



Engineering Services Committee Meeting

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Motion to Approve the Abandonment of the northern section of Montgomery Street up to where it intersects Fitten Street

- Department:** Legal Department
- Presenter:** Jim Plunkett
- Caption:** Motion to approve the abandonment of the northern section of Montgomery Street up to where it intersects Fitten Street as shown on the attached plat as Tract "D" and consisting of approximately .07 acre, because it has ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it and that its removed from the county road system is otherwise in the best public interest. The Commission authorizes the Mayor to sign all necessary documents for the abandonment of the property that will be appraised and quit-claimed to the appropriate party(ies).
- Background:** Augusta has been requested to abandon a portion of Montgomery Street. The abandonment request has been reviewed by all essential county departments and administrators, and no objections were made to this abandonment request. Engineering noted that there are sewer and waterlines and an easement will be signed. The legal description and plat of the portion of Montgomery Street to be abandoned are attached. There are no other owners adjoining the property, and all property on both sides is owned by the Augusta County Club. The Country Club will take ownership and maintenance of any public storm conveyance system present within right of way.
- Analysis:** In addition, public notice of the proposed road abandonment was published on April 2, 2026, and on April 9, 2026. A public hearing was held on April 16, 2026. Notices were also mailed to all adjoining property owners, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 32-7-2(b)(1). The Law Department has received no adverse comments or objections in response to the advertisement or mailings, and no opposing parties appeared at the public hearing.
- Financial Impact:** Cost of publication and advertisement of public hearing
- Alternatives:** Do not approve and Augusta maintains responsibility for the road and the Augusta County Club will be unable to make improvements between the properties.
- Recommendation:** Approve the abandonment of the northern section of Montgomery Street up to where it intersects Fitten Street subject to all recommendations by Engineering regarding storm water, utilities and easements. The Augusta County Club will

take ownership and maintenance of any public storm conveyance system present within right of way.

**Funds are available in
the following accounts:**

N/A

**REVIEWED AND
APPROVED BY:**

Law.

Engineering.

Planning.