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**Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting
February 26, 2026
10:00 a.m.
Orwen Aviation Commission Chambers
2nd Floor - Terminal Building**

Commission Members: Commissioner Ronic West; Commissioner Michael Cioffi;
Commissioner William Fennoy; Commissioner Marshall McKnight;
Commissioner Marshall McKnight; Commissioner James Germany;
Commissioner Randy Sasser; Commissioner Kay Roland;
Commissioner Davis Beman; Commissioner Dan Troutman;
Commissioner Larry Harris

Absent: Commissioner Wilbert Barrett

Staff: Mr. Herbet Judon; Ms. Lauren Smith; Mr. Ken Hinkle;
Mr. Robert Kerr – Staff Attorney; Ms. Elizabeth Giles;
Ms. Diane Johnston; Chief Michael Beal;
Mr. Bruce Keller; Ms. Catherine Highsmith; Mr. Tyler Good;
Ms. Jennifer Humphrey; Capt. Matt Tindell; Mr. Korey Anderson

Others: Mr. Edwin Scott – Mead & Hunt;
Ms. Dana Lynn McIntyre – Augusta Business Daily
Mrs. Nancy Williams

CALL TO ORDER & PRAYER – *Chairwoman Ronic West called the meeting to order at 10:38am,
Prayer offered by Commissioner Dan Troutman*

Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Cioffi to amend February 26, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Agenda by adding I. D. 1. Director Action Requests IV. G, Emergency purchase for direct boring and installation of new conduit and remove item IV. D. Band of Brothers Augusta/Juneteenth Augusta Festival Sponsorship Request.

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

I. AGENDA, MINUTES, STATISTICS, & CONSENT – Chairwoman Ronic West

- A. February 26, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Agenda
- B. January 29, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Minutes
- C. January 2025 Statistics
- D. Consent Items
 - 1. Director Action Requests – IV. A-B (Approved in Aviation Construction Committee Meeting)

Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve amended February 26, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Agenda, January 29, 2026, Augusta Aviation Commission Meeting Minutes, January 2025 Statistics, amended Consent Items.

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Construction Committee Report – Commissioner Dan Troutman
- B. Business Development Committee Report – Commissioner Davis Beman
Committee reports received as information.

III. FINANCIALS - Risa Bingham

- A. January Financials
Mr. Judon presented financials to the Augusta Aviation Commission.
Motion by Commissioner Sasser 2nd by Commissioner Roland to accept January Financials.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

IV. DIRECTOR ACTION REQUESTS

- A. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Design Ready Return Lot Improvements & Rental Car Canopies – Work Authorization #22 – Elizabeth Giles
- B. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Rental Car Access Road / Cargo Road Improvements – CO#1 – Elizabeth Giles
- C. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Masters® 2026 Passenger Van Rentals – Kenneth L. Hinkle
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve Masters® 2026 Passenger Van Rentals.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- D. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Band of Brothers Augusta / Juneteenth Augusta Festival Sponsorship Request – Lauren Smith
Item pulled from the agenda, see motion above.
- E. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Masters® Employee Compensation – Herbert L. Judon, Jr.
Motion by Commissioner Troutman 2nd by Commissioner Roland to approve Masters® Employee Compensation.
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- F. Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Hiring Freeze Exemption – Herbert L. Judon, Jr.
Motion by Commissioner Dr. Larke 2nd by Commission Harries to approve Hiring Freeze Exemption.
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Transition of ARFF Vehicles to F3 Foam – Chief Beal
Per Chief Beal, of the 1,587 ARFF vehicles tracked in the nation, 188 vehicles are completed, including our 3, AGS is in the top 10% of the nation to complete the transition from AFFF to F3 Foam.
- B. KOVA Emergency Alert Notification System (KEANS) for ARFF – Chief Beal
In process with projected completion date of April 1, 2026.
- C. Your Seat at the Table, March 12, 2026, 11am – 2pm – Jennifer Humphrey
Commissioners requested the agenda to be sent out soon.
- D. Elevate Augusta Youth Symposium February 28, 2026, 8am – 2:30pm – Lauren Smith
Augusta Regional Airport is the Host Site, Hangar 1 & FBO
- E. GAA day at the Georgia Capitol, February 25, 2026 – Lauren Smith
Georgia is one of 3 states that does not have zoned height restriction, representatives working to correct this. Funding resources for hangar construction.
- F. GA/SC Airports Legislative Coalition, March 25, 2026 – Herbert L. Judon, Jr.
Mr. Judon extended the invitation to Augusta Aviation Commission Members to participate.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Cioffi 2nd by Commissioner Sasser to begin Executive Session at 11:17am to discuss potential litigation with Airport Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Kerr. Requested to remain in Executive Session for a time: Mr. Herbert L. Judon, Jr., Ms. Lauren Smith, Ms. Elizabeth Giles, Mr. Kenneth L. Hinkle, & Mr. Edwin Scott.

Motion by Commissioner Beman 2nd by Commissioner McKnight to exit Executive Session at 12:24pm

VII. COMMISSION COMMENTS / ACTION REQUESTS

- A. Updated Article 1. Augusta Aviation Commission Ordinance, as directed by the Augusta Georgia Commission in July 2024 – Commissioner Michael Cioffi
Commissioner Ronic West requested several dates to be sent via email to coordinate schedules for a workshop.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Harris 2nd by Commissioner Cioffi
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries

Meeting adjourned at 12:33pm

Ronic West, Chairwoman
Augusta Aviation Commission

Date