



AGENDA: CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 6, 2020 – Municipal Center – 100 Georgia Avenue, 3rd Floor – 7:00 P.M.

Video of the City Council meeting will be viewable via live-streaming on the City’s Facebook page, “City of North Augusta – Public Information.” We encourage citizens to take advantage of this virtual option in order to comply with the CDC and DHEC guidance to practice social distancing, to limit in-person contact, and to reduce potential exposure to COVID-19. Municipal Center doors will open at 6:55 P.M. for those who plan to attend. Members of the community will be asked to choose their seats at least six feet apart in Council Chambers and to avoid groups larger than three.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Citizens may speak to Mayor and City Council on each item listed on this agenda. The Mayor will call for comments prior to Council’s discussion. Speakers shall give their name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Speaker Forms are provided on the credenza at the entrance to the Council Chambers. Speakers desiring that the minutes indicate that they addressed Council on a specific topic should complete the form. The form will be included as part of the minutes of the meeting. Citizen comments are limited to five minutes.

PODIUM SECURITY: (1) Any person addressing Council may bring paper documents, handouts, etc. to the Podium. If desired, such handouts may be delivered to the City Clerk or if requested, a City staff member will distribute to Council members. (2) If the speaker desires to utilize non-paper items for demonstration purposes, any such items **MUST** be cleared by Public Safety before being taken to the Podium area. (3) Items requiring this clearing by Public Safety would include but not be limited to pocketbooks, briefcases, sacks, boxes, or any similar containers. This requirement would apply whether or not such items are to be utilized in the presentation.

CITIZEN ASSISTANCE: Individuals needing special assistance or sign interpreter to participate in the meeting, please notify the Administration Department 48 hours prior to the meeting.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
3. **ROLL CALL:**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Regular and Study Session Meeting minutes of March 16, 2020

NEW BUSINESS

5. **CITY CODE:** Emergency Ordinance 2020-01 – An Ordinance to be Adopted as a Result of the Declaration by the Governor of a State of Emergency in South Carolina and Providing for a Procedure to Allow the City Council, Planning Commission, Board of Appeals and All Agencies of the City that Conduct Public Meetings to Conduct Such Public Meetings Electronically
6. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**
7. **PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**
 - A. Citizen Comments: At this time, citizens may speak to Mayor and City Council regarding matters not listed on the agenda.
 - B. Council Comments
8. **ADJOURNMENT**



*Thank you for attending tonight's meeting of the North Augusta City Council.
To assure every citizen's privilege to speak to City Council and to maintain proper decorum
the following sections of the City's Code of Ordinances are reprinted.*

Sec. 2-57. Order and decorum generally.

(a) By council members. While the council is in session, the members must preserve order and decorum, and a member shall not, by conversation or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings or the peace of the council, or disturb any member while speaking or refuse to obey the orders of the council or its presiding officer, except as otherwise herein provided.

(b) By other persons. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks or who shall become boisterous while addressing the council shall be forthwith, by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the council, unless permission to continue be granted by a majority vote of the council.

Sec. 2-58. Sergeant-at-arms.

The public safety director or such members of the public safety department as the director may designate, shall be sergeant-at-arms of the council meetings. They shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the presiding officer for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the council meeting. Upon instructions of the presiding officer, it shall be the duty of the sergeant-at-arms, to place any person who violates the order and decorum of the meeting under arrest, and cause such to be prosecuted under the provisions of this Code, the complaint to be signed by the presiding officer.

Sec. 2-62. Addressing council--Permission required; exceptions.

Any person desiring to address the council shall first secure the permission of the presiding officer so to do.

Sec. 2-63. Same--Procedure.

Each person addressing the council shall step up in front of the rail, shall give such person's name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records, and unless further time is granted by the council, shall limit the address to five (5) minutes. All remarks shall be addressed to the council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the council and the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, either directly or through a member of the council, without the permission of the presiding officer. No question shall be asked a council member except through the presiding officer.

Sec. 2-64. Persons authorized to be within rail.

No person, except city officials or their representatives shall be permitted within the rail in front of the council chamber without the express consent of the council.