



COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Commission Chamber
Tuesday, June 30, 2026
2:00 PM

PRESENT:

Mayor Garnett Johnson
Mayor Pro-Tem Wayne Guilfoyle
Commissioner Don Clark
Commissioner Jordan Johnson
Commissioner Tony Lewis
Commissioner Catherine Rice
Commissioner Francine Scott
Commissioner Tina Slendak
Commissioner Lonnie Wimberly

ABSENT:

Commissioner Brandon Garrett
Commissioner Stacy Pulliam

INVOCATION

Given by Reverend Dr. Christopher C. Armstrong, Pastor Mt. Calvary Baptist Church.

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

DELEGATION(S)

- A. Ms. Tahlia Williams**, Senior Girl Scouts of Troop 20724 relative to earning their Government Badge.

Presentation made accordingly.

- B. Ms. Patricia Geter-** Request confirmation of whether the West Augusta Community Center is an approved SPLOST 9 project and clarification of its designation, prioritization, site location, scope, and projected timeline for implementation.

Presentation made accordingly.

- C. Ms. Chastanae Cherry** Presentation raising concerns on the current zoning status of the QTS data center and repealing the grandfather clause

Presentation made accordingly.

- D. Ms. Zakiya Mabery** regarding Public Participation, Consistency and Citizen Access to Government.

Presentation made accordingly.

- E. Dr. Gayla Keesee** regarding public access to Data Center records and community impact information.

Presentation made accordingly.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1-15)

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Motion to **approve** Award of RFP 25-153 On-Call Professional Services for Engineering, Architectural, Surveying, and Material Testing Services Contract to (1) CHA Consultants, Inc., (2) Booker & Vick Architects, (3) Cranston, LLC, (4) CSRA Testing, (5) EMC, Inc, (6) ING Consulting Inc., (7) JLA, PC, (8) NOVA, (9) Studio 3 Design Group, (10) CERM, (11) Dickinson Architects, PC and (12) 2KM Architects, Inc., subject to receipt of signed contract and proper insurance documents. The Contract is for three (3) years with an option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

2. Motion to **approve** Procurement Department to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Carahsoft Technology Corp. for the BidNet Direct by SOVRA E-Procurement Software in the initial amount of \$69,000. Award is contingent upon receipt of signed agreement and associated documents. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

3. Motion to **approve** the purchase of one tandem dump truck, at a total cost of \$184,871 from Rush Truck Center of Atlanta, GA for the Utilities Department. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

4. Motion to **approve** the purchase to replace two vehicles, at a total cost of \$91,242, from Akins Ford Dodge for various departments. **(Approved by Administrative Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

ENGINEERING SERVICES

5. Motion to **approve** Mystical Rose Gardens Water and Sanitary Sewer Dedication Documents. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

6. Motion to **approve** additional funding to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Phinizy Center for Water Sciences to pay for continued services at a cost of \$35,000 quarterly, ratify funding for quarters 1 and 2 2026, and to allow extension of the MOU in 2027, 2028, 2029 as funds are available. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

7. Motion to **approve** 2026 Funding to SREL for bird activity around the constructed wetlands. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

8. Motion to **approve** (a) staff to initiate procurement of a parking management firm for the downtown area and (b) the Law Department to draft related updates to the Code of Ordinances regarding parking. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Johnson and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

9. Motion to **approve** Emergency Procurement of #8 RWPS Diesel Check valve in the amount of \$27,186.15. **(Approved by Engineering Services Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

FINANCE

10. Motion to **approve** funding for the June 16, 2026 General Primary and Nonpartisan Election Runoff. **(Approved by Finance Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

11. Motion to **approve** funding of operating, capital & encumbrance carryovers and the use of fund balance for previously approved settlements. **(Approved by Finance Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

PUBLIC SAFETY

12. Motion to **approve** of the following annual bid item, as the estimated annual purchases for these items are expected to exceed \$25,000.00. This request is in accordance with Sec. 1-10-58 of the Annual Contracts provision. Motion to approve the award of Annual Bid Item 26-038A Firefighter Work Uniforms & Accessories for the Augusta Fire Department to NAFECO. The award is for a three (3) year period with the option to extend for two (2) additional one-year terms. **(Approved by Public Safety Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice

Motion carried 9-0

13. Motion to **accept** the CACJ Operating Grant Award for the Superior Court Accountability Courts (Drug Court, Mental Health Court, and Veterans Court) in the amount of \$511,864 with a MATCH requirement of \$90,329. Designate Chief Superior Court Judge Flythe as Authorized Official. **(Approved by Public Safety Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice
Motion carried 9-0

14. Motion to **accept** the 2025 Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust (GOCAT) grant award given by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council in the amount of \$42,675 with no cash match requirement. Designate Chief Superior Court Judge Flythe as Authorized Official. **(Approved by Public Safety Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice
Motion carried 9-0

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

15. Motion to **approve** June 18, 2026 Commission meeting minutes.

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Rice
Motion carried 9-0

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

AUGUSTA COMMISSION REGULAR AGENDA

(Items 16-17)

PUBLIC SAFETY

16. Motion to **approve** Change Order #3 to extend the period of performance to December 31, 2026 with an additional not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000 to Task Order #1 for Hurricane Helene Cost Recovery Services through Tetra Tech. RFP 24-917. **(No recommendation Commission Public Safety Committee June 23, 2026)**

Motion to approve

Motion made by Guilfoyle and seconded by Clark
Motion carried 9-0

LEGAL MEETING

A. Pending and Potential Litigation

B. Real Estate

C. Personnel

Motion to approve

Motion made by Rice and seconded by Clark

Motion carried 9-0

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

Motion to approve

Motion made by Clark and seconded by J. Johnson

Motion carried 9-0