

	CITY OF JONESBORO, GEORGIA COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary	COUNCIL MEETING DATE: September 8, 2026
Requesting Agency (Initiator) Office of Councilman Alfred Dixon		Sponsor(s) Councilman Alfred Dixon
Item Title:	Recognition of Indigenous Peoples' Day - Discussion & Consideration	
Requested Action (Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.) Mayor and Council discussion and direction regarding formal recognition of the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day rather than Columbus Day, including the appropriate resolution, ordinance, or administrative action necessary to implement the observance.		
Requirement for Board Action (Cite specific Council policy, statute or code requirement.)		
Is this Item Goal Related? (If yes, please describe how this Action meets the specific Board Focus Area or Goal.) Yes. This item supports civic education, historical awareness, inclusion, and the City's broader commitment to recognizing and preserving the full history of the community and region.		
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.) It is recommended that Mayor and Council consider formally recognizing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day rather than Columbus Day in the City of Jonesboro. Communities across Georgia and throughout the country, including Atlanta and Clarkston, have already taken steps to recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day in various forms. Jonesboro should not be absent from this conversation. This recognition provides an opportunity to tell a fuller and more complete history. The history of this land did not begin with the establishment of Jonesboro, Clayton County, the State of Georgia, or the United States. Indigenous peoples and cultures were here long before those boundaries and governments existed.		
Fiscal Impact (Include projected cost, approved budget amount and account number, source of funds, and any future funding requirements.) No significant direct fiscal impact is anticipated from the policy discussion or recognition itself. Any costs associated with future educational programming, communications, or implementation would be subject to available appropriations and normal City budget procedures.		
Exhibits Attached (Provide copies of originals, number exhibits consecutively.)		
Staff Recommendation (Type name, Title, Agency and Phone number.)		

FOLLOW-UP APPROVAL ACTION (City Clerk)		
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Signature	City Clerk's Office	