



COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Commission Chamber

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

2:00 PM

INVOCATION

Pastor Reese LeRoy, Lead Pastor, Vineyard Church of Augusta

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RECOGNITION(S)

- A. **Years of Service Recognitions**-recognize employees celebrating 25–50 years.
- B. **Mr. Brentson Judon** selected as **Augusta Technical College, 2026 College GOAL Winner**; **Presenter:** Dr. Kendricks Hooker, Augusta Technical College (**Requested by Commissioner Don Clark**)

DELEGATION(S)

- C. **Dr. Gayla Keesee**- postpone the vote and strengthen the Data Center Zoning Ordinance.
- D. **Denice Traina**- concerns regarding the construction of data centers in the CSRA.
- E. **Ms. Priscilla Wheeler**- Draft Data Center Ordinance, specifically regarding utility/water impacts, low-frequency sound barriers, and the need for an independent study.
- F. **Ms. Zakiya Mabery**- Lessons in Public Governance – Part 1: Transparency
- G. **Mr. Brian Green** - Rewards and Risks of data centers.
- H. **Ms. Courtney Harris** - Data Center Ordinance.
- I. **Ms. Octavia H. Collins**- Data Center Ordinance
- J. **Ms. Dorothy Smith**- Data Center moratorium
- K. **Min. Shavonne D. Williams**- The Community's Response to Data Centers
- L. **Ms. Lisa Lovestone-Gifford**- City Zoning and Data Center
- M. **Mr. Richard E. Jones**- Data Center
- N. **Ms. Lorian Pope-Mathis** regarding holding property owners accountable for rental properties that's being neglected as it relates to the Richmond County Code of Ordinances.
- O. **Dr. Lawrence L. Freeman** regarding Operation Cleanup- City of Augusta, GA for District 1 and surrounding districts for a cleaner and better Augusta.
- P. **Ms. Rebecca N. Shores** regarding the Augusta Veterans Day Parade.

- Q. Ms. Teresa Ivey-** SE26-11 special exception per section 26-1 (H) of the comprehensive zoning ordinance to establish a family personal care home at 3120 Blackmon Court
- R. Greater Augusta Black Chamber of Commerce-** Organizational Overview & Benefits to the Community_ Speakers: Ronic West, Johnny Gregory, Matthew Fraser
- S. Ms. Patricia Geter** - confirm and discuss the creation of a Commercial Corridor Enhancement and Storefront Improvement Program.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1-29)

PLANNING

1. **Z-26-07** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **APPROVE** a petition by Quanecia Pokam, on behalf of Joel Pokam, requesting a rezoning from zone R-1A (One-Family Residential) to zone B-1 (Neighborhood Business) to develop a day care center, affecting property containing approximately 0.57 acres located at 2933 Deans Bridge Road. Tax Map # 085-3-254-00-0.
2. **Z-26-10** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **APPROVE** a petition by Hull Barrett, PC, on behalf of PSH Augusta Downtown, LLC, requesting a rezoning from zones HI (Heavy Industrial) and LI (Light Industrial) to zone B-2 (General Business) to develop an extended stay hotel, affecting properties containing approximately 2.3 acres located at 1310 and 1310 A Walker Street. Tax Map #'s 046-2-087-00-0 & 046-2-086-00-0. District 1
3. **Z-26-08** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **APPROVE** a petition by Lesak Holdings, LLC, on behalf of ABW Properties Group, LLC, requesting to amend B-2 (General Business) zoning conditions from zoning case Z-07-104 to establish an automotive service station and repair garage for specialty vehicles, affecting property containing approximately 1.03 acres located at 1650 Barton Chapel Road. Tax Map # 054-0-028-00-0.
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5. **SE-26-11** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **DENY** a petition by Sevita-REM Georgia I, LLC, on behalf of MGJHI, LLC, requesting a special exception per Section 26-1(h) of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to establish a family personal care home with 4 clients, affecting property containing approximately 0.62 acres located at 3120 Blackmon Court. Tax Map # 139-0-254-00-0. Zoned R-1A (One-Family Residential). District 8
6. **Z-26-06** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **APPROVE** a petition by GA 1602 Gordon Highway, LLC, on behalf of GA 1602 Gordon Highway, LLC, requesting to amend B-2 (General Business) zoning conditions from zoning case Z-22-56 to establish a convenience store, affecting property containing approximately 2.0 acres located at 1602 Gordon Highway. Tax Map # 086-2-154-00-0. District 2

7. **SE-26-10** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **APPROVE** a petition by Hull Barrett, PC on behalf of PSH Augusta Downtown, LLC, requesting a special exception per Section 22-2(d) of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to establish an extended stay hotel, affecting properties containing approximately 2.3 acres located at 1310 and 1310 A Walker Street. Tax Map #'s 046-2-087-00-0 & 046-2-086-00-0. Zoned HI (Heavy Industrial) and LI (Light Industrial). District 1 (Commissioner Jordan Johnson).
8. **ZA-R-262** – A request for concurrence with the Augusta Planning Commission to **POSTPONE ANY ACTION** on a petition to amend the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance for Augusta, Georgia to establish land use regulation criteria pertaining to data centers.

PUBLIC SERVICES

9. Motion to **approve** Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Approve Work Authorization #24 for Mead and Hunt to provide Construction Administration and Construction Observation (CA/CO) services for the construction of Terminal Security Camera Upgrades in the amount of \$164,069.74. This item was approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission 06/25/26. (25-158C). **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
10. Motion to **approve** Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) - Approve the Construction Contract to NetPlanner Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$1,556,877.35 for the Security Camera Improvement project. This item was approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission 06/25/26 (ITB #26-150). The recommendation of award for this contract was approved by the Augusta Commission for May 21, 2026, item #23 (ITB 26-150). **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
11. Motion to **approve** Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) - Approve Work Authorization # 25 for Mead & Hunt to provide professional design Feasibility Study support for the development of a new Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) facility at the Augusta Regional Airport in the amount of \$55,176.50. This item was approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission 06/25/26. (RFP 25-156). **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
12. **Motion to approve A.N. 26-27** – New Location: Shameka Jacobs is the applicant for 127 Taste LLC, requesting **Consumption on Premise Liquor, Beer, Wine, and Sunday Sales**. This is located at 127 Laney Walker Blvd Ext, Augusta GA 30901. District 1, Super District 9 **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
13. **Motion to approve A.N. 26-35** – Existing location, new ownership: Melissa Winter is the applicant for Lounging Around LLC, requesting Consumption on Premise **Liquor, Beer, Wine, and Sunday Sales**. This is located at 2706 Gordon Highway, Augusta GA 30909. District 4, Super District 9. **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
14. **Dr. Melissa DeVelvis** regarding the placement of a state historic marker at May Park. **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
15. Planning and Development Department is requesting approval for additional funding to the zoning ordinance update to include but not limited to two (2) additional public engagement meetings/workshops for input from all Commissioners, stakeholders, and the public, and the production of an Official Zoning Map and Future Land Use Map. This request also is to extend the period of performance to November - December 2026 with an addition not-to-exceed the amount of \$68,368 for the adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance through White & Smith, LLC. RFQ Item #24-142. A scope of work and roadmap is attached for your review and consideration. **(Approved by Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

16. Motion to **approve** Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to continue to partner with Augusta/CSRA Habitat for Humanity to provide affordable housing to families that reside in the Augusta, Georgia-Richmond County area. To continue support the construction and development of one (1) single family units to be sold to low-income homebuyers.**(Approved by Administrative Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
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19. Request to **approve** submission of the FY2026 Annual Action Plan, representing \$3,852,829.39 in investment in the housing and service needs of low- and moderate-income residents of Augusta, and grant authority for the Mayor to execute the necessary documents required to be included with this submission.**(Approved by Administrative Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
20. Motion to **approve** Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to provide funding to CapitalRise,LLC to continue development in the Pebble Creek Area and support the construction of one (1) single family unit to be sold to low-income homebuyer.**(Approved by Administrative Services Committee July 14, 2026)**

FINANCE

21. Approval for Housing Authority of the City of Augusta, Georgia to Issue Bonds to Finance Facilities located in Augusta, Georgia. **(Approved by Finance Committee July 14, 2026)**
22. Establish a working group with Engineering Department, Finance Department, Administrator, Commissioner Wimberly, and Commissioner Pulliam to address right-of-way and vacant lot clean up. **(Approved by Finance Committee July 14, 2026)**

PUBLIC SAFETY

23. Motion to **approve** of a change order under RFP 25-242 to purchase an additional 50 light fixtures and accessories for the Charles B. Webster Detention Center (CBWDC) in the amount of \$54,400.00. (P491668). **(Approved by Public Safety Committee July 14, 2026)**
24. Motion to **accept** the \$650,000.00 grant awarded to Juvenile Court from Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant FY27 Award. No match required.**(Approved by Public Safety Committee July 14, 2026)**
25. Motion to **approve** BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUT OF SCHOOL TIME (B.O.O.S.T.) GRANT AWARD \$48,375.00 from Georgia Department of Education.. No match required.**(Approved by Public Safety Committee July 14, 2026)**
26. Motion to **approve** bid award RFP 25-167 (Permitting, Licensing and Code Enforcement Regulatory Services System) to Tyler Technologies. **(Approved by Public Safety Committee July 14, 2026)**

27. Motion to **approve** the Purchase of a WCCTV Mini Dome Solar Surveillance Trailer. **(Approved by Public Safety Committee July 14, 2026)**

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

28. Motion to **approve** the minutes of the June 30, 2026 Commission meeting.

APPOINTMENT(S)

29. Motion to **approve** the appointment of the following **1) Mr. Eric Abrams** to the Augusta Canal Authority, **2) Quentin White** to the Citizens Small Business Advisory Board **3) LaFawn Pinkney-Mealing** to the Augusta Personnel Board representing District 1.

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

AUGUSTA COMMISSION REGULAR AGENDA

(Items 30-42)

PUBLIC SERVICES

30. Commission to discuss and consider amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of Augusta, Georgia to establish land use regulation criteria pertaining to data centers. Planning and Development is requesting approval of the regulations. **(No Recommendation from Public Services Committee July 14, 2026)**

ENGINEERING SERVICES

31. Motion to Approve Sole Source of Submersible Lift Station Pump for Lakeview Terrace on Ft. Gordon in the amount \$59,891.00 **(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
32. Motion to **approve** Sole Source of Rotating Assembly for Stovall Booster station in the amount of \$49,881.00**(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
33. Motion to **move** forward with installation of Traffic Signal at Pleasant Home Road & Fox Hall intersection. The developer pays \$180,000.00 for required Traffic Signal construction cost, Augusta, GA pays balance of Traffic Signal construction cost that per Engineering on call contract cost proposal will be \$130, 414,00, and Augusta Administrator to identify funding source for Augusta, Georgia cost covering. (Requested by Engineering Department 06/24/2026)**(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
34. Motion to approve Sole Source Purchase of Fortinet Network Hardware And Lord & Company Integration in the amount of \$42,503.81**(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
35. Approve proposal to amend the current Construction Contract with Rehab Construction Company Inc. for the repair of Highland Avenue Water Treatment Plant Filter Modification Phase 2 Project to include the rehabilitation of Filter #7A within the scope of the construction work being performed in the currently active filter modification project in the amount of \$460,000.00 via Change Order (26AUA041).**(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**

36. Approve proposal to amend the current Professional Services Contract with Schnabel Engineering for engineering design, bid phase, and construction administration services for the repair of the Augusta Canal embankment to include design services associated with the emergency repairs to the Aqueduct seepage, additional permitting coordination support as required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), additional design services in response to FERC review, and updates to the Opinion of Probable Cost for project phasing and budgeting in the amount of \$36,476.50 via change order (25AUA347). **(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
37. Approve supplemental funding (SA1) for the Sole Source Fonroche Lighting America in amount of \$251,511.00 for Wrightsboro Road Improvements Project (North Leg Rd.–Highland Ave.) for completing installing solar street lighting. / AE **(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
38. **Discuss** and **approve** the denial of Georgia Waste System (GWS)'s request for a Consistency Letter for the proposed Solid Waste Transfer Station Facility at 3946/3946A Goshen Industrial Boulevard, Augusta, Georgia./ AE **(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**
39. **Approve** supplement funding (SA1) in amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 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 (23LFL055) **(No Quorum Engineering Services Committee July 14, 2026)**

APPOINTMENT(S)

40. Motion to **appoint** Gary Woodhurst to the Downtown Development Authority. **(Requested by Commissioner Jordan Johnson)**
41. Motion to **approve** the appointment of Mr. Omar Rouse to the Department of Children Services Board.

LEGAL MEETING

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