

COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Commission Chamber Tuesday, February 04, 2025 2:00 PM

PRESENT

Mayor Garnett Johnson
Commissioner Don Clark
Commissioner Wayne Guilfoyle
Commissioner Jordan Johnson
Commissioner Tony Lewis
Commissioner Alvin Mason
Commissioner Stacy Pulliam
Commissioner Catherine Rice
Commissioner Francine Scott
Commissioner Tina Slendak

ABSENT

Commissioner Brandon Garrett

INVOCATION

Dr. Michael Mitchell, Senior Pastor, Restoration Ministries

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA <u>DELEGATION(S)</u>

A. Mr. Joe Edge regarding the Historic Preservation Commission's recent hearing regarding 802 Greene Street located in Downtown Augusta.

Deleted from the agenda at the request of Mr. Edge.

B. Mr. Dave Barbee regarding property located at 802 Greene Street.

Presentation made by Mr. Barbee to the Commission.

C. Mr. Brian Green regarding amending our local government and City Charter.

Deleted from the agenda at the request of Mr. Green.

CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Motion to approve the first amendment to, and assignment of, the BA Augusta LLC lease agreement, to NetJets Services, Inc. (Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 2. Motion to approve request for the waiver of the \$900.00 fee waiver for rental of the Jessye Norman Amphitheater. (Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 3. Motion to approve A.N. 25-01 New Location: Requesting Consumption on Premises for Liquor, Beer and Wine with Sunday Sales, Michael Parrish applicant for Tee It Up Indoor Golf, LLC, located at 3626 Walton Way Extension. District 3, Super District 10 (Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 4. Motion to approve A.N. 25-04 New Location: Requesting Consumption on Premises for Liquor, Beer and Wine, Edward Henderson Jr. applicant for A&E Sports Bar and Lounge, located at 2623 Deans Bridge Road. District 2, Super District 9 (Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

5. Motion to approve Good Human Solutions, a contractor, for a Lead Hazard Reduction and Healthy Homes Project to be located at 2625 Oakland Avenue. (Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle. Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Pulliam, Rice, Mason, Guilfoyle, Slendak, Scott, Lewis

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

6. Motion to approve Executive Hiring Strategy. (Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle. Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Pulliam, Rice, Mason, Guilfoyle, Slendak, Scott, Lewis

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

7. Motion to deny contract award and rebid for one (1) Contractor-3 Zones 2) optional recycle, street sweeping and mosquito control 3) extension of current contracts for four (4) months.

Residential Waste & Recyclable Collection Service Contract (25-900) to two (2) waste hauling firms, Georgia Waste System LLC (GWS) and Coastal Waste Recycling, Inc. (Coastal), GWS Serving Service Zone 1 and Coastal Serving Service Zones 2 & 3, at service schedule & rates presented in the Financial Impact Section of this agenda item. The contract award is contingent upon receipt of signed contract, insurance, and other relevant documents. The Contract is effective January 1, 2025 ending December 31, 2034 with an option to renew for two additional two-year terms. Also, approve the residential waste mandatory collection service new rate at \$440 per parcel account to cover the cost of waste collection & incidental environmental services effective January 1, 2025. Both unit rates (waste hauler & Augusta mandatory collection) are subject to an automatic three (3) percent yearly escalation effective January 1, 2026. RFP 25-900/AE (Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to deny current contract award and rebid 2) using an RFP for one contractor for all three zones to include services for residential waste, bulky waste, yard waste 3) a fourth service added into the RFP as an add-on to include services for recycling and 4) Extension of four additional months of the current contractors.

Motion Made by Scott, Seconded by Mason Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Scott, Mason, Pulliam, Guilfoyle, Slendak, Clark, Rice

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson and Lewis out
- 8. Motion to **approve** setting a deadline for the governing body to finalize their Charter Committee selections by February 18, 2025. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 28, 2025**)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 9. Motion to approve referring to the Administrator for review and report back in ninety (90) days the matter of creating three (3) Constituent Services Liaisons / Commission Assistant positions. (Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- **10.** Motion to **approve** an addition of \$107,925.00 to purchase order 23CSA007 to cover the costs of the development of design and construction documents for the new Richmond County Correctional Institute facility by IPG, Incorporated Architects & Planners in c/o with EMC Engineering Services. (**Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 28, 2025**).

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

ENGINEERING SERVICES

11. Motion to approve directing Planning & Development in collaboration with Environmental Services to review a chronic nuisance ordinance to address blighted properties. (Approved by Engineering Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle. Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Pulliam, Rice, Mason, Guilfoyle, Slendak, Scott, Lewis

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 12. Motion to approve proposal from Ardurra Group, Inc to provide additional engineering services to the sewer design for the Hicks Water Treatment Plant Filter #4 Rehabilitation. (PO #23AUA199) (Approved by Engineering Services Committee January 28, 2025)

FINANCE

13. Motion to **approve** Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance with Safety National Casualty with statutory limits and a \$1,000,000 Self Insured Retention (SIR – otherwise known as the deductible) to cover all positions for a premium of \$573,929. (**Approved by Finance Committee January 28, 2025**)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- **14.** Motion to **approve** Amendment to the Master Services Agreement with ADP for Additional Payroll Services (**Approved by Public Services Committee January 28, 2025**)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

15. Motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2025 Commission Meeting.

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

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

AUGUSTA COMMISSION REGULAR AGENDA

(Items 16-21)

PUBLIC SERVICES

16. A.N. 25-06 – New Location: Consumption on Premises Liquor, Beer and Dance, Alfonzo Dagget applicant for Eclipse Restaurant and Lounge, LLC, located at 3036 Deans Bridge Road. District 5, Super District 9 (No recommendation from Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve deletion as requested by staff.

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 17. Motion to approve A.N. 25-05 Existing Location, New Ownership: Retail Package Beer and Wine, Karthik Allati applicant for Shree Laxmi Narayan Supermarket, Inc. D/B/A/Green Street Super Market, located at 2 Greene Steet. District 1, Super District 9 (Approved by Public Services Committee January 13, 2025 deferred from the January 23, 2025 Commission Mtg.)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Guilfoyle, Seconded by Rice.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Lewis out.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

18. Motion to **approve** contract with Holland & Knight LLP for State Lobbying and Legislative Representation Services.

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

19. Receive as information an update to Administrative Rule 11, Augusta Inclement Weather/Emergency Condition Administrative Rule.

Received without objection.

20. Motion to **approve** the reclassification of the EMA Deputy Director position to an EMA Director, at a salary grade 31, and allocate contingency for the additional salary.

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

LEGAL MEETING

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

ADDENDUM AGENDA AUGUSTA COMMISSION February 4, 2025

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

1. Motion to approve Good Human Solutions, a contractor, for a Lead Hazard Reduction and Healthy Homes Project to be located at 1126 13th Avenue. (Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle. Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Pulliam, Rice, Mason, Guilfoyle, Slendak, Scott, Lewis

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

2. Motion to approve the \$398,790.00 HEAT Grant from the Governor's Office of Highways Safety. Additionally, permission to move forward with securing the 3 vehicles and related equipment for this grant with vehicles located by Fleet Management and within the guidelines of the grant. (**Requested by Richmond County Sheriff's Office**)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- 3. Motion to approve request to purchase vehicles and emergency vehicle equipment through our available SPLOST funds as found at various auto dealerships throughout the state of Georgia at the lowest rate or state bid. Police vehicles continue to remain scarce across the USA making this necessary. Additionally, the Sheriff's Office is out of vehicles for the current staffing thus not allowing us to properly serve the public. We are working with fleet management, finance, and procurement along with the County Administrator to expeditiously resolve this issue. (Requested by Richmond County Sheriff's Office)
- 4. Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

DELETION(S)

5. Mr. Joe Edge regarding the Historic Preservation Commission's recent hearing regarding 802 Greene Street located in Downtown Augusta. **(Requested from Mr. Joe Edge)**

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

- J. Johnson & Clark out.
- **6. A.N. 25-06 –** New Location: Consumption on Premises Liquor, Beer and Dance, Alfonzo Dagget applicant for Eclipse Restaurant and Lounge, LLC, located at 3036 Deans Bridge Road. District 5, Super District 9 (Requested by the Petitioner; No recommendation from Public Services Committee January 28, 2025)

Motion to approve

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle.

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

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

7. No. 17- Displayed Signage safety conditions regarding Green Street Market. Motion to accept.

Motion Made by Mason, Seconded by Guilfoyle. Voting Yea Mayor Johnson, Pulliam, Rice, Mason, Guilfoyle, Slendak, Scott, Lewis

Motion carries 8-0

J. Johnson & Clark out.