



**City of Hinesville News Release**

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## **City Appoints Jones as New City Clerk**

**HINESVILLE, Ga. (Feb. 18, 2021)** – Today, City Manager Kenneth Howard announced the appointment of Lia Jones to the position of City Clerk for the City of Hinesville. Jones, whose appointment is effective March 1, brings with her almost ten years of local government budget planning, records management and meeting management experience. Jones will replace outgoing City Clerk Sarah Lumpkin, who retires on Feb. 26.

“As a proven leader, Lia Jones is a welcome addition to the City of Hinesville,” City Manager Howard said. “Her credentials speak to her versatility in records management; plus, she is committed to the City’s transparency and continued success.”

Prior to joining the City of Hinesville, Jones worked for the City of Sandy Springs, Ga. During her tenure with the City of Sandy Springs, Jones was responsible for planning, leading and managing the City’s records management program, while ensuring that departments were knowledgeable of current record retention policies. She managed the application of public record requests, while ensuring compliance with standard operating procedures. Also, Jones aided in supervising the preparation and maintenance of the City’s official records and coordinated the administrative functions of the City Clerk’s Office.

Jones holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a concentration in management from Strayer University. She is currently pursuing a master’s degree in political science and government from Clayton State University. Jones also holds many professional certifications, including a Municipal Clerk Certification (CMC) and Local Finance Officer Certification from the University of Georgia’s Carl Vison Institute of Government. She also holds a Main Street 101 certificate and a Leadership Excellence certificate from Kennesaw State University. From the Georgia Records Association, she holds a Georgia Election Official certificate and a Records Management certificate. Currently, Jones is pursuing the Municipal Clerks Masters Certification (MMC).

In addition to her educational background, Jones is affiliated with several organizations, including the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP), Institute of Certified Records Managers (ICRM), the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) and the Georgia Municipal Clerks Association (GMCA). She also serves as Treasurer for the Georgia Records Association (GRA).

As the new City Clerk, Jones will be responsible for managing and supervising the receipt of all municipal funds, supervising business licenses and utility fees and maintaining Hinesville’s codes, public records, ordinances and resolutions.

“I am a firm believer that teamwork makes the dream work and that hard work and dedication pays off,” Jones said. “I am honored to be a part of the Hinesville team. I intend to apply my value-based leadership approach and enthusiastic personality to an already thriving City. I look forward to greatly contributing to the City’s success.”

To learn more about the City of Hinesville, visit [cityofhinesville.org](http://cityofhinesville.org).



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**ABOUT THE CITY OF HINESVILLE:**

The City of Hinesville was established in 1837 and is recognized as one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Georgia in both size and population. As the largest city in Liberty County, it serves as the county seat and is home to more than 35,000 people.