



CITY OF DAHLONEGA

City Council Special Called Meeting Agenda

June 15, 2026, 4:00 PM

Gary McCullough Chambers, Dahlonega City Hall

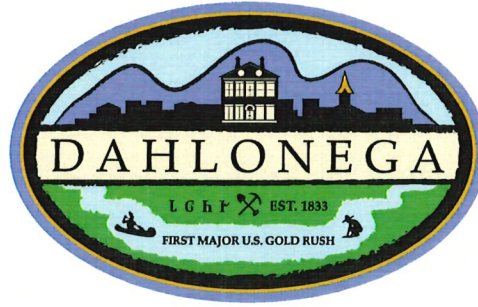
I. CALL TO ORDER

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

III. NEW BUSINESS

- (1.) Ratification of the letters sent to Senator Gooch and Representative Wade regarding the request for assistance in pursuing local legislation that would authorize a referendum for the Local Homestead Option Sales Tax (LHOST) in the City of Dahlonega pursuant to the passage of Senate Bill 33
Sam Norton, Mayor

IV. ADJOURNMENT



June 8, 2026

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The Honorable Steve Gooch
State Capitol
206 Washington Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Senator Gooch:

On behalf of the Dahlongega City Council, we respectfully request your assistance in pursuing local legislation that would authorize a referendum for the Local Homestead Option Sales Tax (LHOST) in the City of Dahlongega pursuant to the passage of Senate Bill 33.

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We respectfully request that a local Act authorizing the City of Dahlongega to place the Local Homestead Option Sales Tax referendum on this year's ballot be introduced and advanced, as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued service to the citizens of Dahlongega and for your consideration of this request. We look forward to hearing from you and are ready to provide any additional information you may need to make your decision.

Sincerely, 

Sam Norton, Mayor
City of Dahlongega





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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The Honorable Will Wade
State Capitol
206 Washington Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30334


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City of Dahlonega



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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO
INTRODUCE LOCAL LEGISLATION**

Notice is given that there will be introduced at the 2026 special session of the General Assembly of Georgia a bill to provide a homestead exemption from City of Dahlonega ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes pursuant to Article 2C, of Chapter 8, Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia; and for other purposes.

06/10/26