



City Council Work Session
September 8, 2026 - 7:00 PM
65 Smith Bridges St. Pendergrass, GA 30567

I. Call to Order: Motion made by Bob Carter; seconded by Kathryn Robinson.

Attendee Name	Position	Present	Absent
Bill Ellis	Mayor	X	
Sylvia Basak	Councilmember	X	
Laura Bigley	Councilmember		Resigned
Bob Carter	Councilmember	X	
Holly Geiman	Councilmember		Resigned
Gabriel Gomez	Councilmember		X
Kathryn Robinson	Councilmember	X	

II. Pledge to the Flag and Invocation

III. Budget and Millage Rate:

Mayor Ellis reported that the City's millage rate was projected to decrease slightly as additional homes were added to the tax digest. No action was taken.

IV. VC3 Information Technology Services:

Sean Gallagher, a sales engineer with VC3, presented the company's proposed managed information technology and cybersecurity services. He described 24-hour support, network and security monitoring, software updates, Microsoft 365 backup, security awareness training, and technology planning. He also discussed a proposed website update.

Council asked about cyber insurance, costs associated with an incident, deductibles, and the company's insurance and bonding. Mr. Gallagher said cyber insurance would be separate from the service agreement and would follow up about the agreement's specific terms. Mayor Ellis noted the Police Department's and Court's security needs. No vote was taken.

V. Budget Meeting Schedule:

Mayor Ellis said staff would begin meeting with departments about budget needs and expenses. A schedule for public budget meetings would be worked out and posted. No dates were set during the work session.

VI. Downtown Development Authority Agreement:

Mayor Ellis discussed a proposed intergovernmental agreement between the City and the Downtown Development Authority. He said the agreement would be provided to Council and considered by the Authority before a possible Council vote at a later meeting. He also provided an overview of the Authority's role. No action was taken.

VII. Public Comment:

None.

VIII. Adjourn

Sylvia Basak made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Bob Carter seconded. All were in favor.

Renee Martinez
City Clerk