

CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary

COUNCIL MEETING DATE:

06/02/25 Work Session

Requesting Agency (Initiator)

Council

Sponsor(s)

Councilmember Alfred Dixon

Item Title: Council to discuss Jonesboro Internship Program.

Requested Action (Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)

Requirement for Board Action (Cite specific Council policy, statute or code requirement.)

Is this Item Goal Related? Yes

Summary and Background (First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the Action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.) The City of Jonesboro is reintroducing its Internship Program for Summer and Fall 2025. In the past, we have successfully had 6 interns. 5 graduated. 2 are now pursuing their master's and they've contributed to projects such as our flagship program The Jonesboro Youth City Government, the development of The Jonesboro Education Trust, beautification and creative placemaking efforts and more. This initiative is designed to provide undergraduate and graduate students, as well as residents of Clayton County, with meaningful opportunities to support city departments while gaining hands-on experience in local government. This program is open to students studying public administration, political science, journalism, finance, urban planning, nonprofit leadership, or related fields. Ideal candidates are strong writers, organized, and passionate about service, equity, and innovation. Internships will run during two sessions: Summer (June 10 – August 5, 2025) and Fall (August 19 – December 2, 2025). The program will follow a hybrid schedule with both in-person and remote assignments based in the City of Jonesboro. The intern will report to their specific department for the City of Jonesboro staff member, who will provide guidance, support, and feedback throughout the internship. Departments interested in hosting an intern are asked to complete the attached Intern Request Form and return it by the appropriate deadline: June 10 for Summer placements and August 1 for Fall placements. We want to encourage department participation in supporting the professional development of future leaders while advancing the city's goals.

Fiscal Impact (Include projected cost, approved budget amount and account number, source of funds, and any future funding requirements.)

Exhibits Attached (Provide copies of originals, number exhibits consecutively.)

Staff Recommendation (Type name, Title, Agency and Phone number.) Councilmember A. Dixon (470) 654-6965

FOLLOW-UP APPROVAL ACTION (City Clerk)		
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