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Chuck Conerly

City of Blue Ridge
City Council Meeting Agenda
May 21, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Blue Ridge City Hall

480 West First Street

Blue Ridge, Ga 30513

1. Call Meeting to Order

2. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

a. April 16, 2023 – Council Meeting

4. Approval of Agenda or Motion to Amend Agenda (if applicable)

5. Public Hearings

a. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM SECTION 140-17 (“APPEARANCE STANDARDS”) AND SECTION 140-154 (“AREA, YARD AND HEIGHT REGULATIONS”) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE GEORGIA TO REDUCE THE MINIMUM FLOOR AREA FROM 1,000 SQUARE FEET TO 450 SQUARE FEET AND TO INCREASE THE BUILDING HEIGHT MAXIMUM FROM THIRTY FEET TO FORTY-FIVE FEET FOR THE PROPERTY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 9.5 ACRES

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LOCATED ALONG BOARDTOWN ROAD AND IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCELS BR03 033 and BR03 034. **BR2024-12**

- b. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM SECTION 140-132 (“AREA, YARD AND HEIGHT REGULATIONS”) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE GEORGIA TO MEASURE THE REQUIRED FRONT SETBACK FROM THE ROAD RATHER THAN THE PROPERTY LINE FOR THE PROPERTY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 30,000 SQUARE FEET LOCATED ALONG MCKINNEY STREET AND IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL BR02 039. **BR2024-13**

6. Consent Agenda

- a. MOTION TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE ETC CABLE TV FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.

7. Action Agenda Items (Items Requiring the Approval of the City Council)

- a. MOTION TO APPROVE NEW HOLIDAY SCHEDULE TO REFLECT THE SAME HOLIDAYS AS FANNIN COUNTY.
- b. MOTION TO APPROVE EXTENDING THE FINANCIAL AUDIT WITH THE DOAA FROM MAY-JUNE TO JULY-AUGUST.
- c. MOTION TO APPROVE THE 10% INCREASE IN COMMITMENT FOR THE FANNIN COUNTY LIBRARY.
- d. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA, ESTABLISHING GENERAL PURCHASING REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER SECTION 6.31 (“PURCHASING”); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **BR2024-14 SECOND READING**
- e. MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 01 REQUEST FOR THE DOWNTOWN

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STORM SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$115,455.00.

- f. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR MODIFICATION FOR THE BLUE RIDGE WASTEWATER PLANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$579,210.00.
- g. MOTION TO APPROVE THE OLD HWY/EAST FIRST STREET MANHOLE AND MAIN REHAB DUE TO AGING INFRASTRUCTURE.
- h. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION FROM CREATIVE ILLUMINATIONS FOR THE CITY HALL CHRISTMAS LIGHTING PACKAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,322.20.

8. Discussion Agenda Items

9. Reports

10. Public Comment

Do not misconstrue this as a question-and-answer session with the Mayor/Council. Limit 3 minutes per person. Please state name and address before comments. All comments should be addressed to the Mayor.

11. Executive Session (If Needed)

12. Adjournment

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