

COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Commission Chamber Tuesday, September 02, 2025 2:00 PM

INVOCATION

Reverend Michael A. Ford, Sr., Pastor, First Shiloh Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DELEGATION(S)

- **A. Hon. Judge Carletta Sims Brown r**egarding Richmond County Civil Magistrate Court Free Community Resource Fair.
- **B.** Mr. Moses Todd from I Love Augusta on the agenda to discuss egregious change orders.
- C. Ms. Angela Bakos regarding Resolution creating the Charter Review Committee.
- **D. Mr. Chandran Bala** regarding Augusta City Government accolades and suggested improvements to help public communication 2) religion and education.
- E. Ms. Debra Estep suggestions to boost civic engagement, methods, and positive progress.
- F. Mr. Clarence Kendrick regarding 2025 Charter Review Committee Resolution.
- G. Mr. Brian Green regarding the Unintended Circumstances of Consolidation.

CONSENT AGENDA

(*Items* 1-9)

PUBLIC SERVICES

- 1. Motion to approve Change Order #2 to C.W. Matthews' Contract (25BFA147). (Approved by Public Services Committee August 26, 2025)
- 2. Motion to **approve** temporary exceptions to Ordinance Sec. 7-1-119 to facilitate residential reconstruction efforts led by Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) in response to Hurricane Helene—including state licensure exemptions and permission for MDS to assist homeowners, acting as General Contractor, with permit application preparation—and to waive the second reading to expedite recovery efforts. (**Approved by Public Services Committee August 26**, **2025**)

ENGINEERING SERVICES

3. Motion to determine that portion of Dogwood Terrace Apartments approximately 722 feet of Bolt Drive as shown on the attached plat, has ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it or that its removed from the county road system is

otherwise in the best public interest, and a public hearing shall be held regarding the issue of abandonment pursuant to O.C.G.A. 32 -7-2, with the abandoned property to be quit-claimed to the appropriate party(ies). (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee August 26, 2025**)

- 4. Motion to **approve** proposal to enter an Engineering Services Contract with Schnabel Engineering, to provide engineering services including assessment, design, bidding, and construction administration services for the repair of embankment damages on the Augusta Canal in the amount of \$394,000.00.(**Approved by Engineering Services Committee August 26**, **2025**)
- 5. Motion to authorize condemnation to acquire a portion of property for temporary construction easement (Parcel 061-3-156-00-0) 526 Laney Walker Blvd. (East Augusta Drainage and Improvements Phase IV Project). (Approved by Engineering Services Committee August 26, 2025)
- 6. Motion to approve the extension of Rental of Bypass pumps for #8 Raw water (Approved by Engineering Services Committee August 26, 2025)
- 7. Motion to **authorize** condemnation to acquire a portion of property for permanent drainage easement and temporary construction easement (Parcel 061-3-053-00-0) 408 Artmus Street (East Augusta Drainage and Improvements Phase IV Project).(**Approved by Engineering Services Committee August 26, 2025**)
- 8. Motion to authorize condemnation to acquire a portion of property for temporary construction easement (Parcel 061-3-165-00-0) 508 Laney Walker Place (East Augusta Drainage and Improvements Phase IV Project). (Approved by Engineering Services Committee August 26, 2025)

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9. Motion to **approve** the minutes of Commission August 19, 2025 meeting.

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

AUGUSTA COMMISSION REGULAR AGENDA

(Items 10-24)

PUBLIC SERVICES

10. Motion to approve \$1,000,000 funding in the FY 2026 General Fund operating budget to support new airline recruitment. (Requested by Augusta Regional Airport at Bush Field) (Deferred from the August 19, 2025 meeting)

ENGINEERING SERVICES

11. Motion to approve Supplementing Construction Contract of Sediment Dredging and Disposal Construction Services to Waterfront Property Services, LLC Waterfront Property Services, LLC dba Gator for continuation of sediments dredging and including Turknett Spring Sediment Basin area (Task Order 2). Also approve supplemental funding in the amount of \$1,150,000.00 for

Turknett Spring Sediment Basin Task Orde 2 dredging activities. AE/ RFP 20-224. (No recommendation from Engineering Services Committee August 26, 2026)

12. Motion to install drain at 1912 Ellis St. (Requested by Commissioner Jordan Johnson) (Deferred from the August 19, 2025 meeting)

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

- 13. Reconsider the vote for waste management monthly payment option. (Requested by Commissioner Stacy Pulliam).
- 14. Discuss what properties that HCD has either in their department or the Land Bank. (LQ) (Requested by Mayor Pro Tem Wayne Guilfoyle)
- **15.** Receive an update on the Revitalization plan for the Turpin Hill area in connection to GICH (**LQ**) (**Requested by Commissioners Stacy Pulliam**)
- **16.** Request the Administrator provide a schedule of all Commission directed request(s) with a deadline and have Information Technology provide a quick access link on an internal and/or public facing document that is consistently updated with new deadline request.(**LQ**) (**Requested by Commissioner Stacy Pulliam**)
- **17.** Motion to approve the purchase of five vehicles at total cost of \$242,313 from Akins Dodge Ford for the Utilities department Construction and Maintenance Division.(**LQ**)
- **18.** Receive as information the emergency request for the HVAC replacements at the Julian Smith Casino in the amount of \$225,000.00 by Sig Cox.(**LQ**)
- **19.** Receive as information the emergency request for the roof replacement at the Fleet Shop # 2 facility located at 2316 Tobacco Road in the amount of \$79,861.00 by Hixon's Roofing & Construction. (**LQ**)
- **20.** Approve the request for Mayor's execution of the federal tax deduction (179D) Allocation Letter to Trane Technologies. (**LQ**)
- 21. Discuss and **approve** the installation of a memorial display at Hero's Overlook to honor the seven lives lost during Hurricane Helene in Augusta-Richmond County, Georgia.(**LQ**) (**Requested by Mayor Johnson**)
- 22. Motion to name Coroner's Office Morgue "Mark Bowen Morgue" in honor of Coroner Mark Bowen. (Requested by Commissioner Jordan Johnson) (No recommendation from Administrative Services Committee August 12, 2025) (Deferred from the August 19, 2025 Commission Meeting)

ADMINISTRATOR

23. Motion to approve resolution adopting 2025 mill rates for County Wide General Fund Maintenance and Operations, the Urban Services District, the Capital Outlay Fund, the Fire Protection Fund, and the Blythe Fire District Maintenance and Operations Fund as shown on the accompanying schedule.

LEGAL MEETING

- A. Pending and Potential Litigation
- **B.** Real Estate
- C. Personnel

24.	Motion to authorize execution by the Mayor of the affidavit of compliance with Georgia's Open Meeting Act.