

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JOHN RAYMOND TURNER MUNICIPAL ANNEX
SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Call to order by Mayor Doug Roper, III, with Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Pastor Robert Tillman, Becoming One Outreach Ministries.**
- 2. Discussion / Approval of agenda.**
- 3. Public Comments: None**
- 4. Discussion / Approval of Consent Agenda:**
 - * City Council Workshop Minutes dated August 11, 2025
 - * City Council Meeting Minutes, dated August 11, 2025
 - * Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated August 11, 2025
 - * Special Called Meeting Minutes dated August 26, 2025
- 5. Introduction and recognition of Fire Department personnel:**

Chaplin – Pastor Franklin Williams
Firefighter Gage Holland
- 6. Financial Report:** Shannon Renteria, Finance Director
- 7. Tourism / Chamber Update:**

- Downtown Vidalia Association (DVA)	Tonya Parker
- Vidalia Convention & Visitors Bureau (VCVB)	Alexa Britton
- Greater Vidalia Chamber	Michele Johnson
- Sweet Onion Golf Authority	Andy Woodruff
- 8. Discussion / Approval of Special Events Application submitted by Jennifer Crutchfield for a “Vidalia City Schools Community Pep Rally” to be held in Ronnie A Dixon City Park on September 19, 2025 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There were no road closures requested.**

9. **SECOND READING / Approval of Resolution 25-011 to restate and replace Chapter V, Article II: Animal Control Ordinance. A few revisions were made and a list is attached to the enclosed ordinance and is available for review. The First Reading of this ordinance was conducted on August 11, 2025, with a Public Forum was held on August 26, 2025 for suggestions and/or comments.**

10. **Discussion / Approval of bids received for Downtown Landscaping. The recommended vendor is MONTFORT GROUP. The fund source is SPLOST for installation. Maintenance fees will be paid from budgeted funds.**

Bids received:

Montfort Group	Installation: \$60,608.65	Yearly Maintenance: \$6,000
South GA Land	\$30,349.20	\$4,500
Sweet City Landscape	\$52,000	\$24,600
Progressive Landscaping	\$39,750	\$20,000
Georgia Pine Straw	\$29,100	Not included

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 3, 2025 @ 8:00 a.m.

Note: No motions are needed. Committee recommended proceeding with publishing the 5-year tax digest and announcing the meeting date and time to review and adopt the 2025 millage rate as required by OCGA § 48-5-32. The millage rate will be set at the October 13, 2025 City Council Meeting.

POLICE & FIRE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 21, 2025 @ 8:00 a.m.

Note: A first and second motion is required to take action due to Mayor Roper serving on this committee.

11. **Discussion / Approval to approve Master Agreement to transition from Tyler software to i3 – Software and Services, LLC (i3). The transition to this software will include a subscription to InterOp Records Management System, 26 user licenses, 26 terminal stations (computers) with hardware. The initial cost to implement is \$126,750, followed by a 36-month subscription licensing fee of \$4,300.00. Fund Source: \$104,600 (computers, server, and hardware) budgeted in SPLOST \$ 22,150 budgeted item in Police Department \$ 4,300 Subscription fee is a budgeted item in Police Dept.**

12. Discussion / Approval to approve Master Agreement with i3 – Software and Services, LLC for court management services and EZ CourtPay for collection of fines. The initial upfront cost is \$20,000 and PC rate of \$10 per paid citation. Fund Source: Police Department budget (this is a budgeted item)

13. Discussion / Approval of bids received to renew bodycam/car camera system.

Bids received:

Axxon \$403,350.60 for a 60-month contract

Utility \$457,000.00 for a 60-month contract

Recommended Vendor: Axxon

Fund Source: Police Department budget (this is a budgeted item)

14. Department Head Reports:

- a. Brian Sikes, Fire Chief
- b. Robert Shore, Police Chief
- c. Jeff West, ESG
- d. Scott Strickland, Recreation Director
- e. Billy Ragan, Airport Manager
- f. Chad Phillips, City Marshal

15. City Manager's Report

16. Executive Session, as per O.C.G.A. §50-14-1, if needed.

17. ADJOURN