



**CITY OF RICHMOND HILL  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, June 23, 2021  
5:30 PM**

**Richmond Hill City Hall Council Chambers  
40 Richard Davis Drive  
Richmond Hill, Georgia  
31324**

**Present from City Council:** Russ Carpenter, *Mayor*; *Councilmembers:* Kristi Cox, Les Fussell, Steve Scholar, and Robbie Ward

**Staff Present:** Chris Lovell, *City Manager*; Scott Allison, *Assistant City Manager*; Linda Blankenship, *Assistant City Clerk* and Ray Smith, *City Attorney*

Mayor Carpenter called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Councilmember Cox gave the opening invocation. Mayor Carpenter led the pledge of allegiance.

**Councilmember Scholar made a motion to enter into a closed meeting for personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fussell. Motion carried in the affirmative by councilmembers Cox, Fussell, Scholar, and Ward.**

**Councilmember Scholar made a motion to enter into open session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fussell. Motion carried in the affirmative by councilmembers Cox, Fussell, Scholar, and Ward.**

**Councilmember Ward made a motion to approve the closed session resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scholar. Motion carried in the affirmative by councilmembers Cox, Fussell, Scholar, and Ward.**

**There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 6:36 PM in a motion by Councilmember Fussell. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cox. Motion carried in the affirmative by councilmembers Cox, Fussell, Scholar, and Ward.**

Attest:

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Russ Carpenter  
Mayor

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Linda Blankenship  
Assistant City Clerk

## Resolution of the Richmond Hill City Council

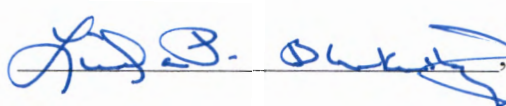
BE IT RESOLVED by the Richmond Hill City Council as follows: At the meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June, 2021, the Council entered into closed session for the purpose of discussing Personnel Matters. At the close of the discussions upon this subject, the Council did vote to re-enter into open session and herewith takes the following action in open session:

- (1) The actions of the Council and the discussions of the same regarding the matter set forth for closed session purposes are hereby ratified.
- (2) Each member of this body does hereby confirm that to the best of his or her knowledge, based upon the advice of the City Attorney, the said subject matter of the meeting and of the closed session portion was devoted to matters within the specific relevant exception(s) as set forth above.
- (3) The Mayor, or presiding officer, is hereby authorized and directed to execute an affidavit, with full support of the members of this Council, in order to comply with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b).
- (4) The affidavit shall be included and filed with the official minutes of the meeting and shall be in a form as required by the statute, which shall be substantially as follows:

Approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> of June, 2021.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Mayor

Attest

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Asst. City Clerk

## Affidavit

Personally appeared before the undersigned-attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Russ Carpenter, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

(1) I was presiding officer of a meeting of the Richmond Hill City Council held on the 23rd of June, 2021.

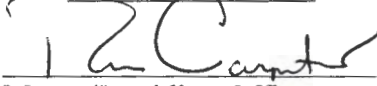
(2) That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A §50-14-4(b) provides as follows:

When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the chairperson or other person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exceptions.

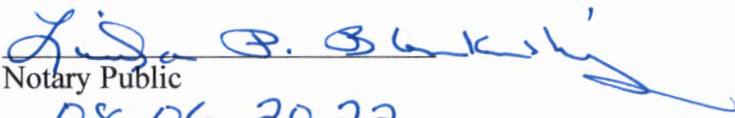
(3) The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 23rd of June, 2021, which was closed for the purpose(s) of discussion of Personnel Matters as allowed by O.C.G.A, Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.

(4) This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 23rd of June, 2021.

  
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Mayor/Presiding Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 23rd of June, 2021.

  
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Notary Public  
08.06.2022  
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Commission Expires

