

North Augusta



South Carolina's Riverfront

MINUTES OF JANUARY 11, 2022

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

SPECIAL CALLED VIRTUAL MEETING

The Special Called virtual meeting of the City Council of the City of North Augusta of January 11, 2022 having been duly publicized was called to order by Mayor Williams at 12:00 p.m. and also streamed online for public viewing at "City of North Augusta – Public Information" on [www.Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) and on the City YouTube page: "City of North Augusta Public Information" then adjourned at 12:09 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.

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; Cammie T. Hayes, Chief Financial Officer; John C. Thomas, Director of Public

Safety; J.D. McCauley, Manager of Human Resources; Ricky L. Jones, Manager of Information Technology, and Sharon Lamar, City Clerk.

ITEM 1. PUBLIC SAFETY: Resolution No. 2022-04 – Accepting a School Resource Officer Program Grant from the State of South Carolina Department of Public Safety Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs and Authorizing Advancement of Funds for Reimbursement Expenditures Related Thereto

On the motion of Councilmember McGhee, second of Councilmember Carpenter, Council agreed to consider a resolution accepting a School Resource Officer Program Grant from the State of South Carolina Department of Public Safety Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs and authorizing advancement of funds for reimbursement expenditures related thereto. John Thomas, Director of Public Safety, commented with the acceptance of this grant award, both Paul Knox Middle School and North Augusta Middle School will each have assigned full-time School Resource Officers. Currently the two schools share one officer. There were no comments from citizens. Council approved the resolution with a 6-0 vote. Councilmember McCauley was absent.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below:

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-04
ACCEPTING A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND JUSTICE PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZING ADVANCEMENT OF FUNDS FOR REIMBURSABLE EXPENDITURES RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program is authorized by the South Carolina Appropriation Act (Act) which provides that state funds appropriated for SROs in the Act shall be utilized for the purpose of hiring certified law enforcement officers to serve as a SRO for school districts; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta (City) applied for and was awarded a State SRO Program Grant from the South Carolina Department of Public Safety Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs (OHSJP) to provide for an additional SRO to one of the City's two middle schools which will allow both middle schools to have one full time SRO each; and

WHEREAS, the grant budget for 01/01/2022-6/30/2022 includes reimbursement for personnel salaries, travel, vehicle and related equipment, uniforms, and other related accessories totaling \$110,268; and

WHEREAS, there is no match requirement from the City for this program and it is anticipated that the City will continue to apply on an annual basis for the SRO program grant for

the fiscal year periods July 1st through June 30th to maintain a full time SRO at each middle school in the City.

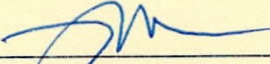
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that the City Administrator and Chief for the Department of Public Safety are authorized to execute any and all documents required by OHSJP for the purpose of accepting such grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that reimbursable expenditures as identified in the grant budget are authorized to be advanced from the Department of Public Safety's operating budget in the General Fund with grant proceeds to be deposited into the General Fund grant revenue account.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

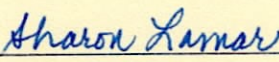
The Special Called Virtual City Council meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF
February 2022.



Briton S. Williams
Mayor

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Lamar
City Clerk