

**CITY OF METTER
CALLED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2026
5:30 P.M.**

The called meeting took place at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2026, in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Attending the meeting were the following officials:

Mayor Rashida Taylor
Councilwoman Chyrileen Kilcrease
Councilwoman Tara Tremblay
Councilman Gregory Thomas
City Manager Scott Wood
City Clerk Angie Conner

GUESTS ATTENDING

There were no guests present.

INVOCATION

Councilman Gregory Thomas gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Chyrileen Kilcrease led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

PURPOSE /EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to go into executive session for personnel pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1) 5:32 p.m. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

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RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

At 7:08 p.m., Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to go back into open session. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

No action was taken following executive session.

RESOLUTION SETTING NEW QUALIFYING DATES

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve setting new qualifying dates for the Special Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, as follows: Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. through Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Scott Wood made the following announcements:

1. Vertia Street will be closed for 10 days to 2 weeks from S. Lewis Street to Rountree Street while the contractors are working on the south side of the new fire station.
2. USDA has security interests in the Better Fresh Farm, Grant Anderson's equipment at the GGRC building.
3. The millage rate will roll back from 13.402 to 9.004 based on the first 6 months of collecting FLOST. That is a 4.398 reduction. Council will vote on this at the September 14th meeting.

Councilman Thomas wanted to know when council would come back to finish the process. Council discussed scheduling a called meeting. Mr. Wood informed council that they have to release the name of the finalist 2 weeks prior to the formal vote. He said that once council lets him know then in all fairness to the other candidates, he will need to let them know and also the one that is chosen. Council decided not to hold another meeting at this time. To maintain the confidentiality of the candidates council decided to go back into executive session for further discussion.

At 7:16 p.m. Councilman Thomas made a motion to go into executive session. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

At 7:43 p.m. Councilman Thomas made a motion to reconvene the meeting. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

No action was taken following executive session.

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ADJOURNMENT

After no further comments, Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion at 7:43 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Angie Conner, City Clerk