

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING  
OF THE CITY OF OCILLA COUNCIL HELD ON  
JANUARY 27, 2025 AT 4:00 PM IN THE  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT  
111 NORTH IRWIN AVENUE, OCILLA, GA

Those present for the meeting are as follow:

Melvin D. Harper, II	Mayor
Lisa Cook	Mayor Pro Tem
Patrice Manley	Council Member
Chris Paulk	Council Member
Donna R. Prather	City Clerk

Council Member Lemora Moses and Council Member Clae Wynn was absent.

Mayor Melvin D. Harper, II called the meeting to order.

Mayor Harper stated the City Council intends to opt out of the statewide adjusted base year ad valorem homestead exemption for the City of Ocilla. All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearing on this matter.

Councilman Chris Paulk stated Mr. Billy Leverette was correct regarding a statement that he made at the 10 am Public Hearing. If property A buy property B, the seller forfeits their homestead exemption and will have to pay 100% assessed value of the property purchased.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Harper adjourned the meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ Melvin D. Harper, II, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_ Donna R. Prather, City Clerk