

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON  
CITY OF JONESBORO**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA, TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET FOR EACH FUND OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNTS IN EACH BUDGET AS EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES, ADOPTING THE REVENUE ANTICIPATIONS AND PROHIBITING EXPENDITURES OR EXPENSES FROM EXCEEDING THE ACTUAL FUNDING AVAILABLE; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority of the City of Jonesboro, Georgia ("City") is the Mayor and Council thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed budget represents a balanced budget for each of the City's various funds, so that anticipated revenues equal proposed expenditures for each fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor & Council of the City of Jonesboro have held public hearing(s) upon its proposed budget for the 2026 fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 36, Chapter 81, Article 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) requires a balanced budget for the City's fiscal year, which runs from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA AND THE AUTHORITY THEREOF:**

**Section 1.** That the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget, "Exhibit A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof this ordinance, is hereby adopted as the Budget for the City of Jonesboro, Georgia for Fiscal Year 2026, which begins January 1st and ends on December 31st.

**Section 2.** That the several items of revenues, other financial resources, and sources of cash shown in the budget for each fund in the amounts shown anticipated are hereby adopted, and that the several amounts shown in the budget for each fund as proposed expenditures or expenses, and uses of cash are hereby appropriated to the departments named in each fund.

**Section 3.** That the "legal level of control" as defined in OCGA 36-81 is set at the department level, meaning that the City Manager is authorized to move appropriations from one line item to another within a department, but under no circumstances may expenditures or expenses exceed the amount appropriated for a department without a further Budget amendment approved by the Mayor and City Council.

**Section 4.** That all appropriations shall lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

**Section 5.** That this Ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after its date of adoption.

**Section 6.** (a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

**Section 7.** The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the date of adoption unless otherwise stated herein.

**BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by Mayor and Council of the City of Jonesboro this \_\_\_\_\_ day of **February, 2026**.

**THE CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Donya L. Sartor, Mayor

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Shandrella Jewett, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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LaTonya Wiley, City Attorney