

CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary

COUNCIL MEETING DATE:

9/2/2025 Work Session

Requesting Agency (Initiator)	Sponsor(s)
Community Development	Faith Akuta, Economic Development Manager

Item Title:

Council to consider approval of the consulting agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association, Inc., and the City of Jonesboro, Georgia to evaluate the City's current telecommunications and Rights-of-Way practices and recommend updates to the existing permit process.

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

Council to discuss consulting agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association, Inc., to evaluate the City's current telecommunications and Rights-of-Way practices and recommended updates to the existing permitting process.

Requirement for Board Action: Sec. 58-70. Utility Accommodation Policy

Is this Item Goal Related? (If yes, please describe how this Action meets the specific Board Focus Area or Goal.) Yes. The proposed consulting agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association, Inc. (GMA) will allow GMA to evaluate the City's existing processes and recommend improvements to ensure efficiency, compliance, and best practices.

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 seeks to update its telecommunications and Rights-of-Way (ROW) permitting practices to reflect current infrastructure needs and regulatory standards.

Fiscal Impact: The initial cost to the City for the agreement in the calendar year of execution (anticipated September) is \$3,438.40, prorated based on the effective date. Annual renewal costs will be invoiced each year in advance. Additional costs may apply for optional services selected by the City.

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

Staff Recommendation (Type name, Title, Agency and Phone number.)

Staff recommends approval. Faith Akuta, Economic Development Manager, 470-726-1632