

**CITY OF PINE LAKE
REGULAR MEETING
ACTION ITEM REPORT
September 29, 2026 at 6:00PM
Courthouse & Council Chambers
459 Pine Drive, Pine Lake, GA 30072**

Call to Order: Mayor pro tem Torrent called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Present: Mayor pro tempore Thomas Torrent, and Council Members Deborah Hull, Stephanie Kohler, and Jane Lowers. Also present were City Manager Stanley Hawthorne, City Attorney Angela Couch, and City Clerk Ned Dagenhard. Chief Sarai Y'Hudah-Green was not in attendance.

Adoption of the Agenda of the Day

Council Member Kohler motioned to adopt the agenda; Council Member Hull seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor pro tem Torrent called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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Adoption of the Minutes

- August 25, 2026 – Regular Meeting
- September 8, 2026 – Work Session

Council Member Lowers moved to adopt the minutes; no member seconded.
Council Member Lowers rescinded her motion.

Council Member Hull moved to amend the Minutes from the September 8, 2026
Work Session.

A discussion took place.

Council Member Lowers motioned for an amendment, specifying the introduction
of the statement, "...regarding alleged overgrowth on City-maintained right-of-
way as a responsibility of Special Projects Manager Kendrick, which Council
Member Hull characterized as "dereliction of duty;" Council Member Hull
seconded.

Mayor pro tem Torrent called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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Consent Agenda

- 1. Resolution R-2026-50, Authorization to Apply for BRACE Grant**
- 2. Resolution R-2026-51, Adoption of 2026 Comprehensive Plan**

Council Member Kohler moved to adopt the Consent Agenda; Council Member Hull seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor pro tem Torrent called for a vote

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

STAFF FOLLOW-UP: Chief Y'Hudah-Green is expected to proceed with application for the Keep Georgia Beautiful BRACE Grant.

City Clerk Dagenhard is expected to notify the Atlanta Regional Commission and State Department of Community Affairs of the City's adoption of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan.

New Business

- 1. Resolution R-2026-52, Gateway Gallery Project – District 4 Grant Proposal**

Council Member Lowers moved to adopt Resolution R-2026-52; Council Member Kohler seconded.

A discussion took place.

Mayor pro tem Torrent called for a vote

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

STAFF FOLLOW-UP: The Finance Department is expected to work with City Manager Hawthorne and City Attorney Couch to facilitate receipt of awarded grant funds.

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3. Resolution R-2026-53, 2026 PLAIN MOU

Council Member Hull moved to adopt Resolution R-2026-53; Council Member Lowers seconded.

A discussion took place.

Mayor pro tem Torrent called for a vote.

Mayor pro tem Torrent, as well as Council Members Hull and Lowers voted in favor of the motion; Council Member Kohler voted against; no members abstained.

The motion carried.

STAFF FOLLOW-UP: City Clerk Dagenhard is expected to facilitate execution by all parties of the Memorandum of Understanding.

4. Ordinance 2026-01, Amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 2 of the Code of Ordinances – Regarding City Council Meeting Start Time, *Potential First Read*

Council Member Lowers performed the first read of Ordinance 2026-01.

No action was taken by City Council.

STAFF FOLLOW-UP: This item elicited no explicit staff directive.

Executive Session

Council Member Hull moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel and litigation at 6:39PM.

An executive session was held.

Council Member Hull moved to exit Executive Session and re-enter the Regular Meeting at 7:46PM.

Council Member Hull motioned to allow former City Attorney Chris Balch to continue representing the City of Pine Lake in pending litigation matter, *Stonecrest Mall LLC v. DeKalb County*.

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Adjournment

Council Member Kohler motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:47PM.