



## COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Commission Chamber

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

2:00 PM

### INVOCATION

Pastor John Sebby, Senior Pastor, Wildwood Christian Church

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

### RECOGNITION(S)

**A. Congratulations! 2025 January Years of Service (YOS) 25–50-year recipients.**

### DELEGATION(S)

**B. Mr. Moses Todd, I Love Augusta** - Discuss House Bill 581, Augusta Richmond County Georgia opt in with the voters.

**C. Mr. Brian Green** relative to the necessity of outreach, and public information.

### CONSENT AGENDA

*(Items 1-24)*

### PLANNING

1. Final Plat – S-996 – Knox Place – Phase 1 – A petition by Civil Design Solutions on behalf of South Augusta Land Holdings LLC requesting final plat approval for Knox Place – Phase 1 containing 106 lots, located at 2420 Willis Foreman Road. Tax Map #194-1-001-00-0. Reviewing agency approval 01/08/2025
2. SE-25-02 – A petition by Tammy Prosper requesting a special exception per Section 26-1(i) of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to establish a privately owned and operated recreational facility affecting 1.49 acres located at 1712 and 1714 Barton Chapel Road. Tax Map #'s 054-0-033-00-0 & 054-0-035-00-0. Zoned R-1B (One-Family Residential)

### PUBLIC SERVICES

3. Motion to approve the 2024/2025 Food Services Agreement with G.A. FOOD Services of Pinellas County, LLC. (**Approved by Public Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
4. Motion to **approve** the Daniel Field Airport DBE Amended Plan and approval of Mayor Johnson signing the DBE Amended Plan. (**Approved by Public Services Committee February 11, 2025**)

### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

5. Motion to **approve** Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to partner with Honnete Habitats (HH) to develop nine (9) multi-family units, identified as six (6) lots: 1241, 1243, 1247, 1249, 1251, and 1257 12th Street within the Laney Walker/Bethlehem combined into a single parcel. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
6. Motion to **approve** HCD's request of recommendation of award for the RFQ Item #23-229 to Augusta Partnership for Children in compliance and direction of the Augusta Procurement Department as a sub-recipient to the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant. RFQ 23-229. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
7. Motion to **approve** HCD's request of recommendation of award for the RFQ Item #23-230 to Medical Associates Plus in compliance and direction of the Augusta Procurement Department as a sub-recipient to the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
8. Motion to reject the unsolicited proposal for the revitalization of the Dyess Park Community Center. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
9. Motion to **approve** utilizing state contract (#SWC 99999-SPD-ES40199373-002) for the purchase of two vehicles, at a total cost of \$102,213 from Allan Vigil Ford for the Engineering department. A 2025 Ford F150 using SPLOST VIII and a 2025 Ford PHEV Escape using NPDES Permit Fees which has a fund balance of \$45,364.16 and is recorded as un-reserved and un-designated. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
10. Motion to **approve** salary compensation for two FT staff persons - Lead Hazard Control Supervisor at \$65,000 and Lead Environmental Control Specialist at \$60,000 (concurrent with the term of grant)/provide supplemental pay (where applicable) for all affected employees. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee February 11, 2025**)

## **ENGINEERING SERVICES**

11. Motion to **approve** to purchase video surveillance security systems for three locations along the August Canal as a sole Source Procurement in the amount of \$90,854.66. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
12. Motion to **approve** Augusta Utilities Purchase of SmartWorks MDM for AMI Data Integration as a sole source procurement from Systems and Software in the amount of \$607,000.00 (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
13. Motion to **approve** the Dedication of Water Distribution and Gravity Sanitary Sewer Systems for Townhomes at Windsor, Phase 2. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
14. Motion to **approve** supplement funding (supplement 3) in amount not to exceed \$15.4 million for Hurricane Helene Debris Removal services with Ceres Environmental Services, Inc. Also approve use of General Fund fund-balance to fund these services. AE/ 24-915. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
15. Motion to **approve** supplement funding (supplement 4) in amount not to exceed \$1,271,856.54 for Hurricane Helene Debris Removal Monitoring Services with Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, Inc (GMC). Also approve use of General Fund fund-balance to fund these services. AE/ 24-916 (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)

16. Motion to **approve** supplement funding (SA1) in amount not to exceed \$874,319.88 for Hurricane Helene debris removal coordination support services with Infrastructure Systems Management, LLC. Also approve use General Fund-fund balance to fund these services. AE/22-304 (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
17. Motion to **approve** supplemental funding to Hussy Gay Bell (HGB) in the amount of \$30,000 (\$10,000/ea) for the Augusta Engineering Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Operational Efficiency of Various Intersections Projects (PI 0012866, PI 0012867, and PI 0012868) Construction Phase Services (CEI). AE / RFQ 17-127. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)  
P350506 – SA#4 Barton Chapel Rd @ Gordon Hwy  
P350536 – SA #5 Wheeler Road from I-20 – Augusta West  
P350539 – SA #4 Wheeler Road @ Roberts C. Daniel Parkway
18. Motion to **approve** continued funding of the current “On-Call Property Appraisal and Acquisition Services for Augusta Engineering” Contract in the amount of \$350,000. AE / RFP 22-147. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)
19. Motion to **approve** and award Preliminary Engineering Initial Concept Phase (PE-Phase1A) of the Design Consultant Services Agreement to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (KH) in the amount of \$192,690.35 for the RC ITS Master Plan Improvements and Emergency Vehicles & Transit Preemption System–Part II Projects. Award is contingent upon receipt of signed agreement and associated documents. AE/ RFQ 24-218 (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee February 11, 2025**)

## **FINANCE**

20. Motion to **adopt** resolution of the Augusta-Richmond County Commission approving Public Finance Authority issue of tax-exempt bond not to exceed \$175,000,000, a portion of this amount will be used to finance costs of the acquisition of educational assets and associated operations from STVT-AAI Education Inc. (**Approved by Finance Committee February 11, 2025**)

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

21. Motion to **approve** Task Order #1 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000 for Hurricane Helene Cost Recovery Services through Tetra Tech. RFP 24-917. (**Approved by Public Safety Committee February 11, 2025**)

## **PENSION & AUDIT COMMITTEE**

22. **Authorize application for determination for adopters of modified non-standardized pre-approved plan.** The most recently approved restatement of the GMEBS plan II includes provisions that are not part of the standard (pre-approved) GMEBS basic plan document, adoption agreement and addendum. Because the addendum contains non- standard plan provisions, Augusta must obtain an separate determination letter from the IRS addressing the addendum.

## **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

23. Motion to **approve** the minutes of February 4, 2025 Commission Meeting minutes.
24. Motion to **approve** the appointment of Chip Matson to the Historic Augusta Preservation Commission representing District 3. (**Requested by Commissioner Catherine McKnight**)

**\*\*\*\*END CONSENT AGENDA\*\*\*\***  
**AUGUSTA COMMISSION**

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**REGULAR AGENDA**

(Items 25-28)

**ENGINEERING SERVICES**

- 25.** Motion to **approve** entering Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Augusta Canal Authority for installation and construction of a pedestrian trail and bridge along/over the Augusta Canal to create opportunities for greater access to Public Levee Trail. Also, authorize Mayor to sign attached MOU document. **(Requested by the Augusta Canal Authority)**

**APPOINTMENT(S)**

- 26.** Consider the following recommendations from the Augusta-Richmond County Legislative Delegation for Chairperson of the Richmond County Board of Elections.
1. Lynn Bailey
  2. Eugene Beverly
  3. Mary Jones

**ADMINISTRATOR**

- 27.** Discuss and approve path forward for HB 581 (Floating Homestead Tax Exemption).

**LEGAL MEETING**

- A.** Pending and Potential Litigation
  - B.** Real Estate
  - C.** Personnel
- 28.** Motion to authorize execution by the Mayor of the affidavit of compliance with Georgia's Open Meeting Act.