

North Augusta



South Carolina's Riverfront

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

Briton S. Williams, Mayor

*J. Robert Brooks, Councilmember
Pat C. Carpenter, Councilmember
Jenafer F. McCauley, Councilmember
David W. McGhee, Councilmember
Eric H. Presnell, Councilmember
Kevin W. Toole, Councilmember*

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The regular City Council meeting was streamed for public viewing online at: "City of North Augusta – Public Information" on [www.Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) and "City of North Augusta Public Information" on [www.YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

PUBLIC POWER HOUR

The September 20, 2021 Public Power Hour began at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Mayor Williams, Councilmembers Brooks, Carpenter, McGhee, Presnell, and Toole. Also in attendance were Ricky Jones, Manager of Information Technology, J.D. McCauley, Manager of Human Resources, and Sharon Lamar, City Clerk.

- Carol Henson spoke to Council about street flooding on Bentley Drive.
- Steve Donohue spoke to Council regarding Project Jackson revenue, expenses, bond payments, and Scenario 90. (See Public Power Hour Attachment #1) He spoke about amending the City's noise ordinance to include commercial landscapers on Sunday mornings. (Public Power Hour Attachment #2) He also made suggestions concerning the City's website.

- Tom Kinney informed Council he has contacted Dominion Energy to inspect power lines for trimming overgrown vegetation.
- Gordon Maner, new City resident, expressed his excited for the City's vision and safety. He commended the City for "moving in the right direction."

The Public Power Hour concluded at 5:30 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of North Augusta of September 20, 2021 having been duly publicized was called to order by Mayor Williams at 6:00 p.m. and also streamed online for public viewing at the City Facebook page: "City of North Augusta – Public Information" and City YouTube page: "City of North Augusta Public Information" then adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Per Section 30-4-80, (e) notice of the meeting by email was sent out to the current maintained "Agenda Mailout" list consisting of news media outlets and individuals or companies requesting notification. Notice of the meeting was also posted on the outside doors of the Municipal Center, the main bulletin board of the Municipal Center located on the first floor, and the City of North Augusta website.

Mayor Williams rendered the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were Mayor Williams, Councilmembers Brooks, Carpenter, McGhee, Presnell, and Toole. Councilmember McCauley was absent.

Also in attendance were James S. Clifford, City Administrator; Rachelle Moody, Assistant City Administrator; Kelly F. Zier, City Attorney; Cammie T. Hayes, Chief Financial Officer; Thomas C. Zeaser, Director of Engineering and Public Works; Richard L. Meyer, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism; Ryan Metts, Superintendent of Water & Wastewater Operations; John C. Thomas, Director of Public Safety; Thomas L. Paradise, Director of Planning and Development; J.D. McCauley, Manager of Human Resources; Ricky Jones, Manager of Information Technology and Sharon Lamar, City Clerk.

The minutes of the August 16, 2021 Study Session; minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 16, 2021; the minutes of the August 23, 2021 Special Called Study Session; and the minutes of the September 13, 2021 Study Session were approved by general consent.

ITEM 5. PROCLAMATION: Constitution Week – September 17-23, 2021

Mayor Williams proclaimed September 17-23, 2021 as Constitution Week in the City of North Augusta. Lawren Hammond with the Martintown Road Chapter of the Daughters of American Revolution was in attendance to receive the proclamation.

Please see a copy of the proclamation below:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our Founding Fathers, including South Carolinians, Pierce Butler, Charles Pinckney, John Rutledge, and Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, risked their fortunes, and some even their lives, to secure the blessings of liberty for themselves and their posterity, did ordain and establish a Constitution for the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2021, marks the two hundred and thirty-four anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, the anniversary of the signing of the Constitution provides an historic opportunity for all Americans to learn about and recall the achievements of our Founders, and to reflect on the rights and privileges of citizenship as well as its attendant responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the independence guaranteed to the American people by the Constitution should be celebrated by appropriate ceremonies and activities during Constitution Week, September 17 through 23, 2021, as designated by proclamation of the President of the United States of America in accordance with Public Law 915.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Briton S. Williams, Mayor of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 17 - 23, 2021, as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

in the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, and urge all our citizens to reflect during that week on the many benefits of our Federal Constitution and the privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, to be affixed this 20th day of September, 2021.

ITEM 6. ANNEXATION: Ordinance No. 2021-12 – To Change the Corporate Limits of the City of North Augusta by Accepting the Petition Requesting Annexation by the Landowners and by Annexing ±3.03 Acres of Land Located at 1295 W. Martintown Road and Owned by M.B. Jones Oil Co., Inc.; Ordinance – First Reading

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter Presnell, second of Councilmember McGhee, Council agreed to consider an ordinance on first reading to change the corporate limits of the City of North Augusta by accepting the petition requesting annexation by the landowners and by annexing ±3.03 acres of land located at 1295 W. Martintown Road and Owned by M.B. Jones Oil

Co., Inc. There were no comments from citizens. The first reading of the ordinance was approved with a 6-0 vote of Council.

Please see a copy of the proposed ordinance below:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-12
TO CHANGE THE CORPORATE LIMITS
OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA
BY ACCEPTING THE PETITION REQUESTING ANNEXATION BY THE
LANDOWNERS AND ANNEXING ± 3.03 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED
1295 W. MARTINTOWN ROAD AND OWNED BY
M B JONES OIL CO., INC

WHEREAS, Section 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina provides that: "Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of this section, any area or property which is contiguous to a municipality may be annexed to the municipality by filing with the municipal governing body a petition signed by all persons owning real estate in the area requesting annexation. Upon the agreement of the governing body to accept the petition and annex the area, and the enactment of an ordinance declaring the area annexed to the municipality, the annexation is complete"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, have reviewed the petition of the landowners requesting that their property be annexed into the City and determined that such Petition should be accepted and the property annexed into the City; and

WHEREAS, the zoning classification recommended for the properties proposed for annexation has been reviewed for consistency with the Future Land Use Classification of the properties as specified in the Land Use Element of the North Augusta 2017 Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that:

- I. The Petition of the landowners is accepted and the following described property shall be annexed into the City of North Augusta:

A parcel of land, with all improvements thereon, being in the County of Edgefield containing +/-3.03 acres as shown on plat dated December 10, 1994 and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Edgefield County in Plat Book 35 at Page 383, including all adjacent right-of-way.

Tax Map & Parcel No.: 011-07-01-003

The property to be annexed is also shown on a map identified as "Exhibit A" titled "Map of Property Sought to be Annexed to the City of North Augusta" prepared by the City of North Augusta.

- II. The zoning classification shall be GC, General Commercial, as shown on a map identified as "Exhibit B" titled "General Commercial Zoning of Property Sought to be Annexed to the City of North Augusta.

The signage on the parcel in conflict with existing City of North Augusta Development Code are non-conforming signs and subject to the provisions of Section 13.2.5 of the North Augusta Development Code.

- III. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.
- IV. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption on second and final reading.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

ITEM 7. ZONING: Ordinance No. 2021-13 – To Amend the Zoning Map of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina by Rezoning ±7.25 Acres of Property Owned by S & H Enterprises, Aiken County Tax Parcel #013-20-03-004, from IND, Industrial, to TC, Thoroughfare Commercial; Ordinance – First Reading

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, second of Councilmember Toole, Council agreed to consider an ordinance on first reading to amend the zoning map of the City of North Augusta by rezoning ±7.25 acres of land owned by S & H Enterprises, Aiken County Tax Parcel #013-20-03-004, from IND, Industrial, to TC, Thoroughfare Commercial. There were no citizen comments. The first reading of the ordinance was approved with a 6-0 vote of Council.

Please see a copy of the proposed ordinance below:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-13
TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA,
SOUTH CAROLINA BY REZONING ± 7.25 ACRES OF LAND
OWNED BY S & H ENTERPRISES, AIKEN COUNTY TAX PARCEL #013-20-03-004,
FROM IND, INDUSTRIAL, TO TC, THOROUGHFARE COMMERCIAL.

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2007, by Ordinance 2007-22, the North Augusta City Council adopted the North Augusta Development Code and a citywide Zoning Map which is consistent with the City's North Augusta 2017 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.3, North Augusta Development Code, the North Augusta Planning Commission may recommend amendments to the Zoning Map, provided such amendments are consistent with the City's North Augusta 2017 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the North Augusta Planning Commission, following an August 19, 2021 public hearing, reviewed and considered a request by S & H Enterprises, to amend the Official Zoning Map of North Augusta from Industrial (IND) to Thoroughfare Commercial (TC). The staff report and results of this hearing have been provided to City Council.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF, THAT:

- I. A parcel consisting of ± 7.25 acres owned by S & H Enterprises, is hereby rezoned from IND, Industrial to TC, Thoroughfare Commercial. Said property is Aiken County tax map parcel # 013-20-03-004 and specifically identified on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
- II. The Official Zoning Map for the City of North Augusta is hereby amended to reflect this rezoning.
- III. All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.
- IV. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption on second and final reading.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

ITEM 8. ZONING: Ordinance No. 2021-14 –To Amend the Zoning Map of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina by Rezoning ± 4.45 Acres of Land Owned by the City of North Augusta, Aiken County Tax Parcels #007-07-06-003, 007-07-06-004, and 007-07-06-005 from GC, General Commercial and R-14, Large Lot Single-Family, to P, Public Use; Ordinance – First Reading

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember McGhee, Council agreed to consider an ordinance on first reading to amend the zoning map of the City of North Augusta by rezoning ± 4.45 acres of land owned by the City of North Augusta, Aiken County tax parcels #007-07-06-003, 007-07-06-004, and 007-07-06-005 from GC, General Commercial and R-14, Large Lot Single Family, to P, Public Use. Mayor Williams thanked citizens for their attendance at the evening's meeting. He said this is the fourth opportunity for citizens to offer their opinions

about the placement of the Public Safety Headquarters. The following citizens provided comments:

- Fred Ilardi
- Joe Holt
- James Adams (See attached Speaker Form)
- Sharon Reed
- Mike Reed
- Nancy Gage (See attached Speaker Form and letter from Bill Scott)
- Mike Hitchler (See attached Speaker Form)
- Steven Bryant (See attached Speaker Form)

Council followed with each councilmember stating their thoughts and conclusions for the placement of the Public Safety Headquarters at the Georgia Avenue site.

Council unanimously approved the first reading of the ordinance with a 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed ordinance below:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-14

TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA BY REZONING ± 4.45 ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, AIKEN COUNTY TAX PARCEL # 007-07-06-003, 007-07-06-004, AND 007-07-06-005 FROM GC, GENERAL COMMERCIAL AND R-14 LARGE LOT SINGLE-FAMILY TO P, PUBLIC USE

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2007, by Ordinance 2007-22, the North Augusta City Council adopted the North Augusta Development Code and a citywide Zoning Map which is consistent with the City's North Augusta 2017 Comprehensive Plan; AND,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.3.3.1, North Augusta Development Code [NADC] any property owner, City Board, Commission, or the City Council may apply for a change in Zoning district boundaries; AND,

WHEREAS, the City Administrator pursuant to resolution of Council, Resolution 2021-34, was instructed to apply for a rezoning of the property that is the subject of this ordinance; AND,

WHEREAS, such application was made and the requirements of Section 5.3.3 [NADC] requiring that such proposed change and zoning shall first be submitted to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation was complied with; AND,

WHEREAS, the North Augusta Planning Commission, in accordance with Section 5.3.3 [NADC] held a public hearing and considered such request at its meeting on September 16, 2021, such request being that the ± 4.45 acres as identified in the application be rezoned to Public

use [P] and the written report of the Planning Commission related to the request has been issued by the Planning Commission and provided to the City Council; AND,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council following receipt of the report from the Planning Commission have considered the request and made a determination that it is appropriate and in the best interest of the City that such zoning request be approved.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF, THAT:

- I. A parcel consisting of ±4.45 acres owned by City of North Augusta, is hereby rezoned from GC, General Commercial and R-14 (Large Lot Single-Family) to P, Public Use. Said property is Aiken County tax map parcel # 007-07-06-003, 007-07-06-004, and 007-07-06-005 and specifically identified on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
- II. The Official Zoning Map for the City of North Augusta is hereby amended to reflect this rezoning.
- III. All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.
- IV. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption on second and final reading.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

ITEM 9. FINANCE: Resolution No. 2021-35 – Designating an Authorized Representative and Contact Person for Purposes of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter Toole, second of Councilmember Carpenter, Council agreed to consider a resolution to designate an authorized representative and contact person for purposes of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. There were no comments from citizens. Council unanimously approved the resolution with a 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-35
DESIGNATING AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AND CONTACT PERSON
FOR PURPOSES OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) appropriates \$19.53 billion to States for distribution to nonentitlement units of local government (NEUs), which are local governments typically serving a population under 50,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta, South Carolina (the Municipality), is an NEU for purposes of ARPA and expects to receive funding pursuant to the ARPA appropriation; and

WHEREAS, ARPA requires that the Municipality designate an Authorized Representative to approve and sign documents, make certifications required by ARPA, and otherwise act as the Municipality's designated and lawfully appointed agent for purposes of ARPA; and

WHEREAS, ARPA further requires that the Municipality designate a Contact Person to receive official communications and notice related to ARPA; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. James S. Clifford, the City Administrator of the Municipality, is hereby designated as the Municipality's Authorized Representative pursuant to ARPA. The Authorized Representative is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary (including without limitation to sign documents, make certifications, make regular reports to council and otherwise act on behalf of the Municipality) to receive and expend funds pursuant to an appropriation by council and ARPA rules. The Authorized Representative's contact information is:

James S. Clifford
City Administrator
100 Georgia Avenue, North Augusta, South Carolina 29841
P.O. Box 6400, North Augusta, South Carolina 29861
(803) 441-4202
jclifford@northaugusta.net

Section 2. Cammie T. Hayes, the Chief Financial Officer of the Municipality, is hereby designated as the Municipality's Contact Person pursuant to ARPA. The Contact Person's contact information is:

Cammie T. Hayes
Chief Financial Officer
100 Georgia Avenue, North Augusta, South Carolina 29841
P.O. Box 6400, North Augusta, South Carolina 29861
(803) 441-4202
chayes@northaugusta.net

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

ITEM 10. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Resolution No. 2021-36 – Authorizing the City of North Augusta to Enter into a Full-Service Contract for Audio/Visual Equipment for Public Meetings

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember Brooks, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing the City of enter into a full-service contract for audio/visual equipment for public meetings. There were no comments from citizens. Council unanimously approved the resolution with a 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-36
AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA TO ENTER INTO A FULL-SERVICE CONTRACT FOR AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta desires to retain the services of Gattis Pro Audio to provide services related to installation of new audio/visual (A/V) equipment in the council chambers; and

WHEREAS, three (3) firms responded to a "Request for Proposals" and proposals were reviewed and scored by a committee of City staff; and

WHEREAS, based upon the ranking of the proposals, it has been determined that Gattis Pro Audio was the preferred contractor; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that:

1. The City Administrator is authorized to execute such documents as necessary to enter into a full-service contract with Gattis Pro Audio for new A/V equipment for public meetings.
2. The project shall be funded by the Capital Projects Fund and not to exceed \$40,000 as allocated in the FY21 budget.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS ____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021.

ITEM 11. COMMUNITY PROMOTION: Resolution No. 2021-37 – A Resolution to Authorize Funding for Downtown Streetscape Amenities

On the motion of Councilmember Presnell, second of Councilmember Carpenter, Council agreed to consider a resolution to authorize funding for Downtown streetscape amenities. There were no comments from citizens. Council unanimously approved the resolution with a 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-37
A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING FOR
DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE AMENITIES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have been presented a strategic plan by North Augusta Forward related to the Main Street Program for the City of North Augusta; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have expressed prioritizing funding for downtown streetscape amenities as part of this program; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have determined that a reimbursable community grant contribution to North Augusta Forward in support of the Main Street Program is in the best interest of the City to improve upon the amenities available in the downtown area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that:

1. The Mayor and City Council do hereby authorize initial funding for downtown streetscape amenities, specifically sanitation receptacles and benches, not to exceed \$25,000 in the Capital Projects Fund.
2. The City Administrator is hereby authorized to work with North Augusta Forward to finalize a memorandum of understanding with the City for Council's consideration related to the specifics of the amenities to include ownership, maintenance, replacement and funding plan.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021

ITEM 12. PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM: Resolution No. 2021-38 – Authorizing the Design of the Riverside Village Boat Dock

On the motion of Mayor Williams, second of Councilmember McGhee, Council agreed with a vote of 6-0 to table a resolution authorizing the design of the Riverside Village Boat Dock. There was no comments or discussion.

Please see a copy of the tabled resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-38
AUTHORIZING THE DESIGN OF

RIVERSIDE VILLAGE BOAT DOCK

WHEREAS, on February 19, 1996, with the passage of resolution 96-06, the City of North Augusta adopted the Master Plan for the North Augusta Riverfront Redevelopment District, dated February 8, 1996, with the Plan to serve as a guide for the progressive and orderly development of the North Augusta Riverfront Redevelopment District and Central Core District; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 1996, with the passage of resolution 96-25, the City selected Cranston, Robertson & Whitehurst, PC, as the City's engineering consultant for Riverfront/Central Core projects.

WHEREAS, The City of North Augusta desires to construct a floating boat dock on the Savannah River located in Riverside Village near SRP Park and the Sharon Jones amphitheater.

WHEREAS, The City of North Augusta has been awarded a \$100,000 Aiken County Water Craft tax funds grant to construct a boat dock on the Savannah River.

WHEREAS, Typically South Carolina DNR would undertake the drawings for boat dock projects on the river but with their current workload they did not want to hold the project up and recommended engineering services through Jim Cranford of Cranston Engineering.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council for the City of North Augusta in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that Cranston Engineering is hereby authorized to proceed with engineering and landscape architectural services for the construction of the Riverside Village Boat Dock. The scope of work and costs associated therewith are attached hereto.

Conceptual Design	\$3,500
Civil/Landscape Design	\$15,000
Permitting	\$11,000
Survey	\$5,000
Electrical Engineering	\$10,000
Structural Engineering Design Fee	\$11,305
Structural Construction Fee	\$4,405
Geotechnical Services	\$26,840
TOTAL:	\$77,060

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Administrator is authorized to execute an agreement with Cranston Engineering for the design of the Riverside Village Boat Dock, to make payment requests, and to sign all other documents related thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds for this project shall come from the Capital Projects Fund and be reimbursed through the Aiken County, South Carolina Water Craft tax funds.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021.

ITEM 13. ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS: Resolution No. 2021-39 – Authorizing a Professional Engineering Services Contract for the Greenway at Cypress Drive Culvert Replacement

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, second of Councilmember Presnell, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing a professional engineering services contract for the Greenway at Cypress Drive culvert replacement. There were no comments from citizens. Council unanimously approved the resolution with a 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-39
AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE GREENWAY AT CYPRESS DRIVE CULVERT REPLACEMENT

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta (City) recently discovered a partial collapse of the storm culvert crossing under the Greenway near Cypress Drive; and

WHEREAS, a preliminary study has resulted in the recommendation that the existing culvert be abandoned and a new pipe be installed; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution No. 2016-35, the City entered into an on-call professional engineering services contract for storm drainage capital projects with Alfred Benesch & Company (F.K.A. W.R. Toole Engineers, Inc.); and

WHEREAS, Benesch has previously provided design services for other Greenway culvert repair/replacement and is very familiar with the unique conditions and challenges related thereto; and

WHEREAS, Benesch has submitted a Scope of Services and Fee Proposal in the amount of \$42,900.00 to perform all necessary engineering design for the culvert replacement, including plan preparation, bid-phase services, and construction administration; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Engineering & Public Works recommends that issuance of a Work Authorization to Alfred Benesch & Company to be in the best interest of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that, Alfred Benesch & Company shall be authorized to perform Professional Engineering Services for the Greenway at Cypress Drive Culvert Replacement for the amount of \$42,900.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding for this Work Authorization shall be from the Stormwater Utility Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE City Administrator is authorized to execute any documents required for the entering into of this contract.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

ITEM 14. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Resolution No. 2021-40 – A Resolution to Provide a Local Match for a Municipal Association of South Carolina Hometown Economic Development Grant

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, second of Councilmember Toole, Council agreed to consider a resolution to provide a local match for a Municipal Association of South Carolina Hometown Economic Development Grant. There were no comments from citizens. Council unanimously approved the resolution with a 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-40
A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE A LOCAL MATCH FOR A
MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
HOMETOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

WHEREAS, the Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC), offers Hometown Economic Development Grants to South Carolina cities and towns to implement economic development projects; and

WHEREAS, grant projects shall make a positive impact on the quality of life for community residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta seeks to request funding for vibrancy enhancements to downtown North Augusta; and

WHEREAS, examples of vibrancy enhancements include new murals, public art, signage and overall enhancement of outdoor areas.

WHEREAS, receipt of this grant would benefit the City, downtown-area businesses and visitors of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that:

1. Staff shall submit a grant application for \$25,000 for a Hometown Economic Development Grant on or before September 24, 2021.
2. The Mayor and Council of North Augusta commit to provide a local cash/in-kind match of \$3,750, which equals the minimum 15% match required by the Municipal Association of South Carolina, from the FY21 Administration budget.
3. Grant and matching funds shall be used for vibrancy enhancements to downtown North Augusta.
4. The North Augusta procurement policy will be followed when securing all services and products with funds awarded from a Hometown Economic Development Grant.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021.

ITEM 15. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

There were no administrative reports.

ITEM 16. PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

A. Citizen Comments:

Steven Bryant
Fred Ilardi

B. Council Comments:

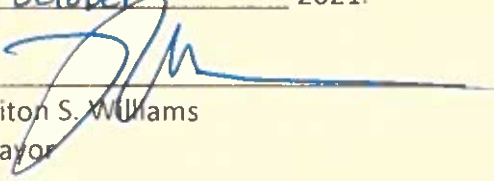
Mayor Williams offered the following comments-

- Council expresses its sympathy to Councilmember Jenafer McCauley and her family in the loss of her father.
- Mayor Williams signed a Proclamation of Emergency today to allow boards and commissions to meet virtually due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. City Council will continue to meet in person at this time.
- He reminded citizens who wish to be involved in the City's work to complete the online Citizen Involvement Form.
- The mayor stated the City has canceled this year's Jack O'Lantern Jubilee. Public Safety is sponsoring an outdoor Trunk or Treat event. Other local fall events are sponsored by private organizations.
- Finally, he thanked the volunteers who came out and supported the first "Trash Bash at the Border" on Saturday, September 19.


ITEM 17. ADJOURNMENT

The regular City Council meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF
October 2021.


Briton S. Williams
Mayor

Respectfully submitted,


Sharon Lamar
City Clerk

Proposed Addition to North Augusta's Noise Ordinance

To Amend ARTICLE III – NOISE

Section 12-21. Noise

(c) The following acts, among others, are declared to be nuisances in violation of this section, but such enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive:

(16) Commercial Landscaping; Noise associated with routine property maintenance by a landscaping business used either in part or in whole for residential purposes that takes place between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. the following day and between 8 p.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. the following Monday. This restriction does not apply during the period commencing 10 days before the first Monday of Masters Golf Tournament week.

SPEAKER FORM

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 9-20-21

THIS FORM WILL BE ATTACHED TO THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

NAME: JAMES ADAMS

AGENDA ITEM/TOPIC: Item #8 - Dog waste 2021-22

PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF YOUR COMMENTS TO COUNCIL.

(For example: I support the resolution because ...)

SUMMARY Oppose BECAUSE of SOLID WASTE, AS
INAPPROPRIATE FOR USE AS PUBLIC SOLID WASTE

SPEAKER FORM

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: Sept 20, 2021

THIS FORM WILL BE ATTACHED TO THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

NAME: Nancy Gace

AGENDA ITEM/TOPIC: Speaking on behalf of Bruce Scott
1401 Observatory Ave. NA SC

PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF YOUR COMMENTS TO COUNCIL.

(For example: I support the resolution because ...)

SUMMARY _____

September 9, 2021

To the City Council of North Augusta, S. C.

Due to the illness of my wife, I am not able to attend the meeting.

I do want to go on record as opposing the Public Safety Building on the Flythe property.

In 1984, I built my house next to the property of Mr. and Mrs. Flythe. I never dreamed that anyone would ever think of putting a public safety building there, since it was an established older neighborhood.

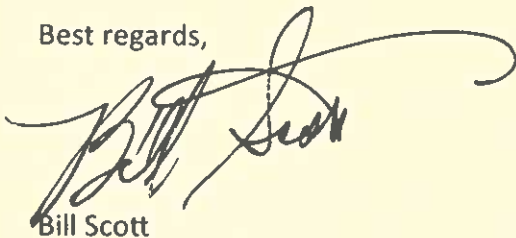
There are numerous reasons for not building on this property:

1. Rezoning change in an established neighborhood
2. A blind curve – Lights will not prevent accidents
3. Destroying the peace of our neighborhood
4. The fact that this is the last piece of historic land in the city and is connected to the founders of North Augusta. Once it is gone, it can never be replaced.
5. If you think about it, it is an odd place to put a public safety building. No matter how you dress it up.
6. When you destroy your history, you destroy your roots. This is happening all over America, and I plead with you not to let it happen here!

In closing, I want to say that I fully support the police department. I do not think there is a better department anywhere in the country! They deserve a new building, but not on the Flythe property.

I want to thank all of you for giving your time to help our city.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bill Scott', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Bill Scott

1401 Observatory Avenue

North Augusta, SC 29841

Agenda Item 8

SPEAKER FORM

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 9/20/2021

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NAME: MIKE HITEHLER 1300 Georgia Ave N August

AGENDA ITEM/TOPIC: POLICE STATION

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SUMMARY

I support the resolution as long as ^{the} the building design is compatible with the neighborhood architecture, overlay requirements are met where possible and a design effort to minimize additional traffic on Observatory and Dattler Aves, such as using the current curb cuts on Georgia Ave for entrance and exit.

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SPEAKER FORM

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 20 SEP 21

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NAME: STEVEN BRYANT

AGENDA ITEM/TOPIC: SEVEN CABLES REZONING No 2021-14

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SUMMARY NOT IN FAVOR
CAN EMAIL COMMENTS TO S. LAMAR IF DESIRED (3016183740)

