ 83,094.94</u>	<u>\$ 94,963.62</u>	<u>\$ 119,408.38</u>	<u>\$ 93,017.87</u>	<u>\$ 76,301.62</u>	<u>\$ 90,865.14</u>	<u>\$ 84,003.28</u>	<u>\$ 111,001.07</u>	<u>\$ 124,425.27</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 986,049.34</u>
	Paid to Industrial Development by City of Calhoun	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 100,000.00</u>
	Paid to Downtown Development by City of Calhoun	<u>\$ 25,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>277,560.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 327,560.00</u>

Balance in City Held Accounts as of 6/30/2025

	Beginning Balance as of 7/1/2024	Revenue	Expenses	Balance as of 6/30/2025
City of Calhoun-Unrestricted	\$ 1,202,313.94	\$ 369,768.48	\$ (100,000.00)	\$ 1,472,082.42
City of Calhoun-Restricted	\$ 73,111.94	\$ 61,628.08	\$ -	\$ 134,740.02
Downtown Development	\$ 126,577.92	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (53,416.75)	\$ 123,161.17
Calhoun Recreation Dept.	\$ 256,583.39	\$ 123,256.16	\$ (358,090.15)	\$ 21,749.40

****Checks to DDA for \$250,000 and \$27,560 were cut on 5/30. Have not been deposited yet.**

Utilities Cash Report

Utility Operating Account

Electric	Checking	\$ 1,628,025.60
Water & Sewer	Checking	2,696,732.66
Telecommunications	Checking	644,777.48
Utilities Administration	Checking	1,690,547.98
Total Operating		6,660,083.72

Electric Reserves & Unrestricted Investments	Reserves - Checking	1,908,119.22
Telecom Reserves & Unrestricted Investments	Reserves - Checking	67,679.00
Water / Sewer Reserves & Unrestricted Investments	Reserves - Checking	3,651,467.22
Bond Sinking Fund	Savings	43.51
Utility Deposits	Checking	1,277,378.61
City of Calhoun Shuler Bond	Savings	38,468.48
City of Calhoun Investment Account	Money Market	4,076,072.39
Total Savings & Reserves		<u>11,019,228.43</u>

GRAND TOTAL - 6/30/25 **\$ 17,679,312.15**

Utilities Investments

Electric	\$ 23,057,837.16
Water	\$ 26,046,596.95
Sewer	\$ 6,289,797.20
Telecommunications	\$ 4,044,589.22
City of Calhoun - Various Investments	<u><u>\$ 59,438,820.53</u></u>

CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT

James F. Palmer, Chair of the City of Calhoun, City Council Meeting, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:

1.

The City Council of Calhoun, Georgia, met in a duly advertised meeting on July 28, 2025.

2.

During such meeting, the council voted to go into executive session.

3.

The executive session was called to order at 1:25 PM

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

- Consultation with the city attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1)
- Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and (*insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential*) _____
- Discussion or voting on
 - Authorizing a settlement as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(A)
 - Authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(B)
 - Authorizing an appraisal as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(C)
 - Entering a contract for the purchase, disposal of, or lease of property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(D)
 - Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E)
 - Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a city officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)

_____ Interviewing candidates for executive positions as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)

_____ Other (describe the exemption to the open meetings law): _____
_____ as provided in (insert the citation to the legal authority exempting the topic): _____

5.

_____ During the course of the closed session devoted to exempt topics, an incidental remark regarding a non-exempt topic or an attempt to discuss a non-exempt topic was made.

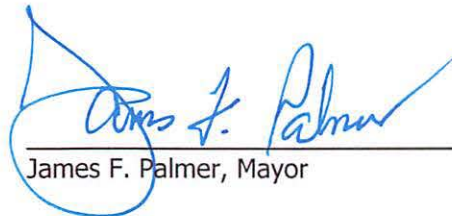
_____ The attempt was immediately ruled out of order and attempts to discuss the same ceased immediately.

_____ The attempt was immediately ruled out of order. However, the comments did not cease, so the closed/executive session was immediately adjourned without discussion or action being taken regarding any non- exempt topic.

6.

Minutes were taken of this meeting in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(e)(2)(C) and will be filed and held for inspection by an appropriate court only.

This 28th day of July, 2025.



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of

July, 2025.



Notary Public

My commission expires:



CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT

James F. Palmer, Chair of the City of Calhoun, City Council Meeting, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:

1.

The City Council of Calhoun, Georgia, met in a duly advertised meeting on July 28, 2025.

2.

During such meeting, the council voted to go into executive session.

3.

The executive session was called to order at 2:12 PM

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

- Consultation with the city attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1)
- Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and (*insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential*) _____
- Discussion or voting on
 - Authorizing a settlement as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(A)
 - Authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(B)
 - Authorizing an appraisal as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(C)
 - Entering a contract for the purchase, disposal of, or lease of property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(D)
 - Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E)
- Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a city officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)

____ Interviewing candidates for executive positions as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)

____ Other (describe the exemption to the open meetings law): _____
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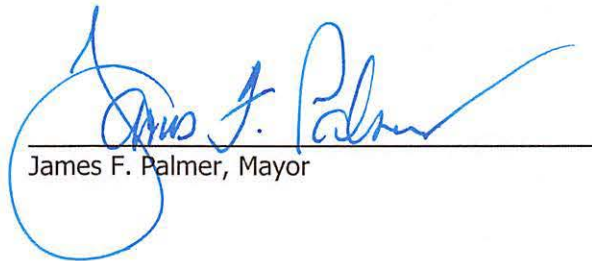
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____ The attempt was immediately ruled out of order. However, the comments did not cease, so the closed/executive session was immediately adjourned without discussion or action being taken regarding any non- exempt topic.

6.

Minutes were taken of this meeting in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(e)(2)(C) and will be filed and held for inspection by an appropriate court only.

This 28th day of July, 2025.



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of

July, 2025.



Notary Public

My commission expires:

