

## Lena Bonner

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**From:** Commissioner Lonnie Wimberly  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 10, 2026 3:15 PM  
**To:** Lena Bonner  
**Cc:** Commissioner Francine Scott; Mayor Johnson; Sheriff Eugene Brantley; Douglas Freeman; Tameka Allen  
**Subject:** Re: Barton Village Issues

Correction of date for the agendas item to the Public Safety Committee from May 21, 2026 to May 26, 2026.

Sincerely,

**Lonnie C. Wimberly, RCSM, MBA, M.Ed**  
Commissioner District 4

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**From:** Commissioner Lonnie Wimberly <lwimberly@augustaga.gov>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 10, 2026 8:21:20 AM  
**To:** Lena Bonner <lbonner@augustaga.gov>  
**Cc:** Commissioner Francine Scott <CScott2@augustaga.gov>; Mayor Johnson <MayorJohnson@augustaga.gov>; Sheriff Eugene Brantley <EBrantley@augustaga.gov>; Douglas Freeman <dfreeman@augustapha.org>; Tameka Allen <Allen@augustaga.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Barton Village Issues

Good morning, Mrs. Bonner  
Please add the below email as an agenda item to the Public Safety Committee May 21, 2026 meeting as an action item.

Sincerely,

**Lonnie C. Wimberly, RCSM, MBA, M.Ed**  
Commissioner District 4

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**From:** Commissioner Lonnie Wimberly <lwimberly@augustaga.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 8, 2026 7:47 AM  
**To:** Sheriff Eugene Brantley <EBrantley@augustaga.gov>; Douglas Freeman <dfreeman@augustapha.org>; Mayor Johnson <MayorJohnson@augustaga.gov>; Tameka Allen <Allen@augustaga.gov>  
**Cc:** Commissioner Francine Scott <CScott2@augustaga.gov>  
**Subject:** Barton Village Issues

Good morning

Yesterday evening I was contacted by a resident of Barton Chapel Village with a deeply troubling report about ongoing safety issues in her neighborhood. She described a constant disruption of the peace — repeated gunfire, loud music, physical fights, and activity that resembles open drug trafficking.

She stated that the majority of this behavior comes from a single address, \_\_\_\_\_, a location where deputies have already responded multiple times. The situation is escalating, and residents are living in fear inside their own homes. Her own elderly mother made to fall to the floor for safety from gunfire.

After walking every street along Barton Chapel Road, I can also say that **a substantial number of the A-RC Housing Authority properties in Barton Village are not being adequately maintained.** The resident described what she is see as the “broken-window syndrome,” and she believes the county is allowing conditions to deteriorate in a way that invites more crime and disorder to her community.

Her requests are reasonable and urgent: • **Increased patrols and visible law-enforcement presence in the community** • **Decisive action against individuals breaking the law** • **Clear, enforced living standards from the Housing Authority** to ensure tenants contribute to a safe, stable, and respectful community environment or evict.

**Follow-Up Request for Action:** I am formally requesting immediate coordination between the Sheriff’s Office and the Housing Authority to address these conditions. Residents deserve to feel safe in their homes, and they should not be left to endure ongoing criminal activity and deteriorating property conditions without support. I am asking for a direct response outlining the steps that will be taken, the timeline for action, and the point of contact responsible for follow-through.

Sincerely,

**Lonnie C. Wimberly, RCSM, MBA, M.Ed**  
**Commissioner District 4**

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