

City of Coolidge, Georgia

Workshop and Council Meeting

July 14, 2026

Summary of Actions

Updates:

Council began with a discussion on the solid waste service agreement update. Garbage pickup rates will decrease from \$25 to \$22 per month, and yard trimming rates will drop from \$14 to \$11 per month. Both rates will remain locked with no increases for the first three years. Council was also updated on the employee retirement plan effective date change (August 1 to October 1). Furthermore, council was made aware that the city must utilize its hotel-motel tax funds, totaling \$14,814.06, before the end of the year.

The council then addressed several community and departmental reports:

- **Morgan Place subdivision:** The council debated issues from a resident petition regarding local drainage problems. Council raised concerns regarding stormwater management in the subdivision, suggesting contacting the EPD for compliance checks.
- **Police report:** Department activities highlighted six citations, 10 calls for service, and 35 neighborhood checks.
- **Public works report:** Staff completed 122 work orders and addressed sewer and water tap issues at 1067 North Magnolia Street.
- **Infrastructure & Environment:** Discussions covered city landscaping, water management, and upcoming lead and copper activities.
- **Vendor adjustments:** The council debated using someone other than RPI for water main repairs due to ongoing poor service.

Other items addressed:

- Council approved Carlton Land Investment's land use compliance forms due to the company meeting all city requirements.
- Alisha Bass was appointed as the new city manager by majority vote.
- To address broader city planning, they also approved extending the moratorium on mobile home placements for 60 days. This extension will allow the city to revise ordinances and establish clearer definitions and processes.

Action Items

- Contact Jimmy Smith at the City of Thomasville to confirm whether the city can end the limb pickup arrangement early or switch to a year-by-year contract before year-end.
- Call the Georgia EPD to verify whether the Marshall Trace development has a land disturbance permit and what enforcement steps are available.

- Extend the manufactured home moratorium by 60 days to allow time to finish reviewing and revising the ordinance.
- Schedule the called meeting for Thursday at 10:00 a.m. to vote on the city manager appointment.
- Have the signed attorney contract completed after the meeting.
- Draft proposed amendments to clarify the manufactured home ordinance, including where manufactured homes can be placed and the application checklist/process, and send them to council within the next week or so.

Present

Elizabeth Leger, Mayor

Tonia Gentry

Melissa Johnson

W.C. Smith

Willie Palmore, III

Monica Harper

Absent

Todd Braswell