

**CITY OF RINGGOLD  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 0726-01**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RINGGOLD, GEORGIA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 2 CAPTIONED “ADMINISTRATION” BY STRIKING, DELETING AND REPEALING SECTION 2-42 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBSTITUTING IN LIEU THEREOF A NEW SECTION 2-42; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is authorized under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph III of the Constitution of the State of Georgia to adopt reasonable ordinances to protect and improve the public health, safety, welfare, and aesthetics of the citizens of the City of Ringgold, Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing authority of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is the Mayor and Council thereof;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RINGGOLD, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Ringgold, Georgia is hereby amended by amending Chapter 2 captioned “Administration” by striking, deleting and repealing Section 2-42 in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new Section 2-42 which shall read as follows:

**Sec. 2-42. - Abstentions.**

A councilmember shall vote on all motions unless he has a conflict of interest that would prevent him/her from making a decision in a fair and legal manner. Abstaining councilmembers should remain in the meeting room to maintain the quorum.

**Section 2.**

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

**Section 3.**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Ringgold that the section, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality

or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance.

**Section 4.**

The adoption date of this Ordinance shall be July 26, 2021. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be its adoption date

**SO ORDAINED**, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

**CITY OF RINGGOLD, GEORGIA**

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**NICK MILLWOOD, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK**