

CITY OF MABLETON, GEORGIA

Riverside EpiCenter
135 Riverside Pkwy, Austell, GA 30168
February 20, 2024 @ 6:30PM

The Honorable Michael Owens, Mayor
The Honorable Ron Davis, District 1 Councilmember
The Honorable Dami Oladapo, District 2 Councilmember
The Honorable Keisha Jeffcoat, District 3 Councilmember
The Honorable Patricia Auch, District 4 Councilmember
The Honorable TJ Ferguson, District 5 Councilmember
The Honorable Debora Herndon, District 6 Councilmember

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Michael Owens
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **INVOCATION**
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
6. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. *Authorization for City to Become a Member of the Cobb Municipal Association*
7. **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**
8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED) FOR:**
 - Litigation O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(1)(A)*
 - Real Estate O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(1)*
 - Personnel O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(2)*
 - Exemptions O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(4)&(5)*
9. **ADJOURNMENT**



AGENDA ITEM MEMORANDUM

MEETING OF: February 20, 2024

DEPARTMENT: Administrative - City Clerk

ISSUE/AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Consideration and Approval

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: In August of 1965 six municipalities of Cobb County joined together to form the Cobb Municipal Association (CMA). Per CMA's *Constitution & Bylaws*, *the purpose of the Association is to foster better understanding between the governing authorities of all levels of government and to effect ways and means of providing maximum efficiency and economy in government to the citizens of the municipalities of Cobb County, Georgia.*

The membership of the association is composed of the City Manager, City Clerks, City Attorneys and Mayor and Council Members.

Section 2 of Article III Membership of the Constitution & Bylaws state "A member city, as defined in Article III, Section I, may resign membership in the Association **upon a majority vote of the elected officials of such city.** A city located in whole or in part within Cobb County may become a member of the Association upon majority vote of the elected officials of such city, provided such city levies an ad valorem tax. City Attorney Walker-Ashby has opined that the City qualifies for membership per the vehicle ad valorem tax.

The membership fee is \$500 annually.

BUDGETED/FINANCIAL IMPACT – FUND: Yes

RECOMMENDATION: Approve that the City of Mableton be a member of Cobb Municipal Association and pay the annual dues from this year forward.

Motion: I move to approve that the City of Mableton be a member of the Cobb Municipal Association and pay the annual dues from this year forward.

ATTACHMENTS : Invoice for 2024 - \$500 and Cobb Municipal Association, Inc. Constitution & Bylaws.

Additional information about CMA can be found at:

<https://cobbmunicipalassociation.com/index.html>



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Cobb Municipal Association, Inc. Constitution & Bylaws

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Cobb Municipal Association.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of the Association shall be to foster better understanding between the governing authorities of all levels of government and to effect ways and means of providing maximum efficiency and economy in government to the citizens of the municipalities of Cobb County, Georgia.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 The membership of this Association shall be composed of the elected officials and the following appointed officials: City Manager, City Clerks and City Attorneys of the municipalities located in whole or in part within Cobb County, Georgia.

Section 2 A member city, as defined in Article III, Section I, may resign membership in the Association upon a majority vote of the elected officials of such city. A city located in whole or in part within Cobb County may become a member of the Association upon majority vote of the elected officials of such city, provided such city levies an ad valorem tax.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1 Only members of the Cobb Municipal Association shall be eligible to hold office in the Association. The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers as the members shall designate from time to time.

Section 2 Officers shall serve one (1) year terms on a calendar-year basis.

Section 3 Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the members at its annual meeting. Nominations shall be made by a nominating committee of three members which shall be appointed by the officers not less than thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of office of the existing officers. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the time of the election. Each of the members shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

Section 4 Vacancies in office shall be filled by appointment by the elected officers.

ARTICLE V DUTIES OF OFFICERS

President: The president shall preside at meetings of the Association and shall be the Executive Officer thereof. He/she shall exercise such other duties as shall be consistent with his/ her office in directing the program(s) of the Association.

Vice President: The vice-president shall perform the duties of president in the absence of the president and any other duties designated by the president.

Secretary: The secretary shall record the minutes of each meeting and mail out copies of the minutes one week following the meeting and shall attend to the correspondence of the Association.

Treasurer: The treasurer shall be responsible for collecting and recording payment of CMA dues; for recording actual expenditures and presenting a balance sheet to the membership at each monthly meeting; paying outstanding bills and maintaining accurate records for auditing purposes.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 The Association shall have a Board of Directors consisting of the current elected officers and the preceding president.

Section 2 The president shall preside at the meetings thereof. In the absence of the president, the vice-president shall serve as presiding officer.

ARTICLE VII MEETING-QUORUM

Section 1 The annual meeting of the Association shall be held during the month of December each year; the date to be set by the Board of Directors. The wives and/or husbands of the members will be invited to attend this meeting.

Section 2 The regular meeting of the Association shall be held on the second Tuesday of the following months: February, April, June, August, October, December. The regular dinner meeting shall be held in June. Each member of the Association, as stated in Article III, is invited to attend those meetings. Spouse or guests are invited to attend the June and December meetings. It shall be the responsibility of each city clerk to notify the

vice-chairman at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled meeting to the number from each city who will be attending. Each city shall pay, based on its participation, a share of the total cost of the expense of each meeting. The business meeting shall begin at 7:00 p.m. and shall end no later than 9:00 p.m. [Section as amended December 2016]

Section 3 A special meeting may be called by the president of the Association or by three (3) mayors of the Association with a minimum of five (5) days notice. (section as amended March 11, 1980).

Section 4 The secretary shall mail notice of meetings to each Association member not less than ten (10) days prior to the date on which the meeting is to be held. Section 5 Representation by a majority of the voting members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Association. Each officer shall have one (1) vote. Each member city shall have two (2) voting delegates elected by their respective Mayor and Council. A simple majority vote on any normal issue shall be sufficient to carry; however, Roberts Rules of Order shall prevail.

ARTICLE VIII DUES

For each member city the annual dues of the Association shall be \$125.00 per quarter or \$500.00 per year. The Association shall set aside a portion of the dues to help defray the costs for a lobbyist during the legislative session, if any. Dues shall be payable on or before March 1st of each year, the treasurer shall mail notices of dues to each member city. Expenditures of the Association shall be authorized by the president and/or the Board of Directors. Special projects, dinners, Mayor's Day functions and all municipal activities approved by the Association shall be paid pro rata. The Association with the approval of its members can assess special fees to cover cost of communication directors position, if any.

ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES

The following shall be standing committees: 1. Cobb Legislative Committee 2. Cobb Liaison Committee Other committees may be appointed as deemed necessary by the president.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by majority vote of the members at any official meeting of the Association provided such amendments be submitted in writing to the president at least thirty (30) days in advance of said meeting.

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BILL TO:

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 Attn: Susan D. Hiott
 1400 Veteran Memorial Highway SE
 Mableton, Georgia 30126
susan.hiott@mableton.gov

INVOICE

DATE: 2/14/2024
 INVOICE # 2024:3-1
 CMA Dues

COMMENTS OR SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Due upon receipt

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	CMA Dues – Qtr 1	\$125.00	\$125.00
1	CMA Dues – Qtr 2	\$125.00	\$125.00
1	CMA Dues – Qtr 3	\$125.00	\$125.00
1	CMA Dues – Qtr 4	\$125.00	\$125.00
		Subtotal	\$500.00
	Remit To: Cobb Municipal Association Attn: Susan Wilkinson/ Treasurer 2805 Stonecreek Rd Smyrna, Georgia 30080	Cobb County Sales Tax 0.00%	0.00
		Shipping and handling	0.00
		TOTAL DUE	\$500.00