City Council Meeting - AMENDED
Tuesday, September 8, 2026
5:30 PM

1. **Welcome and Call to Order**
2. **Invocation / Pledge**
3. **Confirmation of a Quorum**
4. **Consent Agenda Items:**

   b) Approval of Minutes – August 3, 2026, Regular Meeting; August 20, 2026, Called Meeting

   c) Acceptance of the August 2026 Financial Report as presented.

   Approval of the Amended September 2026 Agenda
5. **Legal:**
   e. **Public Hearing and 1st READ: AX-2026-003 – Annexation:** Michael Grizzle, applicant, and Willie Ray Clemons, property owner, request the annexation of approximately 4.0 acres located at 387 Wright Street, Lavonia, Georgia, identified as Franklin County Tax Parcel 062B 013, into the corporate limits of the City of Lavonia. The subject property is currently zoned Rural Residential (RR) under the Franklin County Development Code.
   The Lavonia Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval.

   f. **Public Hearing and 1st READ: R-2026-006 – Rezoning**: Michael Grizzle, applicant, and Willie Ray Clemons, property owner, have submitted an application to rezone approximately ±4.0 acres from Rural Residential (current zoning by Franklin County Unified Development Code) to R-1B (Single-Family Residential District – High Density). The property is located 387 Wright St Lavonia, Georgia, and consists of a portion of Tax Parcel 062B 013. Proposed use: Residential development.
   The Lavonia Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval.

6. **Personnel – Appointment of City Clerk**
7. **Downtown Development Authority –** Appointment of new board members
8. **LMIG Gerrard Road Project Bid Acceptance**
9. **Wrights Creek Parking Area Deed to the City**
10. **New Radios for the Fire Department**
11. **Replacing Lift Station located off Smith Road.**
12. **Legal (Continued) :**
    a. **New Alcohol License Application** – The Drink Depot

    b. **Public Hearing and 1st READ: R-26-004:** Ponder Development, LLC, applicant, and Douglas Whitlow, Trustee of the Douglas Whitlow Trust, property owner, have

submitted an application to rezone approximately ±20.0 acres from B-2 (Local Business District) to R-1B (Single-Family Residential District – High Density). The property is located on Highway 17, Lavonia, Georgia, and consists of a portion of Tax Parcel 053-179. Proposed use: Residential development
The Lavonia Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval with conditions.

c. **Public Hearing and 1st READ: R-2026-005 – Rezone**: Ken Gary, applicant, and Der Same, LLC property owner, have submitted an application to rezone approximately ±13.60 acres from B-3 (Heavy Industrial District) to R-1A (Single-Family Residential District – Low Density). The property is located on Cornog Rd, Lavonia, Georgia, and consists of a portion of Tax Parcel 063-120. Proposed use: Residential development.
The Lavonia Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval with conditions.

d. **Public Hearing and 1st READ: V-2026-002 – Variance:** Ken Gary, applicant and Der Same, LLC property owner have filed an application for a Variance to the City of Lavonia Ordinance Text Amendment 25-03, Section 102-151(c)/Table5-2, "Dimensional Requirements" To reduce the required 15 feet side setback in a R-1A (Single-Family Residential District – Low Density) to 10 feet. The property consists of a +/-13.60 acre tract located on Cornog Rd, Lavonia, Georgia, and consists of a portion of Tax Parcel 063-120
The Lavonia Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval.

13. Mayor's Report

14. City Manager's Report

15. New Vehicle Purchase

16. Final Comments

17. Adjourn