

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025, 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5039 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

CALL TO ORDER - by Mayor Hembree. Present were Mayor Brandon Hembree, Mayor Pro Tem Joshua Page, Council Members Taylor Anderson, Meg Avery, Alvin Hicks and Gary Pirkle, City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington, and City Attorney Frank Hartley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Council Member Pirkle motioned to approve the agenda. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

2025 Property Tax Millage Rate 3rd Public Hearing and Adoption – City Manager Paul Radford explained that state law required the city to advertise a tax increase whenever the previous year's millage rate would generate additional tax revenues for the city than the previous year. The rollback rate would have been 3.358 mils. The city is required to hold three public hearings to allow citizen input. Council Member Pirkle commented that with the school and county tax increasing rolling back would be preferred. The public hearing was opened and there were no comments from the public so the hearing was closed. Council Member Anderson motioned to adopt the 2025 millage rate at 3.5 mils. Council Members Hicks seconded the motion. Motion approved 3-2 with Council Members Anderson, Hicks and Page voting for and Council Members Avery and Pirkle voting against.

ADJOURNMENT – Council Member Anderson motioned to adjourn. Council Member Pirkle seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Brandon Hembree, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk