

RESOLUTION _____

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026
FOR EACH FUND OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE, APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNTS
SHOWN IN THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULES FOR SELECTED FUNDS; ADOPTING THE ITEMS
OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES BASED ON THE ESTIMATED FISCAL YEAR 2026
REVENUES; AFFIRMING THAT EXPENDITURES IN EACH DEPARTMENT MAY NOT
EXCEED APPROPRIATIONS; AND PROHIBITING EXPENDITURES FROM EXCEEDING
ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lawrenceville is the governing authority of said City; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has presented a Proposed Budget which outlines the City's financial plan for said fiscal year which includes all projected revenues and allowable expenditures; and

WHEREAS, advertised public hearings have been held on the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budget, as required by State and Local Laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council decrees that the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budget specified in Attachment A shall in all cases apply to and control the financial affairs of City departments and all other agencies subject to the budgetary and fiscal control of the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council may authorize and enact adjustments and amendments to appropriations as to balance revenues and expenditures; and

WHEREAS, each of the funds has a balanced budget, such that Anticipated Funding Sources equal Proposed Expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Budget is hereby adopted specifying the Anticipated Funding Sources for each Fund and making Appropriations for Proposed Expenditures to the Departments or Agencies named in each Fund as specified in Attachment A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Expenditures of any Operating Budget Fund shall not exceed the Appropriations authorized by this Budget Resolution and any Amendments thereto or Actual Funding Sources, whichever is less; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Expenditures of any Operating Budget Fund are subject to the policies as established by the City Council and City Manager; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Five-Year Capital Project Plan as

specified in Attachment B is accepted and Fiscal Year 2026 projects approved, as specified herein, with multiple-year project budgets as provided for in Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section § 36-81-3(b)(2); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that transfers of appropriations in any Fund among the various categories within a Department shall require only the approval of the City Finance Director so long as the total budget for each Department is not increased; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2026 Budget shall be amended so as to adapt to changing governmental needs during the fiscal year as follows: Any increase in Appropriations in any Fund for a Department, whether through a change in Anticipated Revenues in any Fund or through a transfer of Appropriations among Departments, shall require the approval of the City Council, except in the following cases where authority is granted to:

I. The City Manager to:

- (a) set fee structures provided that they are not restricted by rate setting policies and agreements approved by the City Council;
- (b) transfer funds from Department budgets to establish Capital Projects;
- (c) transfer funds within a capital project from fund or program contingencies and/or savings in existing projects to establish new projects;

II. The City Finance Director to:

- (a) allocate funds to the appropriate Department or fund from insurance proceeds and/or from the Casualty and Liability Insurance fund for the replacement or repair of damaged equipment items within existing approved policies and procedures;
- (b) allocate funds to the appropriate Department or Agency or Fund from insurance proceeds and/or from the Worker's Comp and/or Health Insurance funds for the payment of claims as approved by the appropriate adjusting third party management company;
- (c) allocate funds from the established contingency to the appropriate Department or Agency for required expenses as approved by City Council;
- (d) allocate funds from Non-Departmental contingencies and reserves to cover existing obligations/expense in accordance with the intent and actions of the City Council; however, in no case shall appropriations exceed actual available funding sources; allocate funds from established reserves for leave balances at retirement; transfer funds resulting from

salary savings or transfer balances resulting from under expenditures in operating accounts into contingencies or reserves;

- (e) authorize preparation and submission of applications for grant funding; however, acceptance of all grant awards is subject to the approval of the City Council
- (f) adjust revenue and appropriation budgets to capital projects as necessary to incorporate grant awards previously approved by the City Council;
- (g) adjust revenue and appropriation budgets to incorporate collected revenue for confiscated assets as approved by City Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such amendments shall be recognized as approved changes to this resolution in accordance with O.C.G.A. 36-81-3. These authorities for transfers of appropriations shall not be used as an alternative to the normal budget process and are intended to be used only when necessary to facilitate the orderly management of projects and/or programs; transfers approved under these authorities may not be used to change the approved scope or the objective of any capital project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that compensation for city appointments by the City Council to the various Boards and Authorities has been set. This does not preclude any department from reimbursing those members for actual expenses incurred in the performance of duty as approved by law or City Ordinance or Policy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budget accepts the compensation study, salary scales, and authorizes the City Manager to implement the salary adjustments based on the study's salary adjustments through either a market adjustment, merit, or cost of living, with the merit having an average increase of 3.8 percent for all employees with more than six months service with the City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby approves allocated positions as outlined in Attachment C and shall approve increases in total City authorized positions. Vacant positions and associated budget may be reallocated within the same Department or reassigned to another Department and filled authorized positions and associated budget may be reassigned at the same grade level between Departments with authorization of the City Manager. All changes are authorized within the pay and classification plan and the City Manager is authorized to approve changes in individual salaries in conformity with the adopted plan and existing City policies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the new positions in Attachment C are authorized as of July 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council intends to maintain the City's Maintenance and Operations millage rate at 3.26.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby approve the Initiatives outlined in Attachment D.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this _____ day of _____, 2025

David R. Still, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen Pierce, City Clerk