

RESOLUTION 26-01

**Resolution To Call A Special Election To Fill
The Vacant Seat Of Councilmember For Ward 2**

WHEREAS, Nicky Lama, Councilmember Ward 2, has resigned to qualify as a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives for the 14th Congressional District of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, such resignation and qualification render the seat of Councilmember Ward 2 vacant as a matter of law; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.12 of the City's Charter provides that vacancies on the Council will be filled by special election; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has called for a special election to occur for the current vacancy for the U.S. House of Representatives seat for the 14th Congressional District of Georgia to occur on Tuesday, March 10, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Dalton, Georgia, desire to call a special election for the purpose of filling the vacant seat in Ward 2 to coincide with the special election called by the Governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Dalton, Georgia, that a special election is hereby called to be held in the City of Dalton on the 10th day of March, 2026 for the purpose of filling the vacant seat of Councilmember Ward 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the election superintendent is hereby directed to establish and to advertise a qualifying period for candidates which shall be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, January 12, 2026; 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13, 2026; and 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2026.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this ____ day of January, 2026.

CITY OF DALTON

By: _____
Mayor/Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTESTED TO:

City Clerk