



COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Commission Chamber
Tuesday, February 03, 2026
2:00 PM

INVOCATION

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RECOGNITION(S)

- A. **Congratulations!** to the **2025 Employee of the Year Mr. Alex Ferrand**, Information Technology Department.

DELEGATION(S)

- B. **Ms. Jennifer White** addressing Root Causes of Community, Instability Through Early Emotional Support and Prevention-Based Community Partnerships.

Presentation made accordingly.

- C. **Ms. Charlotte Dickerson** relative to the Titans Tackle Cancer Student Visionaries of the Year Campaign.

Presentation made accordingly.

- D. **Ms. Deloris Opapejo** the importance of mega World Era.

Presentation made accordingly.

- E. **Mr. Melvin Kelly** regarding Youth Programs.

Presentation made accordingly.

- F. **Ms. Alexandra Reynolds**, concerns regarding the Augusta-Richmond County Parks assessment; specifically, the potential divesting of parks.

Presentation made accordingly.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1-18)

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Motion to **approve** RFQ award for RFQ #25-207 and execute the Congestion Management Process (CMP) Update Contract with Cambridge Systematics Inc. (**Approved by Public Services Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve with the removal of the DBE Goals as required by USDOT.

Motion made by Rice and seconded by Clark.

Motion carried 7-0 with Commissioners Johnson, Pulliam, Lewis and Garrett out

2. Motion to **approve** Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Motion to approve (i) the assignment of the StandardAero facility lease from Brown & Gold to the Development Authority of Augusta, Georgia, and (ii) a related sublease amendment between Brown & Gold and StandardAero. The foregoing was approved by the Augusta Aviation Commission on December 17, 2025. (**Approved by Public Services Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve with no objectors

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

3. Motion to **approve** A.N. 26-07 – Existing Location: Adding **Sunday Sales to their liquor, beer, and wine** license. Marion Rodric Rosier is the applicant for Liddo's Bistro, located at **2601 Deans Bridge Road Ste C**, Augusta GA 30906. District 2, Super District 9. (**Approved by Public Services Committee January 27, 2026-no objectors**)

Motion to approve with no objectors

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

4. Motion to **approve** A.N. 26-08 – Existing Location, New Ownership: **Retail Package Beer and Wine**. Chakravarthy Thota is the applicant for Arsen Investment LLC dba Aone Lotto Mart, **2614 Peach Orchard Road**, District 2, Super District 9. (**Approved by Public Services Committee January 27, 2026- no objectors**)

Motion to approve with no objectors

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

5. Motion to **approve** A.N. 26-09–New Location: **Retail Package Liquor, Beer, and Wine**, Manpreet Singh applicant for **Liquor Shack**, 3982 Mike Padgett Highway, District 1, Super District 9. (**Approved by Public Services Committee January 27, 2026-no objectors**)

Motion to approve with no objectors

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

6. Motion to **approve A.N. 26-10: New Location: On premise Consumption Liquor, Beer, Wine, Dance, and Sunday Sales.** Gwendolyn Allen is the applicant for Windsor Manor Augusta, LLC, located at 3594 Windsor Spring Road. District 6, Super District 10. **(Approved by Public Services Committee January 27, 2026-no objectors)**

Motion to approve with no objectors

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

7. Motion to **approve** an amendment to change order #1 for purchase order 22CSA046 in the amount of **\$48,274.00** by Trane Company (RFQ 18-164 – 22CSA046). **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 6-0 with Lewis, Garrett, J. Johnson, Rice and Pulliam out.

8. Motion to **approve** the award of RFP 25-301 Copier Lease Services to the Pollock Co. for a one (1) year contract with the option to extend for four (4) additional years.**(Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

9. Motion to **approve tasking the Administrator** to schedule a workshop within 90-120 days after reviewing funding processes for NGO's from Chatham, Fulton, and Henry Counties to create an application process with a committee that will review and score the application to formalize Augusta's process. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to approve with removing the Administrator and adding Commissioners Pulliam as Chair and Clark as Co-Chairman.

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam

ENGINEERING SERVICES

10. Motion to **approve Easement Deed** from Cyber Development **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

11. Motion to **approve** Roadway Lighting Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) in Conjunction with SR 4/US 25BU @ Savannah River (13th Street Bridge over Savannah River Replacement Project), PI No. 0013927 Roadway Lighting Project Also authorize Augusta Mayor to execute its associated documents (electronic and hard copy). /AE (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

12. Motion to **accept** Augusta Engineering update on Public Road System (Augusta owned roads) Pavement Conditions Assessment and **approve & authorize** Augusta Engineering implementing Pavement Management Program adopting Pavement Conditions Index Criteria and Pavement Analysis Recommendations as outlined in IMS Pavement Management Report, June 2025. AE / 21-242 with Engineering providing costs associated with the program and semi-annual reports/updates. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

13. Motion to **approve** contracting with Infrastructure Systems Management, LLC (ISM) to provide engineering services for Utilities Department's Range Road to Avenue of the States Water Main Loop project. ISM is a preapproved consultants under RFQ #24-132 Engineering Consultant Services for Utilities. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

FINANCE

14. Motion to **approve** Workers compensation insurance renewal. (**Approved by Finance Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

PUBLIC SAFETY

15. Motion to **approve** Small Municipal and County Government Enterprise Agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (Esri) as a sole source procurement. (**Approved by Public Safety Committee January 27, 2026**)

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

16. Motion to **accept** a bid from GCT Industrial in the amount of \$141,375.00 for the installation of light fixtures and accessories for the Charles B. Webster Detention Center (CBWDC) (ITB 25-244). **(Approved by Public Safety Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam

17. Motion to **approve** Tetra Tech, Inc. Change Order 2 for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Support (Task Order 3) in the amount of \$100,766.50, increasing the total not-to-exceed amount for Task Order 3 to \$330,935.50, and allocate General Fund contingency as needed for the project. RFP 24-917. **(Approved by Public Safety Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 7-0 with Lewis, Garrett, Johnson and Pulliam out.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

18. Motion to **approve** the minutes of the January 20, 2026 Commission Meeting.

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

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

AUGUSTA COMMISSION REGULAR AGENDA

(Items 19-27)

PUBLIC SERVICES

19. Receive updates from **Augusta Law Department** regarding Redwood, Inc.'s safety and property improvements at the Bon Air and Richmond Summit Apartment Complexes. **(Deferred from the Commission in its January 20, 2026 Commission meeting).**

Deleted at the request of the Interim General Counsel.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

20. Receive as information an update on the Recreation and Parks Audit. **(No recommendation from Administrative Services Committee January 27, 2026)**

The Commission received as information a report from UHY Advisors Mid-Atlantic, Inc without objection.

ENGINEERING SERVICES

21. Discuss and approve Vegetation and Landscaping department or division within an existing department based on administration recommendations on how to implement. **(No recommendation from Engineering Services Committee January 27, 2026)**
22. **Discuss and approve** path forward for vegetation maintenance functions. **(No recommendation from Engineering Services Committee January 27, 2026)**

Motion to adopt Option 2

- Cemeteries: Add contact support or additional RCCI civilian crews- Project cost \$100,000
- Downtown Maintenance: Bid process for ACE/contractor -\$549,470 currently allocated from Urban Services Fund
- Combine existing staff & equipment (including contract manager)- Budget neutral
- Create Department Director position \$140,000 including benefits.
- Create Administrative Coordinator position \$140,000 including benefits
- Create Admin. Coordinator position \$60,000 including benefits
- Office+ warehouse space upfit- **Capital budget est. \$400,000**
- Utilities, operating costs \$80,000
- Continue median maintenance \$420,000

Motion made by Rice and seconded by Clark

Motion failed 5-2

Voting Yes Clark, Guilfoyle, Mayor Johnson, Slendak, Rice

Voting No- J. Johnson, Wimberly

Lewis, Scott, Pulliam, Garrett out

FINANCE

23. Approve SPLOST 9 referendum resolution calling for election on May 19, 2026.

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out

24. Approve FLOST referendum resolution calling for election on May 19, 2026.

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

PUBLIC SAFETY

25. Motion to accept the HEAT Grant in the amount of \$192,286.36 on behalf of the Richmond County Sheriff's Office.

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

26. Motion to **approve** the purchase of duty holsters from GT Distributors for the total amount of \$54,200.00 for the Richmond County Sheriff's Office

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

LEGAL MEETING

A. Pending and Potential Litigation

B. Real Estate

C. Personnel

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

ADDENDUM AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 3, 2026

1. Restore budget reductions to Augusta Regional Airport's 2026 Budget and not implemented hiring freeze for the Airport.

Motion to approve

Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Guilfoyle

Motion carried 9-0 with Lewis and Pulliam out.

2. Update for QTS regarding Data Center.

Gabrielle Deiz from QTS shared information with the Commission regarding the QTS's operations and their opportunity to meet with the surrounding communities relative to providing information about the operation of the Data Center via an opportunity to meet with them on February 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Bel Air Elementary School.

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