PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026

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Present: Mayor Barbara Bender, Mayor Pro Tem Norman A. Carter Jr., Council Members Richelle Brown, Catherine Hardrick, Kerry Hetherington and Shaunt'e Pitt. Also present City Manager Matthew Pepper, Assistant City Manager Mercy Montgomery, City Attorney Jay Crowley with Tallant and Howell, Assistant Chief of Police David Matson, Interim Public Works Director Javier Gonzalez, Public Information Officer Brian Arrington and City Clerk Melisa Arnold.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Bender called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

INVOCATION
David Berger with the Bridge the Gap Ministries gave the invocation.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
Bobby Howard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS
PRO 2026-07 – Arbor Day
Mayor Bender read the proclamation into the record.

Presentation for Run the Reagan
Kelly McAloon presented proceeds from the event to Brookwood Schools, Lilburn Co-op, and South Gwinnett Cluster Foundation.

MINUTES
Approve the Minutes of the March 23, 2026 Meetings
Mayor Pro Tem Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2026 meetings, 2nd by Council Member Brown; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

INVITED GUESTS
None

COMMITTEE / DEPARTMENT REPORTS
None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Council Member Hardrick made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, 2nd by Council Member Hetherington; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING
None

CONSENT AGENDA (Please see *Note)
None

OLD BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS
Mayor's Nomination and Council Confirmation of Bobby Howard to the Board of Appeals Post 1 with an Expiration Date of June 30, 2026 [Bender]
Mayor Bender nominated Bobby Howard for the Board of Appeals (BOA) Post 1, confirmed by Council 6 in favor and 0 opposed, nomination confirmed.

Mayor Bender administered the Oath of Office to Bobby Howard for BOA Post 1.

Consideration and Action on Surplus of Public Works Equipment [Bender]
Mayor Bender advised the following items are being surplused by the Public Works Department:
Toro Walk Behind Mower (Vin# 402959002)
Toro Z Master Mower (VIN# 31100055A)
Flat Bed Trailer – 20x95 (VIN# 1YB261869951BIT068)
Council Member Hetherington made a motion to approve the surplus of the equipment, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

1st Reading – ORD 2026-01 - Ordinance to Amend Portions of Chapter Six of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Snellville to Amend Regulations Related to Outside Consumption of Alcohol, to Repeal Conflicting Ordinances, and for Other Purposes [Bender]
Mayor Bender explained that this amendment aligns the rules for Special Use Permits (SUPs) and the Entertainment District. Currently people can purchase alcohol in the Grove and then walk the Entertainment District however events with SUPs were not. This update now allows special events to do the same.
Council Member Hetherington made a motion to waive the first reading and place on the April 27, 2026 agenda for the second reading, 2nd by Mayor Pro Tem Carter; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved.

COUNCIL REPORTS
Council Members Hardrick, Brown, Pitt, Hetherington and Mayor Pro Tem Carter each gave a report.

MAYOR'S REPORT
None

PUBLIC COMMENTS
The following people came forward:
Kelly McAloon, 2916 Overwood Lane, Snellville.
Camille Christopher, Lilburn.
Saurabh Vad, Kittery Drive, Snellville.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
None

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Hetherington made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Council Member Brown; voted 6 in favor and 0 opposed, motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

***Note: Items on the Consent Agenda may be read by title only. Upon the request of any Council Member, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda prior to the adoption of the Regular Agenda. The Consent Agenda, or the remainder thereof omitting the challenged items, shall be adopted by unanimous consent.**