



## COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Commission Chamber

Tuesday, May 06, 2025

2:00 PM

### INVOCATION

Pastor Geoff Gleason, Cliffwood Presbyterian Church

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

### RECOGNITION(S)

- A. Presentation of the Augusta Community Ambassadors (**Requested by Administration**)

### DELEGATION(S)

- B. **DaCara Brown Myers** regarding The Hamptons Homeowners Association regarding an Augusta Housing Authority's proposed housing development initiative.

**Presentation made Ms. Myers..**

- C. **Mr. Lawrence L. Freeman** regarding Black Wall Street Augusta.

**Presentation made by Mr. Freeman.**

### CONSENT AGENDA

*(Items 1-29)*

### PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Motion to **approve** Facilities Maintenance Department purchase of 2 Ford F-150's in the amount of \$111,863.00. (**Approved by Public Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motin carried 11-0**

2. Motion to **approve** the implementation and organizing of *Operation: City Clean-Up*, a collaborative initiative between city departments aimed at improving the cleanliness and aesthetic of Augusta-Richmond County's public spaces and roadways, while providing community service hours for participants. (**Approved by Public Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

3. Motion to **approve** bid #25-144 for the purchase of one 2025/2026 Vacuum truck and full four-year maintenance, at a total cost of \$542,823.88 from Jet-Vac Equipment Company, LLC of Atlanta, GA for the Utilities Department – Fort Gordon Division. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

4. Motion to **approve** bid #25-151 for the purchase of three 2025/2026 Service Truck, Enclosed Utility Style at a total cost of \$414,324.00 from Ring Power Corporation for the Utilities Department – Construction Division. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

5. Motion to **approve** the lease of two sewer vacuum trucks from Environmental Products Group for use by Utilities Department Construction and Maintenance Division at a total cost of \$1,051,993.20 under a 48-month lease contract. Bid #24-202 **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

6. Motion to **approve** the establishment of an Opioid Advisory Committee tasked with addressing the opioid crisis in the community and providing recommendations for the distribution and

allocation of opioid settlement funds. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

7. Motion to **approve** a request from Solicitor General Omeeka Loggins to approve converting two (2) part-time Assistant Solicitor-General positions back to (1) full-time ASG position that it was originally. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee**

**April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

8. Motion to **approve** of Homebuyer Subsidy (1) Applications. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

9. Motion to **approve** HCD - 2024 HUD Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) Approval **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

## **ENGINEERING SERVICES**

10. Motion to **determine** that portion of Montgomery Street as shown on the attached plat as Tract “D” and consisting of approximately .07 acre, 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 April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded Garrett**

**Voting Yea: Clark, Slendak, Guilfoyle, Garrett**

**Voting No: J. Johnson, Lewis, Pulliam, Scott, Mason**

**Abstaining: Mayor Johnson and Rice**

**Motion failed 4-5-2**

11. Motion to **determine** that portion of John’s Road from Fitten Street to Gardner Street as shown on the attached plat as Tract “A” and consisting of approximately .98 acre, 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 April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded Garrett**

**Voting Yea: Clark, Slendak, Guilfoyle, Garrett**

**Voting No: J. Johnson, Lewis, Pulliam, Scott, Mason**

**Abstaining: Mayor Johnson and Rice**

**Motion failed 4-5-2**

12. Motion to **approve** Thompson Farms - Big Farm Lease Agreement (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

13. Motion to **approve** Emergency Procurement of 30” valves for Highland WTP.(**Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 14. Motion to approve** Supplement funding to Pond & Company (Pond) in the amount of \$257,745.50 for Greene Street-Part 2 (Segment between 13th St. & 5th St.) for Permitting/NEPA Document associated to seeking the project construction phase Federal funding to complete the Project-Part2. AE/RFP 19-152(**Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 15. Motion to approve** Supplement funding (SA5) for Engineering Final Design Phase (Supplemental Survey) of the Design Consultant Services Agreement to CHA in the amount of \$53,690 for the Willis Foreman Improvement Project. AE/ RFQ 17-265. (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 16. Motion to approve** Change Order Two to Supplement Construction Contract to Horizon Construction & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$200,000.00 for Tobacco Road Improvements and Various Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project. This supplemental payment release will be contingent upon Horizon Construction submitting project completion & final payment receipt certification. AE/ Bid 20-247 (**Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025**)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 17. Motion to approve** Award of “On-Call Professional Services for Engineering and Field Design, small to Medium Scale Maintenance Task Design, Regulatory Periodic Inspection Compliance, Structural Inspection & Investigations, and Construction Miscellaneous Support” Services (CEI Services) Contract to Cranston LLC, Infrastructure Management Systems, Ardurra Group, Inc, and Atlas Technical Consultants LLC, subject to receipt of signed contract and proper insurance documents. The Contract is for three years with renewal option of two additional years. Also,

approve \$400,000 to fund the CEI Services. AE/25-241. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 18. Motion approve** Award of “On-Call Professional Services for Construction Administration, Construction Materials Inspection and Testing, Construction Monitoring and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Infrastructure Condition Assessment, and Geotechnical Inspections and Investigations (CMT\_Geotech)” Services Contract to Atlas Technical Consultants LLC, Matrix Engineering Group, Inc, and MC Squared, Inc., subject to receipt of signed contract and proper insurance documents. The Contract is for three years with renewal option of two additional years. Also, approve \$650,000 to fund the CMT\_Geotech Services. AE/25-179. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 19. Motion to approve** Award of Professional Services for on call “Stream Restoration Design & Construction, Regulatory Permitting, Environmental Assessment, & Miscellaneous Regulatory Support and Construction” Services (Natural Resources Services) Contract to Pond & Company, and HGS LLC dba RES Environmental Operation Company LLC, subject to receipt of signed contract and proper insurance documents. The Contract is for three years with renewal option of two additional years. Also, approve \$500,000 to fund these Services. AE/24-240 **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 20. Motion to approve** the continued funding of the current On-Call Field and Laboratory Testing for Soil and Construction Material, and Geotechnical Inspection and Investigation (CMT\_Geotech) Services contract in the amount of \$622,192.00 for 5th Street, 6th Streets, 13th Street, Telfair Street, and Greene Street Improvements Projects. AE/RFP 19-179**(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 21. Motion to approve supplemental funding (SA5) to Hussy Gay Bell (HGB) in the amount of \$311,674.40 for the Broad Street Improvements Construction Phase Services (CEI). AE / RFP 18-311(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 22. Motion to approve and authorize Augusta Engineering (AE) to submit, accept and receive Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Financial Assistance from GDOT Local Road Assistance Administration (LRA) Funds through Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) FY2025 Supplemental for Road Improvements & maintenance projects attached as Exhibit A. Also authorize Augusta Mayor to sign GDOT E-Verify affidavit and LMIG Submittal Cover Letter as need arises. /AE(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 23. Motion to approve Task Order Four (SA4) funding for Drainage System Assessment, Verification and Drainage Improvements Engineering Services Agreement to Ardurra (former Constantine Engineering) in the amount of \$21,000.00 for Morningside Drive/Overton Road drainage system Improvements design phase services. AE/RFQ 19-148 (Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 24. Motion to approve Sole source procurement of new Vertical Turbine pump and Gear box for #8 raw Water pump Station at a cost of \$452,244.00.(Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 25. Motion to approve the deed of dedication, maintenance agreement, and road resolution submitted by the Engineering Department for Orchard Landing. Also, approve Augusta Utilities Department easement deed and maintenance agreement. (Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 26. Motion to task Traffic Engineering to revise current Speed Hump Policy to require 51% of occupant/ tenant vs. homeowner of property on designated streets. (Approved by Engineering Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- 27. Motion to approve an Inter-Governmental Agreement between the City of Augusta, GA and The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. (Approved by Public Safety Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

- 28. Motion to approve the second allocation of the additional funding request in the amount of \$80,000 from the FY 25 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Award. (Approved by Public Safety Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**



**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**29. Motion to approve the minutes of April 15, 2025 Commission Meeting.**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

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

**AUGUSTA COMMISSION  
REGULAR AGENDA**

(Items 30-38)

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

**30. Discussion: Status of the business and alcohol license for Tiffany's Eatery, located at 828 Broad Street, District 1, Super District 9. (No recommendation from Public Services Committee April 29, 2025)**

**Motion revoking the Sunday Sales Permit and continue to close at normal business hours, weekdays at 2:30 AM and closing on Saturday nights at 2:00 AM and (6) six months probation**

**Motion made by Rice and seconded by Scott**

**Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, J. Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

**31. Motion to approve the renewal of the Intergovernmental Service Agreement between Augusta and the Augusta Richmond County Coliseum Authority in the amount of \$120,000.**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Scott**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

32. Receive as information the emergency request for repairs to damages sustained during Hurricane Helene to several facilities as assessed by FM Global in the amount of \$154,280.00 by Horizon Construction & Associates.

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

33. Receive as information the emergency request for MRI (moisture-related issues) remediation at the Richmond County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$85,174.91 by ACC Restoration, LLC.

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

34. The Villages at Meadowbrook Phase II of Augusta Letters of Support.

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Scott and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Guilfoyle,  
Voting No Mason, Clark, Garrett, Johnson, Lewis, Rice**

**Motion failed 5-6**

## **FINANCE**

35. Presentation of the December 31, 2024 preliminary financial reports

**Motion to receive as information**

**Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Mason**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

36. Approve engaging UHY Advisors Mid-Atlantic, Inc. to conduct audit of Parks and Recreation Department. (RFP 25-902)

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

- 37. Motion to approve** Change Order #1 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000 to Task Order #1 for Hurricane Helene Cost Recovery Services through Tetra Tech. RFP 24-917

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Garrett and seconded by Rice**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

**ADDENDUMS TO THE AGENDA:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:**

1. Motion to **approve** HCD's request to loan HOME- American Rescue Plan, in the amount of Nine-Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00), for the construction of E.W. Estates in partnership with Woda Cooper Development, Inc. (part of Woda Cooper Companies, Inc.) and Parallel Housing, Inc. for the sole purpose of a GA Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Low Income Housing Tax Credit Project only, within the Commission approved Sand Hills Revitalization area. **(Referred from the Administrative Services April 29, 2025 meeting)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Johnson and seconded by Mason**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

**PUBLIC SERVICES:**

2. Motion to **approve** the 5-year MOU between Augusta, Georgia and Band of Brothers to allocate a \$20,000 sponsorship for the annual Juneteenth Celebration. **(Requested by Administration)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Scott**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

3. Motion to **grant** \$12,680 to Band of Brothers to offset expenses from the 2024 Juneteenth Celebration. **(Requested by Administration)**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Scott**

**Voting Yea Mayor, Johnson, Rice, Slendak, Scott, Pulliam, Lewis, Clark, Garrett, Guilfoyle, Mason**

**Motion carried 11-0**

### **LEGAL MEETING**

**A. Pending and Potential Litigation**

**B. Real Estate**

**C. Personnel**

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

**Motion to approve close meeting affidavit.**

**Motion made by Clark and seconded by Garrett**

**Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Mason, Scott, Pulliam Garrett, Clark. Slendak, Mason, Lewis Johnson and Guilfoyle out.**

**Motion carried 9-0**

**39. Motion to approve a lease for 501 Green Street, suite one with the UGA Augusta Richmond County Extension Service as the tenant and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the lease on behalf of the UGA extension service.**

**Motion to approve**

**Motion made by Mason and seconded by Garrett.**

**Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Mason, Scott, Pulliam Garrett, Clark. Slendak, Mason, Lewis Johnson and Guilfoyle out.**

**Motion carried 9-0**