

AGENDA
WALKER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WALKER COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX III, 201 S MAIN STREET
LAFAYETTE, GEORGIA 30728

The following constitutes the agenda for a public hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Walker County, Georgia and the Cities of Chickamauga, LaFayette, Lookout Mountain and Rossville to be held on January 27, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

- **Invocation**
Given by Chairman Shannon Whitfield
- **Pledge**
United States and Georgia Flag
- **Chairman Whitfield will Call to Order the Joint Public Hearing**
Clerk establishes a Quorum is present
- **Opening Remarks**
Alex Smith - Northwest Georgia Regional Commission
- **Public Hearing**
Draft Joint Comprehensive Plan for Walker County and the Cities of Chickamauga, LaFayette, Lookout Mountain, and Rossville for the Period 2022-2032
- **Close Public Hearing**
- **Adjourn**



Walker County Governmental Authority
101 South Duke Street, P.O. Box 445
LaFayette, GA 30728
706-638-1437

Minutes of the Joint Public Hearing
January 27, 2022

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Whitfield called to order the Joint Public Hearing held at Annex III, 201 S. Main Street, LaFayette, Georgia at 7:00 PM on January 27, 2022.

II. Attendees:

The following were present: Chairman Shannon Whitfield, Commissioner Robert Blakemore, Commissioner Mark Askew, Commissioner Brian Hart, Commissioner Robert Stultz, Public Relations Director Joe Legge, Legal and Policy Director David Gottlieb, Communications Specialist Dakiya Porter, Chief of Police Mitchell Moore, Economic Development Director Stephanie Watkins, Board Clerk Whitney Summey and County Clerk Rebecca Wooden. Other guests signed in at the meeting as well. Please see the attached sign in sheet.

III. Opening Remarks:

- I. Ethan Calhoun and Alex Smith came forward and gave an overview of the Joint Comprehensive Plan for Walker County and the Cities of Chickamauga, LaFayette, Lookout Mountain, and Rossville for the period of 2022-2032. Ethan Calhoun said the plan will provide planning and community development assistance for the County. He said this is just a draft that is updated every five years. He said this plan has to be kept updated in order to maintain a Qualified Local Government Status.

IV. Public Hearing:

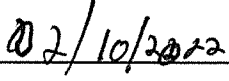
Chairman Whitfield stated there was a link on the website to the 196 page plan. He said there were some representatives from the cities present and asked if any of them would like to speak. He also asked if anyone from the public would like to come forward to speak or ask questions about the plan. There was no comment from the public. Ethan Calhoun said this plan covers capital projects and improvements for the future of the County. He said the plan is not a binding document but in order to receive federal funding for projects they have to be included in the plan. He said the final deadline to submit the plan is February 28, 2022.

Adjournment:

The Joint Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:11 PM.



Shannon K. Whitfield
Chairman/CEO
Walker County Georgia



Date

Minutes prepared by: Walker County Board Clerk, Whitney Summey

Sign In Sheet

Scheduled Public Hearing

January 27, 2022

7:00 PM

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Randy Pittman	
Alex Smith	
Ethan Colman	
Stephane Watkins	Rock Springs
Wendy Caswell	
Kay Baker	
Kerry Lee Potter	Forrest Mtn, GA Ross Rd
Glenn Hollark	Rossville GA
Rhianna	Rossville GA
Kerry Cone	Flatston GA
Ricky Bell	Rossville GA
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Sign In Sheet

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Name

Address

Dakota Reed Ch. Measure

Jason Markin 195 Ayers Rd

Lisa Moulton 195 Ayers Rd

Sarah Cobben 0 Wilson rd

Martin Coffey 0 Wilson Rd

Michelle Mark 0.5691 Hwy 341

Steele M. Wrook 691 Kensington Rd Chickamauk

Harold B. Danks Jr. P.O. Box 80243 Chatt TN 37415

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A copy of the draft of the Walker County Joint Comprehensive Plan for 2022-2032 is available online at:

https://walkercountyga.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/3PM_01.18.22_Draft-Walker-County-Comprehensive-Plan.pdf

African American Museum and Cultural Center hosts T-shirt design contest

From WCAAHAA Inc.

The Walker County African American Historical and Alumni Association Inc. (WCAAHAA) announces its African American Museum and Cultural Center T-shirt design contest in observance of African American History Month (February 2022).

Students of Walker County's public and private elementary, middle and high schools may enter the contest. Students who are residents of Walker County and are home schooled with a connection to one of Walker County's schools, and students who attend the Georgia Northwestern Technical College's Youth for Success Academy and are under the age 20 may also enter the contest.

Students will design only one side of the T-shirt as the center's logo will appear on the opposite side. Each student will be able to submit one design. Creativity is encouraged.

The first 20 schools that notify WCAAHAA (wcaahaa@yahoo.com) through an art teacher, history teacher, social studies teacher, principal or assistant principal with interest in the contest will receive one book, "Appalachian African Americans, Northwest Georgia, Walker County" for inspiration. Home-schooled students may visit Rossville, Chickamauga or LaFayette public libraries to view a copy of the book. Students are urged to check libraries' genealogy rooms.

There will be three categories:

elementary first through fifth grades, ages 6-10 — first place \$75, second place \$50 and third place \$25; middle school sixth through eighth grades, ages 11-13 — first place \$100, second place \$75 and third place \$50; high school ninth through 12th grades, ages 14-19 — first place \$175, second place \$100 and third place \$75.

All designs must be submitted via email to wcaahaa@yahoo.com beginning Jan. 1 until the deadline of 11:59 p.m. Monday, Feb. 28. All entries must include student's name, grade, age, teacher representative's name and email, school affiliation and parent's email.

Winning designs become the property of WCAAHAA and will require the signing of a release form by the winner's parent or legal guardian to receive prize monies. Winners will be announced via email, newspaper, public and social media. Winning design selections by WCAAHAA's judges are final.

Winners and their parents will be asked to appear on Beverly's Historical Moments television show, UCTV/265 cable station, Fort Oglethorpe, on Thursday, March 24, from 6:30-8 p.m. for an award ceremony and presentation.

For questions or additional information, contact Tonya Davis, tmarcia76@gmail.com; Tyrone Davis, tdavisdistrict2@yahoo.com or Kisha Thomas, Ed.D., kisha.thomas@chattanoogaastate.edu or wcaahaa@yahoo.com.

This project is supported by WCAAHAA Inc. and the Lyndhurst Foundation.



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Special Logo

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

Evan Anderson, Ph.D., child psychologist, will present the workshop "Building Relationships through Play" at Anna Shaw Children's Institute (ASCI) at 1201 Burleyson Road in Dalton on Saturday, Jan. 15. The workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to noon. ASCI follows social distancing and CDC safety guidelines. If you would like to attend and need assistance with interpretation services and/or auxiliary aids, please indicate when registering. Please RSVP to Heather Mallett at 706-226-8911.

TUESDAY, JAN. 18

The Walker County Republican Party will meet Tuesday, Jan. 18, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Advancing Education Center, 925 Osburn Road, Chickamauga. Fellowship starts at 6 p.m. The meeting is free and open to the public. Guest speakers are Trevin McKoy, Eric Cunningham and Gary Black.

SUNDAY, FEB. 6

The Chief Vann House Historic Site is offering free admission Sunday, Feb. 6, from 1-5 p.m. Families can enjoy a free open-house style tour of the historic Vann House, the Chambers Museum, Visitor Center and outdoor exhibits: a 19th century Cherokee farmstead, a Vann workshop/kitchen two-story cabin, a 1920s spring/bath house atop a natural fresh-water springs, and a one-mile medium difficulty nature trail to God's Acre Cemetery. Arrive by 4 p.m. to best enjoy the experience; museum and grounds close at 5 p.m. The Vann House is the lavish plantation home built in 1804 by James Vann, the son of a Cherokee woman and a Scottish trader. At the time of his death in 1809, he was the wealthiest Cherokee on the former Cherokee Nation with the largest plantation and holdings. His son, "Rich Joe" Vann, inherited and expanded his father's land and businesses. During a visit to the Vann House, learn about

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Chief James Vann's life and achievements, the Moravian Missionaries' records that tell the entire story, and the fate of the Vann Family after the 1830s Indian Removal Act and the Cherokee Trail of Tears. To learn more about the Chief Vann House, visit GaStateParks.org/ChiefVannHouse, call 706-695-2598 or go to Facebook @FriendsoftheChiefVannHouse and Instagram @vann_house_park. The Vann House is at 82 Highway 225 N., Chatsworth.

MONDAY, FEB. 28

Monday, Feb. 28, is the deadline for submission of T-shirt designs for the Walker County African American Museum and Cultural Center Contest, which is sponsored by Walker County African American Historical and Alumni Association Inc. with support of the Lyndhurst Foundation. Walker County Students, ages 6 to 19, may enter contest; there will be monetary awards for each level: elementary, middle and high school. For additional details contact Tonya Davis, tmarcia76@gmail.com; Tyrone Davis, tdavisdistrict2@yahoo.com or Kisha Thomas, Ed.D., kisha.thomas@chattanoogaastate.edu or wcaahaa@yahoo.com.

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GENERAL

♦ MEETINGS The Rossville Downtown Development Authority general meets the first Tuesday each month at 8 a.m. at the Rossville Public Library.

♦ MEETINGS The Catoosa County Democratic Party generally meets the third Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. For more information, go to www.CatoosaDems.org or contact Greg Bentley at Gbentley61@gmail.com.

♦ CHURCH Open Bible Full Gospel Church, 2803 Ga. Highway 151 in LaFayette, invites the public to worship on Sundays: Sunday school at 10 a.m., morning service at 11 a.m., and night service at 5 p.m.

♦ CLUB The Kiwanis Club of Fort Oglethorpe was chartered in 1954 and is Catoosa County's oldest service club. The club meets each Friday at noon at Park Place Restaurant. To learn more about Kiwanis contact Club President Chris McKeever at 706-861-2860 or visit its Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/

groups/roglethorpekiwanis.

♦ MEETINGS Chickamauga & Chattanooga Civil War Roundtable meets monthly to discuss the complex history of the Civil War and Reconstruction period. Meetings are the first Thursday each month at 7 p.m. Zoom meetings for now. Reputable historians/authors for each meeting. Email address: cccwtable@gmail.com. Facebook group: Chickamauga & Chattanooga Civil War Roundtable Group.

♦ CHURCH LaFayette Presbyterian Church will continue broadcasting services at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Facebook Live. Members and visitors are invited to attend the service at 11 a.m. by making a reservation at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4BAAA2DA02-lafayette. There is plenty of space for additional families. Masks are required, and proper social distancing is maintained throughout the service. A recording of the service is posted on YouTube and on the church Facebook page (LaFayette-Presbyterian-Church) for later viewing. The church is not closed, just meeting in a different way.

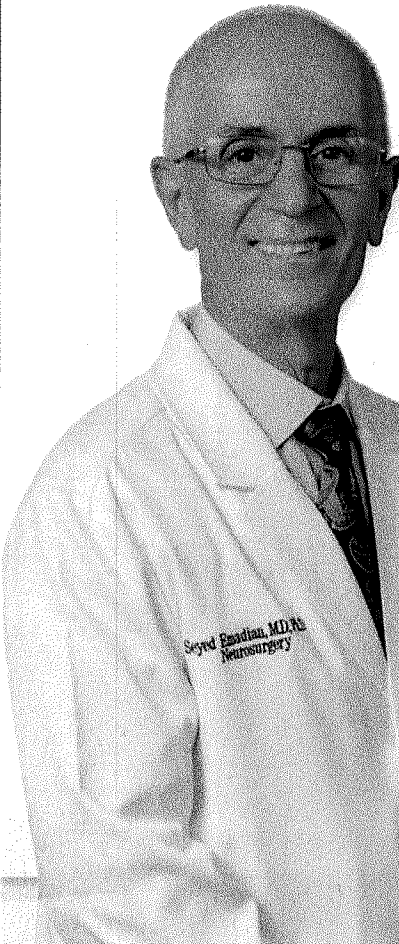
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
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JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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Copies of the draft plan will be available for review at City and County offices, or on the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission website at nwgrc.org by January 18, 2022.



WELCOME
SEYED M. EMADIAN, MD, PHD
Board-Certified Neurosurgeon

Hamilton Physician Group welcomes board-certified neurosurgeon, Seyed Emadian, MD, PhD, to Hamilton Physician Group-Neurosurgery and Spine. Dr. Emadian attended graduate and medical school at the University of Florida College of Medicine in Gainesville, Florida, and completed his residency training in neurosurgery at the University of Utah Affiliated Hospitals in Salt Lake City, Utah. For the past 20 years, Dr. Emadian has practiced neurosurgery in Tullahoma, Tennessee.

Dr. Emadian worked with some of the world's best in genetic research at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute for Human Genetics in Utah and is a fourth-generation mentee of Harvey Cushing, the father of neurosurgery in the U.S. "I share my mentors' philosophy of patient care. Patients come first. It is my goal to provide them with the same level of care that I would provide to my own family."

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Emadian, call Hamilton Physician Group-Neurosurgery and Spine at 706.529.7124.



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