

CITY OF HOSCHTON  
CITY COUNCIL  
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026, AT 6:00PM**  
HOSCHTON COMMUNITY CENTER  
65 CITY SQUARE, HOSCHTON



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WORK SESSION  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER** at 6pm by City Manager, Jennifer Harrison

**PRAYER** By Councilmember Ace Acevedo

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** By Councilmember Ace Acevedo

**ADMINISTERING OATHS FOR NEWLY ELECTIVE OFFICIALS** for Councilmember Mariya Bentz and Councilmember Acevedo

**AGENDA APPROVAL** with no changes by Jackson, seconded by T. Brown and all in favor

**REPORTS BY MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND STAFF**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution 2026-05 Proposed Water and Sewer User Rate Increase & Irrigation Meter Fee  
*City Manager stated that this .68% increase was taken into consideration to help off set the cost for on-going maintenance cost. The last increase was set three years ago.*
2. Resolution 2026-06 – Meter Repair Fee  
The increase in cost increase is to cover the cost of the increase, should a meter need replacement due to damage from a homeowner only.
3. Resolution 2026-01 – Events Road Closure (Spring Festival – May 30<sup>th</sup>)  
*No further discussion*
4. Resolution 2026-02 – Events Road Closure (Fall Festival – October 2-4)  
*No further discussion*
5. Personnel Policy Amendment
  - a. Resolution 2026-04 Holiday Schedule (Section 11.14)  
*City Manager requested that additional holidays be added for staff, reflected in federal holidays.*
  - b. Resolution 2026-03 Paid Time Off (Section 11.1)  
*City Manager requested that is staff needs to cash out PTO hours more than normal, that the City Manager, at their discretion, be able to approve.*

6. Meeting Schedules for 2026: City Council, Planning & Zoning Commission, Downtown Development Authority, Historic Preservation Committee  
Staff Recommendation for the new 2026 schedule for all boards and court.

## **CITIZEN INPUT**

*Mr. Joe Sullivan at 163 Rabun Court expressed that his concern is the tabling process if all the meetings were on the same day.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)** *No Executive was needed by Council*

**ADJOURN** *at 6:36pm by Acevedo, Bentz and all in favor.*

### **Members Present:**

Scott Courtier, Councilmember  
David Brown, Councilmember  
Christina Brown, Councilmember  
JJ Jackson, Councilmember  
Mariya Bentz, Councilmember  
Ace Acevedo, Councilmember

### **Also Present:**

Jennifer Harrison, City Manager / City Clerk  
Tiffany Wheeler, Finance Director  
Ben Munro, Media

### **Absent:**

Mayor Debbie Martin  
Abb Hayes, City Planner